

Curriculum information for Geography Year 10

Which exam board and course are used?	AQA
What curriculum topics are being covered this year?	Development, Nigeria, Climate Change, Urban Issues & Challenges, Coasts, UK Urban Change & Human Fieldwork.
How many exams have students got and what is covered in each one?	Students will have one formal assessment at the end of each topic during Year 10. Additionally, practice past-paper questions will be embedded throughout each topic to be completed either during lessons or as homework activities. Students will sit a mock exam at the end of Yr10 and then further mocks in December and March of Yr11. At the end of Year 11 pupils will sit 3 exams, one physical, one human and one on fieldwork and decision making.
What should students be focusing on?	Students should be focusing on learning the key content and practicing their geographical skills such as describing, explaining, assessing, evaluating and map-skills. Specific case-study content is crucial to success. This should be revised periodically.
What is the best way for parents to support students in this subject?	• Talk and ask them what they have been learning about. • Encourage them to watch any geographical documentaries. • Watch the news or follow a news App. • Encourage them to revise for assessments and key geographical terminology. • Encourage them to check-out the Yr10 revision group they are a member of on Microsoft Teams. • Ensure they're doing their weekly SENECA homework.
What websites and resources would be helpful? What wider reading would be helpful? Where can I get resources?	• Timeforgeography. This is a fantastic website which allows students to revise their understanding of physical and human processes. https://timeforgeography.co.uk/# . • The BBC bitesize Geography website is also really good and specific to the AQA course https://www.bbc.com/education/examspecs/zy3ptyc • Seneca. Useful for revision and testing subject knowledge. • Buy a GCSE revision guide – the CGP ones are fantastic (make sure you get the AQA one) – these are available at WH Smiths, Waterstones, Amazon etc. • Students will be given a knowledge organiser that contains a summary of the course which can be used for revising. • Use the Yr10 revision group on Microsoft Teams. • Use SENECA to revise specific topics and complete homework.
Have previous students got any tips or advice for this subject?	Attend revision sessions. Pay attention on the fieldtrip. Buy a revision guide early. Ask your teacher if you're unsure – they are there to help you. Know your case studies. Complete all SENECA homework – the repetition helps!