



Geography *Curriculum Intent*



The iGCSE Geography course provides students with a broad understanding of physical and human geography through engaging topics and practical skills. In Year 10, learners explore key physical processes and landforms in units such as Rivers and Coasts, followed by tectonic hazards in Earthquakes and Volcanoes. The course continues with Weather, Climate, and Ecosystems, where students learn how to gather and interpret data, and investigate global biomes. Human geography themes such as Population and Migration help students understand demographic changes and their impacts. In Year 11, students build on this foundation with topics like Urban Environments, Economic Development, and Globalisation, culminating in revision and exam preparation to consolidate knowledge and skills. This qualification offers varied assessment opportunities, allowing students to exhibit their knowledge through examination and coursework. The coursework elements develop fieldwork and analytical skills, including data collection, methodology writing, and evaluations. Through this subject we aim to encourage students to understand their role in society, by considering different viewpoints, values and attitudes.

Qualification:

Cambridge iGCSE Geography (0976) Levels 1-9

Qualification specification link: <https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/Images/664647-2025-2026-syllabus.pdf>

Content

The syllabus is divided into three themes:

Theme 1: Population and settlement

- Migration
- Natural population growth
- Urbanisation

Theme 2: The natural environment

- Coasts
- Rivers
- Earthquakes and volcanoes
- Weather and climate
- Vegetation and ecosystems

Theme 3: Economic development

- Development
- Food
- Industry

- Tourism
- Energy
- Water

Assessment

Three written examinations:

Paper 1: Geographical Themes (1hour 45min) 45% of grade

Paper 2: Geographical Skills (1 hour 30min) 27.5% of grade

Paper 3: Coursework (up to 2000 words) 27.5%

Students must complete one coursework assignment, set by teachers, of up to 2000 words.

Coursework assignments may be based on physical geography or human geography or on an interaction between physical and human geography. Coursework must be clearly related to one or more of the subject themes.

Supporting Textbook:

Textbook recommendation: Cambridge IGCSE and O Level Geography Study and Revision

Guide revised edition: Hodder Education Group (2019)

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