**Preparing for Transition from Key Stage 4 to Key Stage 5**

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| **Subject** | **Qualification** |
| **Geography**Topic 1 - GlobalisationTopic 2 - Coastal Landscapes and ChangeTopic 3 - Regenerating PlacesTopic 4 -Tectonic Processes and HazardsTopic 5 -The Water Cycle and Water InsecuritiesTopic 6 - The Carbon Cycle and Energy SecurityTopic 7 - SuperpowersTopic 8 - Migration, Identity and Sovereignty | **A Level**Exam Board: Pearson Edexcel4 Components:1. Paper 1 Physical Geography (30%)
2. Paper 2 Human Geography (30 %)
3. Paper 3 Geographical Issues (20%)
4. Independent Coursework (20%)
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| **Recommended Reading Materials** | **Recommended Websites**  |
| * A Short History of Nearly Everything - Bill Bryson (2003)
* Globalization: A Very Short Introduction - Manfred Steger (2013)
* The Making of the British Landscape - Nicholas Crane (2016)
* Geopolitics: A Very Short Introduction - Klaus Dodds (2014)
 | * To introduce yourself to the specification: <https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/geography-2016.html> - Pearson
* Introduction to the coursework element which includes fieldwork:<https://www.geography-fieldwork.org/a-level/> - FSC
* Excellent informative videos about the world and beyond: <https://www.youtube.com/user/Kurzgesagt>
* Really useful up to date articles: <https://www.nationalgeographic.com/magazine/> - National Geographic Magazine
* For all things economic: <https://www.economist.com/> - Economist
* Up to date geography news:<https://www.sciencedaily.com/news/earth_climate/geography/> - Science Daily
* Interesting articles about the world:<https://www.atlasobscura.com/> - Atlas Obscura
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| **Preparation Tasks** | **Recommended Research**  |
| * Visit your local high street / shopping district. How many global TNCs (Transnational Corporations) can you identify? Are there more than independent businesses? Why?
* Familiarise yourself with the A Level Geography Specification using the link in the ‘Recommended Websites’
 | * Find out what Canary Wharf’s main industry was before it was the financial hub of London.
* Was the London Olympics a success and did it benefit the local people in Stratford?
* Research the tectonic history of the UK. Why do we no longer have any active volcanoes?
* Why is the East coast of the UK so vulnerable to coastal erosion?
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| **Recommended trips or visits this Summer** |
| * The Natural History Museum
* Canary Wharf
* Stratford; Westfield & Queen Elizabeth Park
* The Beach! Do you notice any coastal defences? Why are they there?
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| **Tasks to Complete** |
| * Complete the preparation tasks
* Create a report/presentation on the local area where you live. Ensure you include:- A short history of your local place, what was its main industry in the past and how has it changed since? (try not to go back by more than 100 years).- Has your local place been influenced by international businesses? Do you see a lot of TNCs around; have they contributed to the economy of your local place for the better or worse? Think about shopping centres, business districts, markets etc.- What are the demographics of your local place? e.g. population, age, income, level of education - why do think this trend exists? You can use government census websites to help you such as datashine.org.uk
* This activity will aid your understanding of the first two human geography topics you will be studying during your first year; Globalisation & Regenerating Places
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