



CURRICULUM OVERVIEW – Geography

TERM 1

P1: POPULATION & THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

In the first term of their IGCSE course, students will embark on a comprehensive journey through the curriculum, primarily focusing on topics from Paper 1, which accounts for a significant 45% of their total grade. The initial theme delves into "Population and Settlement," where students will investigate the causes behind population growth, its ramifications, advantages, and hurdles, as well as delve into the intricacies of ageing populations, population demographics, migration patterns, and population density and distribution.

Subsequently, students will transition into exploring the realm of "Physical Geography" as part of the natural environment theme. This section will encompass in-depth studies of seismic activities like earthquakes, the dynamics of rivers, coastal features and processes, meteorological phenomena encompassing weather patterns, and the broader subject of climate.

TERM 2

P1: THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

In the second term, students will build upon their foundational knowledge from Paper 1, diving deeper into the curriculum with a focus on Theme 2, "The Natural Environment." Here, they will continue their exploration of topics related to earthquakes, rivers, coasts, weather, and climate. Following this, students will transition into Theme 3: "Economic Development," a crucial aspect of Geography. Throughout this theme, students will investigate a diverse range of subjects, including economic development itself, food production, industrial processes, the impacts of tourism, energy generation, water resources, and the environmental risks that accompany economic growth and progress. This comprehensive exploration will equip students with a well-rounded understanding of the intricate interactions between human activity and the natural world, preparing them for the challenges and opportunities of our increasingly interconnected global landscape.

TERM 3

P1: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & P2: GEOGRAPHICAL SKILLS

In the concluding term, students will wrap up their exploration of Paper 1 content before embarking on the next phase of their geography course, Paper 2: "Geographical Skills," which holds a weight of 27.5% in determining their final grade. This paper places a strong emphasis on enhancing students' practical capabilities in the application, interpretation, and analysis of geographical information. To achieve this, students will engage with a diverse array of geographical data, including topographical maps, OS (Ordnance Survey) maps, the development of four-figure and six-figure grid references, the interpretation of photographic evidence, and the analytical assessment of data patterns. These skills not only foster a deeper comprehension of geographical concepts but also equip students with the practical tools necessary to navigate and decipher the complex spatial and informational landscape of the modern world.



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