Year 9 Geography Course Overview 2013
Semester 1

INVESTIGATING AUSTRALIA’S PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

- The Australian Continent  
  
- Australia’s Physical Characteristics  
  3 weeks

- Case Study: A Natural Hazard  
  2 weeks

CHANGING AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITIES

- Australia’s human characteristics  
  3 weeks

- Australian Communities  
  5 weeks

- Regional Geography of Australia  
  4 weeks

Assessment

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For each of the outcomes below you will be given one of the following grades:

OUTSTANDING, HIGH, SOUND, BASIC, LIMITED

- Knowledge of Australia’s physical environments
- Knowledge of Australia’s human environments
- Demonstration of geographic skills
- Skills in data collection and analysis using Information and Computer Technology
- Skills in geographic research and reporting