

**GCE A and AS LEVEL**



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Course planner (AS and A Level)**

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The following planner has been constructed based on the A Level Geography Specification being delivered to candidates over 4 one hour lessons per week by **ONE TEACHER**. This planner is also based on the co-teaching of **BOTH AS and A LEVEL** candidates in the same class in the first year.

This is a guide and allows teachers to add detail from the Specification regarding when they deliver the content based on their own individual centre circumstances and the prior knowledge, understanding and skills of their candidates. It should be used in conjunction with the [Specification](#). In addition, the [Teacher Guidance Notes](#) provide more detail regarding amplification of content linked to each focus area in the specification, along with possible teaching ideas, resources and ideas for embedding geographical skills. Each theme is broken down into a series of focus boxes, which divides the content into convenient units of study, however there is no requirement to spend an equal amount of teaching time on each focus box as the amount of teaching time required for each focus box will vary. Teachers may decide to approach the delivery of the content by following the focus boxes step-by-step or by covering multiple focus boxes through a case study approach.

YEAR 12

2016/2017 - TERM 1

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
5 Sept	Week 1	1	SECTION A – Changing Landscapes Either Coastal Landscapes or Glaciated Landscapes		<p>This would include at least one day spent on a fieldtrip. It may also be useful to allocate class time for setting up the fieldwork task and for guiding candidates on writing it up.</p> <p>Candidates must be introduced to a roughly equal balance of quantitative and qualitative skills across the specification as a whole, although the balance between the two will vary depending on the theme. Details in Section 2b of the specification specifies the geographical skills that must be addressed. Appendix A identifies where these skills can be integrated.</p>
12 Sept	Week 2	1			
19 Sept	Week 3	1			
26 Sept	Week 4	1			
3 Oct	Week 5	1			
10 Oct	Week 6	1			
17 Oct	Week 7	1			
24 Oct	Week 8	1			

YEAR 12  
 2016/17 - TERM 2

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
7 Nov	Week 9	1	SECTION A – Changing Landscapes  Either Coastal Landscapes or Glaciated Landscapes continued		
14 Nov	Week 10	1			
21 Nov	Week 11	1			
28 Nov	Week 12	1	SECTION B – Changing Places		This would include at least one day spent on a fieldtrip. It may also be useful to allocate class time for setting up the fieldwork task and for guiding candidates on writing it up.
5 Dec	Week 13	1			
12 Dec	Week 14	1			
19 Dec	Week 15	1			

YEAR 12  
2016/17 - TERM 3

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
9 Jan	Week 1	1	SECTION B – Changing Places continued		Candidates must be introduced to a roughly equal balance of quantitative and qualitative skills across the specification as a whole, although the balance between the two will vary depending on the theme. Details in Section 2b of the specification specifies the geographical skills that must be addressed. Appendix A identifies where these skills can be integrated.
16 Jan	Week 2	1			
23 Jan	Week 3	1			
30 Jan	Week 4	1			
6 Feb	Week 5	1			
13 Feb	Week 6	1			

YEAR 12

2016/17 - TERM 4

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
27 Feb	Week 7	3	Contemporary Themes in Geography. SECTION A –Tectonic Hazards		Teaching Section A of Component 3 at this point will enable any students who will be sitting the AS exams to be adequately prepared.
6 March	Week 8	3			
13 March	Week 9	3			
20 March	Week 10	3			
27 March	Week 11	3			

YEAR 12  
2016/17 - TERM 5

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
17 Apr	Week 1	3	Contemporary Themes in Geography. SECTION A –Tectonic Hazards continued		
24 Apr	Week 2		Revision for AS		
1 May	Week 3				
8 May	Week 4				
15 May	Week 5	AS Exams			
22 May	Week 6				

YEAR 12  
2016/17 - TERM 6

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
5 June	Week 7	AS Exams			
12 June	Week 8	4	Independent Investigation preparation		Depending on the nature of the candidates and their prior experience, centres may wish to use this time to enable candidates to prepare for the Independent investigation. Teachers should read and adhere to the guidelines in the specification to ensure they are familiar with the rules regarding guidance. This period may also provide an opportunity to carry out fieldwork pertinent to the Year 13 course
19 June	Week 9	4			
26 June	Week 10	4			
3 July	Week 11	2	Global Systems and Global Governance SECTION A – Global Systems Water and Carbon Cycles		
10 July	Week 12	2			
17 July	Week 13	2			



YEAR 13

2017/2018 - TERM 1

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
4 Sept	Week 1	2	Global Systems and Global Governance  SECTION A – Global Systems  Water and Carbon Cycles continued		
11 Sept	Week 2	2			
18 Sept	Week 3	2			
25 Sept	Week 4	2			
2 Oct	Week 5	2			
9 Oct	Week 6	2			
16 Oct	Week 7	2	Global Systems and Global Governance  SECTION B - Global Governance: Change and Challenges  Processes and Patterns of Global Migration		
23 Oct	Week 8	2	Global Governance of the Earth's Oceans		

YEAR 13  
2017/18 - TERM 2

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
6 Nov	Week 9	2	Global Systems and Global Governance  SECTION B - Global Governance: Change and Challenges continued		
13 Nov	Week 10	2			
20 Nov	Week 11	2			
27 Nov	Week 12	2			
4 Dec	Week 13	2			
11 Dec	Week 14	2			
18 Dec	Week 15	2			

YEAR 13

2017/18 - TERM 3

**Contemporary Themes in Geography.**

**SECTION B**

Choose any two from:

- Ecosystems
- Economic Growth and Challenge: India or China or Development in an African Context
- Energy Challenges and Dilemmas
- Weather and Climate

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
8 Jan	Week 1	3	Contemporary Themes in Geography.  SECTION B  Option 1		
15 Jan	Week 2	3			
22 Jan	Week 3	3			
29 Jan	Week 4	3			
5 Feb	Week 5	3			
12 Feb	Week 6	3			

YEAR 13  
2017/18 - TERM 4

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
26 Feb	Week 7	3	Contemporary Themes in Geography.  SECTION B Option 2		
5 Mar	Week 8	3			
12 Mar	Week 9	3			
19 Mar	Week 10	3			
26 Mar	Week 11	3			
2 Apr	Week 12	3			

YEAR 13  
2017/18 - TERM 5

Week commencing	Week	Component (A Level)	Focus area	Content for delivery	Additional notes
23 Apr	Week 1		21 <sup>st</sup> Century Challenges		Although this is not a discreet taught element, it may be useful to prepare candidates for the demands of the examination paper.
30 Apr	Week 2				
7 May	Week 3		Revision		
14 May	Week 4				
21 May	Week 5				