

# Geography International A Level 2017-18

## Cambridge International Exams

### Paper 1 (3 hours, split into 2 halves) – sat in June 2017

#### The Physical Core

Hydrology and fluvial geomorphology  
 Atmosphere and weather  
 Rocks and weathering

#### The Human Core

Population  
 Migration  
 Settlement dynamics

### Paper 2 (90 minutes) – sat in June 2018

#### Advanced Physical Geography Options

Tropical environments  
 Coastal environments  
 Hazardous environments  
 Arid and semi-arid environments

*Candidates study two of the above environments.*

### Paper 3 (90 minutes) – sat in June 2018

#### Advanced Human Geography Options

Production, location and change  
 Environmental management  
 Global interdependence  
 Economic transition

*Candidates study two of the above topics.*

<b>Paper 1</b>	<b>Core Geography</b>	<b>3 hours</b>
Candidates answer questions in three sections. In Section A, they must answer five of six questions on the Physical and Human Core topics for a total of 50 marks. In each of Sections B and C, candidates answer one of three structured questions based on the Physical (Section B) and Human (Section C) Core topics, for a total of 25 marks in each section. See Description of components in this booklet for more details.		
100% of total marks at Cambridge International AS Level		50% of marks at A Level
<b>Paper 2</b>	<b>Advanced Physical Options</b>	<b>1 hour 30 minutes</b>
Candidates answer two structured essay questions, each on a different optional topic, from a total of eight questions based on the Advanced Physical Options syllabus, for a total of 50 marks. See Description of components in this booklet for more details.		
		25% of marks at A Level
<b>Paper 3</b>	<b>Advanced Human Options</b>	<b>1 hour 30 minutes</b>
Candidates answer two structured essay questions, each on a different optional topic, from a total of eight questions based on the Advanced Human Options syllabus, for a total of 50 marks. See Description of components in this booklet for more details.		
		25% of marks at A Level

From 2018, the CIE International A Level Syllabus for Geography will change as follows:

## **Geography International A Level 2018-20 Cambridge International Exams**

### **Paper 1 (90 minutes)**

#### **The Physical Core**

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Atmosphere and weather  
Rocks and weathering

### **Paper 2 (90 minutes)**

#### **The Human Core**

Population  
Migration  
Settlement dynamics

### **Paper 3 (90 minutes)**

#### **Advanced Physical Geography Options**

Tropical environments  
Coastal environments  
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### **Paper 4 (90 minutes)**

#### **Advanced Human Geography Options**

Production, location and change  
Environmental management  
Global interdependence  
Economic transition

*Candidates study two of the above topics.*

Papers 1 and 2 still form the AS part of the syllabus, and combined with Papers 3 and 4 form the A level. It may be possible to study Papers 1 and 2 in isolation, with the exams taken at the end of the L6 year. These papers, whilst being a standalone qualification, also make up 50% of the full A level

Component	Weighting	
	AS Level	A Level
<p><b>Paper 1</b>  <b>Core Physical Geography</b> <b>1 hour 30 minutes</b>            Section A: Three data response questions (30 marks)            Section B: One structured question from a choice of three (30 marks)            60 marks</p>	50%	25%
<p><b>Paper 2</b>  <b>Core Human Geography</b> <b>1 hour 30 minutes</b>            Section A: Three data response questions (30 marks)            Section B: One structured question from a choice of three (30 marks)            60 marks</p>	50%	25%
<p><b>Paper 3</b>  <b>Advanced Physical Geography Options</b> <b>1 hour 30 minutes</b>            Candidates answer questions on two of the optional topics.            Each topic consists of one structured question (10 marks) and a choice of essay questions (20 marks).            60 marks</p>	–	25%
<p><b>Paper 4</b>  <b>Advanced Human Geography Options</b> <b>1 hour 30 minutes</b>            Candidates answer questions on two of the optional topics.            Each topic consists of one structured question (10 marks) and a choice of essay questions (20 marks).            60 marks</p>	–	25%