

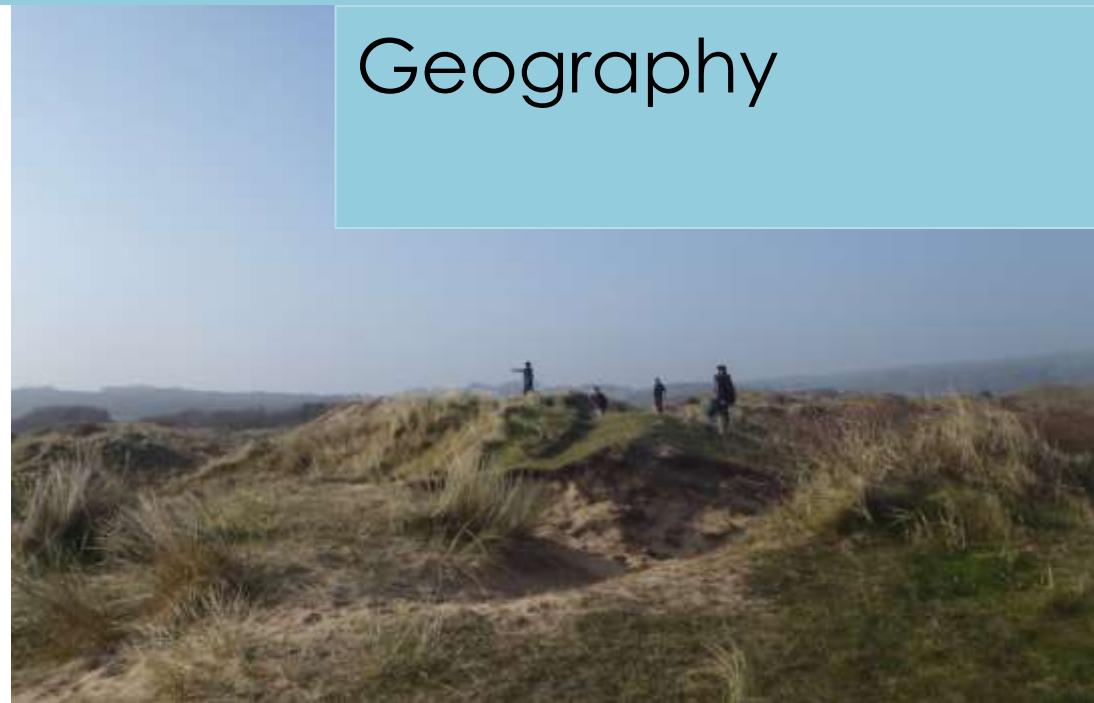
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Hillcrest Sixth Form

Geography



What does studying Geography involve?

The aims of this course are to develop a wider understanding of the world around us by studying a broad spectrum of different topics. Students must have an interest in current media events and be able to relate their own experiences into their understanding. An emphasis on independent learning will encourage an analytical and enquiring approach to their studies.

What skills will I develop?

Many different cross-curricular skills are developed in Geography but are useful for the students in their other subjects too. The following key skills are cultivated in Geography:

- Communication
- Organisation
- Essay-writing
- Team work
- Statistical skills
- Problem Solving
- Information and Communication Technology
- Research and analysis of sources of information
- Independent investigative skills (useful when you write your university dissertation)

What subjects compliment Geography?

Geography is multi-faceted and as such it reflects different aspects of other subjects. The essay writing skills that are developed, particularly in the Human Geography topics, compliments subjects such as English and Not only is it an essay based subject, allowing cross-curricular links to English and Psychology, but it gives you statistical and graphical skills; ensuring it is useful if you are studying Sciences or Mathematics too! The analytical skills developed in Geography gives a link to the other Humanities as well as Media Studies.

Where will the subject take me?

As a solid traditional subject it is well respected by all universities. Geography A-level students in the world of work are in jobs as varied as Offshore Surveying, Television and Accountancy!

Entry requirements:

Students are required to have gained a GCSE Geography grade between an A*-B in order to study GCE Geography.

Course content: A Level Geography Edexcel

Year 1: Tectonics, coasts, diverse places and globalization

Year 2: Water, the Carbo Cycle and energy security, superpowers and health, human rights and intervention

Assessment:

Paper 1: 2 hour 15 minute examination (30% of the qualification)

Paper 2: 2 hour 15 minute examination (30% of the qualification)

Paper 3: 2 hour 15 minute examination (20% of the qualification)

Coursework: Independent examination (20% of the qualification)

Suggested reading material:

Edexcel A level Geography Book 1 Third Edition, Cameron Dunn

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