



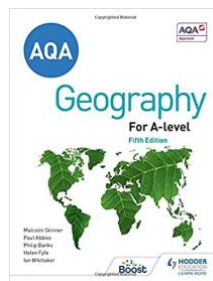
UXBRIDGE
HIGH SCHOOL



Sixth Form Transition Pack

Geography

Specification (AQA A Level Geography at UHS)



Essential book to purchase for the course – [CLICK HERE](#)
(AQA A Level Geography 5th Edition. Hodder Education)

Paper 1		
Section A	(Question 1) Water and Carbon Cycle	1 x 4-mark short paragraph 2 x 6-mark paragraphs 1 x 20-mark essay
Section B	(Question 3) Coastal Systems and Landscapes	1 x 4-mark short paragraph 2 x 6-mark paragraphs 1 x 20-mark essay
Section C	(Question 5) Hazards	4 x 1-mark multiple choice questions 1 x 6-mark paragraph 2 x 9-mark longer paragraphs 1 x 20-mark essay

Paper 2		
Section A	(Question 1) Global Systems and Global Governance	1 x 4-mark short paragraph 2 x 6-mark paragraphs 1 x 20-mark essay
Section B	(Question 2) Changing Places	1 x 4-mark short paragraph 2 x 6-mark paragraphs 1 x 20-mark essay
Section C	(Question 5) Resource Security	4 x 1-mark multiple choice questions 1 x 6-mark paragraph 2 x 9-mark longer paragraphs 1 x 20-mark essay

Essential Summer Reading

Instruction: Read and summarise each reading in no more than 2 sides of A4 paper. **You must bring these notes to the first lesson.** (Students will be tested on this upon their return)

The Carbon Cycle (all chapters) -

<https://www.geography.org.uk/write/mediauploads/download/ga%20alevel%20wc%20geography%20matters%20carbon%20cycle%20bundle.pdf>

Changing Places (chapter 1 – Urban Places in the making) -

<https://www.geography.org.uk/write/mediauploads/download/ga%20alevel%20cp%20geography%20matters%20bundle.pdf>

Part 1: Summer Transition Work (Essential)

Understanding the Course

Must be all completed upon arrival to sixth form (Year 12).

1. Go to Page 44 [4.2 Assessment Objectives] - <https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/geography/specifications/AQA-7037-SP-2016.PDF>. Read through what each Assessment Objective are measured and complete the table

Assessment Objective	Description	Overall weighting in exam
AO1		30 – 40%
	Apply knowledge and understanding in different contexts to interpret, analyse and evaluate geographical information and issues	
AO3		

<p>1. Read the GeoFile on Sediment Cells, Waves and Tides and summarise the fact file in the notes section</p> <p>2. On the next page use your notes to create a poster to demonstrate a good understanding of what the coastal system is made up of</p>	<p>https://www.solihull.tgacademy.org.uk/files/2018/08/Geog-reading-B-Coastal-systems.pdf</p>	<p>Poster to be created on the next page.</p> <p>Notes on Sediment Cells, Waves and Tides:</p> <p><i>Make notes below</i></p>
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Poster for Sediment Cell, Waves and Tides

Non-Essential Summer Work

BOOKS:

If you are into reading both fiction and non fictions, why not try some Geographically themed books/magazines:

- **Prisoners of Geography** by Tim Marshall – an insightful book which helps understanding how the physical geography impacts on political reality and really helps to understand how decisions of world leaders have been shaped by geography- a good introduction to Geopolitics
- **Geography Review Magazines:** Subscribe for £40 and you will get 4 up to date magazines with articles that will be really relevant to the topics that you are studying.
- **Six Degrees** by Mark Lynas – a scary walkthrough of the impacts of Climate Change as world temperatures increase by 1 degree through to 6 degrees.
- **Divided** by Tim Marshall – his follow-up to Prisoners of Geography – a great book which explains how & why the world is becoming more divided and how countries are putting up barriers. Very relevant to events in Europe (Brexit), the US (Trump) and the Coronavirus situation.



PODCASTS:

- **Costing the Earth-** There are some great podcasts here to pick from on a wide variety of geographical issues. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006r4wn/episodes/player> (many topics including climate change, carbon, urban greening, deforestation, alternative powers, plastics (etc)
- **Royal Geographical Society – ‘Ask the Geographer podcasts’**
- <https://www.rgs.org/schools/teaching-resources/ask-the-expert-podcasts/> = a fantastic set of podcasts to keep A Level studies up to date with the latest geographical research = pick out some that interest you.
- **Links to general podcasts**
- <https://eternalexploration.wordpress.com/2016/01/04/top-10-podcasts-for-geography-students/> - this has a number of different links to geography podcast, specifically targeted to Geography students. Definitely recommend the TED talks.

GEOGRAPHICAL DOCUMENTARIES:

There are some great geographical documentaries which will help develop your general geographical knowledge and understanding and help you see what an amazing world we live in.

The following are all available on IPLAYER:

- **David Attenborough Box Sets-** there are 9 amazing boxsets available on iplayer from David Attenborough exploring our amazing world. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/group/p06m42d9>
- **The Americas with Simon Reeve** <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/m00095p0/the-americas-with-simon-reeve> The first episode in Alaska/Canada is particularly good for Resource Security looking at energy.
- **Simon Reeve around the World** <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/group/p06rrnkm> The Russia series is really interesting.
- **Britain Underwater: Fighting the floods** <https://www.itv.com/hub/britain-underwater-fighting-the-floods/7a0157>
- **Joanna Lumley's Hidden Caribbean: Havana to Haiti** <https://www.itv.com/hub/joanna-lumleys-hidden-caribbean-havana-to-haiti/2a7578>
- **Race across the World** → <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000g6nt/race-across-the-world-series-2-episode-1>
- **Andrew Marrs Megacities** → <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b011qmc1/episodes/guide>
- **Trumps War on the Border** → <https://www.channel4.com/programmes/trumps-war-on-the-border>
- **Dispatches** → <https://www.channel4.com/programmes/dispatches/on-demand/67256-001>
- **Earth from Space – episode 4 The Changing Planet (BBC iPlayer)** → <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p072n8m0/earth-from-space-series-1-4-changing-planet>
- **Kevin Mcleod rough guide to the Future - Channel 4 - 3 episodes,** <https://www.channel4.com/programmes/kevin-mcclouds-rough-guide-to-the-future/episode-guide/>