Shoeburyness High School

Year 9 Subject Information

Geography GCSE



Geography will lead you places!

Would you like to be the next David Attenborough or Simon Reeve?





Do you like learning about current affairs, want to plan cities or lead an environmental revolution?







Subject Information:

Our exam board is **Edexcel A**.

There are **three** exams at the end of the two year course:

- Component 1- The Physical Environment
- Component 2 The Human Environment
- Component 3 Geographical Investigations:
 Fieldwork and UK Challenges

Component 1- The Physical Environment

At Shoeburyness High School we study the following 'Physical Environment' topics at GCSE:

Topic 1 – The Changing Landscape of the UK

- 1A Coastal Landscapes and Processes
- **1B** River Landscape and Processes
- Topic 2 Weather Hazards and Climate Change
- Topic 3 Ecosystems, Biodiversity and Management

<u>Component 2 – The Human Environment</u>

At Shoeburyness High School we study the following 'Human Environment' topics at GCSE:

- **Topic 4** Changing Cities
- **Topic 5** Global Development
- Topic 6 Resource Management
- 6B Water Resource Management

<u>Component 3 –</u> Geographical Investigations: Fieldwork and UK Challenges

At Shoeburyness High School we undertake **two fieldtrips**. In year 10 we usually visit a **Coastal** environment (Walton-On-The-Naze, Essex), and in year 11 we visit an **Urban** environment (Stratford, London).

We also look specifically at a number of different challenges facing the UK, which link in with the physical and human geographical topics we have studied.

Career Progression

Possible careers following further geographical studies include:

- Geography teacher
- Environmental Scientist
- Conservationist
- Researcher
- Geomorphologist
- Communications and Management Engineer
- Data and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) Analyst
- Sustainability Consultant
- Surveyor

University Progression

Some of our A Level students have recently gone on to study the following courses at universities:

- Ecology, Conservation and Environment (University of Sussex)
- Environmental Sciences (University of Greenwich)
- Geography and International Development (University of East Anglia)
- Geography (University of the West of England, Bristol)
- Media and Communication (University of Winchester)
- Medical Sciences (University of Exeter)

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