

GCSE Geography

Specification : OCR Geography B

Teaching begins in September 2009

Three main units of study

- Unit B561 Sustainable Decision Making
- Unit B562 Geographical Enquiry
- Unit B563 Key Geographical Themes

Assessment:

- Unit B561 25% of total marks
1 hour written paper based on a pre-release Resource Booklet.
Three sections:
 1. The Background – answer all questions.
 2. The Options – answer all questions.
 3. The Decision – answer all questions.
- Unit B5262 25% of total marks.
2 tasks to complete:
 1. Fieldwork Focus – based on primary data collection – 1200 words completed under controlled conditions.
 2. Geographical Investigation – secondary data – 800 word assessment under controlled conditions.
- Unit B562 75% of marks
1.5 hour written paper. Answer 3 questions, 1 from each section:
Section A – Answer either Q1 or Q2
Section B – answer either Q3 or Q4
Section C – answer either Q5 or Q6.

Content:

There are four key themes to study:-

1. Rivers and Coasts
2. Population and Settlement
3. Natural Hazards
4. Economic Development.

One of the themes will be assessed in Unit B561 (Sustainable Decision Making Exercise) and the other 3 will be assessed in Unit B563 (Written Exam Paper). Your teacher will give you further details about this when you start your course.