Term	Autumn	Spring	Summer		
1 st			Topic 4: Sustaining Ecosystems (Paper 1)		
Half Term			4.1: Why are natural ecosystems important?		
			4.2: Why should tropical rainforests		
			matter to us?		
			4.3: Is there more to polar environments		
			than ice?		
Y0			Why now? This topic provides an		
Year 9			excellent introduction to the demands of		
			GCSE Geography for all students. It builds		
			on knowledge and skills from across the		
			KS3 curriculum including climate and TRF		
			biomes (Year 7), fantastic places (Year 8) and global threats (Year 9), along with		
			cross-curricular links with science. The		
2 nd			interconnection of both physical and		
Half term			human geographical processes are		
			explored through the study of 2 place		
			specific biomes.		
			Assessment:		
			Formative practice exam questions,		
			quizzes and marking points embedded		
			throughout the unit.		
			Summative end of unit test.		

1 st Half To	
Year	10

2nd

Half term

Topic 6: Dynamic Development (Paper 2)

6.1 Why are some countries richer than others?

6.2 Are LIDCs likely to stay poor?

Why now? This topic extends student's knowledge and understanding on international development completed in Year 9, providing clear opportunities for recall and progression. It is a foundational topic that provides multiple synoptic links with all other topics.

Assessment:

Formative practice exam questions, quizzes and marking points embedded throughout the unit.

Summative end of unit test.

Topic 2: Changing Climate (Paper 1)

2.1 What evidence is there to suggest climate change is a natural process?

Why now? This topic offers progression from the Year 9 unit on climatic hazards to assess whether climatic hazards are a result of either natural or human-enhanced changing climate.

Assessment:

Formative practice exam questions, quizzes and marking points embedded throughout the unit.

Summative end of unit test.

Topic 2: Changing Climate (Paper 1)

2.1 c Why is climate change a global issue?

Topic 5: Urban Futures (Paper 2)

5.1: Why do more than half the world's population live in cities?

Why now? This topic builds on themes and knowledge covered in Year 8 population and urbanisation units. The urban processes linked to stages of development between and within countries are investigated drawing on knowledge from topic 5.

5.2: What are the challenges and opportunities for cities today?

Assessment:

Formative practice exam questions, quizzes and marking points embedded throughout the unit.

Summative end of unit test.

Topic 3: Distinctive Landscapes (Paper 1)

- 3.1: What makes a landscape distinctive?
- 3.2: What influences the landscapes of the UK?

Why now? This topic builds on knowledge and understanding from Year 8 fantastic places, coasts and rivers topics. It also provides a synoptic link with topic 2 changing climate, in identifying how landscapes are influenced by climate.

Assessment:

Formative practice exam questions, quizzes and marking points embedded throughout the unit.

Summative end of unit test.

Physical Fieldwork / Human Fieldwork

Year 10 Exam

Assesses the topics covered so far across both Paper 1 and Paper 2.

1 st Half Term)
Year 11	
2 nd Half term	

Topic 8: Resource Reliance (Paper 2)

8.1: Will we run out of natural resources?8.2: Can we feed nine billion people by 2050?

Why now? A more complex unit that requires understanding of multiple topics already covered including dynamic development, changing climate, urban futures.

Assessment:

Formative practice exam questions, quizzes and marking points embedded throughout the unit.

Summative end of unit test.

Topic 1: Global Hazards (Paper 1)

1.2: How do plate tectonics shape our world?

Why now? Builds on student's knowledge and understanding of tectonic and climatic hazards introduced at key Stage 3. The case studies of both, are increasingly more complex to assess both physical and human of these events. Synoptic links to most prior units.

Preparation for Paper 3 - Year 11 Mocks

Topic 1: Global Hazards (Paper 1)

1.1: How can weather be hazardous?

Assessment:

Formative practice exam questions, quizzes and marking points embedded throughout the unit.

Summative end of unit test.

Topic 7: UK in the 21st Century (Paper 2)

7.1: How is the UK changing in the 21st century 7.2: Is the UK losing its global significance?

Why now? This topic draws on all other topics covered and provides opportunities for students to apply their knowledge, understanding and skills developed throughout the course through clear synoptic links to a case study of the contemporary geography of the UK.

Assessment:

Formative practice exam questions, quizzes and marking points embedded throughout the unit.

Summative end of unit test.

Recapping Sustaining Ecosystems

Revision

Revision

Preparation for GCSE

Our Natural World (01) 35% People and Society (02) 35% Geographical Exploration (03) 30%