

GCE Geography bulletin, September 2022

Croeso nô! I hope you had a relaxing summer break and that both you and your candidates were pleased with the exam results published last month. Thank you for the tireless work preparing candidates in exceptionally challenging circumstances. We all hope that the coming year will be a healthy and undisrupted one.

This is the first of three bulletins that will be sent to subscribers this year detailing important dates and keeping you informed of the latest developments in terms of resources and guidance. As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch with the team.

2022 RESULTS

The papers and mark schemes for all units are now available to view on our [secure website](#). If you don't have access to the relevant pages, please contact your Exams Officer, who will be able to grant you the appropriate permissions via a new password.

WJEC offers two services to help you understand your students' results and develop their exam skills: Exam Results Analysis and Online Exam Review.

Exam Results Analysis (Item Level Data) on the [secure website](#) allows you to compare your students' performance on each question with that of the candidature overall, letting you see where they have done well and where there might be room for improvement.

[Online Exam Review](#) provides several marked exemplars of candidate responses to key questions in an interactive format. These can be used as teaching resources, allowing students to mark others' work and discuss ways in which it may be improved, thus developing their own skills. Exemplars from the 2022 summer examinations will be uploaded during this first half-term period.

EXAMINER REPORTS

The Principal Examiner reports provide detailed feedback on candidate performance in each unit and are now available on the website subject page. We highly recommend that you set aside some time this term to review this report – it could provide focus for discussion at an upcoming departmental meeting.

NEW RESOURCES

- Please ensure that you have visited our Digital Resources page to consider how you could use the vast range of digital resources available. Unit 1 -3 are covered in their entirety by our Blended Learning packages and there is extensive support for NEA too.
- The third issue of our GCSE/GCE Geography magazine 'Cynefin' will be published in the new year. We are actively looking for contributions from teachers or students so if you have any interesting events or approaches that you would like to share with the wider community, please get in touch with us.

INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION (NEA) SUBMISSIONS 2022-23

Note that the date for submitting the sample of individual investigations will return to March in 2023. We ask all centers to ensure that marks have been entered and the samples sent to reach the moderator by **Friday, 24 March 2023**.

ADVANCE INFORMATION

In May, Qualifications Wales (QW) announced their intention to provide advance information to GCSE, AS and A level students as part of the 2023 exam series. This work is ongoing and further details will be announced over the coming weeks on the WJEC website. The advance information will be published during the spring term. You can read more about QW's decision [here](#).

WJEC CPD DATES 2022

The CPD events this autumn will focus on feedback from the exam series and how it could inform classroom practice. This year we are offering a hybrid CPD programme that will allow us to reach as many of you as possible. We have two face-to-face dates in the calendar and alternative condensed versions of the face-to-face CPD held online in the new year. Further details can be found on the WJEC [Professional Learning](#) pages.

Cardiff	17 th November	09:30 - 15:30
Llandudno	18 th November	09:30 - 15:30
Online (English-medium)	17 th January	16:00 - 18:00
Online (Welsh-medium)	18 th January	16:00 - 18:00

I hope to see as many of you as possible in November.

My very best wishes to you all,

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