



Armfield Academy – Department of Geography – Key Stage 3

Year 9 Curriculum Overview



Half Term 1		
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How does extreme weather impact the UK? / How was Montserrat affected by a volcanic eruption?	
	Learning Questions	
Week 1	What is weather?	Why is it always raining?
Week 2	Why do we get such strong wind?	Why do we get very little snow in Blackpool?
Week 3	What were the effects of Storm Bert?	What were the responses to Storm Bert?
Week 4	What management strategies were implemented after Storm Bert?	Application Time: How does extreme weather impact the UK?
Week 5	Application Time: How does extreme weather impact the UK?	End of Enquiry Assessment
Week 6	Feedback What is the structure of the earth like?	What are convection currents?
Week 7	Why do plate margins create hazards?	How does continental drift prove the plate margin theory?
Half Term 2		
Date	Enquiry Question(s) - How was Montserrat affected by a volcanic eruption? / Why was Nepal and New Zealand impacted differently by earthquakes?	
	Learning Questions	
Week 1	What are composite volcanoes?	What are the hazards of an eruption?
Week 2	How has Montserrat been changed by a volcanic eruption?	What were the immediate responses to the Montserrat eruption?
Week 3	What were the long-term responses to the Montserrat eruption?	Application Time: How was Montserrat affected by a volcanic eruption?
Week 4	End of Enquiry Assessment	Feedback What are earthquakes?
Week 5	What happened during the 2015 Nepal earthquake?	What were the responses to the Nepal earthquake?
Week 6	Has Nepal fully recovered from the earthquake?	What happened during the 2016 New Zealand earthquake?
Week 7	What were the responses to the New Zealand earthquake?	Why was New Zealand hardly affected by the earthquake?
Half Term 3		
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – Why was Nepal and New Zealand impacted differently by earthquakes? / What is life like for the urban poor of Rio de Janeiro?	
	Learning Questions	
Week 1	Application Time: Comparing Earthquakes	End of Enquiry Assessment
Week 2	Feedback What and where are settlements?	Why do push and pull factors shape our cities?
Week 3	What are the benefits and problems associated with urbanisation?	Why are megacities a result of urban growth?
Week 4	What is urban deprivation?	What is life like in Rocinha?
Week 5	Why is pollution a problem in Rocinha?	Why do people 'create their own jobs' in Rocinha?
Week 6	Mid-Year Review	Mid-Year Review
Half Term 4		
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What is life like for the urban poor of Rio de Janeiro? / What are the benefits and costs of globalisation?	
	Learning Questions	
Week 1	Why do very few children go to school in Rocinha?	How is the Favela Bairro project attempting to improve quality of life in Rocinha?
Week 2	Application Time: What is life like for the urban poor of Rio de Janeiro?	End of Enquiry Assessment
Week 3	Feedback What is an economy?	How has employment changed over time in the UK?
Week 4	How does the employment structure of countries vary globally?	Why did the UK's factory jobs go abroad?
Week 5	How do TNCs contribute to globalisation?	Is Primark worth the human cost?
Half Term 5		
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What are the benefits and costs of globalisation? / Why must the development gap be reduced?	
	Learning Questions	
Week 1	How has containerisation accelerated globalisation?	What is the future of globalisation?
Week 2	Application Time: What are the benefits and costs of globalisation?	End of Enquiry Assessment
Week 3	Feedback What are social and economic measures of development?	What is uneven development?
Week 4	How can the development gap be reduced with fair trade?	How does debt relief reduce the development gap?
Week 5	How does the Maldives use tourism to reduce the development gap?	How is Kenya using intermediate technology to reduce the development gap?
Week 6	Application Time: Why must the development gap be reduced?	End of Enquiry Assessment
Half Term 6		
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How is the UK's infrastructure improving? / How do glaciers carve a brand-new landscape?	
	Learning Questions	
Week 1	Feedback What is the north-south divide?	Why is infrastructure so important to the UK?
Week 2	Why does Heathrow need a third runway?	How is Liverpool developing its infrastructure?
Week 3	Why is Crossrail costing the UK 18 billion pounds?	How is the north-south divide being reduced?
Week 4	Application Time: How is the UK's transport infrastructure improving?	End of Enquiry Assessment
Week 5	Feedback What and where are glaciers found?	How do glaciers carve the landscape?
Week 6	Why do corries form as a result of glacial erosion?	How do aretes and pyramidal peaks form?
Week 7	Why do glaciers leave erratic's behind?	Application Time: How do glaciers carve a brand-new landscape?
Week 8	End of Enquiry Assessment	Feedback End of Year Quiz