

GCSE Geography OCR Spec. A	Curriculum intent: The GCSE course: Living in the UK Today, The World Around Us and Geographical Skills. The course introduces and extends learners' insight into and exploration of both the geography of the UK and the wider world. Learners are equipped with a wide range of geographical skills. The content is contextualised through case studies. Learners study the diverse and dynamic geography of the UK. They will gain an appreciation of the changes to the UK's geography and the processes which drive them. This includes the study of the natural landscapes which define the UK, the people of the UK and the environmental challenges facing the UK. Learners explore the complexities of the planet and the interconnections that take place in the wider world. Learners explore key Geographical concepts and areas of knowledge spanning ecosystems, people of the planet and world environmental threats.								
Units	Living in the UK Today (30%)			The World Around Us (30%)			Geographical Skills (40%)		
Interleaving	Key knowledge and skills retrieved from previous learning.			Key knowledge and skills retrieved from previous learning.			Key knowledge and skills retrieved from previous learning.		
Knowledge	Landscapes	People	Threats	Ecosystems	People	Threats	Knowledge from Living in the UK and The World Around Us units		
Understanding	How the UK has a very distinct natural landscape shaped over millions of years by geomorphic processes. How the UK has a unique position within the world, with complex global interconnections and how the UK faces many challenges through people's interaction with the physical environment and the use of resources.			How a variety of ecosystems are spread across the world and how these have interacting components and characteristics. Historically, the world has developed unevenly. This theme explores the causes of this uneven development. Understanding how climate change and extreme weather conditions cause many threats to both people and environments.			Understanding how to use geographical skills is fundamental to the study and practice of Geography. They are integrated into all aspects of the subject and we aim to stimulate learners to 'think geographically'. Learning should embed and contextualise geographical skills into the content of Living in the UK Today and The World Around Us.		
Skills	Knowledge	Comprehension	Application	Knowledge	Comprehension	Application	Cartographic	Graphical	Numerical and statistical
Assessment	GCSE Paper One Living in the UK Today			GCSE Paper Two The World Around Us			GCSE Paper Three Geographical Skills		