



SUBJECT: Curriculum Overview

Year 8

Half Term	Topic studied	What will I learn?	How will I be assessed?
Year 8 Autumn 1	Why do tectonic hazards occur?	Why do the Plates move? What is a natural hazard? Where do hazards occur? What is a Volcano What are earthquakes? What are tsunamis?	Explain why hazards occur at plate boundary (8) Volcano research task/presentation
Year 8 Autumn 2	How do humans cope with tectonic hazards?	Why do people live near them? How did Montserrat respond to its eruption? How are earthquakes measured? What can we do to reduce the impacts? Do poorer countries suffer more?	Restless Earth test Does size matter enquiry
Year 8 Spring 1	Why does weather matter?	Types of weather How we measure weather How rain forms Understanding air pressure Extreme weather – tropical storms Microclimates	Weather test Microclimate investigation
Year 8 Spring 2	What is Development?	What is development? How to we measure it? Why are some countries rich and some poor? How to close the development gap? How the UK is unequally developed?	Development research task/Poster Development test
Year 8 Summer 1	Rivers; How do they shape the landscape?	Understanding erosion and transportation Landforms in rivers Managing rivers	Process questions test Defending Aston Hope presentation
Year 8 Summer 2	Do our coastlines need protecting?	How does the sea shape the coast? How do humans use the coast? How do humans manage the coast? Should we protect the coast? (DME.)	Old Harry Research Letter to Albrough council

