

Geography

GCSE OCR B

Course Outline for Y10:

- Complete controlled assessment in April/May
- Complete the topic on Natural Hazards
- Start with the topic: SETTLEMENT

Weightings:

Controlled assessment:	25%
Sustainable decision making exercise:	25%
Examination on topics:	50%

What students should be doing to achieve:

- Attend all lessons with the right frame of mind and a positive attitude.
- Ensure that all notes are completed during the lesson.
- Engage with teachers if and when they do not understand or are unsure about any aspect of the work.
- Attend after school sessions when offered.
- Make sure that they fully understand feedback from teachers on how to improve.
- Independent study on especially case studies absolutely crucial to achieve that level 3 answer.
- Make sure that all homework is done to the best of their ability.

How parents / carers can help students achieve:

- Liaise with subject teachers if there are any concerns about progress of a child.
- Making sure that the child has a study plan and is keeping to it.
- Tracking your child's progress on www.samlearning.co.uk.
- Assisting your child in revising the case studies by using the student (and parent) friendly revision cards to be provided later.
- Printing off mark schemes available at <http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse-geography-b-j385-from-2012/>

Support and Interventions available at school:

- Teachers are available most days (except Mondays) after school to assist students who are in need of help. They are free to speak to any Geography teacher if needed.
- After school sessions will start later in the academic year.

Dates to make a note of:

Mock exams in January 2016: the mock exam will cover the following topics:

POPULATION (with a significant emphasis on CHINA and INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION) and NATURAL HAZARDS (with the emphasis on EARTHQUAKES).

The field study for the controlled assessment will take place in MARCH/ APRIL. It is crucial for all students to attend this study as their controlled assessment is based 100% on the data that will gather during this trip.

Who I can contact for further advice / help:

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