

Geography 2023 Summer Tasks



For the summer task there are a few slides and information for you to read and understand.

1. Start by reading through pages 2-11 that show you what you will be studying in geography at A Level
2. Use the information on page 12 to help you fill in the sheet on page 13 by looking at different sources, to help you understand a geography issue in the news
3. Write a report that outlines the geographical issue you have investigated

Overview of A Level

- Three Components:
 - Component 1: Physical Geography **40%** of A Level
 - Component 2: Human Geography **40%** of A Level
 - Component 3: Geography Fieldwork Investigation **20%** of A Level (3,000-4,000 words)
- Both exams to be taken in Summer 2025

Component 1: Physical Geography

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What's assessed

Section A: Water and carbon cycles

Section B: either Hot desert systems and landscapes **or** Coastal systems and landscapes **or** Glacial systems and landscapes

Section C: either Hazards **or** Ecosystems under stress

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours 30 minutes
- 120 marks
- 40% of A-level

Questions

- Section A: answer all questions (36 marks)
- Section B: answer either question 2 or question 3 or question 4 (36 marks)
- Section C: answer either question 5 or question 6 (48 marks)
- Question types: multiple-choice, short answer, levels of response and extended prose

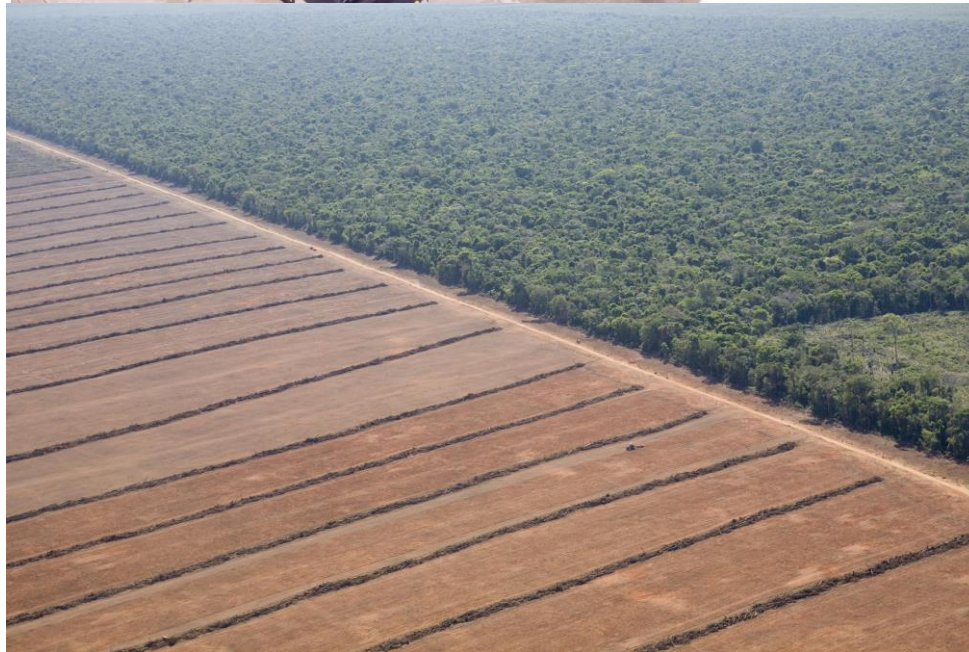
Climate change: Large-scale CO2 removal facility set for Scotland

By Matt McGrath
Environment correspondent

4 days ago Comments



CO₂ shortage



Water and Carbon Cycles

- How water is distributed around the world
- The ways water is affected by physical and human changes
- The distribution of carbon around the world
- How physical and human changes affect the carbon cycle
- Case studies of the Amazon Rainforest and The River Trent



Coastal Systems and Landscapes

- Systems and processes along a variety of coastal environments
- How coastlines develop over time
- Management of coastlines and the importance of mixed strategies
- Case Studies of the Holderness coastline in the UK and the Sundarbans in India/Bangladesh



Jurassic Coast cliff collapses in biggest UK rockfall for 60 years

People urged to stay away from Dorset beach with council expecting more unstable cliff face to fall



▲ Huge Dorset Jurassic Coast rockfall revealed in drone footage - video





Bushfire inquiry says Australia must prepare for 'alarming outlook'

30 October 2020



Australia fires



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A top inquiry says Australia needs to prepare for simultaneous natural disasters

Hazards

- Volcanic Hazards
- Seismic Hazards
- Storm Hazards
- Wildfire Hazards
- Case Studies of each of the above and a focus on a multi-hazard zone in Japan

Component 2: Human Geography

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What's assessed

Section A: Global systems and global governance

Section B: Changing places

Section C: either Contemporary urban environments **or** Population and the environment **or** Resource security

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 2 hours 30 minutes
- 120 marks
- 40% of A-level

Questions

- Section A: answer all questions (36 marks)
- Section B: answer all questions (36 marks)
- Section C: answer either question 3 or question 4 or question 5 (48 marks)
- Question types: multiple-choice, short answer, levels of response, extended prose

Global Systems and Global Governance

- What is globalisation and what impacts does it have?
- The impacts of unequal international trade on different people
- How groups are working together internationally to solve problems (eg. The UN)
- Antarctica and the governance of an area outside of national boundaries



UN blasts world leaders for failing to seal £72bn-a-year deal on climate

Financial aid 'critical' to help developing countries limit fossil fuels - and make Cop26 a success, says UN



▲ An Extinction Rebellion protest in Glasgow this month. Photograph: Andrew Milligan/PA



EU citizens make up a third of the population of some British towns

In the second part of our series on the EU Settlement Scheme, The Telegraph looks at the impact of migration on communities in the UK

By Harry de Quetteville
25 June 2021 • 9:07pm



Some 5.61 million people have applied for settlement status in the UK, two million more than predicted | CREDIT: David Rose for The Telegraph

Changing Places

- Categories and importance of place
- How places have been shaped by a variety of factors
- The different ways that places are represented
- Case studies of a local place, and a place that is significantly different





Rolls-Royce plans 16 mini-nuclear plants for UK

By Justin Rowlett
Chief environment correspondent

11 November 2020 | Comments



Supporters maintain that small nuclear reactors can be unobtrusive and safe

Resource Security

- Water usage and sustainability
- The different types of energy used and sustainability
- Minerals (including copper) and the impacts of its use
- Case studies of Nigeria and their oil, and California and their water



Component 3: Geography Fieldwork Investigation

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What's assessed

Students complete an individual investigation which must include data collected in the field. The individual investigation must be based on a question or issue defined and developed by the student relating to any part of the specification content.

How it's assessed

- 3,000–4,000 words
- 60 marks
- 20% of A-level
- marked by teachers
- moderated by AQA

2. Geography Summer Task 2023

For the main task (task 3) you will complete a report on a geographical issue, but before that you will do some research on a variety of issues (or you could focus on one issue and look at different sources).

On the next page examine three different sources that look at a geographical issue(s). Try to examine:

1. What is being said
2. Who wrote it (and what view might they have?)
3. What is the GEOGRAPHY involved?
4. What impacts this had
5. What responses people might have towards this

You could look at any recent geographical issue for example:

- **The spread of Coronavirus**
- **War in Ukraine**
- **Brexit**
- **Recent Storm events in Britain**

You will need to use at least 3 sources to back up your ideas. These can include:

- Newspapers
- Websites (www.bbc.co.uk and www.theguardian.com are good places to start)
- TV

Summer Task 2 - Research

	News report 1	News report 2	News report 3
Name of source <i>(where did you access it?)</i>			
Summary <i>(give a short description of what the article says)</i>			
Author <i>(who wrote the article/who presented it? Are they subjective?)</i>			
Geography <i>(what geographical issue is this addressing?)</i>			
Impacts <i>(are there any positive/negative impacts? Could these impacts change in the future?)</i>			
Responses <i>(how might people respond to this event?)</i>			

3. Geography Summer Task 2023

For your final 2022 geography summer task you need to write a 800-1,000 word (two A4 sides) report on one of the recent geographical events you have just researched

For example:

- **The spread of Coronavirus**
- **War in Ukraine**
- **Brexit**
- **Recent Storm events in Britain**

You will need to use at least 2 sources to back up your ideas. These can include:

- Newspapers
- Websites (www.bbc.co.uk and www.theguardian.com are good places to start)
- TV

For the event you are investigating you need to write about:

1. The background to the story (countries involved, people affected, build up to the event)
2. Reasons why this was/is an important event and what the impacts were
3. How did people respond to this, and do you think people responded well?
4. Overall, why is this relevant to Geography?



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