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**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

**8291/12**

Paper 1 Lithosphere and Atmosphere

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**1 hour 30 minutes**

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

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**Section A**

Answer **all** questions.  
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Answer **one** question from this section.  
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**Section A**

Answer **all** questions in this section.

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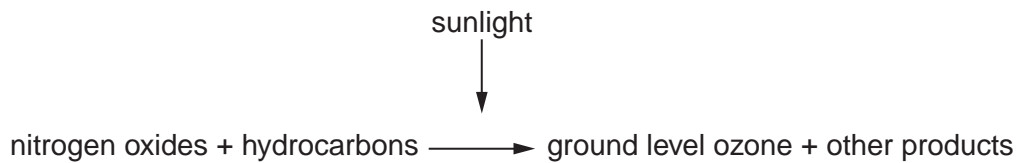
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- 1 (a) Table 1.1 contains details of sources and types of atmospheric pollution commonly found in urban areas. Complete the table by adding the appropriate sources and types to the empty boxes. [3]

**Table 1.1**

source of pollution	type of pollution
incinerators	dioxins
coal-fired power stations	
	carbon monoxide
	nitrogen oxides

- (b) Ground level ozone is a secondary pollutant produced in urban areas. Fig. 1.1 illustrates how it is formed.



**Fig. 1.1**

- (i) What is meant by the term *secondary pollutant*?

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- (ii) Suggest why ground level ozone is more of a problem on sunny days.

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- (iii) Explain why concentrations of ground level ozone can also be found in rural, traffic-free areas.

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- (c) Fig. 1.2 and Fig. 1.3 show buildings in a cross-section through a city.

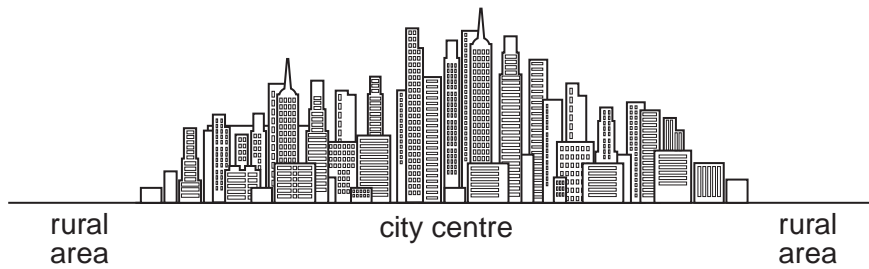


Fig. 1.2



Fig. 1.3

- (i) Draw a line (—) onto Fig. 1.2 to show the shape of the atmospheric pollution zone when there is no wind. [2]
- (ii) Draw a line (—) onto Fig. 1.3 to show the shape of the atmospheric pollution zone when wind direction is from west to east. [2]



- (ii) Outline **one** way in which the design of an inner city area would assist in keeping atmospheric pollution in the streets at a low level.

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2 (a) (i) Using Fig. 2.1, describe how the location of the Earth's continental plates has changed over the last 225 million years.

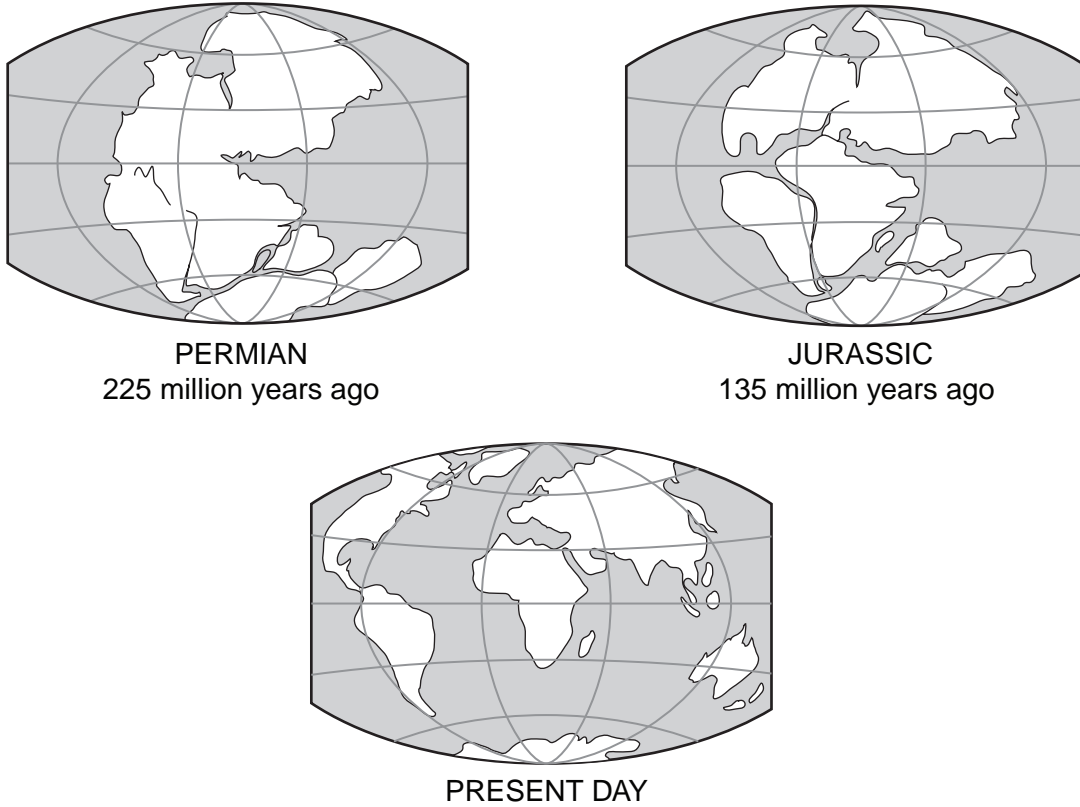


Fig. 2.1

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(ii) Describe how **either** palaeo-magnetism **or** palaeontology can provide supporting evidence for the changes evident in Fig. 2.1.

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- (b) The San Andreas Fault in California is a transform or strike slip-fault. Fig. 2.2 shows some surface features produced by the San Andreas Fault. Fig. 2.3 shows the location of different types of seismic activity along the San Andreas Fault.

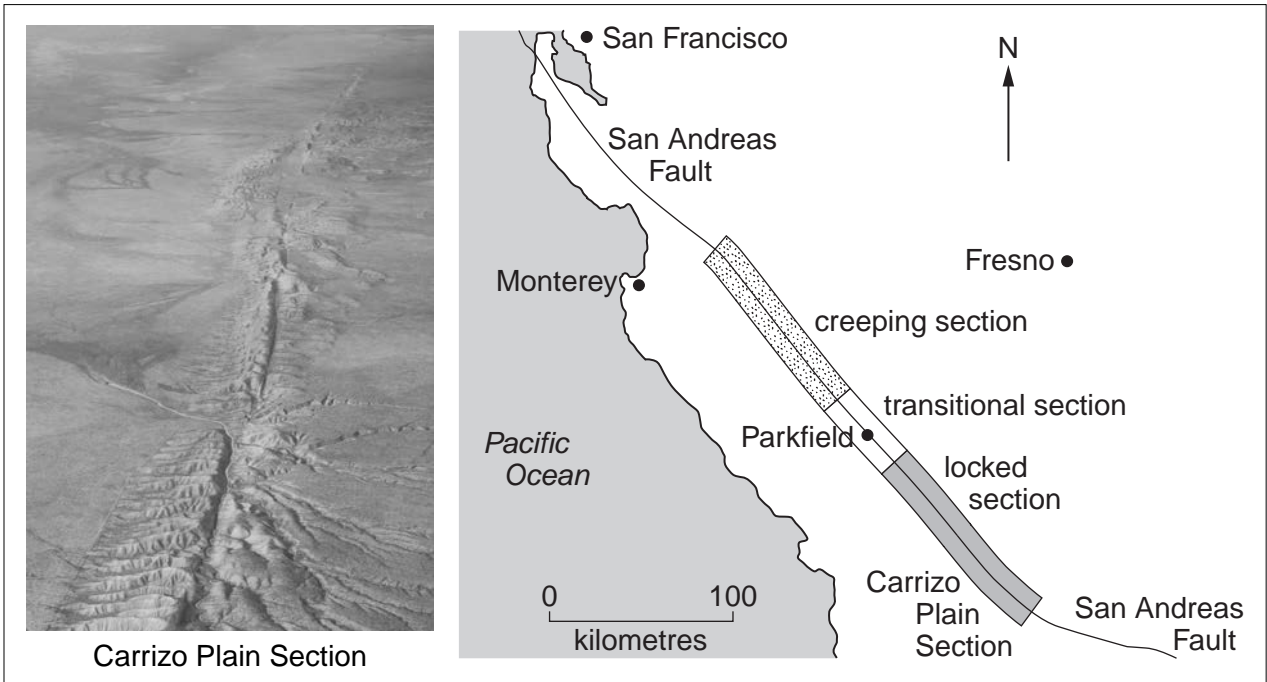


Fig. 2.2

Fig. 2.3

- (i) State **one** piece of evidence from Fig. 2.2 that suggests the type of fault movement is horizontal rather than vertical.

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- (ii) State **one** piece of evidence from Fig.2.2 that suggests that earthquakes are frequent occurrences along this section of the fault.

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(iii) Fig. 2.3 shows that the nature of plate movement divides the San Andreas Fault into a creeping section, a transitional section and a locked section.

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- Suggest how and why earthquake activity in the locked section of the fault would differ from that in the creeping section.

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- Suggest why Parkfield is a good location for studying earthquake activity along the San Andreas Fault.

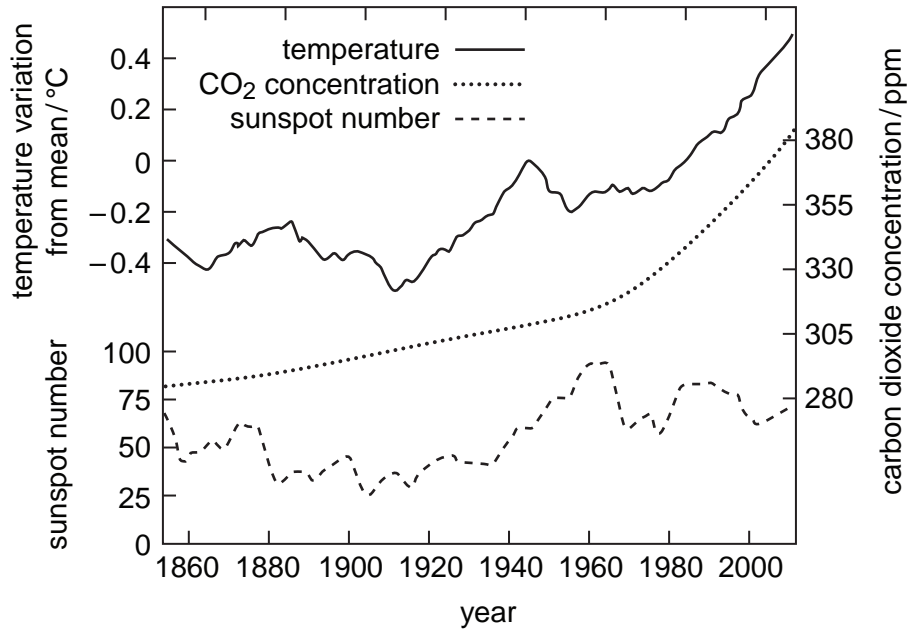
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## Section B

Answer **one** question from this section.

- 3 (a) Fig. 3.1 shows changes to estimated global temperatures, atmospheric carbon dioxide concentration and sunspot activity between 1855 and 2010.



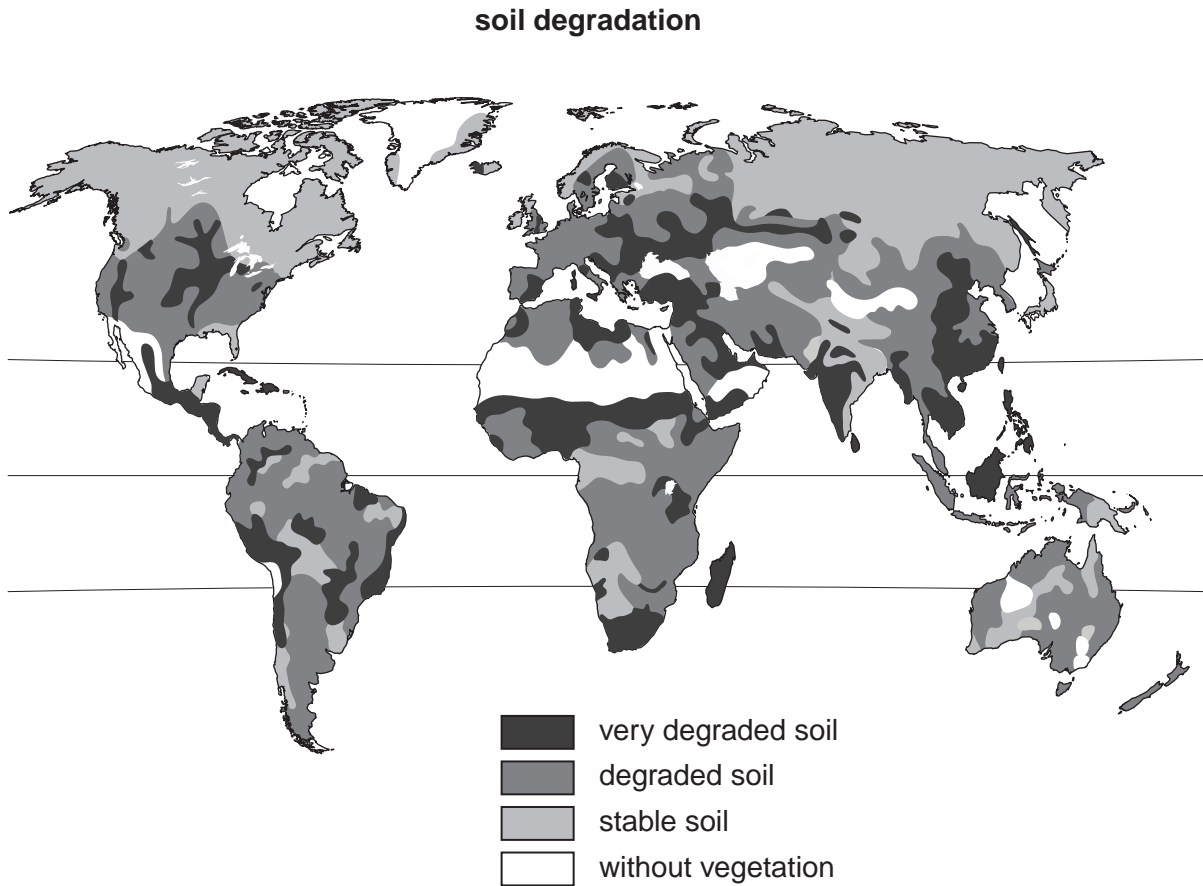
**Fig. 3.1**

Briefly assess the extent to which sunspot activity and carbon dioxide concentration can be regarded as contributors to global warming. [10]

- (b) With reference to examples from More Economically Developed countries (MEDCs) and Less Economically Developed Countries (LEDCs), assess the difficulties in achieving agreement on reducing levels of atmospheric carbon dioxide. [30]

[Total: 40]

- 4 (a) Suggest **three** reasons for the distribution of soil degradation shown in Fig. 4.1. [10]



**Fig. 4.1**

- (b) With reference to examples with which you are familiar, assess the extent to which agricultural land is used in an environmentally sustainable way. [30]

[Total: 40]

- 5 (a) Using examples for each, distinguish between renewable, non-renewable and recyclable resources. [10]

- (b) We live in a world of increasing population and universal demands for high standards of living.

In light of this statement assess the environmental arguments for replacing non-renewable resources with renewable and recyclable resources. [30]

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Question 2b Figure 2.2

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