

Choosing a GCSE specification

For me, it is important to choose a specification ...	Have a look at...	
...which has a decision making or issue evaluation component	AQA Edexcel B Eduqas B OCR B	
...which is thematic	OCR B (issues based within a thematic framework) Edexcel A AQA Eduqas A	
...which is issues based	OCR A Eduqas B Edexcel B	
... where exams are relatively short	OCR A (3½ hours in total) OCR B (4 hours in total) Edexcel B (4¼ hours in total) AQA (4¼ hours in total)	
...where exams are relatively long	Eduqas A (4½ hours in total) Edexcel A (4½ hours in total) Eduqas B (4¾ hours in total)	
...which has a standalone UK paper	OCR A Edexcel A Edexcel B	
...which has the UK integrated into several units	OCR B Eduqas A Eduqas B AQA	
...which has some optionality	Eduqas A Edexcel A AQA	
...which has no choice of topics	OCR A OCR B Eduqas B Edexcel B	
...which includes tectonics	AQA Edexcel B Eduqas A OCR B	
...where fieldwork is assessed in one paper	OCR A Eduqas A Eduqas B Edexcel A Edexcel B AQA	} There is one common paper } sat by all Eduqas candidates
...where fieldwork is assessed throughout the papers	OCR B	
...where fieldwork content is specified	Edexcel A Edexcel B	
...where fieldwork skills and concepts are specified	Eduqas A Eduqas B	
...where you are free to choose whatever fieldwork you like from the spec content	OCR A OCR B AQA	