**Subject / Year Group:** Year 9 Geography **Unit Number:** 1

**Title:**  What is development?  **Length of Unit:** 7 weeks

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| **Summary of Unit** | |
| In this unit the students will analyse the idea of ‘development’ and the students will use TOK skills to question what they know about the world. They will consider what the term means and use geographical skills such as mapping and data analysis to understand spatial patterns of development. Students will use case studies to illustrate the variety of reasons of why there are varying levels of development. Students will explore the range of ways in which the development gap can be reduced such as through the United Nations ‘Sustainable Development Goals’. | |
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| **How will progress be measured?** | |
| Diagnostic Assessment: | A skills assessment based on collecting, presenting and analysing data regarding development indicators. This will be assessed and written feedback will be given using a set of criteria that will be shared at the beginning of the assessment. |
| Formative Assessment: | Over the course the unit students will use a range of data to study a variety of countries. They will partake in discussions, give presentations and analyse data to evaluate the key questions. Feedback will be given both by peers and the teacher, either verbally or in written comments. |
| Summative Assessment: | A choice of essays will be given based on the learning covered in between August and October, such as ‘**Why are some countries LEDCs?’, ‘Is development a good thing?’** or **‘Physical factors are main the cause for a lack of development’ Discuss.**  The assessment will be undertaken around October half term. This will be levelled using the school’s 1-7 assessment criteria. The level requirements will be shared with the students before the assessment, the students will be given feedback and time to reflect on the feedback and redraft. |
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| **Support Available** | |
| Useful resources: | Class Weebly page: <http://bishoustonhumanities.weebly.com/is-development-a-good-thing.html>  Book: Factfullness- Hans Rosling  BBC country profiles: <http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/country_profiles/default.stm>  CIA world fact book: <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/> |
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