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AQA GEOGRAPHY GCSE

PAPER 3: GEOGRAPHICAL APPLICATIONS

GCSEPOD LINKS

2025



The Appleton School - Geography Department

Section A: Issue evaluation

The issue(s) will arise from any aspect of the compulsory sections of the subject content but may extend beyond it through the use of resources in relation to specific unseen contexts.

Students develop knowledge and understanding of physical geography themes and human geography themes

This section is synoptic and the assessment will require students to use their learning of more than one of the themes

Analyse a geographical issue at a range of scales, consider and select a possible option in relation to the issue(s) and justify their decision.

A resource booklet will be available twelve weeks before the date of the exam so that students have the opportunity to work through the resources, enabling them to become familiar with the material.

Section B: Fieldwork

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Key Idea	Key Knowledge to understand	GCSE POD LINKS
Suitable question for geographical enquiry	The factors that need to be considered when selecting suitable questions/hypotheses for geographical enquiry.	https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/chapter/83519
	The geographical theory/concept underpinning the enquiry.	
	Appropriate sources of primary and secondary evidence, including locations for fieldwork.	
	The potential risks of both human and physical fieldwork and how these risks might be reduced.	
Selecting, measuring and recording data appropriate to the chosen enquiry	Difference between primary and secondary data.	https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/chapter/83520
	Identification and selection of appropriate physical and human data.	
	Measuring and recording data using different sampling methods.	
	Description and justification of data collection methods.	
Selecting appropriate ways of processing and presenting fieldwork data	Appreciation that a range of visual, graphical and cartographic methods is available.	https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/chapter/83521
	Selection and accurate use of appropriate presentation methods.	
	Description, explanation and adaptation of presentation methods	
Describing, analysing and explaining fieldwork data	Description, analysis and explanation of the results of fieldwork data.	https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/chapter/83522
	Establish links between data sets.	
	Use appropriate statistical techniques.	
	Identification of anomalies in fieldwork data.	
Reaching conclusions	Draw evidenced conclusions in relation to original aims of the enquiry.	https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/chapter/83523
Evaluation of geographical enquiry	Identification of problems of data collection methods.	
	Identification of limitations of data collected.	
	Suggestions for other data that might be useful.	
	Extent to which conclusions were reliable.	