



# Geography

## Why you should follow this course

Geography is the study of relationships between people and the earth. This course looks at current events and issues and their impact on the environment. It is hoped you will realise the importance of decision making within Geography, and by studying Geography it will help you develop an awareness of the ethnic, cultural, economic and political diversity of human society.

**Studying GEOGRAPHY gives you the opportunity to travel the world via the classroom...where will geography take you?**

## What will you cover during the course?

There will always be a balance of human and physical Geography. There is also a strong emphasis on field trips which includes a visit to a large city to study urban issues and a visit to a physical environment within Cumbria. There will also be a one week field trip to a Field Studies Centre at the end of Year 12.



## How will the course be assessed?

A Level Examination: Summer 2021		
<b>Comp 1</b>	Written exam: multiple choice, short answers and 20 mark extended questions. <i>2 hours 30 mins</i>	120 marks 40% of A Level
<b>Comp 2</b>	Written exam: Written exam: multiple choice, short answers and 20 mark extended questions. <i>2 hours 30 mins</i>	120 marks 40% of A Level
<b>Comp 3</b>	Investigation 3,000 –4,000 words Marked by your teachers and moderated by AQA	60 marks 20% of A Level

**For further information or advice please contact any member of the Geography Department.**

**Examination Board: AQA  
Qualification: A Level**

## A LEVEL COURSE COMPONENTS

### 1: PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY, People & the Environment

**Section A:** Water and carbon cycles

**Section B:** EITHER hot desert environments and their margins or coastal systems and landscapes, or cold environments – Glacial systems and landscapes

**Section C:** EITHER hazards or ecosystems under stress

### 2: HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

**Section A:** Global systems and global governance

**Section B:** Changing places

**Section C:** EITHER contemporary urban issues or population and the environment or resource security.

### 3: GEOGRAPHICAL INVESTIGATION

You will complete an individual investigation which **must include data collected in the field**. The individual investigation must be based on a question or issue relating to any part of the A level course content.

## What can you do when you have your qualification?

This is a very good and well respected academic A Level. The skills and information are very valuable to many future careers especially Law, Journalism, Publishing, Management or any other career which involves working with people such as Teaching, Nursing or Social Work. This is in addition to other more directly related areas such as Surveying, Geology, Economics, Planning, Geographical Information Systems, Environmental work, Oceanography and Marine Biology.

