Geography – Year 10

When	Topic	Detailed Content	Assessment
Autumn 1	Changing Landscapes of the UK River Landscapes and Processes	There are geological variations within the UK A number of physical and human processes work together to create distinct UK landscapes A variety of physical processes interact to shape river landscapes Erosion and deposition interacting with geology create distinctive landforms in river landscapes Human activities can lead to changes in river landscapes which affect people and the environment Distinctive river landscapes are the outcome of the interaction between physical and human processes	Ongoing informal assessment of classwork and homework. Formal assessment through regular end of unit testing and mock examinations. Final grading based on terminal examinations.
Autumn 2	Coastal Landscapes and Processes	A variety of physical processes interact to shape coastal landscapes Coastal erosion and deposition create distinctive landforms within the coastal landscape Human activities can lead to changes in coastal landscapes which affect people and the environment	
Spring 1	Coastal Landscapes and Processes Weather Hazards and Climate Change	Distinctive coastal landscapes are the outcome of the interaction between physical and human processes The atmosphere operates as a global system transferring heat and energy The global climate was different in the past and continues to change due to natural causes Global climate is now changing as a result of human activity	
Spring 2	Weather Hazards and Climate Change	The UK has a distinct climate which has changed over time Tropical cyclones are extreme weather events that develop under specific conditions and in certain locations There are various impacts of and responses to natural hazards caused by tropical cyclones depending on a country's level of development The causes of drought are complex with some locations more vulnerable than others The impacts of, and responses to drought vary depending on a country's level of development	
Summer 1	Ecosystems, Biodiversity and Management	Large-scale ecosystems are found in different parts of the world and are important The biosphere is a vital system The UK has its own variety of distinctive ecosystems that it relies on Tropical rainforests show a range of distinguishing features Tropical rainforest ecosystems provide a range of goods and services some of which are under threat	
Summer 2	Ecosystems, Biodiversity and Management Global Development	Deciduous woodlands show a range of distinguishing features Deciduous woodlands ecosystems provide a range of goods and services some of which are under threat Definitions of development vary as do attempts to measure it The level of development varies globally Uneven global development has had a range of consequences A range of strategies has been used to try to address uneven development The level of development of the chosen developing or emerging country is influenced by its location and context in the world	