

National curriculum or specification coverage

AQA A-Level Geography specification develops understanding of how physical and human systems interact across different scales and places. In year 12, students study physical geography topics such as the water and carbon cycles and hazard, alongside human geography topics including changing places. The course emphasises key geographical concepts such as systems, processes, sustainability, inequality, risk, and interdependence, while developing skills in data analysis, map interpretation, statistical techniques, GIS, and independent fieldwork. Throughout the specification, students are expected to apply knowledge to real-world case studies, evaluate different viewpoints and management strategies, and explain how natural and human processes shape environments, societies, and economies at local, national, and global scales.

Date	Exams/ Assessments	Learning Intentions	Core Task/Assessments
31/08/26		3.1.1 Water and carbon cycles	Core task 1. (Data response questions) Analyse figure X [6]
07/09/26		3.1.1.1 Water and carbon cycles as natural systems	
14/09/26		3.2.2 Changing places	
21/09/26		3.2.2.1 The nature and importance of places	
28/09/26		3.1.5 Hazards	
05/10/26		3.1.5.1 The concept of hazard in a geographical context	
12/10/26		3.1.5.2 Plate tectonics	
19/10/26			
26/10/26		HALF TERM	
02/11/26		3.1.1 Water and carbon cycles	Core task 2. PPE 1

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09/11/26		3.1.1.2 The water cycle	Hazards 4 +6 marker Water and Carbon 4 + 6 marker Changing places 4 + 6 marker [37.5 minutes in total]
16/11/26	Y12		
23/11/26	Y12	3.2.2 Changing places	
30/11/26		3.2.2.2 Changing places – relationships, connections, meaning and representation	
07/12/26		3.1.5 Hazards	
14/12/26		3.1.5.3 Volcanic hazards	
21/12/26	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY		
28/12/26			
04/01/27		3.1.1 Water and carbon cycles	Core task 3. (Data response questions) Analyse figure X [6]
11/01/27		3.1.1.3 The carbon cycle	
18/01/27			
25/01/27		3.2.2 Changing places	
01/02/27		3.2.2.2.1 Relationships and connections	
08/02/27		3.1.5 Hazards	
		3.1.5.4 Seismic hazards	
15/02/27	HALF TERM		
22/02/27		3.1.1 Water and carbon cycles	Core task 4. (Data response questions) Analyse figure X [6]
01/03/27		3.1.1.4 Water, carbon, climate and life on Earth	
08/03/27			
15/03/27		3.2.2 Changing places	
		3.2.2.2.2 Meaning and representation	
22/03/27		3.1.5 Hazards	
		3.1.5.5 Storm hazards	
29/03/27	SPRING BREAK		
05/04/27			
12/04/27		3.1.1 Water and carbon cycles	Core task 5. PPE 2 2 hour 30 minutes..
19/04/27	Y12	3.1.1.5 Quantitative and qualitative skills	
26/04/27		3.1.1.6 Case studies	
03/05/27			
10/05/27		3.2.2 Changing places	
17/05/27		3.2.2.3 Quantitative and qualitative skills	
		3.2.2.4 Place studies	
24/05/27			



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		3.1.5 Hazards 3.1.5.6 Fires in nature 3.1.5.7 Case studies	
31/05/27	HALF TERM		
07/06/27		NEA preparation	Core task 6. Synoptic Essays [20]
14/06/27			
21/06/27			
28/06/27			
05/07/27			
12/07/27			