



THE
WORTHGATE SCHOOL
CANTERBURY

COURSE DESCRIPTOR

IGCSE GEOGRAPHY

SUBJECT OVERVIEW

There has never been a better nor more important time to study Geography. With growing interest in issues such as climate change, migration, environmental degradation and social cohesion, Geography is one of the most relevant courses that you could choose to study. Geography will provide you with transferrable knowledge and skills that will reward you personally and advance you professionally.

PRIOR LEARNING REQUIRED

An interest in the natural and social environment.

EXAM BOARD

Edexcel

COURSE CONTENT

Year 1	Year 2
Topic 1 – River environments	Topic 4 – Economic activity and energy
Topic 2 – Coastal environments	Topic 5 – Rural environments
Topic 3 – Hazardous environments	Topic 6 – Urban environments

ASSESSMENT

Formal internal assessments take place once every half term and homework is set on a regular basis. Grades are determined by final examinations, which take place in May/June at the end of the 2-year course. An end of year exam must be passed for entry to year 2 and a mock exam must be passed for entry into the public exams.

Paper	Length of paper	Weighting
1. Physical Geography	70 marks 1 hour 10 minutes written paper	40% of the qualification
2. Human Geography	105 marks 1 hour 45 minutes written paper	60% of the qualification

TEXTBOOKS/REVISION GUIDES

Title	ISBN	Author
Pearson Edexcel International GCSE (9-1) Geography	978-0435185442	Michael Witherick

Summaries of each unit, your notes and past examination papers will be your major source of revision.

CURRICULUM DIRECTOR

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