

# GCSE Geography: AQA 8035

"Geography is the subject which holds the key to our future"

**Michael Palin**



## The Course

Geography helps students to understand the world they live in through studying people and places and how they interact. It incorporates a wide range of academic skills that are useful in several different subject areas.

## What will be studied?

### Paper 1: Living with the Physical Environment:

Topics in this unit include:

- The Challenge of Natural Hazards – Earthquakes, Hurricanes and Climate Change
- The Living World – Rainforests and Hot Deserts
- UK Physical Landscapes – Rivers and Coasts

### Paper 2: Challenges in the Human Environment:

Topics in this unit:

- Urban Issues and Challenges
- The Changing Economic World
- The Challenge of Resource Management

### Paper 3: Geographical Applications

Pupils will receive a resource booklet twelve weeks before the date of the exam based on an issue they have studied so they have the opportunity to work through the resources, enabling them to become familiar with the material before the final exam.

Pupils will also have the opportunity to undertake fieldwork activity.

## Why study Geography?

Geography is a fun and engaging subject due to a wide variety of topic areas covered during the course. The content is taught through a variety of engaging approaches. This subject develops students' understanding of a variety of current affairs issues and helps them to make sense of the world they live in. It offers two separate fieldtrips as set out by the examination board which allow students to develop their enquiry skills.

## Future Pathways

Due to the wide range of skills that students will develop, Geography opens up a variety of potential career paths.

## Assessment

Three written examinations are taken at the end of the course. There are no tiers of entry.

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