

Year 8 Geography Curriculum Overview

HALF TERM 1

Coastal Landscapes In The UK	<p>What causes waves? What causes tides? What is the difference between weathering and erosion? (How is the coast shaped by erosion? How is the coast shaped by deposition? What are the effects of coastal erosion? Which part of the UK coastline are most under threat? How can coastal erosion be reduced? How can hard engineering methods protect our coastline? How can soft engineering methods protect our coastline?</p>
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HALF TERM 2

The Changing UK Economy	<p>What types of work are there in the UK? What was the Industrial Revolution? Why did Manchester grow as a 'cottonopolis'? How has Manchester's population changed over time? How did containerisation and deindustrialisation affect Salford docks? What is the spiral of urban decline? What is inequality and how does it affect people's life chances? What is regeneration and why was it needed? What are the main features of the Salford regeneration scheme? To what extent has the regeneration of Salford benefitted the area and its people?</p>
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HALF TERM 3

Food Supply And The Environment	<p>What types of economic activity are there? What are the main types of farming in Britain? Why is demand for food increasing? What are the global patterns of food supply? Why is demand for food increasing? What factors affect food supply? What are the impacts of food insecurity? How can food supply be increased? What are the impacts of intensive farming? How can food supply be made more sustainable?</p>
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HALF TERM 4

Mountains And Glacial Landscapes

What was the extent of the last ice age in the UK?
What are the main glacial processes?
What landforms were created by glacial erosion?
What landforms were glacial transportation and deposition?
How can we identify glacial landforms on OS maps?
What economic opportunities are created in glaciated areas?
How can conflict arise in glaciated areas?
What are issues on the Isle of Arran and the Lake District?
What is the issue with second homes and holiday homes?
How can the impacts of tourism be managed?

HALF TERM 5

Mumbai, Opportunities And Challenges

What are the driving forces of urbanisation?
What are megacities?
What is the distribution of megacities around the world?
What challenges arise as a consequence of the rapid urban growth?
What is Mumbai like?
What are the environmental and social challenges in Mumbai?
What are the economic opportunities and challenges in Mumbai?
How is an urban planning strategy improving the lives of the urban poor?
To what extent have the lives of the urban poor improved?
Why is Mumbai a city of regional, national and international importance?

HALF TERM 6

World Issues

Are we on the edge of a third mass extinction?
What are the causes of biodiversity loss?
What are the causes and effects of overfishing?
What is the impact of plastic pollution?
What is climate change?
What are the effects of climate change?
What is the water problem?
Food – too little or, too much?
Which species are most endangered?
How are people affected by poverty around the world?