

Wider Reading in Geography

Wider reading is more than just reading extra books. It is an academic exploration of the subjects you are studying in school which enable you to build your knowledge and understanding of them. Activities such as wider reading are not only incredibly important for university applications, but also for deepening your understanding of the wider subject.

A level Textbooks:

Below is a list of textbooks that are short guides to each of the topics we cover at A level, they can aid your general understanding of the topics. Each mini topic book has wider case study examples and practice questions.

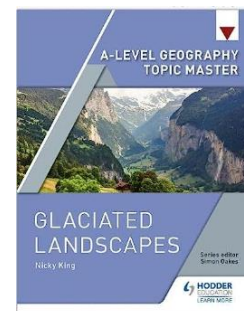
[A Level Geography Changing Places Topic Master. Hodder](#)

[A Level Geography, global systems, Topic Master. Hodder](#)

[A Level Geography, global governance, Topic Master. Hodder](#)

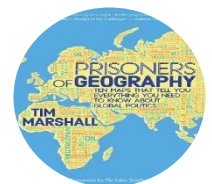
[A Level Geography, Water and carbon cycles, Topic Master. Hodder](#)

[A level Geography, Glaciated Landscapes, Topic Master, Hodder](#)

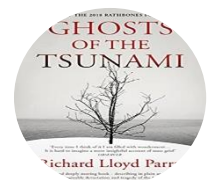


Wider reading list

[Prisoners of Geography: Ten maps that tell you everything you need to know about global politics.](#) Tim Marshall. 2016. This book explores geo-politics and is a fascinating and easy read.



[Ghosts of the Tsunami: Death and life in Japan's disaster zone.](#) Richard Lloyd Parry. 2018. This book explores the earthquake and tsunami that rocked Japan in 2011. What really happened, and why were some people not evacuated to safety?



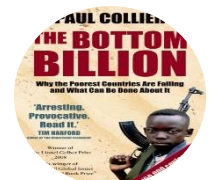
[Space and Place: The perspective of experience.](#) Yi-Fu Tuan. 2001. The author explores the way people think and feel about space and how they form attachments. Ideal for the changing places unit.



[Factfulness: ten reasons we're wrong about the world – and why things are better than you think.](#) Hans Rosling. 2018. This is a thought provoking and fascinating read. A great opportunity to question the world and what we think we know about it.



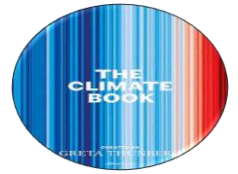
[The Bottom Billion.](#) Paul Collier. 2018. When studying globalisation you will see that the impacts are not uniform. This book explores how the 1 billion poorest are being left behind, with the gap widening.



[How bad are bananas?](#) Mike Berners-Lee. 2020. This book explores our carbon footprint (with many surprises!), and gives us an idea on how to manage and reduce our carbon footprint. A fascinating read for all geographers.



[The Climate book: Greta Thunberg](#) Greta Thunberg. 2022. This book explores the knowledge of over 100 experts (geophysicists, oceanographers, engineers, economists) and equips you with the knowledge we need to know to combat climate change.



[Disaster by choice: How our actions turn natural hazards into catastrophes.](#) Ian Kelman 2022. This book explores different disasters from around the world, however it explores the idea that they have become disasters due to human choices and decisions not only the physical geography.



Podcasts

Pop in your headphones and try some of these podcasts!

[Costing the Earth:](#) This is a range of short podcasts which link to many areas of our study. There are 361 available to choose from and cover everything from shipping to landfill to the environmental impact of professional football.



[Royal Geographical Society: Ask the Geographer](#) This a series of award-winning podcasts which bring the latest in geographical research to the classroom from a host of experts.



[39 ways to save the planet:](#) The BBC, in partnership with the Royal Geographical Society presents 39 ways to relieve the stress that climate change is exerting on the planet. Each podcast is a bitesize 15 minutes long.

