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## **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

8291/02

Paper 2 Hydrosphere and Biosphere

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1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

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#### Section A

Answer all questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided on the question paper.

## **Section B**

Answer one question from this section.

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- 1. fasten all separate answer paper securely to the question paper;
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# Section A

Answer all questions in this section.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

1

Thi	s que	estion is concerned with the causes, effects and management of marine pollution.
(a)	(i)	What is meant by the term marine pollution?
		[1]
	(ii)	Name <b>one</b> type of marine pollution that is organic and <b>one</b> that is inorganic. For each type state a likely source.
		1 organic type
		source
		2 inorganic type
		source[4]
	(iii)	Explain why most marine pollution comes from the land and remains in coastal waters.
		[2].
(b)		scribe the natural processes that would cause the pattern of pollution as described in following statement that was made by a sailor.
		river of polystyrene cups and bits of plastic stretches across the ocean. There isn't a an spot in the Atlantic Ocean from Bermuda to the African coast".
		[2]

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(c) The International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships prescribes the minimum distances from shore that pollutants can be dumped.

These are shown in Fig. 1.1.

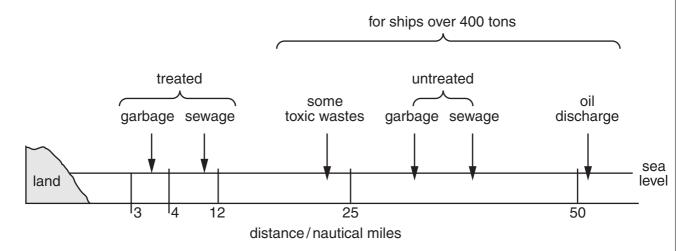


Fig. 1.1

is different from that of untreated garbage and sewage.	
	[2]
(ii) Explain why oil discharges are only permitted beyond the distance Fig. 1.1.	e shown in
	[2]
(iii) Give <b>two</b> reasons why The International Convention for the Prevention from Ships has not always been successful in controlling marine pollution	
	[2]

(d) Fig. 1.2 shows the geographical distribution of the eight largest oil tanker accidents that occurred between 1962 and 2000.



1 Atlantic Express (5) Haven 287 000 tonnes 144 000 tonnes 2 ABT Summer **6** Odyssey 260 000 tonnes 132 000 tonnes 3 Castillo de Bellver 7 Torrey Canyon 252 000 tonnes 119 000 tonnes 4 Amoco Cadiz **8** Urquiola 223 000 tonnes 100 000 tonnes

Fig. 1.2

(i)	Give <b>one</b> reason for the distribution of oil tanker accidents as shown in Fig. 1.2.
	[2]
(ii)	Outline and assess the effectiveness of <b>one</b> technique that is used to remove large oil spills from the areas they have polluted.
	[3]

[Total: 20]

**2 (a)** Fig. 2.1 shows how the size of the rabbit population changed after rabbits were introduced into Australia.

Number of rabbits

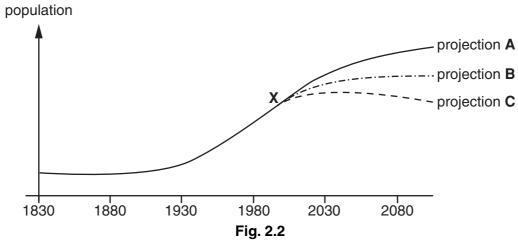
carrying capacity

Time

Fig. 2.1

(i)	What is meant by the term carrying capacity?	
		[2]
(ii)	Explain the changes to the size of the rabbit population shown in Fig. 2.1.	
		[2]

(b) Fig. 2.2 shows three different models for world human population growth.



(i)	Describe and suggest a reason for the pattern of population growth between 1830 and point ${\bf X}$ on the graph.
	[3]
(ii)	Describe and suggest a reason for each of the three projections for population growth after point ${\bf X}$ on the graph.
	• projection A
	[2]
	• projection <b>B</b>
	[2]
	• projection <b>C</b>
	[2]

(c) Farmers in many parts of the world lose vital crops due to insect pests. The population of such pests can grow at an exponential rate if unchecked. Fig. 2.3 compares biological and chemical control of spider mite pests in crops of cucumbers.

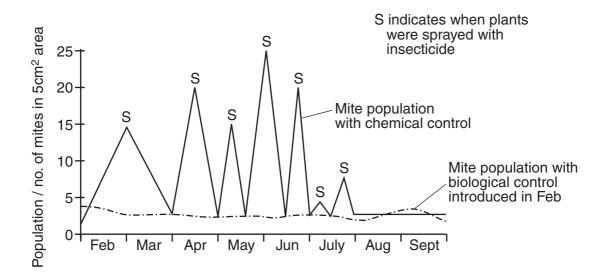


Fig. 2.3

(i)	For each method of control, describe the trend in spider mite population shown in Fig. 2.3.
	[2]
(ii)	Suggest why chemical control and biological control had different effects on the spider mite population.
	rol
	[2]

Suggest why biological control is often seen as being less damaging to the environment than chemical control.	ii)
[3]	
[Total: 20]	

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### **Section B**

Answer one question from this section.

Write your answers on the separate answer paper provided.

**3** (a) Fig. 3.1 depicts a river drainage basin as a system containing flows and stores.

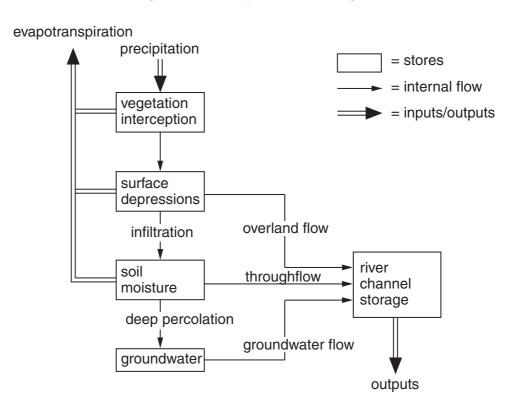


Fig. 3.1

Use Fig. 3.1 to describe how, in a drainage basin, natural processes can achieve a balance between inputs and outputs of water [10]

(b) With reference to examples with which you are familiar, discuss how efforts to achieve a sustainable supply of water can have positive and negative effects upon human activity and the environment. [30]

[Total: 40]

4 (a) Describe the relationship between climate and biomes shown in Fig. 4.1. [10]

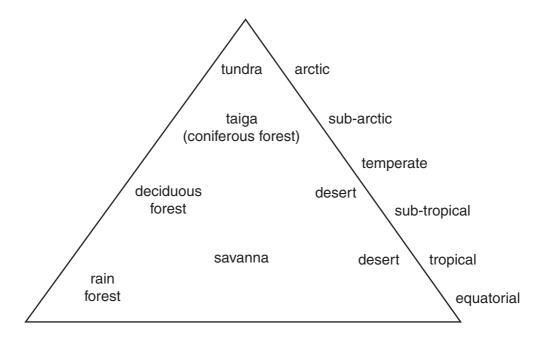


Fig. 4.1

**(b)** With reference to **two** of the biomes shown in Fig. 4.1, describe how human activity has affected the biotic and abiotic factors that maintain the stability of the ecological system. [30]

[Total: 40]

- 5 (a) Outline three ways that could be used to monitor changes to the Earth's biosphere. [10]
  - (b) With reference to an endangered environment you have studied, assess the extent to which conservation methods can be secondary to political and economic pressures. [30]

[Total: 40]

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