

Layout of Geography Course / Exam

Higher Level

Geographical Investigation
Completed in 6th Year

Ordinary Level

Geographical Investigation

Written Paper: First Friday of the Leaving Cert 9.30 am - 12.20 am (80%)

Part One: Short Questions

(Have to get 10 out of 12 correct)

Based on Physical, Regional and Skills
like map reading, satellite images etc.

Junior Cert knowledge in Physical Geography
and Map Skills are beneficial here

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(Same as Higher Level Opposite)

Part Two Structured (long) Questions

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Section One: Core: Covered in 5th Year

Physical Environment

Topics include Earthquakes, Volcanoes, Rivers,
Sea, Glaciation, Folding, Faulting etc.

Regional Geography

Topics include studying specific Regions e.g.
West of Ireland, Paris Basin, SW America etc.

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Physical Environment

(Same as Higher Level Opposite)

Regional Geography

(Same as Higher Level Opposite)

Section Two: Electives: Covered in 6th Year

Patterns and Processes in Economic Activities

OR

Patterns and Processes in the Human Environment

Section Two: Electives

Patterns and Processes in Economic

OR

Patterns and Processes in the Human

We cover the Economic Elective which covers topics including multinationals, case studies on Brazil, France, Ireland and the EU, Corrib Gas Field Conflict etc. Ordinary Level is finish the course after this section.

Section Three: Options

Global Interdependence

Geoecology (This is the Option that St Fintina's usually covers and topics include studying Hot Deserts, Tropical rainforests, Soils etc.)

Culture and Identity

The Atmosphere Ocean Environment