

General introduction

How will students be assessed

Students will sit three examinations. The details of exam content, length of exams, marks available, and the percentage of the GCSE grade which each paper makes up are below.

Paper 1 Living with the physical environment	(1 hour 30 minutes)	88 marks	35%
Paper 2 Challenges in the human environment	(1 hour 15 minutes)	63 marks	35%
Paper 3 Geographical applications	(1 hour)	56 marks	30%

What are the Exam dates

The dates for the **mock exams** are...

Paper 1 Monday 7th March Afternoon

Living with the physical environment

(The challenge of natural hazards, The living world, Physical landscapes in the UK)

Paper 2 Tuesday 8th March Morning

Challenges in the human environment

(Urban issues and challenges, The changing economic world, The challenge of resource management)

The papers will be marked and analysed after they are completed. There will be parents evening Wednesday 30th March when you can talk to subject teachers about how they have done, and about how they can improve further.

These are the **final exam dates** are...

Paper 1 Monday 23rd May Morning

Living with the physical environment

(The challenge of natural hazards, The living world, Physical landscapes in the UK)

Paper 2 Tuesday 7th June Afternoon

Challenges in the human environment

(Urban issues and challenges, The changing economic world, The challenge of resource management)

Paper 3 Thursday 14th June Morning

Geographical applications

(Issue evaluation, Fieldwork, Geographical skills)

How can parents help plan for success in the GCSE exams?

Encourage your child to plan, and stick to, a timetable for revision. It is far better to revise smaller amounts of content more regularly than to try to learn the entire curriculum in the days before the exam. Quizzing your child, and helping them to recall key knowledge will prepare them well, as will reading though extended written pieces and helping your child to structure them coherently.

Best websites for GCSE **GEOGRAPHY** revision

Visit the exam board website to look at past papers and mark schemes:

<https://www.aga.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035/assessment-resources>

Use Seneca learning to complete the activities which your teachers have set for you

<https://app.senecalearning.com/>

Use the BBC Bitesize Website <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zy3ptyc>

Use S-cool (not exam board specific) <https://www.s-cool.co.uk/gcse/geography/>

Use Cool Geography www.coolgeography.co.uk