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**KS4 Curriculum Explained**

Our GCSE Geography curriculum has been designed to ensure core geographical knowledge is at the centre of students’ learning. This will enable students to have thorough understanding of the dynamic world we live in.

The AQA specification allow students to be able to assess, discuss and evaluate key knowledge and draw conclusions for themselves.

The topics covered are:

**Paper 1**

The Challenge of Natural Hazards

The Living World

Physical Landscapes in the UK- Rivers & Coasts

**Paper 2**

Urban Issues and Challenges

The Changing Economic World

Resource Management (focus Water Management)

**Paper 3**

Issue Evaluation

Fieldwork

Key ideas are:

1. Map skills
2. Understand and explain the links between human and physical geography
3. Description of geographical data
4. Explanation of geographical data
5. Understand UK geography
6. Understand the worldwide geography
7. Compare and contrast different areas
8. Write in well-structured paragraphs
9. Make conclusions using data and sources
10. Evaluate different sources and make judgements
11. Answer exam questions having a clear understanding of command words
12. Detailed understanding of case studies
13. Geographical information systems
14. Statistical analysis