

A LEVEL EDEXCEL 9GEO	GEOGRAPHY
SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS	Grade 5 or above if studied at GCSE. A student who has not studied geography at GCSE requires grade 5 or above in GCSE English <b>plus</b> grade 5 or above in a science at GCSE level, as well as having a genuine interest in the subject.
COURSE CONTENT	This course appeals to those who found the subject interesting at GCSE and are looking for the challenge of studying at a higher level. The course delivers cutting edge ideas in an engaging way. It prepares students well for higher level study.
	Physical geography We study some of the key factors shaping our planet such as coastal processes, natural hazards and our relationship with water and carbon.
	Human geography We look at issues that face people of the world today by studying topics such as regeneration, superpowers and global health.
	Fieldwork This is an essential and interesting part of the subject. Fieldwork to Newcastle and the North East Coast, as well as visiting central Keswick and the West Coast, enable academic theory taught in lessons to be applied to the real world. Students will also choose their own topics in order to complete the NEA. This develops transferable skills such as: teamwork, problem solving, organisation, data handling, report writing and leadership.
EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS	All work is assessed by exams apart from the individual investigation (NEA). This coursework is submitted as a document and is worth 20% of the full A-Level qualification.
SKILLS, LINKS AND PROGRESSION	Geography forms a bridge between the sciences and the arts. Degrees in geography are academically challenging and very well respected. They can open the door to a wide range of careers or specialist study. Geographers have an increased awareness of the world and an understanding of people that is valued by many sectors such as commerce, industry, transport, tourism and public sectors. Good powers of analysis, numeracy and report writing are developed.
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