

**Geography- Exam Board: AQA**

**Subject Overview (coursework/exam split, timings, weightings etc.):**

**Paper 1 and 2:**

Each paper is a written examination of 1 hour and 30 minutes.

88 marks available (including 3 marks for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) and specialist terminology.

Each paper is worth 35% of the GCSE.

**Paper 3:**

This paper is a written examination of 1 hour and 15 minutes.

76 marks available (including 6 marks for SPaG).

This paper will have Pre-Released Material available 12 weeks before the exam.

This paper is worth 30% of the GCSE.

**Topics:**

**Paper 1: Living with the Physical Environment – Key topics include:**

River and Coastal Environments

Natural Hazards (Tectonic Hazards, Weather Hazards and Climate Change)

Living World (Tropical Rainforest and Cold environments)

**Paper 2: Challenges of the Human Environment – Key topics include:**

Urban challenges in an LIC/NEE – Rio de Janeiro; and HIC – Liverpool

Resource Management included main focus on Water

Changing Economic World – India and the UK

**Paper 3: Geographical Applications**

Fieldwork write-up on Regeneration in Liverpool and Plant succession on the Sand Dune system at Ainsdale

General fieldwork skills and application

Issues Analysis – pre-released material (topic to be confirmed)

**Useful websites:**

Rainford Geography Twitter page - @RainfordGeography

BBC Bitesize – AQA Geography

**Useful resources:**

CPG GCSE Geography (AQA 9-1) Revision Guide

Knowledge organisers by topic – available in the department and on Google Classroom

Unit Check Lists – available in department and on Google Classroom

**Useful revision tips:**

Start revision NOW – start making revisable resources such as flash cards, mind maps, knowledge organisers. Start with Year 10 content and work your way through to the most recent material.

Attend the revision tutorials available in the department and over the half term and Easter holidays.

Make use of the Sample papers and Mark Schemes available on Google Classroom.