

Higher Geography

Higher Geography exam: Tuesday 28th April

Course Assessment

Question paper 1: Physical environments (*Atmosphere, Biosphere, Hydrosphere, Lithosphere*) and Human environments (*Population, Rural, Urban*) 1 hour and 50 minutes.

Total marks 100 (scaled marks 50) = 46% of the overall grade.

Question paper 2: Global Issues (*Climate Change and River Basin Management*) and Geographical skills 1 hour and 10 minutes.

Total marks 60 (scaled marks 30) = 27% of the overall grade

Assignment: 30 marks 1 hour and 30 minutes 27% of the overall grade.

Revision tools

Google Classroom: Revision sheets can be found on the Higher Geography Google Classroom page.

BBC Bitesize: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zmhs34j>

SQA past papers: <https://www.sqa.org.uk/pastpapers/findpastpaper.htm?subject=Geography&level=NH>

Revision techniques

Flashcards: use flashcards to learn key terms, place names, definitions and statistics e.g. leaching, Lake Windermere, plucking, India = 15 official languages and 1650 dialects.

Mind maps or lists: use mind maps or lists as a revision tool to help you remember the key points.

Illustrations: practise drawing and annotating diagrams e.g. soil profiles, glacial and coastal features.

Read: read the question carefully, answer the question you are being asked, not what you want it to be. Follow the command word e.g. discuss, describe, explain, evaluate. Also use all of the sources to help you answer the question e.g. for RBM.

Practise timed questions: read over your notes and then answer the questions without your notes in the correct time e.g. you have 9 minutes approximately to answer a ten mark question. You must write in full sentences, do not write lists.

Map work: Application of Geographical Skills - look at the relevant section of the map, highlight the specific and the surrounding area to answer your question. Ensure you quote named examples, names of roads etc. and use 4 and 6 figure grid references and make reference to all of the sources.

Mnemonics: remember Listen To Grand Mother She's Probably Right (location factors), VERYPISINA (River Basin Management) CROPVD (Biosphere) etc.

