

Legacy GCSE Geography: Specification A (9032)-final assessments 2017

Subject content

The minimum teaching requirements for the full course are; one topic from Section A, one topic from Section B and one topic from either Section A or Section B on both Unit 1 and Unit 2.

Unit 1: Physical Geography 37.5% of the full GCSE

- The Restless Earth
- Rocks, Resources and Scenery
- Challenge of Weather and Climate
- Living World Section B
- Water on the Land
- Ice on the Land
- The Coastal Zone Style of Assessment
- 1 hour 30-minute examination
- Candidates answer three questions, one from Section A and one from Section B plus free choice of one other.

Unit 2: Human Geography 37.5% of the full GCSE

- Population Change
- Changing Urban Environments
- Changing Rural Environments Section B
- The Development Gap
- Globalisation
- Tourism Style of Assessment
- 1 hour 30 minute examination
- Candidates answer three questions, one from Section A and one from Section B plus free choice of one other
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar will be assessed in this unit.

Unit 3: Local Fieldwork Investigation 25% of the full GCSE: Controlled Assessment

- Local Fieldwork Investigation Marked out of 60. Maximum word guidance of 2000. 6-hour write-up under direct supervision.
- Task Setting: Centres will select a task from a choice of 11 provided by AQA 2 years prior to submission.
- Task Taking: Candidates will work under the direct supervision of a teacher at all times, with the exception of research involving primary and/or secondary data collection.
- Task Marking: Centres will mark the candidates' work which will then be moderated by AQA.

How it is assessed

- Unit 1: Physical Geography Written Paper – 1 hour 30 mins – 75 marks – 37.5%
- Unit 2: Human Geography Written Paper – 1 hour 30 mins – 84 marks – 37.5%*
- Unit 3: Local Fieldwork Investigation Controlled assessment – 60 marks – 25%

There are two tiers of assessment: Foundation (G-C) and Higher (D-A*).

* This mark is made up of 75 marks for content plus 9 marks for spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG)