



**GCSE
Geography**

**Helping you
to inspire a
world of future
geographers**



WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP TO SUPPORT YOU

From September 2012 all GCSEs were unitised and replaced by linear assessment for candidates starting a two-year course. To find out more about these changes, visit ocr.org.uk/gcse2012

Reminder: From June 2013, spelling, punctuation and grammar will be assessed in the GCSE Geography specifications.

Our aim is to help you at every stage and we work in close consultation with teachers and other experts to provide a practical package of high-quality resources and support.

We provide everything you need to teach our specifications with confidence and ensure that your students get as much as possible from our qualifications.

SERVICES

Answers@OCR is a web-based service where you can access specific up-to-date information, browse hot topics and FAQs, or email us with your questions. **Visit** <http://answers.ocr.org.uk>

Active Results for GCSE is a free online results analysis service to help you review the performance of individual students or your whole school. Active Results provides access to detailed results data, enabling more comprehensive analysis of results in order to give you a more accurate measure of the achievements of your centre and individual students.

For more information, go to ocr.org.uk/activeresults

OCR Interchange is a secure website for centres that offers a variety of services for Exams Officers and teachers, including the ability to carry out day-to-day administrative online functions quickly and efficiently.

The **OCR social network** is a free platform where teachers can engage with each other – and with OCR – to share ideas and best practice, offer guidance, and access a range of support materials produced by other teachers. **To sign up, go to** <http://social.ocr.org.uk>



MATERIALS AND RESOURCES

Our support materials are designed to save you time while you prepare for and teach our specifications. In response to what you have told us, we offer detailed guidance on key topics, controlled assessment and curriculum planning.

OUR ESSENTIAL FREE SUPPORT MATERIALS AND RESOURCES INCLUDE:

- Specimen assessment materials and mark schemes
- Guides to controlled assessment
- Sample controlled assessment material
- Candidate style answers
- Teacher's Handbook
- Sample schemes of work and lesson plans
- Guide to curriculum planning
- Past papers.

ENDORSED RESOURCES

You can access a variety of exciting OCR endorsed resources from the links below:

Pumpkin TV

www.pumpkintv.co.uk

OUP

ukcatalogue.oup.com

Hodder

www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/by-type/as-a-level-gce-related/ebooks

Download support materials online at ocr.org.uk/geography and select the qualification you require.

OCR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Here at OCR, we're constantly looking for ways to improve the support we offer to teachers. We've considered the increasing challenges that schools face in releasing teachers for INSET, and how we can make our Professional Development Programme more accessible and convenient for all.

Our improved programme will include:

- **Self-managed learning** – the training you want, when and where you want it. FREE online professional development units available when and where you want them.

WHAT TO DO NEXT?

- **Visit ocronlinetraining.org.uk** to keep up to date with all the latest information about our Professional Development Programme.
- **Sign up for updates** at ocr.org.uk/updates and be the first to find out about our exciting Professional Development Programme.
- **Contact our team**, who will be happy to help, at professionaldevelopment@ocr.org.uk
- **Visit www.ocreventbooker.org.uk** for details of face-to-face courses when they become available.

OUR AIM IS TO ASSIST YOU HOWEVER WE CAN

As well as providing you with a wide range of support services and resources to pick and choose from, we're also here to help you with specialist advice, guidance and support for those times when you simply need a more individual service.

HERE'S HOW TO CONTACT US FOR SPECIALIST ADVICE:

Phone: 01223 553998

Email: general.qualifications@ocr.org.uk

Online: <http://answers.ocr.org.uk>

Fax: 01223 552627

Post: Customer Contact Centre, OCR, Progress House, Westwood Business Park, Coventry CV4 8JQ

Don't forget – you can download specifications and all our support materials at ocr.org.uk/geography