

**ADVANCED GCE
GEOGRAPHY A**

Synoptic Geography: People and Environment Options

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Morning
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials (enclosed): None

Additional materials (required):
Answer Booklet (8 pages)



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **two** questions, each from a different option.
- Use blue or black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **120**.
- Where relevant, you should include sketch maps and diagrams and **make use of examples of places you have studied**.
- This is the synoptic paper. In your answers you must show **understanding of the connections between the different aspects of geography** represented in the whole of the A level specification.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication.

This document consists of **4** printed pages.

Answer **two** questions, each from a different option.

Option 1: Geographical Aspects of the European Union

Either:

- 1 'Economic and Monetary Union in the E.U. results in changes in patterns of investment by multi-national companies.' Discuss the validity of this statement. [60]

Or:

- 2 'Isolation, rather than physical geography, is the greatest barrier to regional development in the E.U.' Consider the accuracy of this view. [60]

Or:

- 3 Evaluate the effectiveness of the Common Fisheries Policy. [60]

Option 2: Managing Urban Environments

Either:

- 4 To what extent are self-help schemes the most successful response to housing problems in LEDCs? [60]

Or:

- 5 Evaluate strategies used to reduce urban multiple deprivation in MEDCs. [60]

Or:

- 6 Evaluate strategies used to tackle pollution in urban areas. [60]

Option 3: Managing Rural Environments**Either:**

7 Evaluate the effectiveness of strategies to protect rural landscapes. [60]

Or:

8 To what extent do recreation and tourism conflict with farming? [60]

Or:

9 'The de-intensification of farming is having a significant impact on rural environments and communities.' Consider the validity of this viewpoint. [60]

Option 4: Hazardous Environments**Either:**

10 To what extent is it possible to prepare for natural hazards? [60]

Or:

11 'Earthquakes rather than volcanic eruptions present a greater risk to human populations.' Evaluate this statement. [60]

Or:

12 Evaluate the strategies used to reduce hazards resulting from slope instability. [60]

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