

Higher Geography



Course layout



Course divided into human and physical with separate teachers:
Mrs Rodger, physical (2 periods)
Mrs Wilson, human (3 periods)

What does Higher Geography involve?

	Course area	Topics	Assessment
<p>Exam (60 marks; 66% of overall mark).</p> <p>Exam length = 2hours 15mins.</p>	Section 1: Physical geography: (15 marks)	Hydrosphere	<p>Unit outcomes assessed in class test & marked by teacher.</p> <p>Also assessed in final exam.</p>
		Lithosphere	
		Biosphere	
		Atmosphere	
	Section 2: Human geography: (15 marks)	Rural	
		Urban	
		Population	
	Section 3: Global Issues: (20marks)	River Basin Management	
Development and Health			
Section 4: Application of Geographical Skills (10 marks)		No unit assessment	
<p><i>Added Value assignment</i></p>	<p><i>33% (30marks)</i></p>	<p><i>Biosphere fieldwork, research & write-up</i></p>	<p><i>Written in exam conditions in 1hour 30 mins using processed information. Marked by the SQA.</i></p>

Assessment arrangements



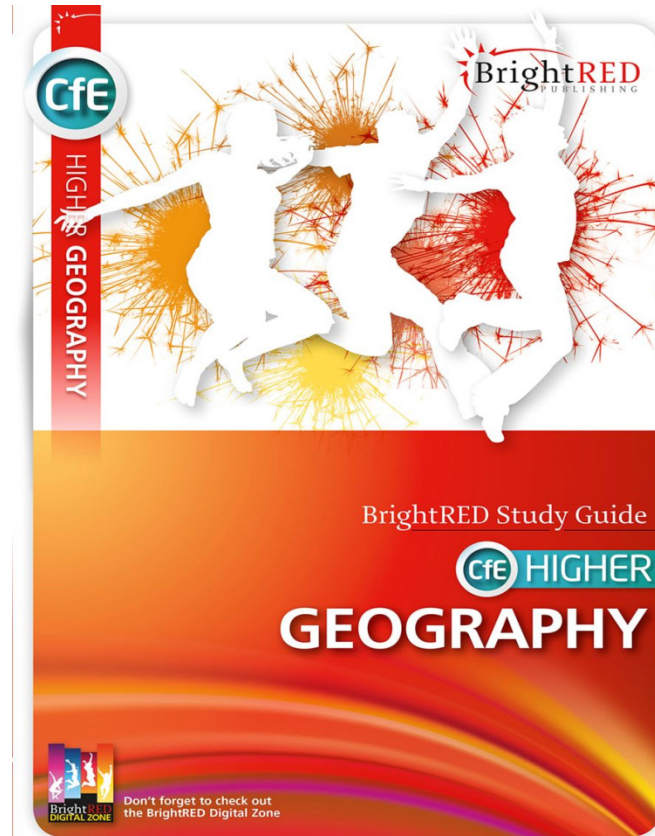
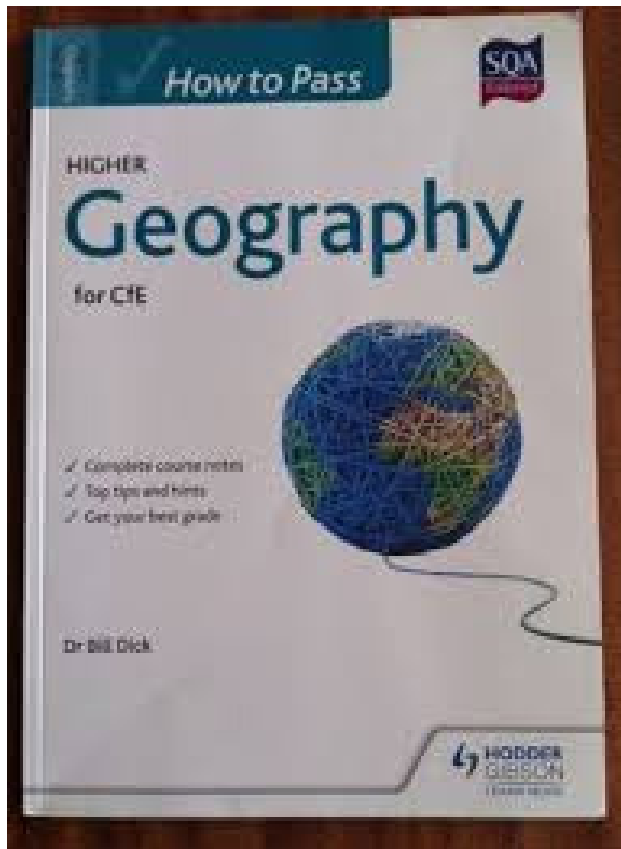
- End of unit class tests for all topics
- Timed Qs in class
- Outcomes – open book
- **Added Value-**
- Fieldtrip September, write up in November sent away and marked by SQA. Exam conditions, attendance compulsory unless valid reason. Second attempt only given if genuine reason for non-attendance. Exactly same as with final exam.

Revision/study



- Each topic comes with a study skills booklet with exam Qs in it.
- SQA past papers (Qs and answers) available online.
- BrightRED and Hodder and Gibson study guides available to buy online.
- Revision sessions available after school and lunchtime at prelim/exam time.
- Monthly lunchtime catch up available all year.

Revision guides



What can you do?



- Course content/PowerPoints available on Glow if your child logs you in.
- Be a soundboard
- “Mark” PPQs with revision guides
- Provide a quiet working space for revision
- Feed them!!