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Tour 1 - School 9 Days (Geography / Geology)

Day	Location	Overnight Location	Travel	Distance (HH:MM)	Places to visit	Curriculum Theme & Possible Activities	Detailed KS4 Elements
Day 1	Travel to Colombo Overnight				Arrive Colombo Approx. 08:00 Day 2		
Day 2	Colombo	Colombo			Independence Square, Colombo National Museum, Beira Lake	Urbanisation and development: Explore Colombo as a capital city — urban growth, planning, and socie-economic contrasts. Cultural Geography: Understanding Sri Lanka's colonial past and post-independence development. Fieldwork opportunities: Urban land use mapping, environmental quality surveys. Introduction to regional context: Ideal for setting the socio-economic and environmental background of Sri Lanka.	AQA Challenges in the human environment - The changing economic world Pearson The Human Environment - Changing cities and Global development WHEC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Development and resource issues Changing Physical and Human Landscapes - Rural-Uthan Links
Day 3	Pinnawala /Kandy	Kandy	Depart Colombo for Pinnawala Depart Pinnawala Kandy	02:10 00:45	Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage, Kandy Lake, Temple of the Tooth	Ecotourism and sustainable development: Pinnawala offers insight into tourism impacts, conservation efforts. Religious and cutural geography: Temple of the Tooth helps understand the role of religion in shaping human landscapes. Rural vs urban contrasts: Comparing (standy with Colombo, Resource management: Water use (Kandy Lake).	AQA Challenges in the human environment - Urban issues and challenges, The changing economic world Pearson The Human Environment - Changing cities, Global developement WIEC Edugas Changing Physical and Human Landscapes - Bural-Urban Links
Day 4	Sigiriya /Dambulla / Matale	Kandy	Depart Kandy for Sigiria / Dabulla / Matalle	02:20 (each way)	Sigiriya Rock Fortress, Dambulla Cave Temple, Matale Alu Viharaya	Geological processes and landforms: Sigirlya demonstrates weathering, erosion, and tropical geomorphology. Cultural heritage: Fumar interaction with the environment through historic sites. Tourism impacts: Managing footfall at heritage sites.	AQA Living with the physical environment - The challenge of natural hazards Challenges in the human environment - The challenge conomic world Pearson The Physical Environment - Weather hazards and climate change, Ecosystems, blodwerstly, and management. The Human Environment - Changing cities. WIEC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Weather, Climate, and Ecosystems
Day 5	Nuwara Eliya	Nuwara Eliya	Depart Kandy for Nuwara Eliya	02:20	(1 hour drive) Matale Alu Viharaya, Tea plantations, waterfalls (3.5 hour drive)	Agriculture and the economy: Focus on plantation farming (global trade, economic- development). Climate and tand use: Upland weather conditions affecting agriculture. Sustainability and environmental management: Water usage and sustainable practices.	AQA Living with the physical environment - The living world Paarson The Physical Environment - Weather hazards and climate change WJEC Eduquas Environmental and Development Issues Weather, Climata, and Ecosystems
Day 6	Horton Plains	Nuwara Eliya	Depart Nuwara Eliya for Horton Plains	01:00 (each way)	(I hour drive) World's End, Baker's Falls, mini geography hike (I hour drive)	Ecosystems and biodiversity: Tropical montane forest ecosystem. Physical landscapes: Plateaus, escarpments, and waterfalls. Fletiowro apportunities: Biodiversity study, hiking provides natural settings for observation. Climate impacts: Microclimates and conservation.	AQA Living with the physical environment - The living world Pearson The Physical Environment - Ecosystems, biodiversity, and management WIVE Eduqas Environmental and Development Issues - Weather, Climate, and Ecosystems
Day 7	Nuwara Eliya /Colombo	Colombo	Depart Nuwara Eliya for Columbo	05:30	(S.5 hour drive) Tea Museum, Colombo city tour wrap-up	Economic activity in the primary sector. Tea production, trade, and its historical significance. Sustainable tourism and heritage preservation. Urban development review: Comparing regions and reflecting on change.	AQA Challenges in the human environment - The challenge of resource management Pearson The Human Environment - Changing cities WIEC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Development and Resource Issues
Day 8	Travel to UK	·			Souvenier shopping, departure briefing. Arrive UK Approx. 09:00 Day 9	Reflective learning: Recap and evaluation, supporting geographical applications and case study development.	

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Tour 1 - School 12 days (Geography / Geology)

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Day 1	Travel to Colombo Overnight				Arrive Colombo Approx. 08:00 Day 2				
Day 2	Colombo	Negumbo	Depart Colombo to Negumbo	01:00 (each way)	Independence Square, Colombo National Museum, Galle Face Green	Urbanisation & settlement patterns: Urban land use, colonial legacies, spatial patterns. Development indicators & cultural geography: Use Colombo as an LIC case study. Fieldwork opportunities: Urban land-use mapping, en	AQA Challenges in the human environment - The changing economic world Pearson The Human Environment - Changing cities and Global development WUEC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Development and resource issues Changing Physical and Human Landscapes - Rural-Urban Links		
Day 3	Negambo / Chilaw	Negumbo	Depart Negumbo to Chilaw	01:00 (each way)	Muthurajawela Wetlands, Negombo Lagoon, Salt Pans	Coastal environments: Coastal management, erosion, deposition, and human impacts. Ecosystems: Mangrove ecology and wetland management. Sustainability: Conflict between conservation and development.	AQA Living with the physical environment - The living world Pearson The Physical Environment - Ecosytems, biodensity and management WIEC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Weather, climate and ecosystems		
Day 4	Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	Depart Negumbo to Auradhapura	03:00	Sacred City (UNESCO site), reservoirs & tanks	Water management in LICs: Traditional water conservation and storage (tanks, reservoirs). Cultural & religious geography: Pilgimage, heritage sites. Sustainability & historical human-environment interaction.	AQA Challenges in the human environment - The challenge of resource management Pearson The Human Environment - Resource management WIEC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Development and resource issues		
Day 5	Mihintale /Sigiriya/Danbulla	Anuradhapura	Depart Anuradhapura to Sigiria	01:30 (each way)	Mihintale, Sigiriya Rock Fortress, Dambulla Cave Temple, Iron-rich rock caves, dry zone vegetation	penyscat tandscapes & geotogical processes: weathering, erosion, tropical geomorphology. Cultural heritage & tourism: Sigiriya as a tourism and conservation case study.	AQA Living with the physical environment - The challenge of natural hazards Challenges in the human environment - The changing economic world Peatson The Physical Environment - Weather hazards and climate change, Ecosystems, blodiversity, and management. The Human Environment - Changing cities. WIEC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Weather, Climate, and Ecosystems		
Day 6	Nuwara Eliya	Anuradhapura	Depart Anuradhapura to Kandy		Free time in Kandy				
Day 7	Kandy	Kandy				Tectonics & faulting: Mutale Fault Zone as an example of geological risk and landorm. Agriculture & trade: Spice farming and global connections. Cultural geography: Religious significance in shaping landscapes.	AQA Living with the physical environment - The challenge of natural hazards Pearson The Human Environment - Global development WIEC Edugas Links with the optional themes		

Day 8	Nuwara Eliya	Nuwara Eliya	Depart Kandy to Nuwara Eliya	02:30	Tea plantations, waterfalls	Agriculture & economic activity: Plantation farming and the influence of physical geography. Climate: Microclimate and alditude impacts. Development & trade: Export crops in LICs. Physical processes: Fluvial processes and waterfall formation.	AQA Challenges in the human environment - The challenge of resource management Pearson The Human Environment - Changing cities WIEC Eduqus Environmental and Development Issues - Development and Resource Issues
Day 9	Hortan Plains	Nuwara Eliya	Depart Newara Eliya to Horton Plains	01:00 (each way)	World's End, Baker's Falls, montane ecosystem study	Ecosystems & biodiversity: Highland forest and grassland ecosystems. Climate & attitude: Impact of elevation on biomes. Physical landscapes: Plateaus, escarpments, and highland erosion.	AQA Living with the physical environment - The living world Pearson The Physical Environment - Ecosytems, biodervoity and management WJEC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Weather, climate and ecosystems
Day 10	Kithulgala /Colombo	Colombo	Depart Nuwara Eliya to Kithulgala Depart Kithulgala to Colombo	02:00 02:30	Kitulgala (Rainforest biome, white-water geology, sediment study)	Tropical rainforest biome: Climate, biodiversity, threats and conservation. River landscapes & fluvial processes: Rapids, erosion, and sediment transport. Adventure tourism & sustainable development: Kitulgala as a case study for eco- tourism.	AQA. Living with the physical environment - The living world Pearson The Physical Environment - Ecosystems, blodervaity and management W/EC Edugas Environmental and Development Issues - Weather, climate and ecosystems
Day 11	Travel to UK					Reflective learning: Recap and evaluation, supporting geographical applications and case study development.	