



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 (2 days)	Book Creation, Expectations and Conduct	
Week 2	What is weather?	Why is it always raining?
Week 3	Why do we get such strong wind?	Why do we get very little snow in Blackpool?
Week 4	What were the effects of Storm Bert?	What were the responses to Storm Bert?
Week 5	What management strategies were implemented after Storm Bert?	Review: How does extreme weather impact the UK?
Week 6	Application Time: How does extreme weather impact the UK?	What is the structure of the earth like?
Week 7	What are convection currents?	Why do plate margins create hazards?
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	How does continental drift prove the plate margin theory?	What are composite volcanoes?
Week 2	What are the hazards of an eruption?	How has Montserrat been changed by a volcanic eruption?
Week 3	What were the immediate responses to the Montserrat eruption?	What were the long-term responses to the Montserrat eruption?
Week 4	Review: How was Montserrat affected by a volcanic eruption?	Application Time: How was Montserrat affected by a volcanic eruption?
Week 5	Reteach & Respond	Reteach & Respond
Week 6	What are earthquakes?	Can earthquakes be predicted?
Week 7	What factors affect the damage caused by earthquakes?	What happened during the 2015 Nepal 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	What were the responses to the Nepal earthquake?	What happened during the 2016 New Zealand earthquake?
Week 2	What were the responses to the New Zealand earthquake?	Review: Why was Nepal and New Zealand impacted differently by earthquakes?
Week 3	Application Time: Why was Nepal and New Zealand impacted differently by earthquakes?	What and where are settlements?
Week 4	Why do push and pull factors shape our cities?	What are the benefits and problems associated with urbanisation?
Week 5	Why are megacities a result of urban growth?	What is urban deprivation?
Week 6	What is life like in Rocinha?	Why is pollution a problem in Rocinha?
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 people 'create their own jobs' in Rocinha?	Why do very few children go to school in Rocinha?
Week 2	How is the Favela Bairro project attempting to improve quality of life in Rocinha?	Review: What is life like for the urban poor of Rio de Janeiro?
Week 3	Application Time: What is life like for the urban poor of Rio de Janeiro?	What is an economy?
Week 4	How has employment changes over time in the UK?	How does the employment structure of countries vary globally?
Week 5	Why did the UK's factory jobs go abroad?	How do TNCs contribute to globalisation?
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	Is Primark worth the human cost?	How has containerisation accelerated globalisation?
Week 2	What is the future of globalisation? (1)	What is the future of globalisation? (2)
Week 3	Review: What are the benefits and costs of globalisation?	Application Time: What are the benefits and costs of globalisation?
Week 4	Reteach & Respond	Reteach & Respond
Week 5	What are social and economic measures of development?	What is uneven development?
Week 6	How can the development gap be reduced with fair trade?	How does debt relief reduce the development gap?
Week 7	How does the Maldives use tourism to reduce the development gap?	How is Kenya using intermediate technology to reduce the development gap?
Half Term 6		
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – Why must the development gap be reduced? / How do glaciers carve a brand-new landscape?	
	Learning Questions	
Week 1	Review: Why must the development gap be reduced?	Application Time: Why must the development gap be reduced?
Week 2	What and where are glaciers found?	How do glaciers carve the landscape?
Week 3	Why do corries form as a result of glacial erosion?	How do aretes and pyramidal peaks form?
Week 4	How do U-shaped valleys and truncated spurs form?	How are glacial features identified on OS maps?
Week 5	How are glaciated areas used today?	How is Chamonix's glaciated area used?
Week 6	Review: How do glaciers carve a brand-new landscape?	Application Time: How do glaciers carve a brand-new landscape?
Week 7	End of Year Review	End of Year Quiz