Unit 1:

Living with the

physical environment

Section A: The challenge of natural

hazards

Section B: The living world

Section C: Physical landscapes in the UK

Written

examination:

1 hour and 30

minutes

35% of the GCSE

Unit 2:

Challenges in the

human environment

Section A: Urban issues and challenges

Section B: The changing economic world

Section C: The challenge of resource

Management

Written

examination:

1 hour and 30

minutes

35% of the GCSE

Unit 3:

Geographical

applications

Geographical skills

Section A: Issue evaluation

Section B: Fieldwork

Geographical skills

Written

examination:

1 hour and

15minutes

30% of the GCSE

Outline:

Students will travel the world from the classroom, exploring case studies in the United

Kingdom (UK), newly emerging economies (NEEs) and lower income countries (LICs).

Topics of study include climate change, poverty, deprivation, global shifts in economic

power and the challenge of sustainable resource use. Students are also encouraged to

understand their role in society, by considering different viewpoints, values and attitudes.

Who is this course suitable for?

Geography promotes a lifelong interest and fascination in how the world works. It is hands

on, relevant and it is fun. It is suitable for students who want to study the features of the

earth such as volcanic eruptions and gain an appreciation of the social, economic and

physical processes which shape and change our world.

Geography is a subject which forms part of the EBacc and is well respected by universities

and employers.

Post 16 opportunities and Careers:

Students can progress from this qualification to a number of different qualifications at Level

3, including AS and A-levels in Geography, Geology, Environmental Sciences, Travel and

Tourism, and Leisure and Recreation. This rounded qualification which helps students to

understand the world around them can be very useful in many forms of employment which

include the Leisure, Travel & Tourism industry, Meteorology, Environmental Management,

Business & Finance, Social Services and many more.