



<p>A Level Syllabus and Assessment Structure: Physical systems (01) Landscape Systems • Earth’s Life Support Systems • Geographical Skills 66 marks 1 hour 30 minute written paper 22% of total A Level Human interactions (02) • Changing Spaces; Making Places • Global Connections • Geographical Skills 66 marks 1 hour 30 minute written paper 22% of total A Level Geographical debates (03)* Optionality – study 2 of 5 • Climate Change • Disease Dilemmas • Exploring Oceans • Future of Food • Hazardous Earth • Geographical Skills 108 marks 2 hours 30 minute written paper 36% of total A Level Investigative geography (04/05)* • Independent Investigation 60 marks Non-examination assessment (NEA) 20% of total A Level</p>	
Required (Task Time:)	Choose at least 1 of the three optional activities
Highly Recommended (Task Time:)	N/A
Optional	<p>To enter the Young Geographer of the Year completion run by the Royal Geographical Society</p> <p>Title of the competition: From Source to Sea</p> <p>Students produce an A3 size poster entry. To be brought to first geography lesson of the year. Details and entry requirements on their website here</p>
Optional	<p>Enter the Geographical Association Physical Geography Photographic Competition https://geography.org.uk/get-connected/get-involved-1-student-activities/physical-geography-student-photo-competition/</p> <p>To be brought to first geography lesson of the year.</p>
Optional	<p>To enter the Financial Times Essay competition Title for 2026: What factors drive migration, how are patterns shifting and what are the consequences? Details are given here: https://www.rgs.org/schools/competitions/school-essay-competition The Financial Times gives free access to schools to their publications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A clear essay or ArcGIS StoryMap which is well-evidenced and reaches a clear conclusion • Submissions that do not exceed 1,000 words (excluding references) - submissions over 1,000 words will not be considered. The word count should be provided in the document. • Referenced sources of information and data • Submissions which are the entrant’s own work and relevant to the question and guidance <p>https://storymaps.arcgis.com/ To be brought to first geography lesson of the year.</p>