

GCSE Geography News

Specification details

We are studying the new 2016 **OCR B (Geography for Enquiring Minds)** 9-1 course. The specification can be found here: <http://bit.ly/2A5b9Jp>

What are we doing in lessons?

- We tool you up with the content (knowledge) that is needed to be successful.
- **We help you to revise this along the way with regular quizlets, core knowledge starter tests and exam questions.**
- **We provide you with a Knowledge Organiser for each unit that contains a summary version of the key content.**

Topics and case studies

There are a variety of case studies (in depth examples of places) for each of the eight topics. In the exam, questions relating to these are worth either 6 or 8 marks and they amount to 26/70 marks on both Paper 1 and Paper 2, over one third of the total marks! Getting these case studies nailed will make the biggest difference to your grade.

Topic	Case Study
1. Global Hazards	UK-based weather hazard: Drought in the UK Non-UK based weather hazard: Typhoon Haiyan Tectonic hazard: Nepal earthquake 2015
2. Changing Climate	Impacts of climate change around the world and on the UK
3. Distinctive Landscapes\$	Coastal landscape: Jurassic Coastline UK River landscape: River Thames, SE England
4. Sustaining Ecosystems*	TRF management: Ecotourism in Costa Rica Arctic management (small scale): Baffin Island, Clyde river Antarctica management (global scale): Antarctic Treaty System
5. Urban Futures*	One AC city: Birmingham One LIDC/EDC city: Rio de Janeiro
6. Dynamic Development*	LIDC: Zambia
7. UK in the 21 st century	Economic hub: High-tech industry in Oxfordshire UK role in a global conflict: Iraq war Ethnic groups and culture: Food in Birmingham
8. Resource Reliance*	Food security in one country: Tanzania

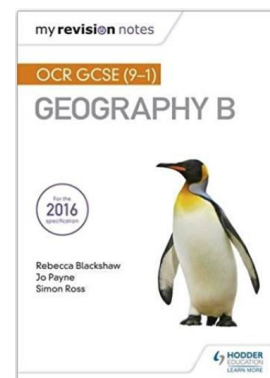
Top 5 most common mistakes from the November exam:

1. Not understanding/doing what the question was asking
2. Using the incorrect case study for the topic, resulting in no marks being awarded.
3. Not 'assessing' or 'evaluating' or 'to what extent'ing in the 6 and 8 mark questions.
4. Not developing definitions enough to get the second mark out of two.
5. Incorrect spelling of geo-lingo, most of which should have been correct as the word featured in the question.

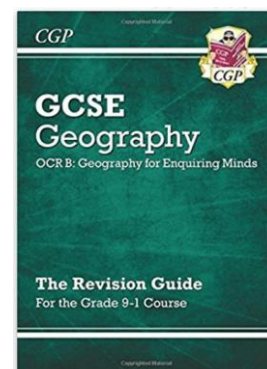
What can a GCSE geographers be doing at home?

- Use your knowledge organisers and the adageogjoe website, <https://www.adageogjoe.com/ks4.html> when you miss lessons/don't finish activities
- Creating case study flashcards of facts and information for the examples/places listed above.
- Get your parents/family to quiz you on which case study matches each of the topics and details about each one

Revision Guides



My Revision Notes: OCR GCSE (9-1) Geography B by Hodder (£8.99 on Amazon) and was only released last month.
ISBN: 1471887340



This revision guide by **CGP** is currently retailing at **£5.95** on Amazon. **ISBN: 1782946182** but you can get it for £3 from the LRC. There is also an associated Exam Practice Workbook and Answer book – speak to Mrs Ward who will order it specially for you.

Geography exam dates 2018

Tuesday 22nd May – Paper 1: Our natural world (1 hr 15 mins) worth 35% of the final grade
Tuesday 5th June – Paper 2: People & Society (1 hr 15 mins) worth 35% of the final grade
Monday 11th June – Paper 3: Geographical Exploration (1 hr 30 mins) worth 30% of the final grade