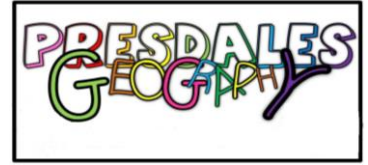


## Year 8 Geography Curriculum



In Year 8 you will study a variety of topics covering physical, human and environmental geography and will develop locational knowledge, place knowledge, geographical skills and fieldwork techniques.

You will be working towards being able to answer the following **enquiry questions**:

- *How do rainforests work?*
- *How can we use the tropical rainforest sustainably?*
- *Who are the winners and losers in the global fashion industry?*
- *Can you crack the map code?*
- *Is there any point in worrying about climate change?*
- *How does a river change from its source to its mouth?*

You will explore the following **key aspects**:

Ecosystems, climate, distribution, global importance, resource extraction, deforestation, extinction, management, globalisation, economic sectors, exploitation, Fairtrade, locating places, map language, distance, grid references, long profile, river processes, erosional processes, river landforms, flooding...

You will come across the following **synoptic links** throughout the year:

- Sustainable development
- Environmental stewardship
- Global citizenship
- Climate change
- Interdependence

You will practice the following **geographical skills** throughout the year:

- Map skills
- Data handling skills
- Graph skills
- Extended writing skills
- Fieldwork skills

Use the checklist below to ensure that your answers in Geography are successful:

- ✓ 1. Show detailed knowledge
- ✓ 2. Give a range of ideas
- ✓ 3. Give evidence to support your points
- ✓ 4. Explain in detail
- ✓ 5. Use case study information
- ✓ 6. Include geographical vocabulary
- ✓ 7. Use a clear structure
- ✓ 8. Give different opinions
- ✓ 9. Link ideas together – draw similarities / comparisons
- ✓ 10. Link back to the question
- ✓ 11. Explore synoptic links
- ✓ 12. Include extra research

Your teacher may refer to these numbers to help you to improve your work

You will be assessed through a combination of extended writing pieces and GCSE-style tests

Your teacher will assess your work using the following objectives:

- AO1 – knowledge
- AO2 – understanding
- AO3 – application
- AO4 – skills