**Into Year 12 Geography Reading List**

This reading list is designed to introduce the subject to students who will be starting A-level geography courses in September. You won’t find any exam skills here. The best way to use this list is to browse the titles and explore what you fancy.

**Books**

* Powerdown: Options and Actions for a Post-Carbon World (2004) by Richard Heinberg.
* The Great Thirst – Californians and Water (1992) by Norris Hundley.
* Six Degrees: Our Future on a Hotter Planet (2008) by Mark Lynas.
* The Global Casino (4th edition 2008) by Nick Middleton.
* The New Rulers of the World (2003) by John Pilger.
* The White Tiger by Aravind Adiga (The Man Booker prize winner in 2008).
* The Debt Boomerang (1991) by Susan George.
* Fixing Climate (2008) by Wallace Broeker and Robert Kunzig.
* There is no such thing as a Natural Disaster ( 2006) by Chester Hartman and Gregory D Squires ( about the New Orleans flood).
* Richter 10- Taming the Earthquakes (1996) by Arthur Clarke and (late) Mike McQuay.
* Volcano – Nature’s Inferno (1997) National Geographic.
* Geography: An integrated approach by David Waugh (various editions). Excellent breadth and depth of A-Level content.
* Climate Wars: The Fight For Survival As The World Overheats by Gwynne Dyer.
* Here on Earth by Tim Flannery.

*The links will take you to Amazon, but other retailers are available.*

Danny Dorling and Carl Lee: [Geography](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Geography-Ideas-Profile-Danny-Dorling/dp/178125530X)

Darshini David: [The Almighty Dollar](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Almighty-Dollar-Incredible-Journey-Economy/dp/1783963980/ref=pd_sbs_14_1/260-9067559-2021302?_encoding=UTF8&pd_rd_i=1783963980&pd_rd_r=ef2ad0f6-54c8-4e5f-aff2-e69ef9c437db&pd_rd_w=ygSM6&pd_rd_wg=RJNSR&pf_rd_p=96cae456-8d7a-4bc1-91c7-9b20b4dfd7c9&pf_rd_r=YAE59EK6W111J69MPWY6&psc=1&refRID=YAE59EK6W111J69MPWY6)

Gaia Vince: [Adventures in the Anthropocene](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Adventures-Anthropocene-Journey-Heart-Planet/dp/0099572494/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=adventures+in+the+Anthropocene&qid=1584709494&sr=8-1)

Hans Rosling *et al* [Factfullness](https://smile.amazon.co.uk/Factfulness-Reasons-Wrong-Things-Better/dp/1473637465/ref=smi_www_rco2_go_smi_g5447869900?_encoding=UTF8&%2AVersion%2A=1&%2Aentries%2A=0&ie=UTF8)

Tim Marshal: [Prisoners of Geography](https://smile.amazon.co.uk/Prisoners-Geography-Everything-Global-Politics/dp/1783962437/ref=sr_1_1?crid=2OFQ8NB8CG3CI&dchild=1&keywords=prisoners+of+geography&qid=1584704730&s=books&smid=A1G3UP32AZJ14F&sprefix=prison%2Cstripbooks%2C149&sr=1-1)

Yuval Noal Harari: [Sapiens: A brief history of mankind](https://smile.amazon.co.uk/Sapiens-Humankind-Yuval-Noah-Harari/dp/0099590085/ref=pd_bxgy_img_3/260-9067559-2021302?_encoding=UTF8&pd_rd_i=0099590085&pd_rd_r=8dabec11-4c50-4cf2-bc35-cba849e22ca1&pd_rd_w=Qx5Rj&pd_rd_wg=iTL7R&pf_rd_p=148e7d82-d2eb-4f39-97f3-14c199ca7ce5&pf_rd_r=STK1VQH1MT6R279ZMC43&psc=1&refRID=STK1VQH1MT6R279ZMC43)

Philippe Legrain: [Immigrants: Your Country Needs Them](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Immigrants-Your-Country-Needs-Them/dp/0349119740/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=Immigrants%3A+Your+Country+Needs+Them&qid=1584707206&sr=8-1)

Jonathan Watts: [When a Billion Chinese Jump](https://www.amazon.co.uk/When-Billion-Chinese-Jump-Frontline/dp/057123982X/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=When+a+Billion+Chinese+Jump&qid=1584707312&sr=8-1)

Joseph Stiglitz: [Globalisation and its Discontents Revisited](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Globalization-Its-Discontents-Revisited-Anti-Globalization/dp/0141986662/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=Gloalisation+and+its+Discontents+Revisited&qid=1584707340&sr=8-1-spell)

**Podcasts**

BBC ‘[Costing the Earth](https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006r4wn/episodes/player)’

Beyond today: [Can we be green and rich?](https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p085fvv6)

Beyond today: [Did Huawei just win a tech war](https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p081qgfq)?

Beyond today: [What’s wrong with ayahuasca tourism](https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0812s1g)?

Geography Alltheway [podcasts](https://ibgeogpodcasts.glideapp.io/).

[The Geographical Association](https://www.geography.org.uk/GeogPod-The-GAs-Podcast)

[The Royal Geographical Society](https://www.rgs.org/all/?categories=Podcast):

[The Royal Geographical Society: Ask a geographer](https://www.rgs.org/schools/teaching-resources/ask-the-expert-podcasts/)

[The Economist podcasts](https://www.economist.com/podcasts/)

**Videos**

Simon Reeve is a great start for those looking at places. [Start here on BBC iPlayer](https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/search?q=simon+reeve)

Simon Reeve Places that don’t exist: [Somaliland](https://youtu.be/mIgvNnF5HWU)

Stacey Dooley Investigates: [World’s worst place to be a woman?](https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b06mvwhb/stacey-dooley-investigates-worlds-worst-place-to-be-a-woman)

TED Talk: [Why climate change is a threat to human rights](https://www.ted.com/talks/mary_robinson_why_climate_change_is_a_threat_to_human_rights)

TED Talk: [Greta Tunburg](https://www.ted.com/talks/greta_thunberg_the_disarming_case_to_act_right_now_on_climate_change). The disarming case to act right now on climate change

The Economist films <https://www.youtube.com/user/EconomistMagazine/videos>

**News**

**Cool resources**

A great list of open source books, resources and stuff [here.](https://paper.dropbox.com/doc/D0CUMENTS-TEXTS--Awh0bukEZD34oXDYNaEzZUBvAQ-ctahuWZk3b6x3PrzNzosK) These two taken from the map section:

[Rumsey Map Collection](https://www.davidrumsey.com/) over unique 91,000 maps, charts and pictorial maps from the 16th to 21st Century, Available to download in very high resolution.

[Osher Map Library](https://oshermaps.org/) a selection of historic Maps available for download under a CC BY NC licence.

**Other reading lists**

[The GA Post-16 reading list](https://www.geography.org.uk/download/ga_p16readinglist.pdf) - lots of fiction and nonfiction books for you to dive into.