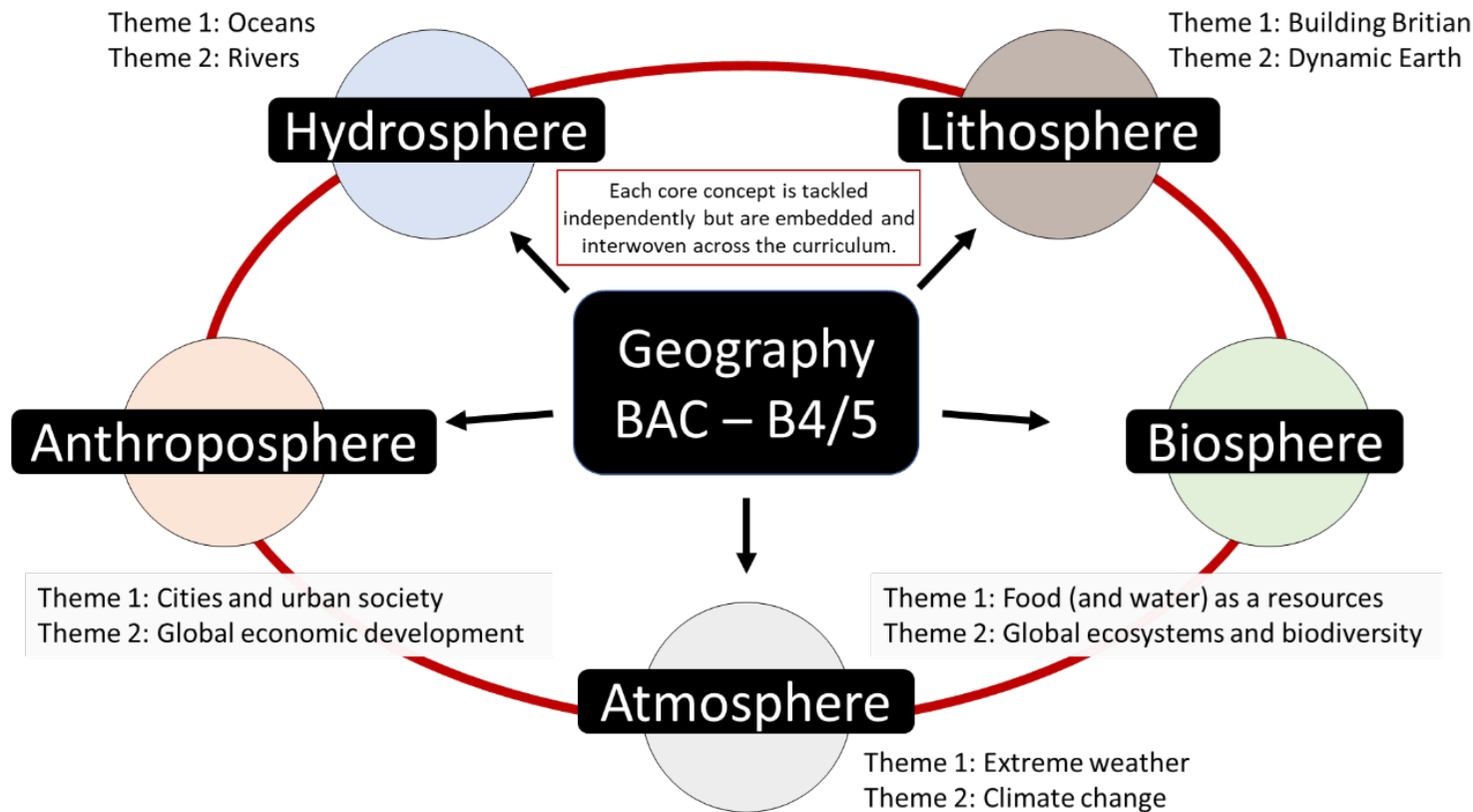


Geography BAC

The Geography BAC curriculum is founded on five complementary core concepts. These concepts are: the Lithosphere (the rigid, outermost shell of the Earth); the Biosphere (the ecosystems and life on Earth); the Hydrosphere (the water on, under and over the Earth); the Atmosphere (the gases that surround the Earth); and the Anthroposphere (the part of the environment that is made or modified by humans for use in human activities and human habitats).



Geography BAC Assessment Structure

Year	Term	Concept	Topic	Assessment
Block 4	Autumn 1	Lithosphere	L1: Building Britain	Topic portfolio of class notes – 5%
	Autumn 2	Anthroposphere	Ant1: Cities and urban society	Resource response assessment – 10%
	Spring 1	Biosphere	B1: Food (and water) as a resources	Problem solving exercise – 5%
	Spring 2	Atmosphere	Atm1: Extreme weather	News report – 10% [PAIRS]
	Summer 1	Lithosphere	L2: Dynamic Earth	Extended question response – 10%
	Summer 2	Hydrosphere	H1: Oceans	Selected topic presentation – 5%
Block 5	Autumn 1	Hydrosphere	H2: Rivers	Individual fieldwork report – 10%
	Autumn 2	Biosphere	B2: Global ecosystems and biodiversity	Investigative report – 10% [GROUPS]
	Spring 1	Atmosphere	Atm2: Climate change	Informative literature – 5%
	Spring 2	Anthroposphere	Ant2: Global economic development	Extended question response – 10%
		Synoptic	Any	Advocacy presentation – 20%

Each topic will conclude with an assessment that will go towards the student’s final BAC grade. Geography is a subject that cannot be solely assessed through sit-down summative examinations. Therefore, like the subject itself, the assessment style is dynamic to best suit the content being evaluated. Assessment will be conducted through multiple forms such as, problem solving exercises, presentations, essays and independent research reports. Throughout the course, low-stakes progress checks will also be used to gauge your understanding and attainment and help shape the direction of teaching and assessment.