Year 9

Timing	Unit Title	Key Question	Knowledge	Assessing understanding
Autumn	Climate Change and natural resources	How and why is our climate changing? What are natural resources and how can we use them sustainably?	 What are the facts about climate change? What is the evidence for climate change? Natural causes of climate change Human causes of climate change (particular reference to industrialisation) The effects of climate change at a global scale Why are we so poorly evolved to deal with climate change? Sustainable solutions – adapting and mitigating What are natural resources? Place focus- Russia and the Middle East How can natural resources be used to meet our energy mix? How can we use natural resources sustainably? 	 How understanding is assessed Peer, self and teacher assessment throughout the term of work produced. Students can explain the causes of climate change Students can describe and categorise the effects of climate change Students can assess the solutions to climate change Students can describe a range of natural resources Students can assess how natural resources are used to meet the UK's energy mix Students can evaluate the sustainability of energy resources. Skills Description and analysis of data Geographic literacy PEEL paragraph writing – particularly focusing on how evidence is used to support points. Essay writing Development and justification of own ideas based on geographical concepts and understanding.
Spring	Development	Why are some parts of the world more developed than others?	 Indicators of development Different rates of development between countries. How can development change over time? Does this support the theory? Changes in UK development and links to economic activity in the UK How do we reduce gender inequality? 	Peer, self and teacher assessment throughout the term of work produced. Students can categorise the indicators of development. Students can explain the different rates of development between countries

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		What are the different economic sectors and how does development influence them?	 How the global fashion industry affects development How global trading systems affect development Different types of aid Fair trade. What is globalisation? What are the global and national impacts of globalisation? Is Kingston a clone town? Geographical enquiry of a local place (virtual clone town survey). 	 Students can explain how the global fashion industry affects development Students can explain how global trading systems affect development Students can identify different types of aid and explain how they can help development. Students can assess the role of fair trade in helping countries to develop. Students can assess the extent to which Kingston is a clone town.
				 Skills Construction, description and analysis and pie charts and bar graphs. Geographic literacy PEEL paragraph writing – particularly focusing on how evidence is used to support points. Development and justification of own ideas based on geographical concepts and understanding.
Summer	Asia	How is Asia being transformed? Asia's diverse and dynamic climate and population Asia on the world's stage-	 Mapping Asia Place focus: China What is China's climate like? What are China's main Biomes? What is the population distribution of China and how does the physical geography influence this? How has the population of China changed and what are the factors that have affected this? What are the opportunities and challenges in Beijing? 	 How understanding is assessed Peer, self and teacher assessment throughout the term of work produced. Students can explain disparities within Asia and the rest of the world Students can explain Asia's diverse climate Students can explain how diverse Asia's population is Students can evaluate how fair and effective the One Child Policy was.

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how is As developing into the resimportant global economic	India- independent investigation	 Students can assess how China's economic growth is helping to create an interdependent world Skills Geographic literacy PEEL paragraph writing – particularly focusing on how
region?		 evidence is used to support points. Essay writing Development and justification of own ideas based on geographical concepts and understanding.