GCSE Geography bulletin, April 2018

Welcome back, I hope that you all had a restful Easter break ready for the build-up for the summer series of exams. I hope that you find the information in this bulletin useful.

FIELDWORK

- A reminder that the ‘Fieldwork Statement’ for Component 3 should be submitted by 31 May 2018. Early responses would be welcomed.
  
  Geography A submitted to steve.james@eduqas.co.uk
  
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- Planning your fieldwork for 2019
  Remember that fieldwork must take place in two contrasting locations.

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EXAMINATIONS

- Exam papers for Eduqas Geography are marked electronically. Please ensure that any continuation of responses that your pupils do at the end of the exam paper have the question number clearly marked.

- Assessment Objectives (AO’s) will not be explicit next to the marks awarded for the question.

Top tips for preparing for pupils for the examinations

- Focus on command words in the question – this helps to identify the assessment objectives being assessed.
- Encourage the use of connectives to develop chains of reasoning on higher tariff questions (AO2 and AO3)

  Useful connectives
  ✓ Therefore…
  ✓ This leads to…
  ✓ As a consequence…
  ✓ This is because…
  ✓ Resulting in…

- Ensure that they pupils take the opportunity to refer to their own fieldwork on Section A and Section B of Component 3.
RESOURCES

- The digital resources website continues to be updated. An interactive version of the Maths and Statistics resources are now available. These are could be used as starters, as an integral part of teaching a key question, homework or revision. [http://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rIid=1177](http://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rIid=1177)

- A fieldwork book, endorsed by Eduqas, is now available. This student handbook has been written to meet the requirements of the Eduqas GCSE Geography specifications (A and B). The book (ISBN 978-1-912190-02-7) is available from enquiries@insightandperspective.co.uk at a cost of £11.99.

FURTHER SUPPORT

If you have any other questions or require further support please do not hesitate to contact us. Good luck to all of your students in this summer’s exams. All the best with the teaching.

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