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I. INTRODUCTION

Geography is an important and popular subject for all students at advanced level of Education in Rwanda. This programme has therefore has been prepared for students at advanced secondary school level with geography as an option in Rwanda.

This programme covers four major areas:

- 1. Principles of physical geography, with reference to examples from Great Lakes region of Africa.
- 2. Practical geography, this includes statistics, Field work, map and photographic interpretation.
- 3. Human and economic geography focusing on the world problems and development.
- 4. The geography of Rwanda, specifically looking at physical and social- economic aspects of Rwanda.

This will help students taking geography as a core subject to use simple enquiry scientific skills and principles to investigate geographical and environmental concepts and processes.

Generally, this programme will help the students to demonstrate geographical and environmental knowledge and understanding which will help them make informed decisions about social and environmental issues as well as problems.

II. GENERAL ORIENTATIONS

The knowledge of the environment is the main objective of teaching geography. Thus, by help of field studies and case studies, the teacher will help students to understand problems associated with human and physical aspects in their environment, country and in the world. The students will acquire skills and behaviours facing the problems related to population, environment, economic activities, and settlements.

The structure of this programme:

- **In senior four:** The syllabus mainly covers part of physical and human geography. This includes the knowledge of the Earth, weather, climate, vegetation, population, rural settlement, urbanisation, agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining, power and industrialisation. This will provide a strong background to students and help them draw attention to all the main components of the physical environment as well as the associated interrelationships with human environment.
- **In senior five:** The syllabus covers topics: geomorphology, practical geography (statistics), human and economic geography with case studies in and outside Africa i.e. in America, Europe, and Asia.

- **In senior six**: The syllabus covers the practical geography (map and fieldwork) and geography of Rwanda.

Each chapter has a specified duration to cover it. This duration will help a teacher to teach within that given time interval.

III. GENERAL OBJECTIVES

The General objectives of teaching geography at this level are to:

- 1. Enable the student gain greater understanding of the basic geographical concepts, skills and knowledge in physical and human geography.
- 2. Stimulate the student to put into practice the acquired principles and methods of Geographical study.
- 3. Help the student understand and appreciate the geographical background to development and contemporary problems and prospects of the world today.
- 4. Create in the student an awareness of the causes of world problems and their effects to the social economic life of the people.
- 5. Enable the student perceive more articulately on how the current world problems can be solved.
- 6. Assist to internalize the problems peculiar to the Great Lakes Regions of Africa and how to remedy them.
- 7. Help the student gain more concrete understanding of his own home country Rwanda.
- 8. Help the student strike an analytical correlation between physical environment in Rwanda and man's modification on it.
- 9. Guide the students to acquire the knowledge, skills and techniques to read and interpret maps and photographs.
- 10. Familiarize the students with the field work procedures in collecting geographical data and satisfy his own curiosity in studying geography.

IV. GEOGRAPHY SYLLABUS FOR SENIOR FOUR.

A. GENERAL OBJECTIVES FOR SENIOR FOUR.

By the end of senior four, learners should be able to:

- 1. Explain the basic geographical concepts in physical geography
- 2. Appreciate the interdependence between the elements of physical, human and economic geography.
- 3. Compare different modes of development in the world
- 4. Identify the world development problems in the physical, economic and human environment.
- 5. Suggest possible solutions to world problems and challenges.

PART ONE: PRINCIPLES OF PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

CHAPITER 1: THE EARTH IN THE UNIVERSE

DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; - Locate the solar system planets in the universe - Distinguish between component of the universe and solar system	 1. The Universe Definition of the universe Components of the universe Constellations and galaxies. Examples of galaxies e.g. the milk way (light year) 	 Ask students the things they see in the sky at night and during day Help learners to distinguish such elements in the atmosphere.
 Explain solar system, galaxy, and Constellation Explain the influence of the sun on the Earth 	 2. The solar system 2.1.Definition 2.2. Component of the solar system ➤ The sun, description and influence on the earth: e.g tides ➤ The planets and satellites - Successive order, principle characteristics and description of every planet. - Earth a). Definition of the Earth b). Peculiar elements of the earth i.e. atmosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere and lithosphere 	 Use atlas, photos and diagrams to explain the solar system use sketches and illustrations to explain the planets and their successive order guide the students to observe the environment and state influence of sun on the earth By brain storming ask students to name the elements of the earth

 Explain the revolution period, speed, diameter, density, force of gravity and atmosphere of the moon. Explain the influence of the moon on the Earth Mention the elements in the solar 	- The Moon: The natural satellite of the earth The Moon (Revolution Period, The speed of rotation, Average orbit, Diameter, Density, Gravitational Force, Surface and atmosphere of the moon, Influence of the moon upon the earth: e.g eclipses and tides.	 use photos to explain how the moon is a satellite of the earth use diagrams, sketches to explain how and stating precisely revolution period, the speed of rotation, average orbit, diameter, density, gravitational force, surface and atmosphere of the moon. Use the diagrams to explain how the moon affects the earth
system	Others heavenly bodies: asteroids, comets, meteors and meteorites.	- With help of diagrams, guide the students to mention things they observe at night and help them to differentiate between comets, meteors, asteroids.

CHAPTER 2: UNDERSTANDING THE EARTH DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; - Explain the origin and gravity of the earth - Describe the shape, size, diameter of earth	 Origin of the earth Theories which explain the origin of the Earth: the Big Bang theory, Biblical /creation theory, etc. The shape and evidences to prove that the earth is spherical, size, diameter, circumference, volume, mass and gravity of the Earth. 	 ask students through brain storming the theories that explain the origin of the earth use the globe and diagrams to explain the size shape and diameter of the earth Perform a simple experiment by letting freely a piece of chalk to land, to explain gravity of the earth; allow students to explain
- Locate the continents and oceans of the earth	3. Superficial configuration of the Earth - Continents	- By brain storming, ask students to name

	- Oceans 4. Chemical composition	continents and oceans of the world
- Describe the geological time scale	5. Geological time scale	- Use text books to explain geological time scale
Distinguish between rotation and revolutionexplain the effects of rotation and revolution	6. Earth's movementsRotation and its effects plus time zonesRevolution and its effects	 Use a globe in class to explain the rotation of the earth. Demonstrate by using a ball to explain the revolution that is, students rotate around the
- Identify different time zones		ball as they change positions

CHAPTER 3: WEATHER AND CLIMATE DURATION: 42 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be	1. The atmosphere	- using a diagram explain the layers of the
able to;	1.1. The structure of the atmosphere	atmosphere
 Describe the atmosphere and main (layers) Suggest the importance of the atmosphere. 	(troposphere, stratosphere, mesosphere, thermosphere).1.2. Description and composition of the atmosphere1.3. Importance of the atmosphere	- Through brain storming let students name elements of the atmosphere and identify the importance of atmosphere
- Distinguish between weather and climate	2. Elements of the weather and climate 2.1. Temperature	- Guide students to observe the atmosphere and list elements of weather
- Mention the elements of weather	How temperature is measured and represented on diagramsFactors influencing temperature	Guide learners to describe the weather during day and nightVisit a weather station and demonstrate how
Calculate the temperature valuesExplain factors for temperature variation.	- Impact of temperature on the environment	different weather instruments are used.

 Explain the process of water cycle Distinguish different types of rainfall Describe the global distribution of precipitation Explain how to measure wind 	 2.2. Rainfall Forms of precipitations: rainfall, snow, fog, dew, hail, rime, haze, sleet. Water cycle: Global water supply system and mechanics of condensation and precipitation). Types of rainfall: orographic rain fall, convectional rainfall and frontal rainfall. Factors of rainfall formation. Global distribution of precipitation and rainfall. Instruments used to measure rainfall, presenting rainfall distribution on diagrams, measurements and isohyets. 2.3.Wind 	 Using illustrations explain different stages and states of water and ask students what they see in the cycle. Guide students to observe morning weather, allow students to list what they see and explain forms of precipitation Use an atlas, or wall maps to explain the distribution of precipitation
- Distinguish between local and global winds	 Instruments used and units in which it is measured Local winds: breezes, fohn, sirocco. 	- use illustrations and diagrams to show different types of winds.
 Explain the characteristics of cyclones, anti-cyclones and depressions 	 Global winds or planetary winds: trade winds, westerlies, monsoons. Air masses, cyclones (depressions) Anticyclones 	
- Explain how to measure humidity	 2.4. Humidity Instruments used and units Types of humidity: relative humidity, absolute humidity and saturated humidity. Factors influencing humidity. 	 Using a glass, demonstrate by blowing air in it and ask students what they see Using illustrations and diagrams explain how humidity is measured.
- Distinguish different types of clouds	2.5. Cloud coverTypes of cloudsEffects of clouds on weather	- Using photographs and observation, guide students to distinguish different types of
- Explain the effects of clouds on weather	Effects of clouds on weatherFactors influencing the formation and	students to distinguish different types of clouds

	the shape of clouds.	
- Explain how to measure sunshine	2.6. Sunshine	
	- Instruments used to measure and units.	- Discuss the importance of sunshine.
	- Importance of sunshine.	
 Describe how to measure 	2.7. Atmospheric pressure	
atmospheric pressure.	- Instruments used and units	- Use a balloon to explain low pressure and
	-	high pressure and guide learners to discuss
- Explain the factor which affects	- Factors influencing atmospheric	the factors influencing atmospheric
atmospheric pressure.	pressure	pressure.
 Locate zones of high and low 	 Lines joining places of same 	
pressure on the earth's surface	atmospheric pressure	
-	3. Factors that influence climate	
- Explain various factors influencing	- Latitude, altitude, presence/absence of	- In small groups, guide learners to discuss
climate	water bodies, Ocean currents, wind	the factors influencing climate
	circulation (polar winds, westerlies, trade	_
	winds, and monsoon).	
 Describe different climatic types 	4. Climatic changes:	
	- Causes	
	- Effects on physical and human	- Guide students to identify climatic types on
	environment	the world map/ atlas
 Locate the climatic zones on world 	5. Types of climate and their	-
map.	characteristics	- In small groups guide learners to discuss the
_		characteristics of each climatic type.
	- Tropical zones. (equatorial, tropical,	
	deserte, monsoon)	
	- Temperate zone (mediterranean, marine,	
	continental,)	
	- Cold zones (cold desert, polar climate)	
	- Mountain climate (azonal climate)	

CHAPTER 4. VEGETATION DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be able to;	Classification of natural vegetation 1.1. Forests and their characteristics.	- Carryout a guided tour around the school to observe different vegetation types that exist.
- Identify different types of natural vegetation.	 a) Tropical zone: Equatorial rainforests, Tropical monsoon forests, Tropical Mountain forests. b) Temperate zone: Mediterranean forest, Coniferous, deciduous forests, 	- Use an atlas; draw the world map on a manila paper showing vegetation distribution
- Explain the characteristics of different types of vegetation	 1.2. Grasslands and their characteristics. Tropical zone: savanna humid and savanna dry(steppe) Temperate zone: steppe, prairies, pampas, downs and velds. 	- Explain to students world vegetation zones
	 1.3. Desert vegetation and their characteristics: Cold desert vegetation, Tundra Hot desert vegetation 1.4. Mountain vegetation and their characteristics. 	- In small groups, guide learners to discuss the characteristics of different types of vegetation.
	1.5. Aquatic/ marsh Vegetation and their characteristics:Swamp vegetation e. g. mangrove vegetation.	

-	Explain factors which influence	2. Factors influencing vegetation distribution	- Guide the students in their small groups to
	vegetation		discuss factors influencing vegetation
-	Locate different vegetation types on	3. World map showing vegetation distribution	distribution
	the world map	4. Importance of vegetation.	- In small groups, learners should discuss the
-	Mention the importance of vegetation		importance of vegetation.

PART TWO: HUMAN AND ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY

CHAPTER 1. POPULATION DURATION: 21 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
	I. INTRODUCTION	
At the end of the topic, students should be	- Human diversities (race, Religion,	
able to;	languages and states).	- With illustrations, photos, guide learners to
		differentiate types of human diversity
- Explain human diversity and	- Population concepts:	
population concepts	(optimum population, under population,	
	over population, birth rate, death rate,	
	growth rate, fecundity, life expectancy,	
	etc)	
- Describe world population distribution.	II. World population distribution	- Using world population maps, guide students to
	1. World population density, densely	identify densely and sparsely populated zones
- Identify factors for population	populated areas and sparsely	
- distribution	populated areas	- In small groups, learners should identify the
- Identify characteristics and effects of	2. Factors for distribution	factors for population distribution.
densely and sparsely populated areas	3. Characteristics and effects of densely	
	and sparsely populated areas	
	III. Population growth and Migrations	
	1. Population growth	
- Calculate population growth rate	 Factors influencing birth rate, 	- In a guided group discussion, learners should
	death rate and rate of	identify causes and problems of population
- Explain causes and effects associated	population growth	growth.

with population growth - Explain control measures of population growth	 Causes of rapid population growth Effects associated with rapid population growth Ways of controlling population growth 	 Using brain storming, guide students to identify and explain the world population structure Help learners to debate on the population effects of developed and underdeveloped countries.
 Describe the structure of world population Explain the population of underdeveloped and developing countries 	 2. Population structure and composition (age, sex, population pyramid, active population, inactive population, education, standard of living). 3. Under population, overpopulation and related effects Population effects of under developed countries Population effects of developed countries (- Ageing population, urbanisation, small work force, rural depopulation) 	- Identify case studies from both developed and underdeveloped countries, and help learners to discuss and compare their population effects
- Describe types, causes and effects of migration	 4. Migrations Types of migrations causes of migration Effects of migration Control on movements (migrations) 5. Case studies on population: Developed countries: Germany, U.K, U.S.A. Under developed countries: Nigeria, DRC, Bangladesh, Peru, Columbia. 	 In a guided group discussion, help learners to identify and explain types, causes and effects of population movements. The teacher should identify and develop a case study from both the developed and the developing countries and guide students to discuss the state of population in other countries emphasizing on issues like population growth, structure, problems and population policy of respective countries.

CHAPTER 2. RURAL SETTLEMENTS AND URBANISATION DURATION: 16 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; - Describe the type and morphology of rural settlements - Explain factors and effects of rural settlements. - Suggest solutions for the problems affecting rural settlement.	 I. Rural settlements. 1. types of rural settlement 2. Factors influencing rural settlements 3. Effects of rural settlements 4. Solutions to the problems affecting rural settlements 	 Using illustrations demonstrate to learner the types of rural settlement patterns and explain rural morphology. In group discussion, guide students to identify factors influencing rural settlement, effects and solutions to the problems.
- Differentiate between location and urban morphology	II. Urbanisation: 1. Definitions (trading centres, town, Town board, municipality, city, agglomeration, conurbation, mega polis, suburbs, slums) 2. Location and characteristics of urban	 Using illustrations and photos, describe the location and morphology of urban centers. In group discussions, guide learners to explain
 Explain the importance and factors influencing the development of urbanization Explain the consequences of urbanization 	centres (example of towns) 3. functions of urban centres 4. Factors influencing urban development 5. Consequences of urbanisation - General problems of urban centres and solutions 6. Development of slums - Relationship between towns and slums	different functions of urban areas, factors influencing urban development and consequences of urbanization. - In group discussion, guide to learners identify advantages, disadvantages/ problems associated with slums and suggest solutions. - Organize a field trip for students to observe and learn slum areas.
Explain the relationship between towns and slumsDiscuss the characteristics, causes,	 Characteristics of slums Causes of slums development Advantages and disadvantages of slums (advantages: cheap accommodation, labour, 	

advantages and disadvantages of slums - Identify problems and suggest solutions of urbanization	commodities) • Problems of slums • Solutions to the problems of slums 7. Case studies: - Developed countries: London, Paris, New York, and Tokyo. - Developing countries: Brasilia, Johannesburg, Beijing, Nairobi.	- Identify a case study in developed and developing countries and help learners to compare urbanisation and challenges in either category.

CHAPTER 3. AGRICULTURE DURATION: 28 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; - Distinguish between subsistence crop cultivation and commercial crop cultivation	 I. CROP CULTIVATION 1. Type of crop cultivation (characteristics, factors favouring the type of crop cultivation, advantages, problems and solutions) Subsistence cultivation (bush fallowing, 	- In groups, guide learners to differentiate between forms of modern crop farming and subsistence crop growing and determine factors that influence
 Identify factors that influence agricultural practices Mention the characteristics, advantages, disadvantages of each agricultural type. 	 shifting cultivation). Small holder farming Cooperative farming Plantation farming Commune farming Collectivisation commune farming in China cooperative farming in Russia 	 agricultural activities With aid of photos, guide learners to distinguish between agricultural forms and give their characteristics. By brainstorming, help learners to explain the advantages and disadvantages of each
 Identify the agricultural problems that hinder development and suggest solutions 	Market gardening and horticulture2. Factors influencing agricultural activities3. Problems affecting agriculture in	form of agriculture. - By brainstorming, guide students to

	developing countries	identify the problems of crop farming and suggest their solutions
	4. Case studies : Comparison of crop farming in	- Identify a case study in different countries
	Rwanda with China, Egypt e.g.	and help learners to compare crop farming
	Irrigation farming	and its challenges in either category
	II. LIVESTOCK FARMING	
 Compare intensive and extensive livestock farming Explain the types of livestock farming in the world Mention the characteristics and advantages of each type of farming 	1. Type of livestock farming (characteristics, advantages, problems and solutions) - Pastoralism: Nomadism and Free Range - transhumance - Ranching: beef farming - Dairy farming - Zero-grazing - Tethering - Aquaculture - Poultry farming - Apiculture (beekeeping)	 With help of photos, illustrations, guide learners to distinguish livestock extensive farming from intensive livestock farming In group discussion, guide students to distinguish between types of livestock farming in the world and identify characteristics of each type.
 Identify the factors that influence livestock farming Identify problems affecting and suggest solutions. 	2. Factors influencing Livestock farming3. Problems of Livestock farming and solutions	- By brainstorming, guide students to identify factors that influence livestock farming, advantages, problems and suggest their solutions.
	4. Case studies: Comparison of livestock farming in Rwanda with Botswana, Kenya, Argentina, Holland	- Identify a case study in developed and developing countries and help learners to compare Livestock farming and its challenges in either category.

CHAPTER 4. FORESTRY DURATION: 12 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; - Differentiate types of forests in the world	Major types of forests of the world and their characteristics	- Using images, photos and illustrations, distinguish the major types of forest and give their characteristics and importance
- Mention the importance of forestry	2. Importance of forestry	of forestry to man - Using photos, illustrations and
 Explain the methods used in exploitation of forests. Explain factors for development of lumbering and problems affecting forest exploitation Discuss ways of forest conservation and management. 	 3. Lumbering/ forest exploitation Methods of forest exploitation Factors affecting forest exploitation Problems of forest exploitation in developing countries (Amazon forest) 4. Forest conservation and management 	observation, explain to learners methods used in forest exploitation and factors influencing forest exploitation - By brainstorming, help students to give problems affecting forest exploitation. - In discussion groups, guide students to suggest ways and means of conservation and management of forests.
	5. Case studies: Comparison of forest exploitation in Rwanda with Sweden, British, Columbia, Gabon.	- Identify a case study in developed and developing country and help learners to compare forest exploitation, conservation and management challenges in either category.

CHAPTER 5. FISHING DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
At the end of the topic, students should		
be able to;		
	1. Location of major marine and inland fishing	- Using world economic map, guide students
- Locate major fishing zones of the	grounds of the world.	to locate major world fishing zone
world.	a) Major marine fishing grounds	

- Describe methods used in fishing	- Southern pacific	
	- North pacific	- Using illustrations demonstrate and
- Identify types of fish	- North Atlantic	distinguish methods of fishing.
	- South Atlantic	
 Explain problems affecting marine 	- African coast	- By brainstorming, guide students to
and inland fishing.	b) Inland fishing grounds: Lakes, rivers and	identify types of fish, factors favoring
	swamps	development of fishing and problems
- Explain methods of conserving and	2. Methods used in Fishing	facing marine and in-land fishing.
preserving fish.	3. Types of fishing	
	4. Factors influencing development of fishing	
	5. Problems affecting marine fisheries and	
	Solutions	
	6. Problems of inland fisheries and solutions	
	7. Fish conservation and preservation	
	8. Case studies:	- Identify a case study in developed and
	Comparison of fishing in Rwanda with	developing countries and help learners to
	Norwegian fisheries, Peru, Japan, Morocco,	compare fishing, fish conservation and
	South Africa and Uganda	preservation challenges in either category.

CHAPTER 6. MINING DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; - Identify major minerals and mining regions.	Classification of minerals Anjor world minerals Coal (USA, Russia, China, UK) Petroleum in Middle East, Caribbean countries, Africa oil	Using maps students should locate major minerals and mining zones
 Describe the methods used in mining Explain factors that favour mining 	producing, countries e.g. Nigeria. Iron ore: USA, Russia, Liberia etc. Copper, Zambia, DRC etc.) Methods of mining	

-	Identify problems affecting mining	4. Factors affecting exploitation of mineral		
	and their solutions	resource		
-	Identify effects of mining	5. Effects of mining	-	Guide students to discuss the methods of
		6. Problems affecting mining and solutions		mining, effects and problems of mineral
				exploitation

CHAPTER 7. POWER / ENERGY DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
At the end of the topic, students should	1. Types of Energy	
be able to;	- Renewable Energy	
	- Non renewable Energy	- Using familiar examples of energy, guide
- Differentiate between renewable and	2. Sources of energy :	students to distinguish between renewable
non- renewable resources.	- Water (hydro electricity power)	and non renewable resources.
- Identify sources of power	- Oil and gas	
	- Forests (wood/charcoal)	- Using maps students should be able to
	- Coal	identify and locate major sources of
	- Sun (solar energy)	energy like H.E.P, petroleum, coal,
	- Waste products (biogas)	Natural gas etc.
	- Wind, tidal	
	- Uranium (nuclear energy)	
- Explain factors that favour power	3. Factors favouring power production	
production	4. Methods used in power production e.g.:	- In small groups guide students to discuss
- describe methods used in power	Multi- Purpose dam Projects.	the factors that favour power production
production	5. Major power producing areas	and the methods used.
- Explain the importance of power	6. Importance of power in development.	
- Identify problems associated with		- In small groups, guide students to identify
power production and solutions	7. Problems and solutions	importance of power, problems and
		suggest solutions.

CHAPTER 8. INDUSTRIALISATION. DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; Define and classify industries Explain factors for location of industries Identify factors influencing development of industries	Definition and classification of factories and industries Factors for the location of industries Factors influencing industrial development Major world industrial regions Case studies:	 Using different industrial products, guide students to classify industries and explain factors for their location Guide students to discuss factors influencing industrial development and name major industrial zones.
- Locate major world industrial regions	a) Developed countries: - Western Europe - Industrial development in Japan - Industrial development in USA - Industrial development in Russia b) Developing countries: - Industrial development in Egypt - Industrial development in South Africa - Industrial development in China - Industrial Development in South Korea	name major maastrar zones.
 Explain the importance of industrial development Identify problems affecting industrial Development. Identify problems resulting from industrial development and suggest solutions 	5. Importance of industrial development.6. Problems affecting industrial development in developing countries.7. Problems resulting from industrial development and possible solutions.	 In small groups, guide learners to discuss the importance and the problems of industrial development, then suggest solutions. Through brain storming guide learners to explain problems affecting industrial development.

V. GEOGRAPHY SYLLABUS FOR SENIOR FIVE.

GENERAL OBJECTIVES FOR SENIOR FIVE.

By the end of form five, learner should be able to;

- 1. Explain the origin of the continents and landform formation processes.
- 2. Use statistical diagrams and graphs to interpret geographical information.
- 3. Compare different modes of development in the world
- 4. Identify the world development problems in the physical, economic and human environment.
- 5. Suggest possible solutions to world problems and challenges.

PART ONE: GENERAL PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY - GEOMORPHOLOGY

CHAPTER 1. ORIGIN AND DISTRIBUTION OF CONTINENTS DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; - Describe the internal structure of	1. The internal structure of the earth	- Demonstrate by use of avocado, cut into two equal halves to explain the internal structure of the earth and its parts.
the earth - Explain the theories for origin and	2. Theories of the origin and distribution of continents	- Using a wall map, guide students to name the Continents which make up the world.
distribution of continents - Explain continental drift theory - Illustrate evidences of continental drift	2.1. Theory of continental driftEvidences of continental drift	- Cut a paper into pieces that has on it a map, distribute the pieces to small groups and guide students to join them again and explain the Theory of continental drift.
 Explain the theory of plate tectonism 	2.2.Theory of Plate tectonism	 Use illustration s and diagrams to explain theories continental drift.

- Describe the effects of plate	2.3. Effects of plate tectonism	-	using ply wood demonstrate on water how
tectonism on the land scape and			plates slide
drainage		-	using illustrations and diagrams, explain
			the effects of plate tectonism

CHAPTER 2. MATERIALS OF THE EARTH CRUST DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be		
able to;	1. Rocks	
- Differentiate rock types	- Rock types and their characteristics	- Guide students to go outside and observe,
- Explain how rocks are formed	- Rock composition	feel, and distinguish different types of rocks.
- Mention the economic importance of	- Economic importance of rocks	
Rocks		
	2. Minerals	- Using rock samples and illustrations, help
- Differentiate between minerals, mineral	- Physical and chemical properties of	
ore and rocks	minerals	rocks and minerals
- Identify the physical and chemical	- Types of minerals	- In group discussion, help learners to give the
properties of minerals		importance of rocks and minerals
- Distinguish between mineral types		

CHAPTER 3. SOILS DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be able to;	1. Introduction/definition of soil	- By direct observation, help students to explain the process of soil formation
- Explain factors for soil formation	2. Soil formation and evolution	and evolution of soils
- Identify the constituents of soil	3. Soil constituents	
,	4. Morphological properties of soil	

- Identify the morphological properties of soil.	(structure, texture, colour, porosity, pH, soil profile, soil catena) 5. Types of soil and their classification	- By observation from the field and use of illustrations, help learners to identify the process, types of soil erosion,
- Explain the types, the causes and effects of soil erosion.	6. Soil erosion - types - causes - effects 7. Soil conservation measures	causes and effect of soil erosion.
- Explain the importance of soil.	8. World map showing soils9. Economic importance of soil.	- By brain storming, guide students to give the importance of soils and methods of soil conservation.

CHAPTER 4. LANDFORM FORMATION PROCESSES DURATION: 101 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be	I. Landform associated with internal	
able to;	processes	
	1. Warping	- Using illustrations prepared in advance
	 features formed by warping 	(sketches, photos, maps), help learners
- Explain the causes of warping	 influence of warping on 	to describe and explain different
	drainage	landform formation processes.
- Suggest the effects of warping	 impact of warping to landscape 	(warping, folding, faulting).
 Locate major warped areas of the 	- Distribution of landform	- In group discussion, help the learners
world	associated with warping	to give the influence and impact of
	2. Folding	warping on drainage and on man/human
- Explain the causes of folding and	- causes of folding	activities.
types of folds	- types of folds	- Demonstrate to students using a paper
- Explain the impact of folding on	- influence of folding on drainage	and a ruler to explain how folding and

drainage and man - Locate major folded areas and features in the world	 Features resulting from folding Impact of folding to landscape Distribution of landform associated with folding. 	faulting take place. When a paper is compressed it folds, but a ruler breaks. - Using illustrations /diagrams, photos, slides and help students to distinguish
 Explain the causes of faulting and types of Faults Mention the impact of faulting on the landscape Discuss the impact of faulting on drainage and man. Explain the intrusive and extrusive volcanic features Mention the impact of Vulcanicity on human activities Locate major volcanic features and areas of the world 	3. Faulting - Causes of faulting - Types of faults - influence of faulting on land scape - influence of faulting on drainage - impact of faulting to man - Distribution of landform associated with faulting 4. Vulcanicity and volcanicity - Definition - Materials of vulcanism (magma, lava, gases) - Intrusive volcanic features - Extrusive volcanic features - Types of volcanoes and their characteristics - Impact of vulcanicity to man - World distribution of	different types of folds and faults. - Using the world physical map and giving examples, help students to locate areas affected by warping, faulting, folding etc - On a world map identify and locate major areas affected by vulcanism - Using illustrations like photos, guide a student to explain the impact of vulcanism to man. - Using illustrations, films, help the
	volcanoes.	students to distinguish intrusive and extrusive volcanic features
 Explain the causes of earthquake and associated consequences Locate major areas affected by Earthquake in the world 	 5. Earthquakes Definition of concepts (focus, epicenter, shadow, magnitude, intensity, tremors) Causes and consequences World distribution of earthquakes Measurement of earthquakes Precaution measures 	 Use illustrations and photos to explain the causes and consequences of the Earth quake On a world map, locate major world areas that are prone to Earthquake
	II. Landforms associated with external	

	weathering, erosion, Transportation and deposition.	- Using rock samples and relevant
 Describe weathering processes Identify factors influencing weathering 	 Types of weathering and their processes Factors influencing weathering Climate, Nature of rock, Mans activities Vegetation, Relief, Animals Duration(time) 	examples illustrate mechanical, chemical and biological weathering and identify different modes of rock decomposition. - By brain storming, guide students to explain factors influencing weathering.
- Explain conditions for formation of Karst Landforms	3. Weathering erosion, and deposition in limestone regions and associated landforms (karsts landforms) - Conditions for formation of karst land forms - Importance of karst land forms to man	
 Describe weathering in hot and humid areas Explain weathering in desert areas and semi- arid areas. 	 4. Weathering erosion, and deposition in different climatic regions. a) Humid tropical regions and resultant landforms b) Arid (desert and semi desert areas) and resultant landforms. 	 In small groups, guide students to identify agents of weathering in each climatic zone. Using illustrations and sketches help students to identify landforms in different climatic zones.
- Identify types of glaciers	 c) Cold regions (glaciated areas) and resultant landforms. - ice formation - Types of glaciers - Types of glacial flow - Factors for the formation of glaciers 	

	- Factors that influence the	
- Describe glacial land forms	movement of glaciers	
- Describe gracial land forms	- Resultant (landforms) features	
- Mention the impact of glaciation	- Impact of glaciation	
- Wention the impact of graciation	5. Movement of debris or transport	
	processes along the slope(mass	TT 1' ('11 4 4' 1 4 1
- Explain types of mass wasting	wasting)	- Use diagrams/ illustrations, photos, and
	- Land slide	observation of the Land scape to
	- Rock fall	explain types of mass wasting
	- Soil creep	
	- Mud flow	
	- Solifluction	
	III. Coastal landforms	
- Distinguish between erosion and	1. Action of waves	
deposition features on the coast.	- Types of waves	
_	- Causes of waves	
		- With illustrations and demonstrations.
- Identify the factors influencing formation	2. Factors influencing formation of coastal	explain causes of waves
of coastal landforms	landforms	F-mar causes of manyor
	3. Landforms produced by wave action	
	- Features produced by wave erosion	- Using sketches and illustrations help
	- Features produced by wave deposition	student to identify erosion and
	- I catales produced by wave deposition	deposition features of waves.
	4. Types of the coasts	deposition realties of waves.
- Distinguish between emerged and	• Submerged coast	
submerged coasts.	- Rias, Fjords, estuary, delta	
	• Emerged coast	
	- cliffs	
	- beaches	
	5. Coral reefs	
- Describe types of coral reefs	- Nature of coral coasts	

 Explain the conditions influencing the formation of polyps Explain the causes of eustatic and isostatic changes 	 Types of coral reefs Conditions necessary for growth of coral polyps Isostatic and Eustatic change on the nature of the coasts Causes: Climatic change Earth movements 	- Using photos guide students to distinguish types of coral reefs
- Identify the economic importance of coastal landforms.	7. Economic importance of coastal Landforms and features.	
- Explain landforms associated with human activities.	IV. Human landscape / man made Land forms and mode of formation - open cast mining results into artificial terraces, depressions, cliffs, caves, hills etc - River damming results into dam walls, water falls, lakes - Dredging and development of Ports, Roads, railway construction lead to plains - Irrigation causes creation of canals diversion of channels.	- Using photos, diagrams and illustrations help students to identify landforms associated with man's activities.
	V. Landforms made by rivers and surface runoff a) River system	- Using illustrations and sketches help

- River discharge, Channel, energy and	students to describe river profile and
profile.	associated landforms.
- Functions of a river	
- River profile and its characteristic	
Youthful stage / upper	
course	
Mature stage / middle	
course	
Old stage / lower course	
- Formation of landforms in the	
youthful, mature and old stage e.g.:	
deltas, estuaries, meanders,	
antecedent drainage, superimposed	
Drainage.	
- River rejuvenation causes and	
resultant landforms e.g.: terraces	- Using sketches help students to explain river capture.
- River capture and its effects	
b) Impact of riverine landforms to man	- In small groups, guide learners to discuss the importance of riverine landforms to
	man.

CHAPTER 5. DRAINAGE DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be	1. Rivers	
able to;		
- Differentiate between types of rivers	 Characteristics of Rivers 	- Using illustrations, sketches and maps to
- Identify the types of drainage patterns	- The drainage patterns	explain the characteristics of rivers.
- Explain the importance of rivers to	- Importance of rivers to man	- Using sketches help students to
man		distinguish drainage patterns

	2. Lakes	
- Distinguish between types of lakes	- Types of lakes	- Use illustrations, diagrams, help students
- Explain the mode of formation and importance of lakes	- Mode of formation	to distinguish types of lakes and their mode of formation By braining storming guide students to
importance or takes	- Importance of lakes	explain the importance of lakes
- Locate seas and oceans	3. Seas and oceans a) Distribution of seas and Oceans b). Composition of the oceans	
- Describe characteristics of ocean water.	salinity, Temperature, density ,biological and mineral	
- Describe marine relief features	resources c) The relief of ocean floors d) Movements of ocean water	 Use the world physical to locate major seas and oceans In group discussion, guide the students to give the major characteristics of seas
	o Ocean currents	and oceans.
- Explain the causes and characteristics of ocean currents	 Definition and examples Causes of ocean currents Characteristics of ocean 	- Using sketches, guide students to describe marine relief features
- Explain the effects of ocean currents on the climate of adjacent lands.	currents - Effects of ocean currents on the climate of adjacent lands.	- In group discussion, guide students to identify causes, characteristics and
- Explain the causes and economic importance of tides.	 Tides Definition Causes of tides Importance of tides 	effects of ocean currents on climate.

PART TWO: PRACTICAL GEOGRAPHY

CHAPTER 6. STATISTICS IN GEOGRAPHY

DURATION: 21 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be able to;	Introduction to statistics in Geography - Definition of statistics	- In small groups, guide students to discuss the importance of statistics.
- Explain the importance of statistics	- Importance of statistical	
in geography.	geography	 Using diagrams and illustrations, help learners to interpret data and
	a). Statistical graphs	draw graphs
 Interpret statistical data and 	- Line and curve graphs	
construct graphs and diagrams	- simple	
	- group	
	- compound	
	- divergence	
	- bar graphs	
	- simple	
	- group	
	- compound	
	- divergence	
	- age and sex graphs	
	- dispersion graphs	
	- circular graphs	
- Draw and interpret statistical maps	b). Statistical charts and diagrams	
	- Divided circles (pie charts):	
	simple, proportional	
	- Divided rectangles: simple,	- Use statistical data to illustrate
	compound	different statistical charts,
	- Repeated symbols:	maps, and diagrams.
	Proportional circles, proportional	

squares, proportional cubes, proportional spheres - Wind rose: simple, compound	
- Statistical maps:	
dot maps, isoline, Shading	
maps (choropleth), Flow maps	

PART THREE: HUMAN AND ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY CHAPTER 1. TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should		
be able to;	1. TRANSPORT	
- Explain the importance of ports.	a). The growth of seaports.- New York- Mombassa- Tokoradi	- Guide students to discuss the importance of port through brain storming
- Identify different types of transport	b). Types of transport: headpotrage, road, railway, pipeline, water, underground and air	 Using the map of the world, identify different modes of transport In groups help students to discuss the
 Explain advantages and disadvantages of each means of transport Explain problems affecting transport 	 c). Advantages and disadvantages of each type of transport d). Factors influencing the types of transport e). Problems affecting transport f). Case studies 	advantages and disadvantages of transport and factors influencing transport
	 Trans- African Highway Tanzam railway Euro tunnel Trans- Siberian railway Rotterdam (Euro port) St. Lawrence sea way Paris Airport 	- A teacher should guide students in research, discussion and presentation in class especially about the importance and problems faced by these cases studies.

	2. COMMUNICATION	- Using different communication equipments
	- Types and forms of communication:	i.e. telephone, newspapers, Radio, etc,
- Explain the importance, problems and	satellites, television, radio, telephone,	- Guide students to identify different types of
solutions affecting communication	Internet, etc	communication.
	- Problems affecting communication and	- In small groups, guide learners to discuss
	solutions	the problems affecting communication and
		solutions.

CHAPTER 2. TRADE AND COMMERCE. DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be able to;	Major export and imports of the developing and developed countries	Using various manufactured products, guide learners to identify imports and exports.
 Differentiate between imports and exports. Identify factors affecting trade Identify major financial centres of the world Explain the importance of different types of Economic integration. 	 Factors affecting trade The flow of merchandise Major financial centers of the world (I.M.F, world Bank etc.) Importance of Economic integration (customs union and common market): ECOWAS, EEC, C.E.I, COMESA, E.A.C, C.E.E.A.C, etc. 	 Through brain storming, guide learners to explain factors affecting trade and name major financial centers. By question and answer approach, help learners to give and explain the importance of different types of Economic Integrations. In small groups, guide learners to discuss
- Identify problems affecting international trade and solutions.	6. Problems affecting international trade and solutions	problems affecting international trade and solutions.

CHAPTER 3. WORLD MULTI PURPOSE RIVER PROJECTS DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should	1. Definition	
be able to;		- Using the world map, help learners to locate

 Locate principle multi- purpose river dam projects Identify the importance of multipurpose schemes 	Importance of multi purpose river project	principle multi- purpose river projects, their importance, problems and suggest solutions.
- Identify problems and solutions associated with these projects.	 3. Problems affecting multipurpose river projects and solutions 4. Case studies: The Tennessee Valley Authority Akosombo dam (Volta) Ghana Orange River scheme- south Africa) Aswan high dam Egypt Hwang-ho river project- China 	

CHAPTER 4. CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND TOURISM DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students	1. Conservation of natural resources	
should be able to;		
 Explain why and how man should conserve the environment. Identify problems encountered 	a). Reasons for conservation of; - Wetlands - Forests - Wildlife - Water b). Methods of conservation c). Problems encountered in conserving natural	 By brain storming, drawing examples from various parts of the world, guide learners to explain why and how environment is conserved. In small groups, guide learners to explain problems why and how environment is conserved.
in conserving resources.	resources	conserved.
	2. Tourism:	
- Define tourism and eco-	a). Definition: tourism, eco-tourism	
tourism	b). Tourist attractions and their location	- In small groups, guide learners to discuss the

Identify and locate touristattractionsdescribe the importance of	c). Importance of tourism	the importance of tourism, the problems affecting tourism and suggest solutions
tourism - explain problems affecting tourism and suggest solutions	d). Problems affecting tourism and solutions	
	e). Case studies:East AfricaUSA: Tourism in Florida, California.Switzerland	A teacher should guide students in research, discussion and presentation in class especially about different features of tourist attraction and explain the importance of tourism in each country.

CHAPTER 5. MAN AND HIS ENVIRONMENT DURATION: 18 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITY
At the end of the topic, students should be able to; - Identify components of the environment	 1. Environment definition of environment Components of environment Abiotic elements of the environment e.g. weather, climate, rock 	- Using the features around the school, guide learners to identify components of environment.
Describe factors responsible for environmental degradation and methods for conservation.	 biotic elements of the environment e.g. man, flora and fauna Factors responsible for environmental degradation and desertification Consequences of Environmental degradation Methods of environmental conservation 	
	2. Pollution	- In small group, guide learners to discuss
	Definition	factors responsible for environmental
- Identify and explain the types of	 types of pollution 	degradation and methods of environmental

pollution - Explain the causes, effects and solutions.	causes and effects of pollutionSolutions	conservation - By brainstorming, ask students to define pollution, name types of pollution, causes, effects and solutions.
 Identify different natural catastrophes and non natural catastrophes 	3. Catastrophesa) Natural catastrophestypes: Earthquakes, drought, floods, locusts, diseases (AIDS, tuberculosis, cholera, malaria).	 Use photos, illustrations and drawing examples from various parts of the world and help learners to identify different types of catastrophes.
- Explain the causes, effects of natural catastrophes and non natural catastrophes and suggest solutions.	 causes effects solutions Non natural catastrophes: types: wars, famine causes effects solutions 	- In small groups, help learners to explain the causes, effects and suggest solutions to catastrophes.

VI. GEOGRAPHY SYLLABUS FOR SENIOR SIX

A. GENERAL OBJECTIVES FOR SENIOR SIX

By the end of form six, learners should be able to,

- 1. Familiarize with the field work procedures in collecting geographical data and satisfy his own curiosity in studying Geography.
- 2. Use statistical diagrams, photos and maps to interpret geographical information.
- 3. Acquire an understanding of the major challenges of Rwanda especially HIV/AIDS, overpopulation and environment.
- 4. Identify different development problems associated with the physical, human and economic environment of Rwanda.
- 5. Suggest the solutions to the problems associated with the physical, human and economic environment of Rwanda.

PRACTICAL GEOGRAPHY AND GEOGRAPHY OF RWANDA

PART ONE: PRACTICAL GEOGRAPHY

CHAPTER1. FIELD WORK DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students should be able to; - Identify the importance of field work - Explain the various methods used to collect data, the advantages and disadvantages of those methods	 Definition Advantages and disadvantages of field work Field work methods observation, Questionnaire, interview, recording, sampling, measuring etc Advantages and disadvantages of each method Field work procedure 	 Take learners in the field and ask them to suggest advantages and disadvantages of studying Geography from outside the class. Ask students to suggest advantages and disadvantages of different methods used to collect information from the field.

- Preparation before field work
- Data collection (field tour)
- Follow up
- 5. Fieldwork presentation
 - Organization and write up / dissemination of information
- 6. Fieldwork Case studies
- School area: e.g. Measure the distance around the school environment showing the direction and locating major features.
- An urban area: urban patterns, analyze how land is utilised in urban areas, population characteristics and mobility/circulation.
- Settlement in a village or sector :Identify major soil types, settlement characteristics, type of communication and transport, major relief features, identify the relationship between those elements
- Land use in a valley/ a hill
- school farm
- A dairy farm
- A plantation
- A market
- An industry
- Fishing at a fishing village:
- Land form in an area:
- A section of a river valley

- In small groups, guide learners on how to present the fieldwork findings (data)

CHAPTER 2: REPRESENTATION OF THE EARTH

DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students should be able to; - Explain different ways of representing the Earth	1. Latitudes and Longitudes 2. Ways of representing the Earth a) the globe b) the maps - definition (small scale map, medium scale map, large scale map and a plan) - Types of maps • topographic maps • thematic maps Examples of maps: world map, globe maps, sheet maps, regional maps, marine maps etc.	 Using the globe, guide learners to identify latitudes and longitudes Using different maps, help students to differentiate them.
Identify different types of maps and projectionsExplain types of projections	Cartographic projections definition Main types of projections and their characteristics: Azimuthal, conical and cylindrical	- Using different maps, guide learner to distinguish types of projections.

CHAPTER 3. MAP WORK AND PHOTOGRAGHIC INTERPRETATION DURATION: 28 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/ TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students should	1. Further understanding of ordinary	
be able to;	Survey maps (O.S.M)	
	a. Elements of a good map e.g. key,	- Using a map, help learners to identify
- Give elements of a good map.	Title, scale, compass	elements of a good map

 Calculate distance and area on maps Locate features on maps using grid reference. 	 b. Measuring Distance and areas on the Maps c. The use of grid references, direction and bearing on maps d. Representation of relief on the map 	- Using Ordinary survey maps guide learners to calculate distance and area on the map
 Interpret physical and human aspects on maps. Draw cross-sections, reduce and enlarge maps Explain the importance of maps 	 e. Interpretation of physical aspects from maps e.g. geology, slope, drainage, soils, etc. f. Interpretation of human aspects from maps e.g. agricultural development, mining, industry, settlement etc g. Drawing cross sections, enlargement and reduction, sketches, Physiographic regions h. Interrelationship on maps: Relief, drainage, settlement i. Importance of maps 	 Using ordinary survey map, help learners to interpret human and physical aspects on maps. Using topographic maps, guide learners to construct cross- sections, reduce and enlarge maps In groups, students should discuss the
- Identify different types of photographs and the parts of the photograph.	2. Photographic interpretation a) Introduction b) Types of photographs: - Ground photographs: (ground close up, ground oblique) - Aerial photographs: (low oblique, high oblique and vertical aerial photograph) - Parts of a photograph: (foreground, middle ground and background; right ground, middle ground)	 Using photographs, help students to identify different types of photographs and parts of the photographs

 Explain various aspects on photographs and draw sketch diagrams from photographs. Interpret physical and human aspects 	c) Physical geography on photographs e.g. geology, soils, drainage, vegetation, slope.	 Using photographs and illustrations, guide learners to explain geographical aspects on photographs and drawing sketch diagrams.
on photographs.	d) Human Geography on photographs e.g. settlement, economic activities	- By the help of photographs, guide
- Draw sketches of photographs.	e) Drawing sketches of photographs	learners to draw sketch diagrams
- Explain the importance of	(enlargement and reduction)	- In groups, students should discuss
photographs	f) Importance of photographs	the importance of photographs

PART TWO: GEOGRAPHY OF RWANDA

CHAPTER 1. GENERAL PRESENTATION OF RWANDA DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/ TEACHING ACTIVITIES
By the end of this topic students should be able to;		- Using a map of Africa, guide students to find the location and situation of Rwanda
Rwanda, standard of living and administrative divisions.	2. Size3. Population (comparison with neighboring	- Using the map Rwanda, guide learners to identify administrative divisions

CHAPTER 2. GENERAL PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY OF RWANDADURATION: 21 PERIODS

Duration: 21 Periods

-	Describe the rocks of Rwanda.	1. Geology	-	Using samples of rocks help learners to identify
		- Types of rocks		different types of rocks and their characteristics.
-	Describe major relief regions of	2. Relief		
	Rwanda and their mode of	- Relief regions	-	Using physical map of Rwanda, guide learners
	formation	- Geomorphologic processes		to identify relief, soils, climatic regions and
		(endogenic and exogenic processes)		vegetation zones.
-	Describe the climatic regions of Rwanda and factors influencing climate of Rwanda	3. Climate - Climatic regions - Factors influencing climate change	-	by brainstorming, ask students to explain factors influencing vegetation Using soil samples help students to identify
	chinate of Rwanda	- 1 actors infruencing chinate change		different types of soil.
-	identify major vegetation types and factors influencing their formation		-	Using the physical map of Rwanda, guide learners to identify different drainage systems
	Tormation	5. Soils		and their characteristics.
-	Describe the characteristics of types of soil	- Types of soils and where they are found		
		6. Drainage		
-	Explain the drainage system of	- Characteristics of drainage system		
	Rwanda and the mode of	- Major rivers, swamps and lakes		
	formation of lakes	- Mode of formation of lakes		
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CHAPTER 3. HUMAN GEOGRAPHY OF RWANDA

I. POPULATION

DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students should be able to; - Describe population distribution of Rwanda - Explain population structure of Rwanda - Explain factors influencing population distribution and population growth - Determine the causes and effects of population growth and suggest solutions.	Population distribution and density Factors influencing population distribution Population structure Population growth Factors influencing population growth Consequences of population growth Solutions for rapid population growth	 Using the population map of Rwanda ask learners to indicate densely and sparsely populated areas and suggest factors for population distribution. In small groups, ask learners to discuss factors responsible for population growth, associated problems and suggest solutions.
 Identify major types of migration Explain the causes and consequences 	4. Migrations - Types of migration - Causes of migration - Consequences of migration 5. Population and resources (optimum, under, over population)	- Using examples help students to discover the types, causes and consequences of migration.

II. RURAL SETTLEMENTS AND URBANISATION DURATION: 14 PERIODS

	CONTENT	TEACHING/LEARNING ACTIVITIES
By the end of this topic students should be able to; - Identify the types of rural settlements and their characteristics Determine factors influencing	1. RURAL SETTLEMENTS a) types of rural settlements - Characteristics - factors influencing rural settlements - Advantages and disadvantages b) Government policy towards rural settlement	 Have a field tour to a near by village, help learners to discover types, characteristics, advantages and disadvantages of rural settlements. In small groups, guide learners to explain
rural settlement - Explain advantages and disadvantages of rural settlements - Explain problems affecting rural settlement and propose solutions	settlements schemes (imidugudu)c) Problems affecting rural settlements	government policy towards rural settlement. - Prepare for a field study to any "Mudugudu" and help learners to make comparisons with others forms of settlement in their villages
 Name and determine the characteristics of urban centers Explain factors for urbanization 	 2. Urban settlement (urbanization) a) Characteristics of urban centres a) Factors for Urbanization b) Major urban centres eg: Kigali, Huye, Rubavu, Musanze, etc. (location, population, functions) 	 Have a field study tour to a nearby town, help students to identify characteristics of urban centers, name urban centers and factors for Urbanization. By brainstorming, ask students to explain problems of urban centers and suggest solutions.
- Identify the problems associated with urban areas of Rwanda and their solutions	c) General problems of urban centres and solutions e.g.: - development of slums.	- Prepare for a field study to different cities and help learners to make comparisons between those cities.

CHAPTER 4. ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY OF RWANDA

I. AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK FARMING DURATION: 28 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students	1. Crop cultivation	
should be able to;		
 Identify the major subsistence and plantation crops in Rwanda Determine conditions for growth of the crops Distinguish between improved subsistence agriculture and modern agriculture. Explain advantages and disadvantages of subsistence farming. 	 a). Subsistence cultivation: Examples of crops, Conditions necessary for crop growth Advantages and disadvantages of improved subsistence crop cultivation 	- Have a field study tour, help students to find out different agricultural activities and explain their characteristics, problems affecting the plantation and their contributions.
Suggest factors or conditions	b). Plantation farming (major plantations,	- In small groups, guide learners to explain steps
affecting plantation farming.	factors or conditions affecting plantations, characteristics, importance, problems and solutions). • Case study - Tea plantation - Coffee plantation - Sugar cane plantation	taken to modernize agriculture. - Using field trips, help learners to identify the advantages and disadvantages of each plantation. - In small groups, ask students to make research by using Internet, different documents on plantation farming and make a class presentation on advantages and disadvantages of each plantation
- Discuss methods for modernization of agriculture.	c). Agriculture development in Rwanda (Agriculture modernization) d). Problems limiting agriculture production in Rwanda.	 Through brainstorming, ask learners to explain the characteristics of traditional and modern farming systems.

	2. Livestock farming:	
	A. Traditional livestock farming	- Have a tour to a farm, guide learners to identify
- Explain the characteristics of	i) Pastoralism (cattle)	different cattle breeds, and name the diary
traditional and modern livestock	- Characteristics	farming areas.
farming methods.	- types of local breeds	- In small groups, guide learners to identify small
- Suggest reasons and methods for	ii). Keeping of other livestock: goat, sheep,	animals, explain factors for keeping small
keeping small animals.	pig, poultry, rabbits, apiculture, etc.	animals and methods of improving small
	B. Modern livestock farming	animals.
	i). Dairy farming (cattle)	
- Distinguish traditional methods of	- characteristics	
livestock farming from modern.	- types of modern breeds	
	- Areas of dairy farming	
	- Factors hindering the	
	development of dairy farming	
	ii). The keeping of other livestock: goats,	
	pigs, sheep, poultry, rabbits, apiculture,	
	etc.	
	- Factors affecting the keeping of	
	smaller animals.	
	- Methods of improving small	
	animal keeping	
	- Importance of keeping these animals.	
- Explain the advantages and	C. Comparison on traditional livestock	- In small groups, guide students to make research
disadvantages of traditional and	farming and modern livestock farming in	by using Internet, different documents on
modern livestock farming.	Rwanda.	livestock farming and make a class presentation
		on the advantages and disadvantages of traditional
		and modern livestock farming.
- Suggest contributions of	D. Contributions of livestock farming in	- Through brain storming, ask students to explain
livestock farming in Rwanda	Rwanda.	contributions of livestock.
- Identify problems of livestock	E. Problems affecting livestock in Rwanda	
farming in Rwanda and suggest	and solutions.	
solutions.		

II. FORESTRY

DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students		
should be able to;		
- Locate and describe major forest areas of Rwanda	1. Forested areas of Rwanda	- Using a map of Rwanda, guide the learners to locate and name the major natural forests and
- Identify the factors leading to forest exploitation	2. Factors leading to forest exploitation	suggest factors leading to forest exploitation.
Explain importance of lumberingIdentify problems affecting	3. Importance of forestry	- In small groups ask learners to explain the importance of forests and problems affecting
lumbering.	4. Problems affecting lumbering	lumbering - Prepare a field trip to any forest and ask the
- Identify the causes and effects of deforestation.	5. Causes and effects of deforestation	learners to observe the changes caused as a result of forest exploitation.
- Suggest solutions of deforestation	6. Solutions to deforestation and forest Conservation	- Help the learners to compare the positive and negative effects of utilizing forests.
	7. Case study: Gishwati, Nyungwe, Mukura	- In small groups, ask learners to discuss the causes and effects of deforestation for the mentioned forests and suggest solutions.

III. FISHING

DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING / TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students		
should be able to;		
- Locate major fishing grounds	1. Major fishing grounds of Rwanda	- Using maps showing water bodies, guide students
- Identify types of fish	2. Types of fish	to identify fishing grounds and suggest types and
- Explain methods of fishing,	3. Methods of fishing	methods used to catch fish, preserve and conserve
preservation and conservation	4. Methods of preservation and conservation	fish
	5. Marketing of fish	- Use photographs and diagrams guide the learners
- Explain the importance of fishing.	6. Importance of fishing (contributions)	to identify the fishing grounds and methods of
- Identify problems affecting	7. Problems affecting fishing and their solutions	fishing.

fishing and suggest solutions		-	In small groups, guide learners to discuss
- Analyze the role of fish farming	8. Fish farming:		problems affecting fishing and suggest solutions.
to the people of Rwanda.	i). Factors favoring fish farming		Solutions.
1 1	ii). Problems affecting fish farming	-	Through brainstorming, guide learners to locate
			fish ponds and explain reasons why its
	9. Case study: fishing ponds: e.g. Rwasave		necessary to have fish ponds in Rwanda.

IV. MINING

DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students		
should be able to;		
- Locate major minerals of Rwanda	Distribution of major minerals (tin, gold, wolfram, natural gas, peat coal) and mining areas.	- Using maps students should locate major minerals, mining and quarrying areas.
- Explain methods used in mining in Rwanda	2. Methods of mining	- In small groups guide learners to explain the methods used in mining, factors affecting exploitation and importance of mining to the
- Identify factors affecting exploitation of minerals, importance, problems associated	3. Factors affecting exploitation of minerals4. Importance of mining to the economy of the country	economy of Rwanda
with mining and solutions.	5. Problems affecting mining and solutions	

V. POWER AND ENERGY DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students		
should be able to;		
- Identify sources of power used in the country	1. Major sources of energy used in Rwanda (wood, H.E.P, Peat coal, Natural gas, Solar, Biogas, Geothermal, imported fuel etc.	- Using the map of Rwanda, guide learners to identify sources of power used in the country and problems of power production in Rwanda
- Locate major sources of hydro- electric power on the map of Rwanda	2. Hydro-Electric Power distribution Rusizi I and II, Mukungwa I, Ntaruka, Gihira (Rubavu district) Kilinda (karongi district) Runyombyi (Nyaruguru district murunda (Rutsiro district)	- In small groups, guide learners to explain the importance of power, problems limiting power supply and future prospects.
- Identify potential for power production in Rwanda	3. Hydro-Electric Power potentials (not exploited) Rusumo (Kirehe district), Nyabarongo (Mwaka) Rukarara I, II and III, Mukugwa II, Rusumo- Rugezi (Burera district), Satinsyi, Akanyaru II, etc.	
- Explain factors influencing power production in Rwanda	4. Factors affecting Power and energy production	- By conducting a field study to any power production area, guide learners to understand the
- Describe the importance of power	5. Importance of power	significance of power generation and its
- Explain the problems prospects	6. Problems limiting power production and supply	importance.
and prospects for power	7. Prospects for power production	- In groups, help students to make research by
production	8. Case study:	using Internet, different documents on source of
	Any power production area	energy in Rwanda and make a class presentation
		on the significance of power generation and its importance.

VI. INDUSTRIALISATION DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students		
should be able to;	A. Medium scale industries1. Type of industries	
- Locate major industries in Rwanda	 Agro-based industries Chemical industries Construction Textile Industries 	- Using the economic map of Rwanda, guide students to identify and describe industries and industrial areas of Rwanda.
 Explain factors for location of industries Suggest problems to development of industries 	 Factors affecting the location of industries Factors influencing industrial development Importance of industrial development Problems affecting industrial development and problems resulting from industrial 	- By brain storming guide students to explain factors for location of industries, factors influencing industrial development and problems associated with industrial development in Rwanda.
- Explain efforts made towards industrial development	development 6. Steps taken to encourage industrial Development 7. Case study: Tea factory, Coffee factory, Dairy industry, Bugarama cement factory,	 In small groups, guide students to explain the importance and steps taken to encourage industrial development Using a field study to any of the mentioned industries, help learners to assess the conditions, activities and factors responsible for the
	BRALIRWA, UTEXIRWA	 industrial growth. In small groups, help students to make research by using Internet or different documents on industries in Rwanda and make a class presentation on the conditions, activities and factors responsible for the industrial growth.
- Differentiate between traditional and modern sectors	B. Small scale industries.1. Traditional industries : broidery, pottery, blacksmith, brewing	- Using a discussion groups, guide students to differentiate between traditional and modern small scale industries
- Identify factors which favor	2. Modern sector: brick laying, carpentry and	- In small groups help learners to discuss factors

small scale industries	curving, bakery	which favor small industries, importance,
- Explain the importance of small	3. Factors affecting small scale industries	problems affecting small scale industries and
scale industries and problems	4. Importance of small scale industries	suggest solutions.
limiting development of these	5. Problems affecting small scale industries	
industries		

VII. TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATION AND TRADE DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students should be able to; - Describe the major means of transport used in Rwanda - Identify factors for development of each type of transport	A. TRANSPORT 1. Major types of transport and their distribution 2. Factors influencing the development of transport.	 Using the map of Rwanda, guide learners to identify different types of transport. By brain storming, help learners to discuss factors influencing development of transport,
 Explain the advantages and disadvantages associated with each type Identify the problems of land lockedness and the solutions 	 3. Advantages and disadvantages associated with each type 4. Problems of land lockedness and possible solutions 5. Future prospects 	advantages and disadvantages associated with each type - Using discussion groups, help learners to suggest, identify problems of land lockedness and suggest solutions.
 Identify different types of communication Explain the importance of communication Describe problems affecting communication and suggest solutions 	 B. COMMUNICATIONS Different means communication Factors influencing the development of communication Importance of communication Problems and solutions 	- Using discussion groups, help learners to identify different means of communication.

	C. TRADE	
- Describe the structure of trade in	 Internal and external trade 	
Rwanda.	 Factors affecting trade 	- Use different commodities, guide learners to
- Explain factors affecting trade	Importance of trade	identify exports and imports and suggest factors
	 Financial centers of the country 	affecting trade and its importance.
- Explain the importance of trade	 Importation and exportation of the 	
 Identify the problems associated with trade and some solutions. Explain the future prospects of trade in Rwanda 	products (balance of trade and balance of payment)Problems affecting trade and solutions	- In small groups, guide learners to discuss problems affecting trade, solutions and suggest future prospects.
trade in Rwanda	 Future prospects 	

VIII. ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND TOURISM DURATION: 14 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students	A. CONSERVATION	
should be able to;		
 Explain why and how environment is conserved Identify problems encountered in conservation of environment and suggest solutions 	 Reasons for conservation of wetlands, forest, wild life, soils, etc. Ways of conservation Problems encountered in conserving the Environment and solutions 	- Have a field study tour, guide learners to explain why and how environment is conserved and identify problems encountered in conservation
	4. Case study: Rwanda Environment Management Agency (REMA)	- Organize a field trip to any wetland, forest, mountain / hills, urban area in Rwanda and explain the achievements, failures and challenges of REMA as far as environment conservation is concerned

	B. TOURISM	
- Identify tourist attraction of	1. Tourist attractions and Eco- tourism	
Rwanda	2. Factors affecting development of tourism	- By brainstorming guide learners to identify the
- Explain factors for development		tourist attraction of Rwanda, factors for
of tourism	3. Importance of tourism	development, importance of tourism and
- Give the importance of tourism	4. Problems affecting tourism and solutions	problems affecting tourism
- Mention problems affecting	5. Prospects of tourism	
tourism and suggest solutions.	-	- By carrying out a field trip to any tourism center
	6. Case study: Rwanda office of Tourism and	in Rwanda, explain the achievements and failures
	National Parks (ORTPN)	of ORTPN in the promotion of tourism Industry.
		- In small groups, help students to make research by
		using Internet or different documents on tourism
		in Rwanda and make a class presentation on the
		achievements and failures of ORTPN in the
		promotion of tourism Industry.

CHAPTER V. PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS OF DEVEVELOPMENT IN RWANDA DURATION: 7 PERIODS

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	LEARNING/TEACHING ACTIVITY
By the end of this topic students	A. SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS	
should be able to;	1. Land lockedness	
- Discuss the problems affecting	2. Population problems3. Limited natural resources	
the socio- economic development	4. Limited capital	- By brain storming, guide students to explain
of Rwanda	5. Limited skilled labour	the problems of Rwanda and suggest
	6. Political history	solutions.
	7. Shortage of power	
	8. Poor technology	
	9. Shortage of market	
	10. Low levels of education	

	DEVELOPMENT IN RWANDA 1. Factors favoring the development of Rwanda - Natural conditions (climate, soil, relief) - Cultural factors (common language, hospitality, dance and drama)	
- Describe factors favoring development in Rwanda.	 2. Prospects for sustainable development of Rwanda Government strategic policies e.g. Privatization policy, good governance, etc. Science and technology (schools and Institutes) Regional integration: CEPGL, COMESA, EAC, AU. International cooperation (UNO, IMF, World Bank, ACP) 	- In small groups, help students to discuss factors favoring development of Rwanda and future prospects.
 Explain the future developments prospects of Rwanda. Propose solutions for problems affecting the socio-economic development of Rwanda 	 Hindrances of Sustainable development in Rwanda Steps taken to solve the problems of development. 	

B. PROSPECTS OF SUSTAINABLE

VII. METHODOLOGY:

This programme presupposes that the student of Geography has gone through the ordinary level of secondary Education. He/she is therefore acquitted with some basic geographical fundamentals in practical, physical, human and economic geography.

At an advanced level therefore, the teacher's approach in teaching geography should go deeper in the subject matter than before.

Great emphasis should be put on practical and comparative studies. Students should be fully involved in the collecting geographical information, reading and interpreting maps, photographs as well as statistics in Geography. The teacher must act as a guide and not as a source of all information.

In field work, the area around the school should be taken as an ideal environment for field work demonstrations. Students should be shown that geography is not only found in books, but also in the field where the interaction between man and his environment exists. Therefore, through direct involvement in the fieldwork observations, recording and interpretations, the student can develop relevant skills, knowledge and a more positive attitude towards his environment.

Geographical maps and photographs are inseparable. In teaching geography, maps and photographs should accompany every scheme. Maps give real information compared to text books which give second hand information. Ordinary survey maps and photographs on the same area and more especially the school area should be given first consideration. This is advantageous to student especially when he/she can compare what is on the map with what he/she can see on the actual ground.

Simple statistics should also be given adequate coverage in teaching Geography. The students must be involved in reading; presentation and interpretation of statistical geography to enable him/her acquire quantitative skills.

VIII. EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

Evaluation at advanced level should cover all aspects of geography and should be carried out more regularly especially in the practical geography. Regular drills in practical geography assist the students to gain a more independent application of skills acquired. They will also help the teacher to monitor the student's progress.

Continuous assessment tests should be carried out after every topic covered. Other than practical geography, the student is expected to answer in essay style.

At the end of every term, students should be tested on the work covered. These tests should reflect the major objectives. Coursework assignments especially in fieldwork should be given to students to be done during holidays. In such case, the topics given should centre on their home areas.

At the end of the course, students are expected to seat for a national examination covering all aspects of geography studied throughout the whole course of advanced secondary level of education.

For the advanced level Geography program to be effectively and efficiently evaluated or assessed in the National examinations, three assessment papers should be structured as recommended in the tables below.

PAPER ONE: GENERAL PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY, MAP READING AND PHOROGRAPH INTERPRETATION

SECTION	AREAS TO BE COVERED AND NATURE OF THE QUESTIONS	QUESTIONS TO BE ATTEMPTED
A	General physical geography Essay type of Questions	compulsory questions
В	General physical geography Essay type of Questions	optional questions
С	Map reading and Photograph Interpretation Essay type of Questions	compulsory questions

PAPER TWO: HUMAN AND ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY AND STATISTICS IN GEOGRAPHY

SECTION	AREAS TO BE COVERED AND NATURE OF THE QUESTIONS	QUESTIONS TO BE ATTEMPTED
A	Human and Economic Geography of Africa Essay type of Questions	
В	Human and Economic Geography of America and Europe Essay type of Questions	optional questions
С	Human/Economic Geography of Asia and Oceania Essay type of Questions	
D	Statistics in Geography Essay type of Questions	compulsory questions

PAPER THREE: GEOGRAPHY OF RWANDA AND FIELD WORK

SECTION	AREAS TO BE COVERED AND NATURE OF THE QUESTIONS	QUESTIONS TO BE ATTEMPTED
A	Physical Geography of Rwanda	
	Essay type of Questions	optional questions
В	Human and economic Geography of Rwanda	
	Essay type of Questions	
C	Field work	compulsory questions
	Essay type of Questions	

IX. KEY POINTS TO NOTE

The three sections are coherently interrelated, necessary and students must study them all. The economic and human geography are all built upon the physical geography. For example, geology, minerals, weather, climate combine to explain the human and economic activities like, settlement, agriculture, transport and so on.

The practical skills taught in the human and economic geography provide additional knowledge and support to all students.

X. RECOMMANDATIONS

- 1. There should be refresher courses for the teachers to be able to implement the programme.
- 2. Writer's workshop should be organized to encourage the writing of text books.
- 3. The school head teachers should facilitate geography departments in organizing and executing field trips so as to facilitate learning.
- 4. Follow up inspection in the schools to be strengthened in order to monitor the implementation of the programme.
- 5. The ministry of Education must be given special attention in funding; so that the teachers can be given better conditions of service at the same time attract more.

XI. TEACHING AIDS

- 1. Ordinary survey maps (OSM) original in colour with contour and grid lines etc. For map work
 - E.g. 1: 50,000
 - 1: 100,000
 - 1: 10,000 etc....

- 2. Photographs depicting physical and human aspects taken from Rwanda
- 3. Wall maps of all parts continents of the world and Rwanda, depicting relief climate, vegetation, drainage, soils etc
- 4. Variety of atlas e.g. The atlas of Rwanda, Africa, World regional atlas etc.
- 5. Text books and other print materials like pamphlets, guide books for both teachers and students.

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