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|  | **Diploma Programme geography—SL and HL curriculum(first teaching September 2017)** | **SL teaching hours** | **SL assessment(first assessment May 2019)** | **HL teaching hours** | **HL assessment(first assessment May 2019)** |
| **Part one** | **Geographic themes—seven options****Two options are studied at SL, and three at HL*** Freshwater—drainage basins
* Oceans and coastal margins
* Extreme environments
* Geophysical hazards
* Leisure, tourism and sport
* Food and health
* Urban environments
 | 60 hours | **Paper 1**SL weight 35%45 minutes per option questionTotal 1 hour 30 minutesEach option has a structured question and one extended answer question from a choice of two.*20 (10 + 10) marks per option**Total 40 marks* | 90 hours | **Paper 1**HL weight 35%45 minutes per option questionTotal 2 hours 15 minutesEach option has a structured question and one extended answer question from a choice of two.*20 (10 + 10) marks per option**Total 60 marks* |
| **Part two** | **SL and HL core****Geographic perspectives—global change*** Population distribution—changing population
* Global climate—vulnerability and resilience
* Global resource consumption and security
 | 70 hours | **Paper 2**SL weight 40%Total 1 hour 15 minutes**Paper 2 Section A**Three structured questions, based on each SL/HL core unit*30 marks***Paper 2 Section B**Infographic or visual stimulus, with structured questions*10 marks***Paper 2 Section C**One extended answer question from a choice of two*10 marks**Total 50 marks* | 70 hours | **Paper 2**HL weight 25%Total 1 hour 15 minutes**Paper 2 Section A**Three structured questions, based on each SL/HL core unit*30 marks***Paper 2 Section B**Infographic or visual stimulus, with structured questions*10 marks***Paper 2 Section C**One extended answer question from a choice of two*10 marks**Total 50 marks* |
| **Part two HL core extension** | **HL only****Geographic perspectives—global interactions*** Power, places and networks
* Human development and diversity
* Global risks and resilience
 |  |  | 60 hours | **Paper 3**HL weight 20%Total 1 hourChoice of three extended answer questions, with two parts, based on each HL core unit*28 marks**Part A—12 marks**Part B—16 marks* |
| **Total examination time** |  | 2 hours 45 minutes |  | 4 hours 30 minutes |
| **Internal assessment** | **SL and HL****Fieldwork**Fieldwork, leading to one written report based on a fieldwork question, information collection and analysis with evaluation | 20 hours | **Internal assessment**SL weight 25%Fieldwork question to be based on any suitable topic from the syllabus*Total 25 marks* | 20 hours | **Internal assessment**HL weight 20%Fieldwork question to be based on any suitable topic from the syllabus*Total 25 marks* |
| **Total teaching hours** | 150 hours |  | 240 hours |  |