

Year 10 Geography Assessment Outline

In Geography, Year 10 will have a combination of ongoing formative assessments through FAR tasks and summative assessments.

Students are following the AQA GCSE Geography (8035) course.

Formative assessment takes place more frequently throughout the modules, allowing teachers and pupils to assess attainment and progress. This will help pupils to identify their strengths and weaknesses and target areas that need further development. These will be ongoing, based on applying knowledge and understanding from a sequence of learning, to past GCSE exam questions.

Summative assessment sums up what a pupil has achieved at the end of a period of learning, it will be used to track progress. This will be in the form of an end of a module written test.

To prepare for the assessments pupils should undertake active revision, a variety of strategies such as question and answer cards, mind maps, flash cards will be practised in lessons to enable further independent revision at home. In the first instance pupils should use their exercise books to recap geography knowledge and understanding.

Past exam papers are available on the AQA website;

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035>

Main Textbook: GCSE Geography AQA by Ross, Rowles, Holmes and Digby.
Publisher: Oxford. ISBN 987-0-19-836661-4

Alternative textbook: AQA GCSE (9-1) Geography by Widdowson, Blackshaw, King. Publisher: Hodder education. ISBN 987-1-47118-5992-2

There are also several revision guides available, however, they often have different case study examples to the ones studied in class. Pupils should revise their taught case studies as these will be covered in greater depth than the revision books.

Other sources of information include; BBC Bitesize, Doodle and Quizlet.

Parents will be informed of pupils' performance in the assessments through the whole school progress data reports.

NB: The assessment schedule varies depending on the number of lessons per week, please see examples below.

Students with 3 lessons per week

Term	Topic	Assessment type	When
Autumn Term (1)	The Living World	Formative FAR tasks. Summative end of module test	Ongoing Week 7
Autumn Term (2)	UK Physical Landscapes	Formative FAR tasks. Summative end of module test	Ongoing Week 7
Spring Term (1)	Changing Economic World. UK Physical Landscapes Fieldwork	Formative FAR tasks. Formative FAR tasks.	Ongoing Week 3
Spring Term (2)	Changing Economic World. Resource Management	Summative end of module test. Formative FAR tasks.	Weeks 4 Ongoing
Summer Term (1)	Resource Management	Summative end of module test.	Week 4
Summer Term (2)	The Challenge of Urban Issues. All topics studied; Living World, Physical Landscapes, Changing Economic World & Fieldwork	Formative FAR tasks. Summative end of module test	 Week 3 & 4

Students with 2 lessons per week in Year 10.

Term	Topic	Assessment type	When
Autumn Term (1)	The Living World	Formative FAR tasks.	Ongoing
Autumn Term (2)	The Living World	Summative end of module test	Week 3
	UK Physical Landscapes	Formative FAR tasks.	Ongoing
Spring Term (1)	UK Physical Landscapes	Summative end of module test	Week 5
	UK Physical Landscapes Fieldwork	Formative FAR tasks.	
Spring Term (2)	UK Physical Landscapes Fieldwork	Formative FAR tasks.	Ongoing
	Changing Economic World.	Formative FAR tasks.	
Summer Term (1)	Changing Economic World.	Formative FAR tasks.	Ongoing
Summer Term (2)	Changing Economic World. All topics studied; Living World, Physical Landscapes, Changing Economic World & Fieldwork	Formative FAR tasks. Summative end of module test	Week 3 & 4