

GCSE

Geography

The Brunts Academy

What is Geography?

Geography is the discipline that connects the natural and the human, the local and the global and in doing so, enables us plan sustainably for the future. Whether your future career lies in the environmental sector, business, education, the natural or social sciences, the media, in geospatial industries or in travel, geography opens up a range of choices for your future work and career.

This course would be suitable for students who are interested in current affairs and world events, seeking to understand why they happen and how they relate to society and their own lives. There has never been a more important time to use geographical knowledge and skills to pursue a career. None of the changes and challenges facing the UK and the world in the 21st century, including climate change, energy security, migration, urbanisation and globalisation, can be properly understood, let alone tackled, without geography.

Key Features of the Course:

This specification gives students the opportunity to travel the world from their classroom, exploring case studies in the United Kingdom (UK), higher income countries (HICs), newly emerging economies (NEEs) and lower income countries (LICs).

Units of study include the very current topics of climate change, poverty, deprivation, global shifts in economic power and the challenge of sustainable resource use. Students are also encouraged to understand their role in society, by considering different viewpoints, values and attitudes.

Students will have the opportunity to undertake two geographical enquiries, each of which must include the use of primary data, collected as part of a fieldwork exercise.

Assessment is in the form of 3 formal written exams.

What type of student is this suitable for?

Geography is suitable for students who:

- Have an enquiring mind
- Have strong mathematical and analytical skills
- Are curious about the world in which they live
- Have a desire to learn more about global issues.
- Enjoy reading around the subject

What could this course lead on to?

Geography opens the doors to many different career opportunities, including:

Local Government Planning Officer

Aid worker

Catastrophic Risk Analyst

Coastal Technical Specialist

Soil Scientist

Analyst – Defence Sector

Data Collection – Ordnance Survey

Ministry of Defence

Planner/Surveyor

Travel agent

Conservation officer/Expedition leader/Field Studies

Council

And so much more.....

Course Details: AQA Geography 8035

Website: <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035>

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