

Geography summer homework: Autumn 2020



Source: BBC News 30th March 2020 from "Grounded planes and deserted airport terminals"

Why study Geography?

"Human geography concerns the understanding of the dynamics of cultures, societies and economies, and physical geography concerns the understanding of the dynamics of landscapes and the environment.

Geography puts this understanding of social and physical processes within the context of place - recognising the great differences in cultures, political systems, economies, landscapes and environments across the world, and exploring the links between them.

Geography provides an ideal framework for relating other fields of knowledge. It is not surprising that those trained as geographers often contribute substantially to the applied management of resources and environments. " Royal Geographical Society

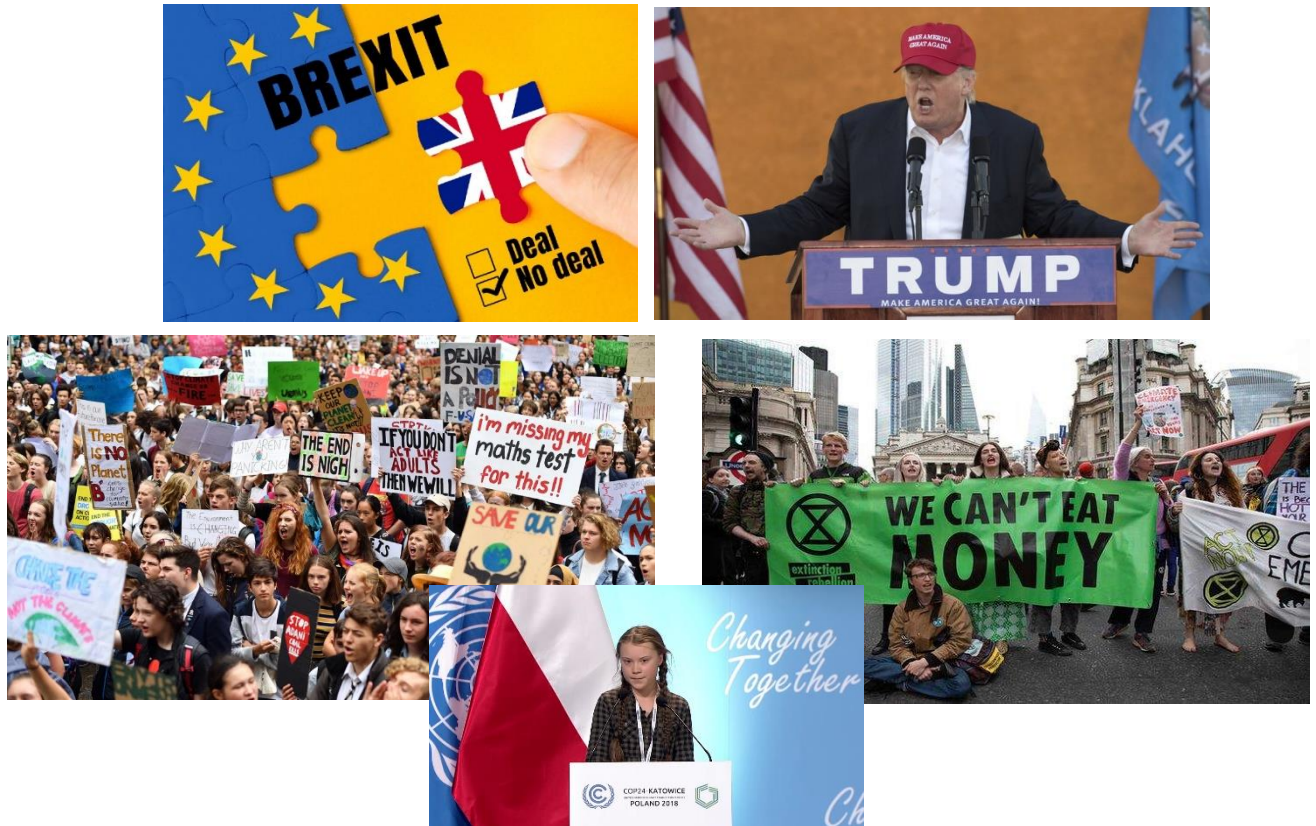
At A level, we take a more in depth view of how human interaction and our way of life affects but is also affected by, physical processes, physical resources, and sustainability.

As Geographers, our role is to make sense of the present and plan for the future. **This has never been more important than today.**

Essay task:

One of the key features of our course is understanding the causes and consequences of climate change and the implications of globalisation.

Pre Covid 19, these were the basis of two of the hottest topics in the news i.e. Brexit / Donald Trump " Making America Great" and Greta Thunberg / Extinction Rebellion / Climate Action.



Read the attached article and using this and any other knowledge, write an essay that answers the following questions:

- Consider what are the pros and cons of COVID 19 on the planet? Think economies and climate change.
- How could this event affect our planet's future? Could this lead to a greener, more sustainable world? Will we return to the globalised, consumer oriented and unsustainable future as before?
- What future would you like to see as a result of the Covid 19 lockdown and how can we affect this future?

<https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20200326-covid-19-the-impact-of-coronavirus-on-the-environment>

- Your essay should be minimum 1 A4 page. (Arial font size 12). Marked out of 20.
- Due date: First lesson of the Autumn term (Week September 7th, 2020)