



Christopher Whitehead Language College and Sixth Form A-Level Geography Reading and Resource List

Exam specification:

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/A%20Level/Geography/2016/specification-and-sample-assessments/Pearson-Edexcel-GCE-A-level-Geography-specification-issue-2-FINAL.pdf>

Core texts available through Amazon and other sellers:

AS - Y12 text books

Pearson Edexcel AS/A Level geography Book 1 ISBN 978 1 292 13960 9

Hodder Edexcel A Level Geography Book 1 ISBN 978 1 4781 5654 9

A2 - Y13 text books

Pearson Edexcel A Level Geography Book 2 ISBN - 9781 292 13965 4

Hodder Edexcel A Level Geography Book 2 ISBN – 978 1 4781 5653 2

Other requirements:

Year 12 will participate in a 5 day residential (approx. cost £400)

Wider reading to support independent study:

Books

There is an extensive reading list published by The Geographical Association

https://www.geography.org.uk/download/ga_p16readinglist.pdf

The Great Thirst – Californians and Water by Norris Hundley (1992).

Six Degrees: Our Future on a Hotter Planet by Mark Lynas (2008).

Geography: An integrated approach by David Waugh (various editions). Excellent breadth and depth of A-Level content.

Touching the Void by Joe Simpson (1998) – also the film by the same name (2003)

No Logo by Naomi Klein (1999)

This Changes Everything by Naomi Klein (2014)

Prisoners of Geography by Tim Marshall (2015)

Geography: Ideas in Profile by Danny Dorling and Carl Lee (2016)

Where On Earth? Geography Without the Boring Bits by James Doyle (2017)

Globalization: A Very Short Introduction by Manfred B. Steger (2017)

The White Tiger by Aravind Adiga (The Man Booker prize winner in 2008).

I am Pilgrim by Terry Hayes (2014)

The Little Ice Age: How Climate made History by Brian M Fagan (2001)

Hello Dubai: Skiing, Sand and Shopping in the World's Weirdest City by Joe Bennett (2010)

Half of a Yellow Sun by Chimamanda Ngozi (2007)

Why Geography Matters by Harm De Blij (2012)

Films and documentaries

Volcano (1997)

Dantes Peak (1997)

Earthquake (1974)

Water First- Reaching the Millennium Development Goals (2008) directed by Amy Hart. An inspiring story from Malawi

When The Wind Blows (1986) a chilling cartoon

State of the Planet – a series made in 2001 and presented by David Attenborough

An Inconvenient Truth (2006) presented by Al Gore (Global Warming)

Human Planet – 8 part BBC documentary series (2011) looking at human species interaction with the natural world

Wall. E (2008) Covers themes of Globalisation and brand power. Also, environmental issues depicted through scenes of a post-apocalyptic world devoid of all natural life.

Simon Reeve (presenter) - Various BBC documentaries covering both physical and human geographical themes.

1. Equator (2006)

2. Tropic of Capricorn (2008)

3. Tropic of Cancer (2010)

Erin Brockovich - a good film that presents the negative impacts of the natural gas industry and the extent to which large companies are prepared to go to, to cover this up. Not only would this be good for the Y13 carbon cycle module but also globalisation with reference to the negative impact of TNCs.

Hotel Rwanda (2004)

Before the Flood (2016)

Orbit: Earth's Extraordinary Journey (2012)

A variety of TED talks https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=TED+talks+geography

Journals:

Geographical

The Economist

National Geographic

The Guardian Newspaper

Websites

<http://www.s-cool.co.uk/a-level/geography>

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/>

<http://www.acegeography.com/>

<https://www.geography.org.uk/Student-guidance>

<http://www.geography-site.co.uk/>

<https://www.rgs.org/>

BBC news - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news>