

## A-Level Geography

### Curriculum content

		Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2	Winter term 1	Winter term 2	Spring Term 1	Spring term 2	Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2
Year 12	Physical Geography	Paper 1: Tectonic Processes and Hazards			Paper 1: Coastal Landscapes and Change Mock exam			Coursework (non-examined assessment)	
	Human Geography	Paper 2: Globalisation			Paper 2: Regenerating Places Mock exam			Coursework (non-examined assessment)	
Year 13	Physical Geography	Paper 1: The Water Cycle and Water Insecurity			Paper 1: The Carbon Cycle and Carbon Insecurity Mock exam			Paper 3: Synopticity Revision	
	Human Geography	Paper 2: Superpowers			Paper 2: Health, human rights and intervention Mock exam			Paper 3: Synopticity Revision	

### Skills

The skills developed throughout the course include:

- recalling detailed information accurately
- drawing together information from different areas of Geography
- applying knowledge and understanding of human and physical processes, concepts, theories and issues in practical and theoretical contexts
- constructing, analysing and evaluating a range of data presentation techniques including statistical analysis
- apply knowledge and understanding of geographical information/ideas to make supported judgements about the significance of factors leading to a balanced and coherent argument
- maintaining a sustained line of reasoning, leading to a reasoned conclusion
- communicating with relevance, clarity and coherence
- Undertaking geographical enquiry which incorporates fieldwork data and secondary research as well as independent analysis and evaluation of data, presentation of data findings and extended writing.

## Assessment

Internal assessment takes place in each unit of work throughout the course, and in line with the school's assessment policy. For the award of the qualification, this linear A level from Edexcel is examined by examination at the end of Year 13 with 20% of the grade coming from the coursework element.

Paper 1	Paper 2	Paper 3	NEA
30%	30%	20%	20%
2 hours 15	2 hours 15	2 hours 15	N/A
105 marks	105 marks	70	70
<u>Section A</u> : Tectonics (16 marks) <u>Section B</u> : Coasts (40 marks) <u>Section C</u> : Water and Carbon (49 marks)	<u>Section A</u> : Globalisation and superpowers (32 marks) <u>Section B</u> : Regeneration (35 marks) <u>Section C</u> : Health (38 marks marks)	All questions draw on knowledge and understanding from compulsory* content from different parts of the course.	The student defines a question or issue for investigation, relating to the compulsory or optional content. The topic may relate to any aspect of geography contained within the specification.
Short form, 12-mark and 20-mark extended writing questions	Short form, 12-mark and 20-mark extended writing questions	8-mark, 18-mark and 24-mark extended writing questions	3000-4000 word written report

\*The compulsory content is contained in tectonics, water, carbon, globalisation and superpowers.

Further details about the course can be found at <https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/geography-2016.html>