

This is the Geography progression grid for 2021. The sequencing of topics has been updated for teaching from September 2022 due to development of the KS3 curriculum and can be found in the Geography progression grid 2022 document.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Pre Year 7						
This course is studied in primary school, but to varying degrees and is usually project-based. Students arrive at Cliff Park with varying degrees of knowledge and understanding of geography.						
Year 7						
Topic/Focus	What is geography? Geography skills	Exploring England	Ecosystems	Weather and Climate	Fantastic people and places	Geology and history of the earth
Sequencing	Students need to understand the elements covered in Geography. Geography skills are essential to access the multidisciplinary nature of the subject.	Students cannot understand the wider world without first understanding their own place in the world.	Understanding global biomes helps students to appreciate how and why ecosystems vary greatly in their physical features and the impacts this has socially and environmentally, including that of the UK.	An understanding of weather and climate helps students to understand challenges for people and places, as seen in future KS3 topics.	Building on KS2 knowledge, learning about key human and physical features of the continents. It introduces to them to places studied in Yr8 and Yr9 and in the KS4 specification. Building on Topic 2, it gives a sense of scale outside of the UK. This serves an important cultural purpose in introducing other ways of life and promotes tolerance. (SMSC/BV).	This topic builds on understanding the physical landscape of the UK, and gives the foundation to the Restless Earth topic in Yr8 and Natural Resources topic in Yr9. This topic provides an introduction to the physical landscape topic in the GCSE course.
Extended learning	Homework will be set twice per topic at KS3.					
Formal Assessment	Each topic will have a formal assessment at the end of the topic, incorporating: Knowledge questions based on previous topics, current topic knowledge test and current topic application and skills					

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 8						
Topic	Geology and history of the earth (2021 only – topic moving to Yr7)	Coasts and geography skills	Rivers and geography skills	Why is our world unequal?	Why is our earth restless? Volcanoes / Earthquakes / Tropical storms	
Sequencing	<p>This topic builds on understanding the physical landscape of the UK, and gives the foundation to the Restless Earth topic in Yr8 and Natural Resources topic in Yr9.</p> <p>This topic provides an introduction to the physical landscape topic in the GCSE course.</p>	<p>Year 7 Geology topic will be built on with this coasts, skills-based topic. Skills are being incorporated throughout the topics to put them into context.</p>	<p>This hydrology and rivers topic builds on the physical processes of the coasts topic. This topic is taught through the case studies of the Amazon River in Brazil and the River Severn in the UK to put context to the knowledge rather than purely theory based.</p>	<p>This topic informs discussion in the country studies that follow throughout the rest of the KS3 and subsequent GCSE.</p>	<p>This topic provides an opportunity to look at key physical geographical concepts ‘in-situ’ through the analysis of natural disasters case studies. This topic links closely with the History of the Earth topic in Year 7.</p>	
Extended learning	Homework will be set twice per topic at KS3.					
Formal Assessment	Each topic will have a formal assessment at the end of the topic, incorporating: Knowledge questions based on previous topics, current topic knowledge test and current topic application and skills					

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Year 9						
Topic	Global issues	Global development (2021 only – topic moving to yr8)	Prisoners of Geography	Extreme environments	Climate change and Earth's future	Is the Earth running out of natural resources?
Sequencing	The global issues topic seeks to develop critical thinking and opinion-based essay writing skills. It covers a range of aspects of geography that have been studied up to this point.	This topic supports the following topic, providing an understanding of how development can hinder or assist a country becoming a powerful nation. An introduction to the GCSE topic.	An introduction to the global superpowers and the characteristics that create a superpower. Certain countries extend more influence globally than others, and this pattern of dominance changes over time. Superpowers play a key role in the global economy, global politics and the environment, and contradicting ideas can lead to tensions.	This topic builds on the previous Ecosystems and Africa topics, introducing students to the natural environment and challenges of living in places with extreme conditions.	Linking to the Geology and History of the Earth topic in order to understand the impact that humans are having on our climate and future concerns. Also links closely with the Geography GCSE and Science curriculum.	This topic links to the Geology, Development and climate change topics as well as introducing the Consuming Resources topic in the GCSE and supporting the Science curriculum.
Extended learning	Homework will be set twice per topic at KS3.					
Formal Assessment	Each topic will have a formal assessment at the end of the topic, incorporating: Knowledge questions based on previous topics, current topic knowledge test and current topic application and skills					

Edexcel Geography B GCSE - 2022 cohort (3 year KS4)

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 9 (2019-2020)	KS3 units	KS3 units	Topic 2 Development dynamics	Topic 2 Development (lockdown) / Topic 7 People and the biosphere (lockdown)	Topic 8 Forests under threat (lockdown) / Topic 4 UK Physical landscape (lockdown)	Topic 4 UK Physical landscape (lockdown)
Year 10 (2020-2021)	Topic 4 rivers	Topic 1 Hazardous Earth	Topic 1 Hazardous Earth (lockdown)	Topic 3 Challenges of an urbanising world	Topic 3 Challenges of an urbanising world	Topic 9 Consuming resources
Year 11 (2021-2022)	Full paper 3 practice / Topic 6 fieldwork	Topic 5 UK Human landscape	Topic 5 UK Human landscape	Revision	Revision and exams	
Extended learning	Ongoing revision tasks.					
Formal Assessment	Formal assessment at the end of the topic, using past Edexcel exam papers and mark-schemes. Mocks are completed in-line with the Academy mock programme, and papers moderated.					

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Year 9 (2020-2021)	KS3 units	KS3 units	Topic 7 (lockdown)	Topic 8 (lockdown) / Topic 7 and 8 recap	Topic 9	Topic 9 / Making Geographical decisions
Year 10 (2021-2022)	Paper 3 practice / Topic 4 UK Physical landscape	Topic 4 UK Physical Landscape	Topic 1 Hazardous Earth	Topic 1 Hazardous Earth / Topic 2 Development	Topic 2 Development / Topic 6 Coasts fieldwork	Topic 6 Coasts fieldwork
Year 11 (2022-2023)	Topic 6 Urban fieldwork / Topic 5 UK Human landscape	Topic 5 UK Human landscape	Topic 3 Challenges of an urbanising world	Revision	Revision and exams	
Extended learning	Ongoing revision tasks.					
Formal Assessment	Formal assessment at the end of the topic, using past Edexcel exam papers and mark-schemes. Mocks are completed in-line with the Academy mock programme, and papers moderated.					