
YEAR 10 SUBJECTS

Geography – Coast, Forests and Climate Challenges

This unit of physical geography gives students the opportunity to use their geographical thinking, skills and technological tools to examine some environmental challenges and to find out how geography contributes to the understanding and management of these challenges. Students will undertake two detailed studies from the following list:

- Climate change
- Coastal processes
- Marine resources and the oceans
- River basins
- Forests
- Land degradation

This subject will generally be offered during Semester One and includes a range of internal and external field work components, including an overnight camp within Victoria.

Generic skills that are considered in the National Curriculum for Geography include:

- Observing and questioning
- Planning, collecting, communicating and evaluating through the use of research and fieldwork
- Processing, analysing, interpreting and concluding using a range of sources including maps, statistics, observation and ICT
- Reflecting, responding and evaluating possible courses of action in relation to geographical challenges

Subject specific skills for this area are:

- You will understand environmental challenges and their environmental, economic and social consequences
- You will identify biophysical processes that result in environmental challenges
- You will evaluate the underlying demographic, economic, technological, social and political causes of the selected environmental challenges
- You will use spatial technologies to visualise, map and analyse the distribution, causes and possible solutions to the environmental challenges
- You will investigate the use of geographical thinking and skills that can contribute to the effective management of environmental challenges

Please Note: Refer to the Subject Cost Schedule for details of costs relevant to this program.



“Year 10 Geography (Mountain, Forests and Climate Challenges) is a hands-on, interactive learning humanities subject. Students get to experience viewing the scenery that surrounds them. During the semester, students get to visit one of the Seven Wonders of the World, The Twelve Apostles. During the overnight stay, students get to visit Port Fairy, Warrnambool (Lady Bay), Port Campbell National Park, The Twelve Apostles, Loch Ard Gorge and Peterborough. During the stay, students work through a booklet and complete fieldwork which involves discussing and assessing the changes that have occurred to environments over time. Geography creates an awareness of our spatial and environmental concerns.”

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