

A-Level Geography – Wider Reading list

At A-Level Geography, it is expected that you can demonstrate to the examiners that you have been partaking in wider reading.

Below is a list of books/journals and websites you could use over the next two years and beyond in university.

The list below is the name of the text books that are published by the specific exam boards. If you wish to purchase this book, you are more than welcome.

- Edexcel A level Geography Book 1 (Year 12) Third Edition, Hodder (ISBN 9781471856549)
- Edexcel A level Geography Book 2 (Year 13) Third Edition, Hodder (ISBN 9781471856532)
- Geography for Edexcel A Level Year 1 (Year 12), Oxford University Press (ISBN 9780198366454)
- Geography for Edexcel A Level Year 2 (Year 13), Oxford University Press (ISBN 9780198366485)
- Edexcel GCE Geography AS Level Student Book, Pearson (ISBN 9781292139623)
- Edexcel GCE Geography Y2 A Level Student Book, Pearson (ISBN 9781292139654)

This is a list of some books you might want to consider

Human Geography Books:

Superpowers:

- Prisoners of Geography, Marshall, T (2016)
- Collapse: How societies choose to fail or survive, Penguin, Diamond, J (2011)
- Blood River: A Journey to Africa's Broken Heart, Tim Butcher
- Chasing the Devil: The Search for Africa's Fighting Spirit, Tim Butcher
- Chasing the Devil: On foot through Africa's Killing Fields, Tim Butcher
- The New Rulers of the World, John Pilger
- The White Tiger, Aravind Adiga
- Dead Aid: Why aid is not working and how there is another way for Africa, Dambisa Moyo (2010)
- The Writing on the Wall: China and the West in the 21st Century, Will Hutton (2008)
- Fast Food Nation: What the All American Meal is Doing to the World, Eric Schlosser (2002)
- Wild Swans, Jung Chiang (2004)
- The Great Divergence: China, Europe and the Making of the Modern World Economy, Pomeranz, K. (2000)

Globalisation:

- The Bottom Billion: Why the poorest countries are failing and what can be done about it, Oxford University Press, Collier, P (2008)
- This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. the Climate, Penguin. Klein, N (2015)
- No Logo, N Klein (1999)
- A Globalizing world? Culture, Economics, Politics, Held, D. (2004)
- Geographies of Globalization, Murray, W.E. (2006)
- Poverty and Development into the 21st Century, Allen, T. and Thomas, A. (2000)
- Making Development Geography, Lawson, V. (2007)
- Blood Diamonds: Tracing the Deadly Path of the World's Most Precious Stones, Campbell, G.
- Fugitive Denim, Rachel Louise Synder (2008)
- Globalization and the Environment: Capitalism, Ecology and Power, Peter Newell (2012)

Regenerating Places

- Remaking London: Decline and Regeneration in Urban Culture, Ben Campkin (2013)
- London, Edward Rutherford (1997)
- City Rebranding: Theory and Cases, Keith Dinnie (2010)

Physical Geography Books

Tectonics:

- Richter 10, Arthur C Clarke & Mike McQuay (1996)
- The Day the Island Exploded, Alexandra Pratt (2009)
- Volcano, James Hamilton (2012)
- Natural Disasters, David Alexander (1993)
- Krakatoa: The Day the World Exploded: August 27, 1883, Simon Winchester (2004)
- A Crack in the Edge of the World: The Great American Earthquake of 1906, Simon Winchester (2006)
- Earth – The Power of the Planet, Ian Stewart & John Lynch (2007)
- Tsunami, Tibballs, G. (Tectonics)
- There is no such thing as a Natural Disaster, Chester Hartman and Gregory D Squires

Coasts

- Coast: The Journey Continues, Christopher Somerville (2006)
- The Beach Book: Science of the Shore, Carl Hobbs (2012)

- Coastal Flooding impacts and adaptation measures for Bangladesh, Saquib Ahmad Khan and Ali Hossain (2012)
- Coasts and Coastal Management, Hill, M.
- Hazards, Skinner, M. (Coasts/Tectonics)
- Hazards and Responses, Bishop, V. (Coasts/Tectonics)

Carbon Cycle & Security

- The Day after Tomorrow, Whitley Strieber (2004)
- Gaia, a new look at life on Earth, James Lovelock (1979)
- The Revenge of Gaia, James Lovelock (2006)
- An Inconvenient Truth, Al Gore (2006)
- Six Degrees: Our Future on a Hotter Planet, Mark Lynas (2008)
- Heat: How We Can Stop the Planet Burning, George Monbiot (2007)
- The Skeptical Environmentalist, Bjorn Lomborg (2003)
- Cool it: The sceptical environmentalist's guide to global warming, Bjorn Lomborg (2009)
- Powerdown: Options and Actions for a Post Carbon World, Richard Heinberg (2004)
- Fixing Climate, Wallace Broecker and Robert Kunzig

Water Cycle & Security

- Water A Turbulent History, Stephen Halliday (2004)
- Rivers and Water Management, Nagle, G. (Water Cycle & Security)

Other Sources of Information

Journals

Journals are a good way of keeping up to date with what's happening in the world of geography. You can subscribe for a year or buy individual past publications.

Some good Geography magazines are:

- Geography Review, Go to: <http://www.philipallan.co.uk/geographyreview/index.htm>
- Geographical, Go to: <http://www.geographical.co.uk/Home/index.html>

News

You need to be aware of current global events that are related to the units you will be studying; so look out for things in the news to do with the topics we are studying. You can use Google Alerts to make this easier

🔗 <http://www.google.co.uk/alerts?hl=en>

There are also many good websites you can use. News websites are partially good at keeping you informed and up-to-date.

News websites include –

🔗 www.bbc.co.uk

🔗 <http://www.telegraph.co.uk>

You can also use websites like –

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

🔗 <http://www.geographyalltheway.com/>

🔗 <http://www.gatm.org.uk/>

Finally, there is a plethora of websites offering you help with the subject content. Many will cover topics you don't study and most are based on the old specifications or different exam boards so check the content is relevant to you when using these sites.

