

GCSE Geography A

A Handy Guide to Our Support, Professional Development, and Resources







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 <u>Book a meeting with Jon</u> to discuss any aspect of delivering our GCSE, AS and A level Geography qualifications.

Expert support, every step of the way

A hyperlink is provided for each piece of support. Some links are directly to specific files, some are to webpages or dropdowns where the files are stored.

GCSE Geography A home page	Here you'll find everything you need for teaching GCSE Geography A, with links to our specification, exam materials, and teaching and learning support materials.
Specification and sample assessment materials	An essential starting point for teaching our GCSE Geography A specification. We've made a small number of changes to our specification to improve the DE&I of the language. Our new issue 4 specification is for first teaching in 2024, with the first assessment in 2026. We've published a rationale document explaining what's changed and why.
Exam materials	Question papers, mark schemes and examiner reports for all exam series from 2018. An Edexcel Online login is required to access files with a silver padlock – check with your exams officer if you can't open them.
<u>Latest videos</u>	Videos of our latest 'New to Pearson Edexcel GCSE Geography A' and 'Exam Feedback' professional development events.





Teaching and Learning Support Materials

Comprehensive support to help you plan, teach, conduct fieldwork, and prepare for the exams with confidence.

Plan

Our guidance and training will support you with understanding the content and assessment requirements and planning to teach Specification A.

- Getting Started Guide
- New To Pearson Edexcel GCSE Geography A pre-recorded training
- Mapping Guides to support switching from <u>AQA</u>, <u>Edugas A</u>, and <u>OCR A</u> to Pearson Edexcel GCSE Geography A and B
- Editable 2-year and 3-year course planners
- Editable schemes of work for every topic

Teach

Expert support to help you deliver our specification content with confidence, including topic booklets for every topic in the specification and knowledge organisations for all three exam papers.

- <u>Topic booklets</u> for every topic in the specification
- Maths for GCSE Geography <u>teacher guide</u>
- <u>'Pace Yourself' guide</u> to a 2-year GCSE course, found in the 'Guidance' section.
- Knowledge Organisers for Paper 1, Paper 2, and Paper 3
- Key terms guides for teachers and students
- Past training content: training materials from our GA
 Conference workshops in 2022 and 2023 on improving the diversity, equity, and inclusion of geography lessons.
- New: <u>Supporting Students With Low Prior Attainment</u> PD event.

Fieldwork

Our <u>dedicated</u> <u>geography fieldwork</u> <u>page</u>, with videos to support your fieldwork planning, a guide to conducting high quality fieldwork at GCSE, and fieldwork packs for rivers, coasts and urban landscapes.

Three short videos:

- 1. Tips for planning a successful fieldtrip
- 2. Making the most of a day in the field
- 3. Presentation, analysis, conclusions, and evaluation skills
- A guide to conducting high-quality fieldwork at GCSE
- A detailed guide to meeting the fieldwork requirements in GCSE Geography A
- Fieldwork packs for coastal, river and urban fieldwork.
- <u>Past training content:</u> Developing High Quality GCSE Geography Fieldwork Experiences





Assess

Support and resources to help you and your students prepare for the exams with confidence.

- <u>Detailed guide</u> to understanding the GCSE Geography B exam papers, question types, and mark schemes.
- <u>Command words infographic</u> for Pearson Edexcel GCSE, AS, and A level Geography
- <u>Exemplar material</u>: examiner marked exemplar responses and commentary
- <u>Classroom Tests</u> for every topic in the specification to use as baseline tests, mock assessments, or to assess gaps in learning.
- <u>Specimen papers and mark schemes</u> to use as mock assessments. You will need your Edexcel Online login.
- Jon Wolton's <u>update on the use of Explain and Suggest</u> questions in assessments from 2024 onwards
- GCSE Geography A examples of 4 mark Explain/Suggest questions
- Past training content:
 - Exam Feedback: Lessons Learnt from the Summer 2023 Exams
 - Paper 3: Preparing Students for Investigating UK Challenges
 - Identifying Learning Gaps and Intervention Strategies
- New: 'Exam Insights May/June 2024' PD event

Assessment Services 'ResultsPlus' is our online results analysis tool for teachers. Results Plus Included as part of your qualification fees, ResultsPlus gives you a detailed breakdown of your students' performance in Pearson Edexcel exams. Access to Scripts is an online service, included as part of Access to Scripts your qualification fees, that allows you to view your students' marked scripts online or download as a PDF. The Pearson Edexcel Mocks Service provides schools with **Mocks Service** paper-based mocks for GCSE Geography B. An online resource containing a huge bank of past paper examWizard questions and support materials to help you create your own mock exams and tests.





Published Resources

Pearson's resources for GCSE Geography A include:

- ActiveHub our digital teaching and learning resource, bringing together rich data insights and auto-marking quizzes and resources
- Student Book and ActiveBook
- Target 5 Intervention Workbooks
- Pearson Revise: Workbooks and Revision Guides
- BBC Bitesize Revision

Learn more about Pearson's resources for GCSE Geography A

Our GCSE Geography A specification is also supported by resources* produced by a range of other publishers:

Hodder Education: supporting Edexcel GCSE Geography A with a brand-new edition of the Tomorrow's Geography Student's book.

Visit the Hodder website

Pumpkin Interactive: with amazing footage shot around the world, Pumpkin's DVDs deliver inspirational video case studies across a range of geographical themes and issues.

Visit the Pumpkin Interactive website

ZigZag Education: photocopiable resources for learning, revision, and exam practice, including Topic-on-a-Page, practical skills, and teaching packs.

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^{*} You don't have to purchase any resources, including those from Pearson, to deliver our qualifications