Guide to National 5 Geography

Course Content

Human Geography—Urban Environment, Rural Environments, Population

Physical Geography—Glaciated Landscapes, Coastal Landscapes, Weather

Global Issues—Climate Change, Tourism

Pupils are given a detailed check list with a breakdown of each topic and what they need to know.

Assessment

Pupils will receive assessments at various stages throughout the year in order to support with learning.

The final grade for this course involves:

20% - Assignment—completed by the pupil both in class and at home. This is submitted to the SQA in March before the exam.

80% - Final Exam—Tuesday 29th April; 2 hours 20 minutes

Support

All course materials are accessible on Teams as well as paper copies being given out in class.

Pupils are also encouraged to use **Scholar**, this can be assessed by logging onto Glow and choosing the correct tile. Pupils have also been shown this in class.

Homework

Homework is given to pupils on a weekly basis. (Wednesday for the following Monday). It is assigned in class and on Teams. Homework should be completed in homework jotters which should be handed in on a Monday.

In order to achieve a National 5 qualification pupils should complete all homework tasks. This allows them to practice the necessary skills and receive detailed feedback on their work.

Assignment-20% of final grade

- Stage 1: Fieldwork visit to Loch Lomond to gather information
- Stage 2: Choose, with minimum support an appropriate topic or issue which links to their fieldwork
- Stage 3: Process information from the gathered fieldwork e.g. presenting it on maps, graphs etc
- Stage 4: Draft a section about their research methods
- Stage 5: Draft a section about their findings
- Stage 6: Draft a section on conclusions made
- Stage 7: Write up their final assignment under exam conditions, they have 1 hour and will only have access to their Processed Information
- Stage 8: This assignment will be sent to the SQA for marking

Pupils will be given appropriate time in class as well as be expected to complete sections at home. The due dates for each section will be given in class and posted on Teams.

Guide to National 5 Modern Studies

Course Content

Section 1: Democracy in the UK

Section 2: Social Issues in the UK—Crime and the Law

Section 3: International Issues—World Power

Pupils are given a detailed check list with a breakdown of each topic and what they need to know.

Assessment

Pupils will receive assessments at various stages throughout the year in order to support with learning.

The final grade for this course involves:

20% - Assignment—completed by the pupil both in class and at home. This is submitted to the SQA in March before the exam.

80% - Final Exam—Tuesday 20th May; 2 hours 20 minutes

Support

All course materials are accessible on Teams as well as paper copies being given out in class.

Pupils are also encouraged to use Mr Marr Modern Studies videos which are all available on Youtube

Homework

Homework is given to pupils on a weekly basis. It is assigned in class and on Teams.

In order to achieve a National 5 qualification pupils should complete all homework tasks. This allows them to practice the necessary skills and receive detailed feedback on their work.

Assignment—20% of final grade

- Stage 1: Choose an appropriate topic or subject which interests them, they should then decide on their question and the three factors they will investigate
- Stage 2: Independently research their chosen topic
- Stage 3: Draft their introduction
- Stage 4: Draft the main body
- Stage 5: Write the conclusion
- Stage 6: Write the resource sheet—this is some of the evidence they have collected during the research stage which will help with the write up
- Stage 7: Write up the final assignment under exam conditions, pupils have 1 hour and will only have access to their Resource Information
- Stage 8: This assignment will be sent to the SQA for marking

Pupils will be given appropriate time in class as well as be expected to complete sections at home. The due dates for each section will be given in class and posted on Teams.

Guide to National 5 History

Course Content

Section 1: Historical Study: Scottish—The Era of the Great War, 1900-1928

Section 2: Historical Study: British—Changing Britain 1760-1914

Section 3: Historical Study: European and World—Hitler and Nazi Germany 1919-39

Pupils are given a detailed check list with a breakdown of each topic and what they need to know.

Assessment

Pupils will receive assessments at various stages throughout the year in order to support with learning.

The final grade for this course involves:

20% - Assignment—completed by the pupil both in class and at home. This is submitted to the SQA in March before the exam.

80% - Final Exam— Friday 9th May; 2 hours 20 minutes

Support

All course materials are accessible on Teams as well as paper copies being given out in class.

Pupils are also encouraged to use 'Mr Marr History' videos which are all available on Youtube

Homework

Homework is given to pupils on a weekly basis. It is assigned in class and on Teams.

In order to achieve a National 5 qualification pupils should complete all homework tasks. This allows them to practice the necessary skills and receive detailed feedback on their work.

Assignment-20% of final grade

- Stage 1: Choose an appropriate topic or subject which interests them, they should then decide on their question and the three factors they will investigate
- Stage 2: Independently research their chosen topic
- Stage 3: Draft their introduction
- Stage 4: Draft the main body
- Stage 5: Draft the conclusion
- Stage 6: Write the resource sheet—this is some of the evidence they have collected during the research stage which will help with the write up
- Stage 7: Write up the final assignment under exam conditions, pupils have 1 hour and will only have access to their Resource Information
- Stage 8: This assignment will be sent to the SQA for marking

Pupils will be given appropriate time in class as well as be expected to complete sections at home. The due dates for each section will be given in class and posted on Teams.

Guide to Higher Geography

Course Content

Physical Environments: Atmosphere; Biosphere; Lithosphere; Hydrosphere

Human Environments: Urban Environments (Rio and Glasgow); Rural Environments (Amazon Rainforest and Lake

District); Population

Global Issues: Climate Change; Development and Health

Geographical Skills

Pupils are given a detailed check list with a breakdown of each topic and what they need to know.

Assessment

Pupils will receive assessments at various stages throughout the year in order to support with learning.

The final grade for this course involves:

27% - Assignment—completed by the pupil both in class and at home. This is submitted to the SQA in March before the exam.

73% - Final Exam—Tuesday 29th April

Paper 1—Physical and Human Environments—1 hour 50 minutes (100 marks)

Paper 2—Global Issues and Geographical Skills—1 hour and 10 minutes (60 marks)

Support

All course materials are accessible on Teams as well as paper copies being given out in class.

Pupils are also encouraged to use 'Chalk Talk' videos which are all available on YouTube

Homework

Homework is given to pupils on a weekly basis. (Thursday for the following Wednesday). It is assigned in class and on Teams. Homework should be completed in homework jotters which should be handed in on a Wednesday.

In order to achieve a Higher qualification pupils should complete all homework tasks. This allows them to practice the necessary skills and receive detailed feedback on their work.

Assignment—27% of final grade

- Stage 1: Fieldwork visit to Glasgow to gather information
- Stage 2: Choose, with minimum support an appropriate topic or issue which links to their fieldwork
- Stage 3: Process information from the gathered fieldwork e.g. presenting it on maps, graphs etc
- Stage 4: Draft a section about their research methods
- Stage 5: Draft a section about their findings
- Stage 6: Draft a section on conclusions made
- Stage 7: Write up their final assignment under exam conditions, they have 1 hour 30 minutes and will only have access to their Processed Information
- Stage 8: This assignment will be sent to the SQA for marking

Pupils will be given appropriate time in class as well as be expected to complete sections at home. The due dates for each section will be given in class and posted on Teams.

Guide to Higher Modern Studies

Course Content

Section 1: Democracy in Scotland and the United Kingdom

Section 2: Social Issues in the United Kingdom—Social Inequality

Section 3: International Issues—World Issues: War, Terrorism and Conflict

Skills: To what extent, conclusions and reliability questions

Pupils are given a detailed check list with a breakdown of each topic and what they need to know.

Assessment

Pupils will receive assessments at various stages throughout the year in order to support with learning.

The final grade for this course involves:

27% - Assignment—completed by the pupil both in class and at home. This is submitted to the SQA in March before the exam.

73% - Final Exam—Tuesday 20th May

Paper 1 (47% of total mark) —Sections 1, 2 and 3 —1 hour 45 minutes (52 marks)

Paper 2 (26% of total mark) —Skills —1 hour and 15 minutes (28 marks)

Support

All course materials are accessible on Teams as well as paper copies being given out in class.

Homework

Homework is given to pupils on a weekly basis. It is assigned in class and on Teams.

In order to achieve a Higher qualification pupils should complete all homework tasks. This allows them to practice the necessary skills and receive detailed feedback on their work.

Assignment—27% of final grade

- Stage 1: Choose an appropriate topic or subject which interests them, they should then decide on their issues from the topic and three possible solutions, arguments or courses of action to solve the issue.
- Stage 2: Independently research their chosen topic
- Stage 3: Draft their introduction
- Stage 4: Draft the main body
- Stage 5: Draft the conclusion
- Stage 6: (Optional) Write about the methods of research which were used to complete the assignment
- Stage 7: Write the Research Evidence Sheet—this is some of the evidence they have collected during the research stage which will help with the write up
- Stage 8: Write up the final assignment under exam conditions, pupils have 1 hour 30 minutes and will only have access to their Resource Information
- Stage 9: This assignment will be sent to the SQA for marking

Pupils will be given appropriate time in class as well as be expected to complete sections at home. The due dates for each section will be given in class and posted on Teams.

Guide to Higher History

Course Content

Britian: Britain 1851-1951

European and World: Appeasement and the Road to War, 1918—1939

Scottish: The Impact of the Great War

Pupils are given a detailed check list with a breakdown of each topic and what they need to know.

Assessment

Pupils will receive assessments at various stages throughout the year in order to support with learning.

The final grade for this course involves:

27% - Assignment—completed by the pupil both in class and at home. This is submitted to the SQA in March before the exam.

73% - Final Exam-Friday 9th May

Paper 1 (40% of total mark) —British, European and World History —1 hour 30 minutes (44 marks)

Paper 2 (33% of total mark) —Scottish History —1 hour and 30 minutes (36 marks)

Support

All course materials are accessible on Teams as well as paper copies being given out in class.

Homework

Homework is given to pupils on a weekly basis. It is assigned in class and on Teams.

In order to achieve a Higher qualification pupils should complete all homework tasks. This allows them to practice the necessary skills and receive detailed feedback on their work.

Assignment-27% of final grade

- Stage 1: Choose a topic from the course content which they are most interested in
- Stage 2: Draft a 22 mark essay about the chosen topic
- Stage 3: Enhance the 22 mark essay with own research to achieve 30 marks
- Stage 4: (Optional) Add historical analysis
- Stage 5: Write up the final assignment under exam conditions, pupils have 1 hour 30 minutes and will only have access to their Resource Information
- Stage 6: This assignment will be sent to the SQA for marking

Pupils will be given appropriate time in class as well as be expected to complete sections at home. The due dates for each section will be given in class and posted on Teams.

Guide to Higher Politics

Course Content

Political Theory: Power, authority and legitimacy; Democracy, Key Political Ideas

Political Systems: Constitutional arrangements; The Legislative Branch; The Executive Branch in the UK and USA

Political Parities and Elections

Skills

Pupils are given a detailed check list with a breakdown of each topic and what they need to know.

Assessment

Pupils will receive assessments at various stages throughout the year in order to support with learning.

The final grade for this course involves:

27% - Assignment—completed by the pupil both in class and at home. This is submitted to the SQA in March before the exam.

73% - Final Exam-Thursday 22nd May

Paper 1 (47% of total mark) —Political Theory; Political Systems; Political Parties and Elections —1 hour 45 minutes (52 marks)

Paper 2 (26% of total mark) —Comparing, interpreting, evaluating and synthesising data -1 hour and 15 minutes (28 marks)

Support

All course materials are accessible on Teams as well as paper copies being given out in class.

Homework

Homework is given to pupils on a weekly basis. It is assigned in class and on Teams.

In order to achieve a Higher qualification pupils should complete all homework tasks. This allows them to practice the necessary skills and receive detailed feedback on their work.

Assignment—27% of final grade

- Stage 1: Choose an appropriate topic or subject which interests them, they should then decide on their issues from the topic and three possible solutions, arguments or courses of action to solve the issue.
- Stage 2: Independently research their chosen topic
- Stage 3: Draft their introduction
- Stage 4: Draft the main body
- Stage 5: Draft the conclusion
- Stage 6: (Optional) Write about the methods of research which were used to complete the assignment
- Stage 7: Write the Research Evidence Sheet—this is some of the evidence they have collected during the research stage which will help with the write up
- Stage 8: Write up the final assignment under exam conditions, pupils have 1 hour 30 minutes and will only have access to their Resource Information
- Stage 9: This assignment will be sent to the SQA for marking

Pupils will be given appropriate time in class as well as be expected to complete sections at home. The due dates for each section will be given in class and posted on Teams.