

# **OCR ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE IN GEOGRAPHY A (3832)**

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Additional materials: None.

An insert is enclosed with this question paper.

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# 1 Hydrological Systems

Study Fig. 1a (Insert)

(a) (i) What is meant by the term “global hydrological cycle”?

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(ii) What is meant by the term ‘evaporation’?

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(iii) Why is evaporation higher over the ocean area than the land area?

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Study Fig. 1b (Insert)

(b) State and explain **two** reasons for the amount of run-off between November and February.

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**2 Ecosystems**

Study Fig. 2 (Insert)

**(a)** What is meant by the term 'biomass'?

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**(b) (i)** Describe the cycling of nutrients in a deciduous forest.

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**(ii)** State and explain **two** possible ways in which the nutrient cycle might be affected if mature trees were cut down in this woodland.

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**4 Lithosphere**

Study Fig. 4 (Insert)

**(a) (i)** What name is usually given to the landform shown in the foreground and centre of this photograph?

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**(ii)** Name and describe **two** processes of weathering which may have produced the rock formations shown in this photograph.

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**(b)** State and explain how **two** different factors may control rates of weathering.

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(c) With reference to a named chalk or granite area, describe how lithology (the chemical and physical characteristics of the rock) and weathering have helped create the landscape.

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**Fig. 1a Precipitation and evaporation over one major ocean and one major land area.**

	Precipitation (P)	Evaporation (E)
<b>Ocean areas</b>		
Atlantic	890	1240
<b>Continental areas</b>		
Europe	640	390
(Units = mm per year)		

**Fig. 1b Precipitation and run-off for a river basin in northern England.**

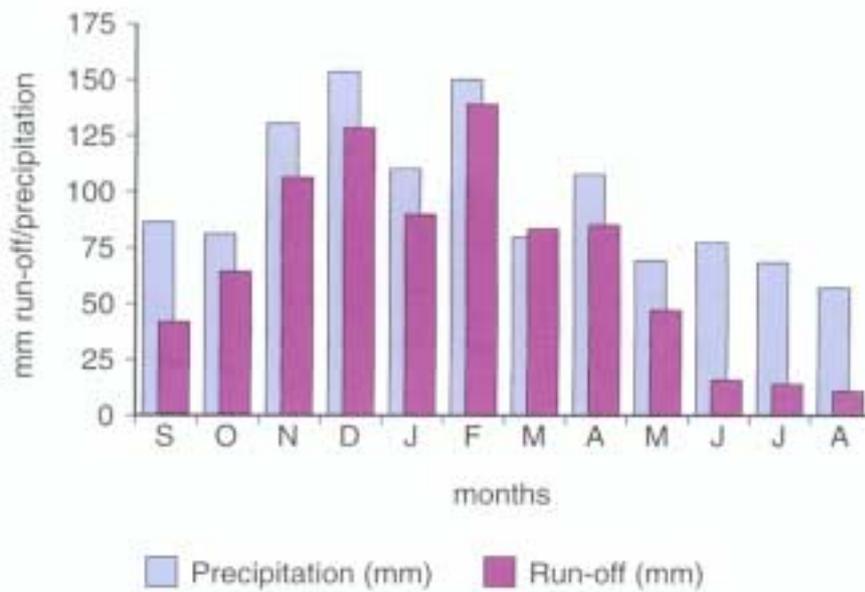
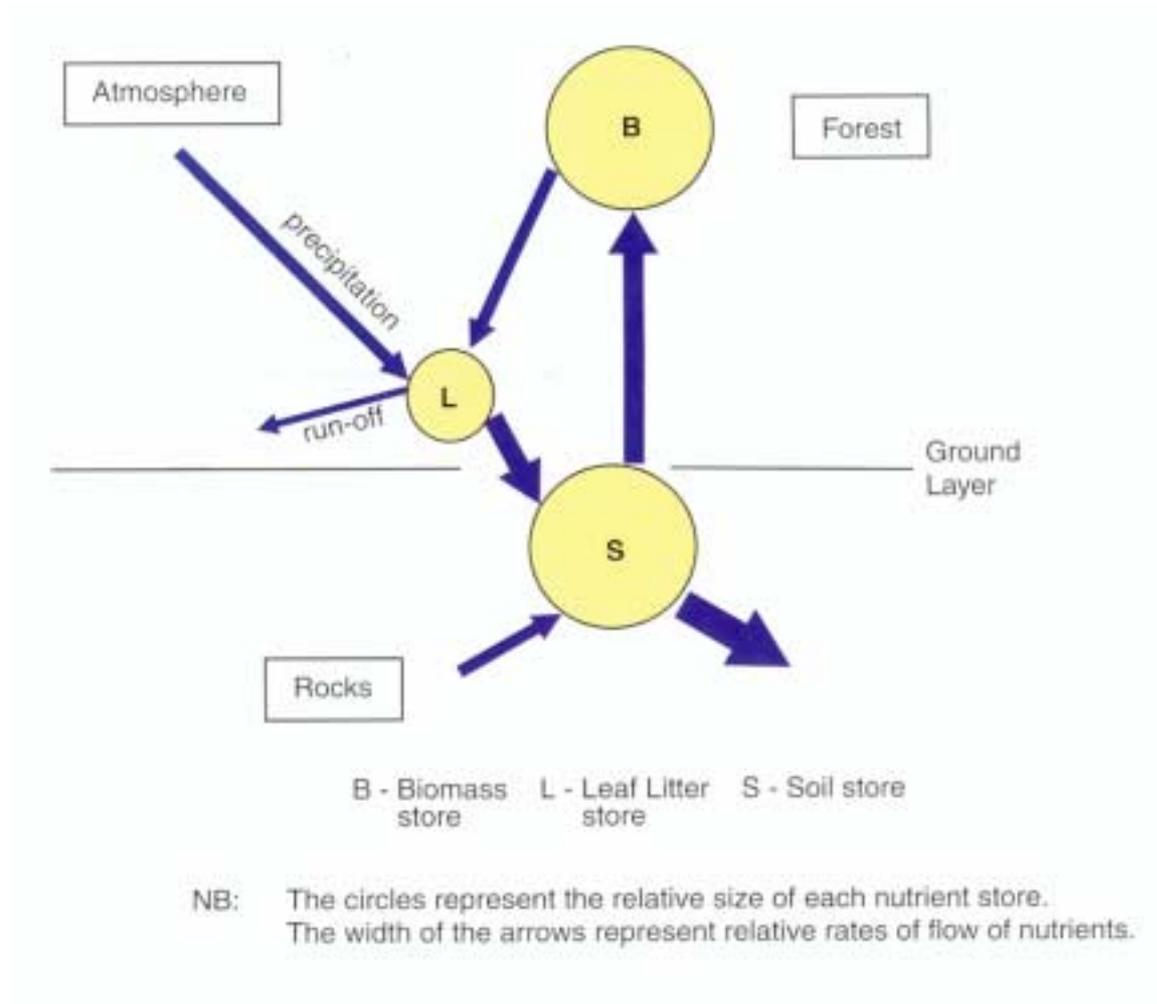
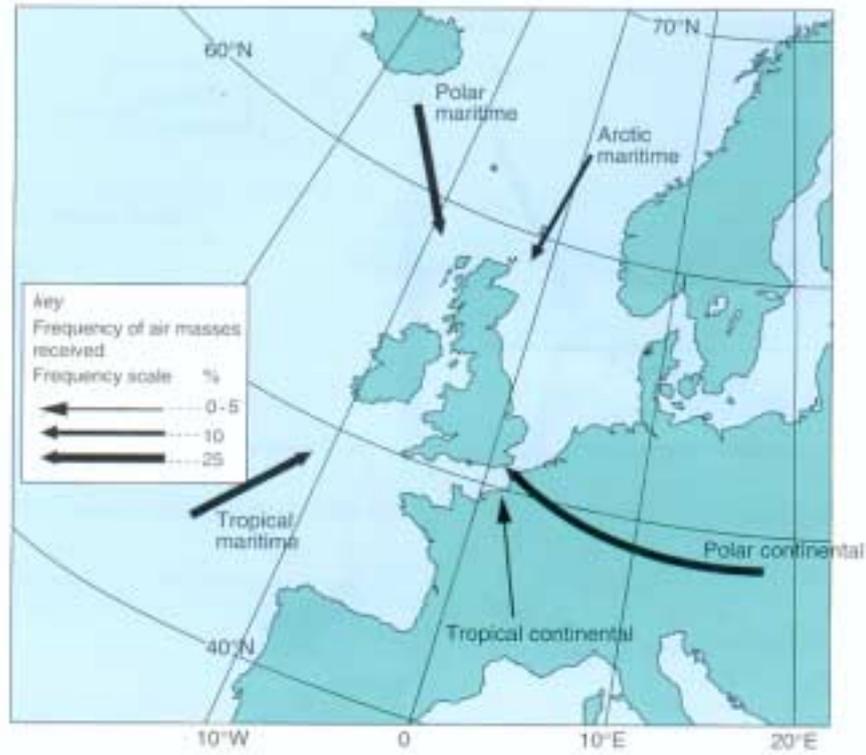


Fig. 2 Nutrient cycling in a deciduous forest.



**Fig. 3 Main air masses which affect Britain's climate.**



**Fig. 4 Carboniferous Limestone landscape in north Yorkshire.**



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## HYDROLOGICAL SYSTEMS

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<b>1(a)(i)</b>	<p><i>What is meant by the term 'global hydrological cycle'?</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• circulation of water from earth's surface to atmosphere;</li> <li>• should have sense of both global and cycling;</li> <li>• transfers into the atmosphere via change of state;</li> <li>• idea of closed system;</li> <li>• idea of processes involved, if on global scale;</li> <li>• closed system.</li> </ul> <p>The general sense/idea of GHC</p> <p>A clear statement of GHC</p> <p><b>Maximum marks</b></p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p><b>2</b></p>
<b>1(a)(ii)</b>	<p><i>What is meant by the term 'evaporation'?</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• phase change of water from liquid to gas = 2;</li> <li>• main pathway by which water re-enters the atmosphere =1, due to change of state = 2;</li> <li>• water into a gas by heating = 2.</li> </ul> <p>The general sense/idea</p> <p>A clear statement of evaporation</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p><b>2</b></p>

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1(a)(iii)	<p><i>Why is evaporation higher over the ocean area than the land area?</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• higher amount of moisture available in oceanic areas;</li> <li>• stronger winds over open surfaces i.e. oceans;</li> <li>• huge areas of open water, therefore large surface area;</li> <li>• lack of interception/use of water in organic areas;</li> <li>• credit comparisons; even if basic to L1 – this is development;</li> <li>• one reason developed well can achieve L2+ <u>or</u> more than one reason with some development can achieve L2+;</li> <li>• any sense of there being more water in oceanic areas, and less in continental;</li> <li>• idea of underground storage in continental areas, contrasted with exposed surface of oceanic water.</li> </ul> <p>Four mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p><b>Level 1</b> Some understanding of the requirements of the question. Where <b>two</b> is specified some understanding of the two requirements will gain two marks, with one gaining one mark Level 1 – (i.e. 1 mark).</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Full marks for clear understanding of the requirements of the question. Where <b>two</b> is specified this will be the two requirements developed, or one very well developed for Level 2 – (i.e. 1 mark).</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-2</p> <p>3-4</p> <p><b>4</b></p>
1(b)	<p><i>State and explain two reasons for the amount of run-off between November and February.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• high run-off because of lack of interception; saturated soil, etc.;</li> <li>• reduction in January perhaps because of frozen water/snow;</li> <li>• reasons must relate to precipitation variation-increase and effect of vegetation etc.;</li> <li>• permeability/impermeable rock is less convincing in context of question etc.;</li> <li>• lower levels of evapotranspiration;</li> <li>• antecedent rainfall, intense rainfall.</li> </ul> <p>Over both points, reserve 2 marks for state and 4 marks for explain.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p>

Question	Description	Mark
1(c)	<p><i>With reference to one or more named drainage basins, describe and explain how land use influences run-off.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• urbanisation can lead to a higher run-off;</li> <li>• agriculture can lead to a high run-off;</li> <li>• forestry can lead to a lower run-off;</li> <li>• reference to an appropriate river will be acceptable;</li> <li>• take broad view of run-off – can include discharge;</li> <li>• 1 land use, if developed, can achieve L3 but there needs to be at least 2 influences;</li> <li>• alternatively, candidates can achieve L3 by using more than 1 land use with more than 2 influences;</li> <li>• if no named drainage basin / river then maximum L2+ (i.e. 7 marks);</li> <li>• clear reference to how run-off is influenced for L3.</li> </ul> <p>Ten mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p>This question has three requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• description;</li> <li>• explanation;</li> <li>• examples/case study/ies.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level 1</b> Answers with some understanding of one of the three requirements for description, explanation and examples/case study/ies.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Answers will fulfil two of the three requirements for description, explanation and examples/case study/ies.</p> <p><b>Level 3</b> Answers will fulfil all three requirements. The best answers will exceed the requirements of the mark scheme in the degree of depth and/or detail. These candidates will be performing at full A level rather than AS standard. (It is hoped that all PEs will be able to provide an exemplar of an answer of this high quality scripts as a benchmark at standardisation meetings; such answers must not depress the marks of candidates performing at AS standard).</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-4</p> <p>5-7</p> <p>8-10</p> <p><b>10</b></p>
	<b>Total marks for question 1</b>	<b>24</b>

## ECOSYSTEMS

Question	Description	Mark
<b>2(a)</b>	<p><i>What is meant by the term ‘biomass’?</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• usually expressed in dried weight per unit of area;</li> <li>• trunk, branches, leaves;</li> <li>• figures range from 45 kg per sq m in tropical rainforests to 0.7 kg per sq m in deserts;</li> <li>• the animal proportion of biomass is very small compared with that of plants.</li> </ul> <p>The general sense/idea</p> <p>A clear statement that it is the total organic matter of plants and animals a given area.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p><b>2</b></p>
<b>2(b)(i)</b>	<p><i>Describe the cycling of nutrients in a deciduous forest.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• size of stores and flows varies;</li> <li>• idea of inputs and outputs;</li> <li>• internalised flows;</li> <li>• does not need specific reference to Figure – candidates can achieve L2 either by specific reference to Figure <u>or</u> by a general description of nutrient cycling;</li> <li>• credit idea of cycling between specific parts of the cycle.</li> </ul> <p>Six mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p><b>Level 1</b> Basic answer but will make a valid statement.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Clear understanding of the requirements of the question with a well developed answer. 5 marks (Level 2) would be awarded for a good answer with some shortcomings.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-4</p> <p>5-6</p> <p><b>6</b></p>

Question	Description	Mark
2(b)(ii)	<p data-bbox="336 327 1281 394"><i>State and explain two possible ways in which the nutrient cycle might be affected if mature trees were cut down in this woodland.</i></p> <p data-bbox="336 434 576 461">Indicative content:</p> <ul data-bbox="336 501 1310 775" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• more light reaching woodland floor;</li> <li>• change in temperature;</li> <li>• change in rate of decomposition;</li> <li>• change in type of vegetation;</li> <li>• change in biomass;</li> <li>• change in soil nutrient content;</li> <li>• increased leaching etc. and the impact of the nutrient cycling e.g. store size, relative flows.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="336 815 1219 842">Over both points, reserve 2 marks for state and 4 marks for explain.</p> <p data-bbox="336 882 555 909"><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	6

Question	Description	Mark
2(c)	<p><i>Describe and explain the impact of human activities on a natural ecosystem you have studied.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• deforestation;</li> <li>• afforestation;</li> <li>• clearing/grazing/burning;</li> <li>• urbanisation;</li> <li>• industrial activity etc.;</li> <li>• top of L3 (L3+) must have 2 or more human activities;</li> <li>• bottom of L3 (L3-) if only 1 human activity;</li> <li>• ecosystem can be generic or specifically named;</li> <li>• if no ecosystem specified than maximum top L2 (L2+).</li> </ul> <p>Ten mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p>This question has three requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• description;</li> <li>• explanation;</li> <li>• examples/case study/ies.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level 1</b> Answers with some understanding of one of the three requirements for description, explanation and examples/case study/ies.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Answers will fulfil two of the three requirements for description, explanation and examples/case study/ies.</p> <p><b>Level 3</b> Answers will fulfil all three requirements. The best answers will exceed the requirements of the mark scheme in the degree of depth and/or detail. These candidates will be performing at full A level rather than AS standard. (It is hoped that all PEs will be able to provide an exemplar of an answer of this high quality scripts as a benchmark at standardisation meetings; such answers must not depress the marks of candidates performing at AS standard).</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-4</p> <p>5-7</p> <p>8-10</p> <p><b>10</b></p>
	<b>Total marks for question 2</b>	<b>24</b>

## ATMOSPHERIC SYSTEMS

Question	Description	Mark
<b>3(a)(i)</b>	<p><i>Describe the pattern of air mass frequency shown in the diagram.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for L2+ must have sensible reference to Figure;</li> <li>• listing of air masses <u>with</u> frequencies = max L2.</li> </ul> <p>Four mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p><b>Level 1</b> Some understanding of the requirements of the question. Where <b>two</b> is specified some understanding of the two requirements will gain two marks, with one gaining one mark Level 1 – (i.e. 1 mark).</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Full marks for clear understanding of the requirements of the question. Where <b>two</b> is specified this will be the two requirements developed, or one very well developed for Level 2 – (i.e. 1 mark).</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-2</p> <p>3-4</p> <p><b>4</b></p>
<b>3(a)(ii)</b>	<p><i>Describe and explain the weather associated with any two of the air masses shown in Fig. 3.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• will depend upon air mass chosen;</li> <li>• for describe there should be a clear statement of the weather;</li> <li>• for explain there should be a specific explanation of the weather described;</li> <li>• for description only top of L1 (L1+);</li> <li>• explanation, no matter if only limited, should be credited;</li> <li>• no credit for naming air mass.</li> </ul> <p>Six mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p><b>Level 1</b> Basic answer but will make a valid statement.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Clear understanding of the requirements of the question with a well developed answer. 5 marks (Level 2) would be awarded for a good answer with some shortcomings.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-4</p> <p>5-6</p> <p><b>12</b></p>

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<p><b>3(b)</b></p>	<p><i>Describe and explain how people can influence local energy budgets and weather phenomena.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• urbanisation;</li> <li>• industrial activity;</li> <li>• water storage;</li> <li>• frost protection;</li> <li>• a location specific example is <u>not</u> required;</li> <li>• there is an expectation of <u>local</u> energy budgets.</li> </ul> <p>Ten mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p>This question has three requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• description;</li> <li>• explanation;</li> <li>• examples/case study/ies.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level 1</b> Answers with some understanding of one of the three requirements for description, explanation and examples/case study/ies.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Answers will fulfil two of the three requirements for description, explanation and examples/case study/ies.</p> <p><b>Level 3</b> Answers will fulfil all three requirements. The best answers will exceed the requirements of the mark scheme in the degree of depth and/or detail. These candidates will be performing at full A level rather than AS standard. (It is hoped that all PEs will be able to provide an exemplar of an answer of this high quality scripts as a benchmark at standardisation meetings; such answers must not depress the marks of candidates performing at AS standard).</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-4</p> <p>5-7</p> <p>8-10</p> <p><b>10</b></p>
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4(a)(i)	<p><i>What name is usually given to the landform shown in the foreground and centre of this photograph?</i></p> <p>Limestone area.</p> <p>Karst scenery.</p> <p>Grikes.</p> <p>Clints.</p> <p>Limestone pavement.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0</p> <p>0</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p><b>2</b></p>
4(a)(ii)	<p><i>Name and describe two processes of weathering which may have produced the rock formations shown in this photograph.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• carbonation</li> <li>• frost action</li> <li>• biological weathering (chelation or root growth)</li> <li>• solution</li> </ul> <p><b>NOT</b> chemical weathering, physical weathering, hydrolysis, acid rain.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reserve 1 mark for name;</li> <li>• if only process then max L2.</li> </ul> <p>Mark each process out of four using levels mark scheme.</p> <p>Four mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p><b>Level 1</b> Some understanding of the requirements of the question. Where <b>two</b> is specified some understanding of the two requirements will gain two marks, with one gaining one mark Level 1 – (i.e. 1 mark).</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Full marks for clear understanding of the requirements of the question. Where <b>two</b> is specified this will be the two requirements developed, or one very well developed for Level 2 – (i.e. 1 mark).</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-2</p> <p>3-4</p> <p><b>8</b></p>

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4(b)	<p><i>State and explain how two different factors may control rates of weathering.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bedrock/parent rock;</li> <li>• climate;</li> <li>• action of animals/people;</li> <li>• precipitation/moisture available;</li> <li>• transport of weathered material;</li> <li>• aspect;</li> </ul> <p>Over both points, reserve 2 marks for state and 4 marks for explain.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<b>6</b>

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4(c)	<p><i>With reference to a named chalk or granite area, describe how lithology (the chemical and physical characteristics of the rock) and weathering have helped create the landscape.</i></p> <p>Indicative content:</p> <p>There are three aspects –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• named/recognisable landscape (chalk or granite);</li> <li>• details of lithology;</li> <li>• description of weathering.</li> </ul> <p>Candidates need to show how features of the landscape e.g. tors, dry valleys are linked to lithology and weathering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accept <b>one</b> land form, if developed, for L3+.</li> <li>• If generalised answer, with no reference to chalk or granite then maximum L2+.</li> </ul> <p>Ten mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p>This question has three requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• description;</li> <li>• explanation;</li> <li>• examples/case study/ies.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level 1</b> Answers with some understanding of one of the three requirements for description, explanation and examples/case study/ies.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Answers will fulfil two of the three requirements for description, explanation and examples/case study/ies.</p> <p><b>Level 3</b> Answers will fulfil all three requirements. The best answers will exceed the requirements of the mark scheme in the degree of depth and/or detail. These candidates will be performing at full A level rather than AS standard. (It is hoped that all PEs will be able to provide an exemplar of an answer of this high quality scripts as a benchmark at standardisation meetings; such answers must not depress the marks of candidates performing at AS standard).</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-4</p> <p>5-7</p> <p>8-10</p> <p><b>10</b></p>
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1 Study Fig. 1.

(a) Describe the pattern of population change in the European Union.

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(b) State and explain **two** possible reasons for international migration.

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(c) Describe **two** ways in which a net migration gain into a region might alter its age-sex structure.

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(d) State and explain how intervening obstacles might interrupt movements of migrants at an international scale.

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2 Study Fig. 2 and Fig. 3.

(a) What is meant by the 'range' of a good service?

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(b) From the data in Fig. 3, identify **one** low order function and **one** high order function.

Low order function: \_\_\_\_\_

High order function: \_\_\_\_\_

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(c) Using evidence in Fig. 3.

(i) Describe the relationship between village population size and the provision of shops and services.

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(ii) Explain the relationship you have described.

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3 Fig. 4 shows Dar es Salaam, the capital of Tanzania, East Africa and its largest urban settlement. Its population is growing rapidly at about 10% per year. The majority of the inhabitants, some 60%, live in squatter settlements.

(a) Describe the distribution of squatter settlements in Dar es Salaam.

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(b) State and explain **two** possible reasons for the siting of squatter settlements in Dar es Salaam.

Reason 1: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reason 2: \_\_\_\_\_

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(c) Give **one** possible reason for the growth of squatter settlements in most large urban areas in LEDCs.

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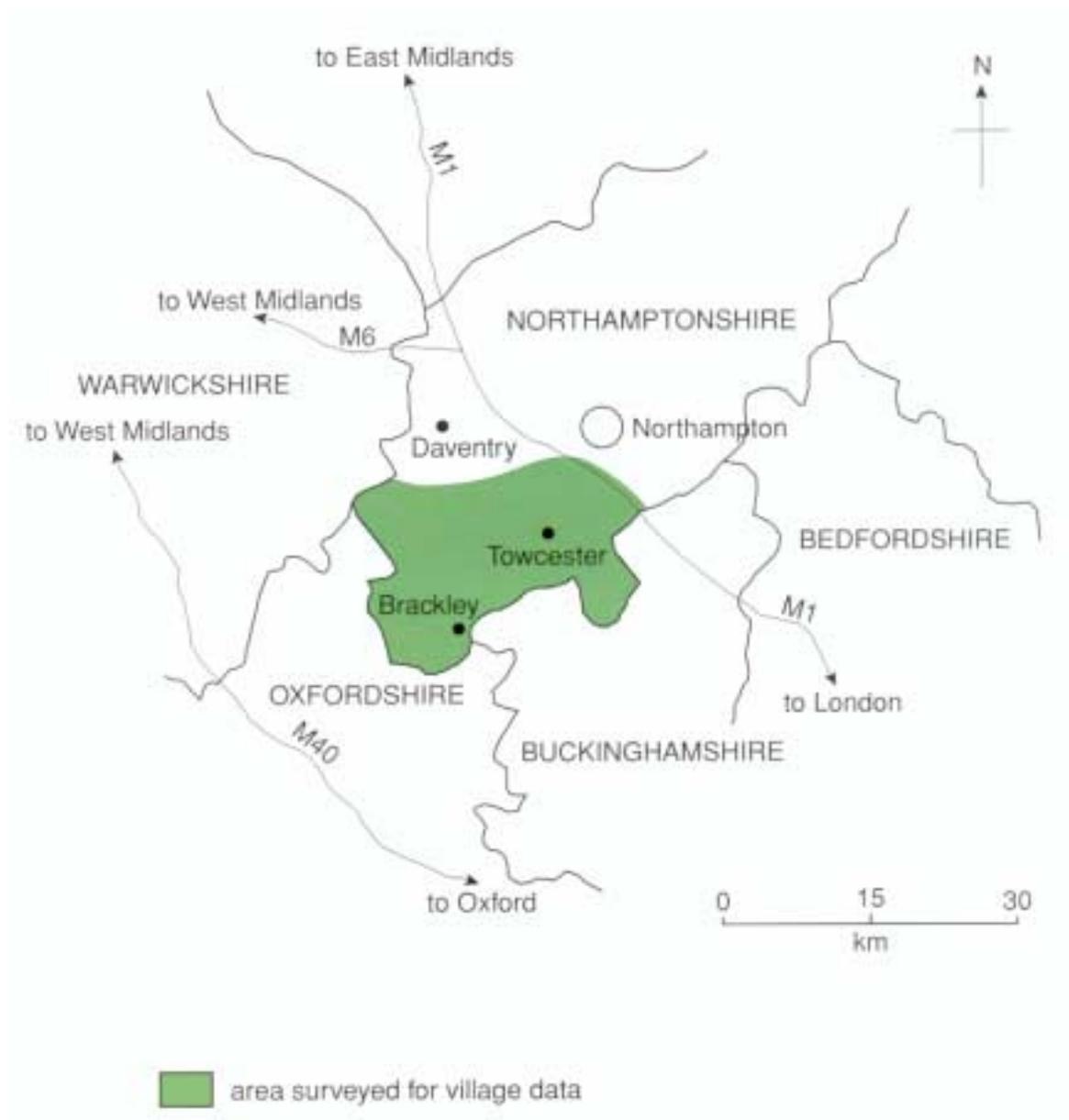
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Fig. 1 Population change in the European Union 2000



Fig. 2 Part of south-east Midlands



**Fig. 3 Population size and shop and service provision in South Northamptonshire District.**

The total number of settlements in each size group is given in brackets.

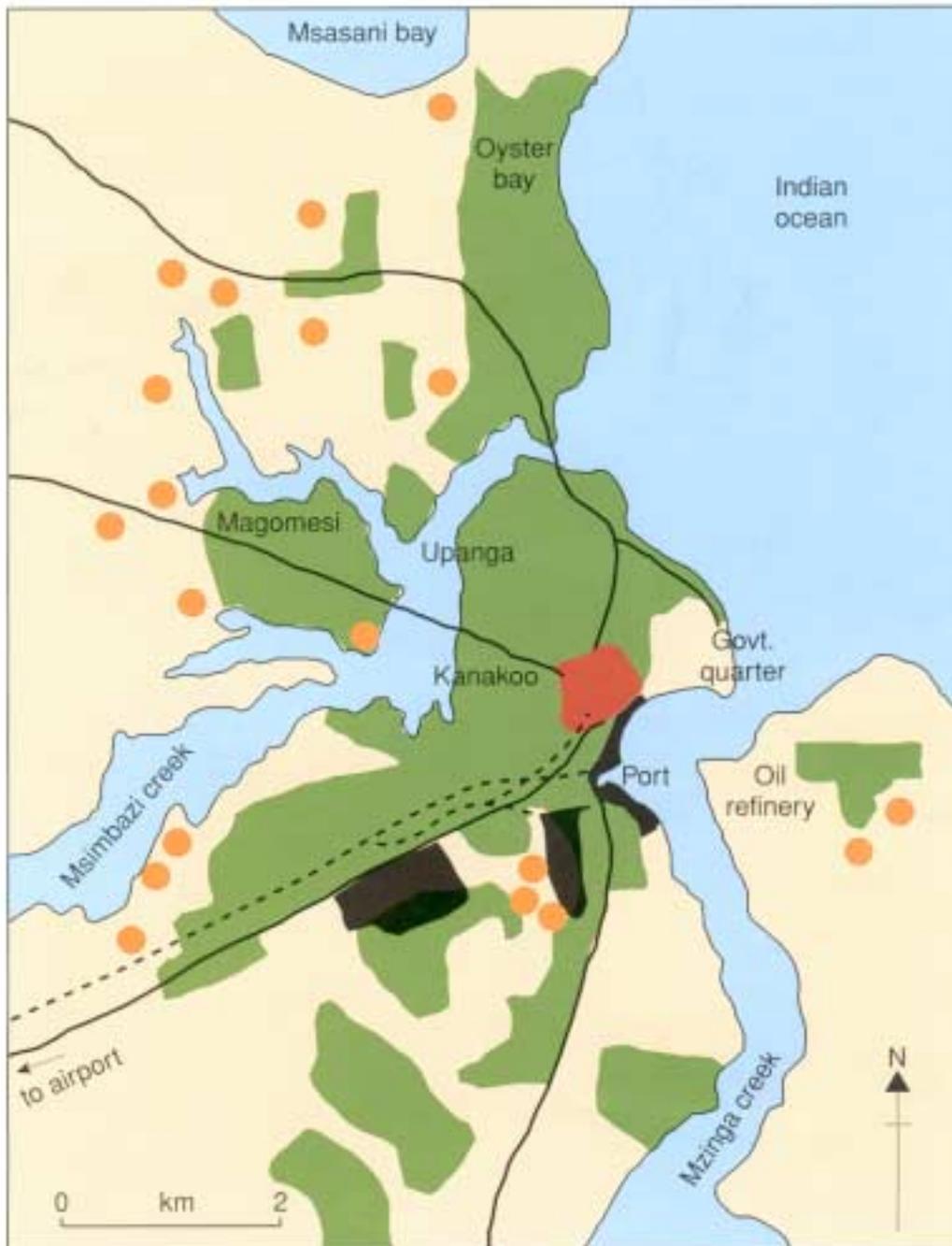
'n' is the number of settlements possessing the particular shop or service.

The percentage figures are percentage of settlements in that size category possessing the particular shop or service.

	Village Population					
	Small (37 settlements) 0 – 299 population		Medium (33 settlements) 300 – 999 population		Large (19 settlements) 1000 – 3000 population	
Shop / Service	n	%	n	%	n	%
General Store	2	5	14	42	17	89
Post Office	5	14	25	76	18	95
Public House	12	69	29	88	19	100
GP Surgery	1	3	3	9	12	63
Primary School	1	3	23	70	19	100

Figures are from the South Northamptonshire Village Directory 2000, South Northamptonshire Council.

Fig. 4 The simplified urban structure of Dar es Salaam



- key
- squatter settlements
  - industrial areas
  - major roads
  - railway
  - residential districts
  - central area including CBD, main railway station and bazaar

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Question	Description	Mark
1(a)	<p><i>Describe the pattern of population change in the European Union.</i></p> <p>Four mark questions – Levels mark scheme:</p> <p><b>Level 1</b> A basic description that may offer either a very brief outline of the pattern or proceeds around Europe country by country in a fragmentary way.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> A clear description that focuses on population change. The very best descriptions are likely to offer a statement summarising the pattern, that of countries experiencing natural increase with net migration gain but with some exceptions. Names of countries are likely to be used, as are regional descriptors such as Southern Europe. The question asks about <u>pattern</u> but a detailed if fragmentary response can still be awarded 3 marks. Answers worth 4 marks must include a summative statement.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-2</p> <p>3-4</p> <p><b>4</b></p>
1(b)	<p><i>State and explain <u>two</u> possible reasons for international migration.</i></p> <p>1 mark for stating each factor and 2 marks for its development.</p> <p>Possibilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• improved employment prospects;</li> <li>• higher wages;</li> <li>• improved educational opportunities;</li> <li>• former colonial links;</li> <li>• active recruitment by host country;</li> <li>• persecution in source region;</li> <li>• same language.</li> </ul> <p>NB Watch for 'mirror' answers dealing with the same factor but at both the source and destination.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p>

Question	Description	Mark
1(c)	<p data-bbox="336 327 1286 394"><i>Describe <u>two</u> ways in which a net migration gain into a region might alter its age-sex structure.</i></p> <p data-bbox="336 434 576 461">Indicative content:</p> <ul data-bbox="336 501 1318 636" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• disproportionate numbers of young adults and children when economic/social factors important;</li> <li>• disproportionate number of elderly (retirement migration);</li> <li>• sex ratio in favour of males/females depending on culture.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="336 676 1209 743">Each way marked separately but both using the same Levels mark scheme.</p> <p data-bbox="336 779 437 806"><b>Level 1</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 815 1241 882">A basic comment is made about a demographic influence but it is not linked to age-sex structure.</p> <p data-bbox="336 918 437 945"><b>Level 2</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 954 1206 1021">Identifies an appropriate influence of net migration gain and links it explicitly to age-sex structure.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1057 555 1084"><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p data-bbox="1345 779 1390 806">0-2</p> <p data-bbox="1345 918 1390 945">3-4</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1057 1362 1084"><b>8</b></p>

Question	Description	Mark
1(d)	<p><i>State and explain how intervening obstacles might interrupt movements of migrants at an international scale.</i></p> <p>Each way marked separately but both using the same Levels mark scheme:</p> <p><b>Level 1</b> Basic description of at least one intervening obstacle not necessarily linked in to international migration. At the lower end of this mark range might be simple statements such as “It costs a lot to travel long distances.”</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Clear description of at least two intervening obstacles, clearly linked to the interruption of international migration.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-4</p> <p>5-6</p> <p><b>6</b></p>
	<b>Total marks for question 1</b>	<b>24</b>

Question	Description	Mark
2(a)	<p><i>What is meant by the 'range' of a good or service?</i></p> <p>The distance people are prepared to travel to purchase a particular good or service.</p> <p>1 mark for a less clear statement.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	2
2(b)	<p><i>From the data in Fig. 3, identify <u>one</u> low order function and <u>one</u> high order function.</i></p> <p>Low order functions – general store; post office; public house High order function – GP surgery; primary school</p> <p>Mark for each correct function</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	2
2(c)(i)	<p><i>Using the evidence in Fig. 3, describe the relationship between village population size and the provision of shops and services.</i></p> <p><b>Level 1</b> Basic description of the table that may not focus on the relationship between village population size and functional provision. At this Level responses might consist of a separate description of each category of village.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Clear description pointing out the positive relationship between village population size and functional provision. Examples are likely to be drawn from the table. With no reference to the table 3 marks.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	0-2  3-4  4

Question	Description	Mark
2(c)(ii)	<p data-bbox="336 327 916 360"><i>Explain the relationship you have described.</i></p> <p data-bbox="336 398 437 427"><b>Level 1</b> Basic understanding but makes one valid statement possibly about the need for more customers by some functions. At the upper end of this Level, answers might refer to the table but not make the association between threshold (population) explicit. At the lower end the responses indicate a very weak grasp of the need for functions to have a minimum customer base.</p> <p data-bbox="336 674 437 703"><b>Level 2</b> Clear understanding concerning factors that directly link population size and functional provision. At this level the correct use of the term 'threshold' will confirm understanding. The very good answers might draw attention to the ability of larger settlements to support a number of the same function as the individual threshold for a post office for example, is exceeded several times over. Correct use of figures from the table might confirm the award of full marks.</p> <p data-bbox="336 981 555 1010"><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p data-bbox="1345 398 1390 427">0-4</p> <p data-bbox="1345 674 1390 703">5-6</p> <p data-bbox="1345 981 1361 1010"><b>6</b></p>
2(d)	<p data-bbox="336 1072 1246 1167"><i>For a named rural region in a MEDC you have studied, describe and explain how changes in its service provision have affected some rural dwellers more than others.</i></p> <p data-bbox="336 1205 437 1234"><b>Level 1</b> Basic knowledge and understanding of a rural region. Service provision changes will be very generalised and unlikely to be linked with different groups of rural dwellers. Only outline place details present.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1384 437 1413"><b>Level 2</b> Clear knowledge and understanding of a rural region. Changes in service provision are mentioned but not in as much detail as L3. The links with rural dwellers are implicit and the different groups of rural dwellers may not be clearly identified. Place detail is less secure than L3, lacking information such as village names and actual functional changes. Award a maximum of 6 marks for answers which are accurate and detailed but wholly generalised.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1697 437 1727"><b>Level 3</b> Detailed knowledge and convincing understanding of a rural region (or rural settlement) in a MEDC. The effects of changes in service provision are clearly linked to at least two different groups of rural dwellers. Places, such as individual settlements are likely to be named as are actual shop/service changes.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1933 555 1962"><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p data-bbox="1345 1205 1390 1234">0-4</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1384 1390 1413">5-7</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1697 1406 1727">8-10</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1933 1377 1962"><b>10</b></p>
	<b>Total marks for question 2</b>	<b>24</b>

Question	Description	Mark
3(a)	<p><i>Fig. 4 shows Dar es Salaam, the capital of Tanzania, East Africa and its largest urban settlement. Its population is growing rapidly at about 10% per year. The majority of the inhabitants, some 60%, live in squatter settlements.</i></p> <p><i>Describe the distribution of squatter settlements in Dar es Salaam.</i></p> <p><b>Level 1</b> Basic description that may offer either a very brief outline of the pattern or proceeds around the map in a fairly haphazard way. Place names are unlikely.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Clear description that focuses on the <u>distribution</u> of squatter settlements. The best answers will identify the peripheral distribution of most squatter settlements.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-2</p> <p>3-4</p> <p><b>4</b></p>
3(b)	<p><i>State and explain <u>two</u> possible reasons for the siting of squatter settlements.</i></p> <p>1 mark for stating a reason and 2 marks for its development.</p> <p>Possibilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• space for building;</li> <li>• land not in demand due to unfavourable physical environment e.g. swamp;</li> <li>• land not in demand due to proximity to industry;</li> <li>• access to local employment e.g. industry;</li> <li>• land away from attention/interest of the authorities;</li> <li>• land away from higher status residential areas.</li> </ul> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p>

Question	Description	Mark
3(c)	<p><i>Give <u>one</u> possible reason for the growth of squatter settlements in most large urban areas in LEDCs.</i></p> <p>1 mark for stating a reason and 2 marks for its development.</p> <p>Possibilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• shortage of affordable housing as urban authorities do not have the resources to build housing or because they are overwhelmed by the rate of increase in the demand from the rapidly growing population;</li> <li>• large numbers of urban poor unable to afford rent or who prefer not to spend scarce resources on rent;</li> <li>• squatter settlements offer a location away from the attention of the authorities.</li> </ul> <p>NB General factors promoting rapid urban growth such as rural-urban migration or high rates of natural increase are not allowed as they do not necessarily account for squatter settlements.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<b>3</b>
3(d)	<p><i>Using evidence from Fig. 4, suggest <u>one</u> possible reason for the development of the residential sector which extends in a south-westerly direction from the central area towards the airport.</i></p> <p>2 marks for quality of reason and 2 marks for its development.</p> <p>Possibilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• access along the road encourages linear developments;</li> <li>• railway lines tend to encourage development parallel to the tracks.</li> </ul> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<b>4</b>

Question	Description	Mark
3(e)	<p data-bbox="336 327 1233 394"><i>For a named city you have studied, describe and explain how recent changes have caused environmental problems.</i></p> <p data-bbox="336 434 1082 465">NB Either MEDC or LEDC cities can be used in answers.</p> <p data-bbox="336 544 435 575"><b>Level 1</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 577 1305 712">Basic knowledge and understanding. Either recent change or environmental problems are likely to be omitted and if both are referred to, no link is made between them. Place information is more or less restricted to the name of the city.</p> <p data-bbox="336 752 435 784"><b>Level 2</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 786 1305 987">Clear knowledge and understanding. The focus is still on recent changes but not in as much detail as L3. The links with environmental problems are implicit and fewer of these issues are mentioned. Place information is less secure than at L3, with few intra-urban place names mentioned. Award a maximum of 6 marks for detailed and accurate answers which are wholly generalised.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1028 435 1059"><b>Level 3</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 1061 1267 1196">Detailed knowledge and understanding of a city. The focus is clearly on recent changes and these are linked explicitly with environmental problems. Intra-urban place knowledge is convincing such as neighbourhoods/physical features named.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1236 555 1267"><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p data-bbox="1345 544 1390 575">0-4</p> <p data-bbox="1345 752 1390 784">5-7</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1028 1406 1059">8-10</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1236 1382 1267"><b>10</b></p>
	<b>Total marks for question 3</b>	<b>27</b>



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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces above.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the spaces provided on the question paper.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

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- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The Insert contains maps and diagrams for use with questions.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **60**.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication where an answer requires a piece of extended writing.
- Even where not specifically asked for, credit will be given for sketch maps and diagrams, provided they illustrate your answer.















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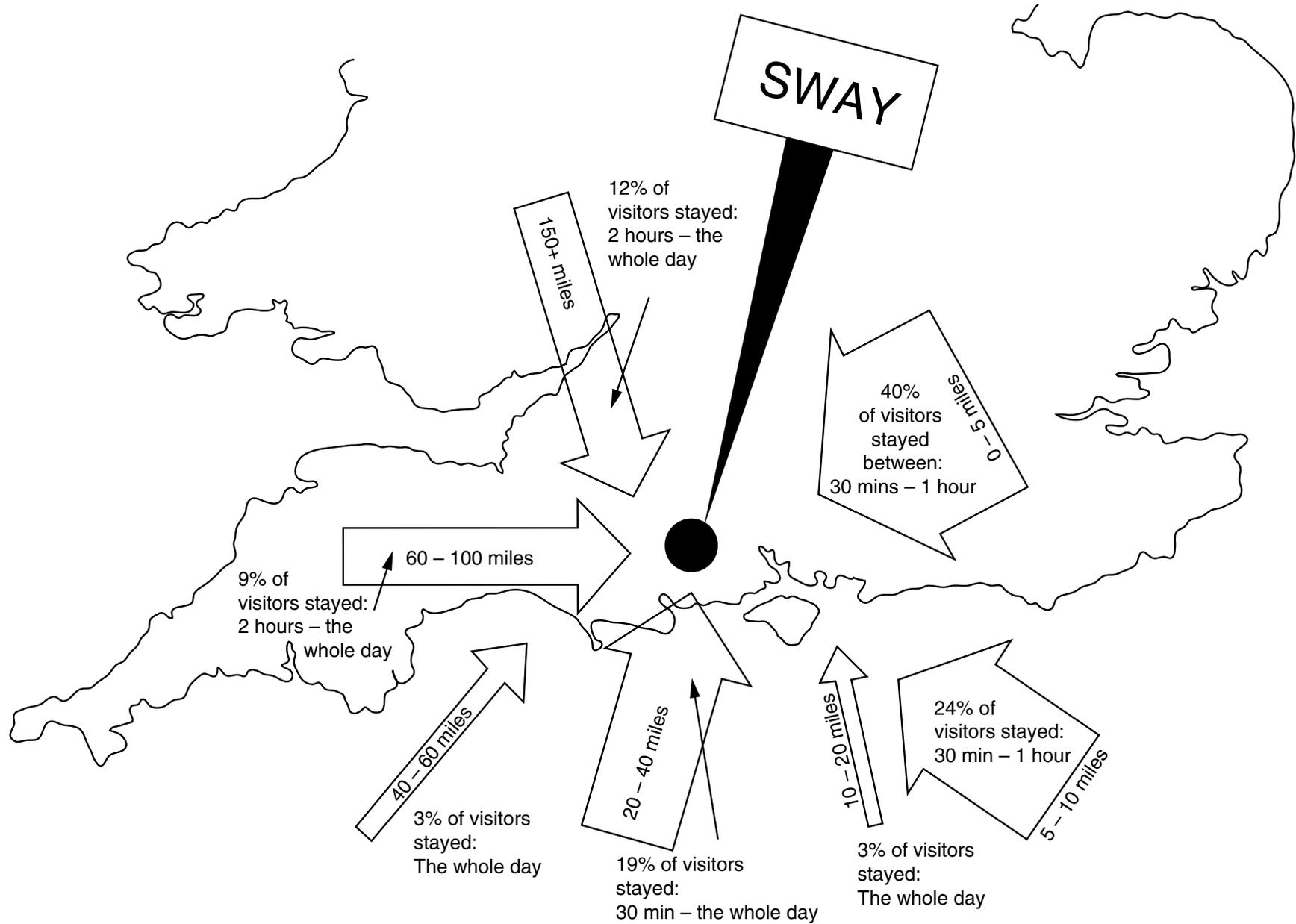
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**Fig. 1 A tabulation of the wind speed in metres per second measured at sites of varying altitude.**

Altitude (metres)	Wind speed (metres per second)
2300	14.9
180	4.0
2000	13.4
230	4.9
370	270.0
927	8.3
784	7.0
785	7.1
1290	11.8
1700	12.6
1700	12.9
367	5.9
2050	13.8
1009	11.3
509	6.9
285	5.7
674	7.0
2409	15.9
1005	8.9
1806	11.0
487	6.2
670	4.7
980	8.7
1300	9.5
1507	10.0

**Fig. 2 Student map entitled: “map Below shows the different percentages (%) of visitors who have travelled different distances to the car park and have spent different duration’s of time within the car park grounds.”**



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Question	Description	Mark
1(a)	<p data-bbox="336 293 1294 360"><i>The collection of data is one stage in geographical enquiry. Describe and explain the collection of data stage in your Geographical Investigation.</i></p> <p data-bbox="336 434 440 461"><b>Level 1</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 468 1169 568">At this level a basic description of the data collection with a little explanation of the method. Reference to sampling, reliability or presentation is not required.</p> <p data-bbox="336 607 440 633"><b>Level 2</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 640 1302 913">A clear description of the data collection that took place which must refer to the real data collection that took place in the actual enquiry, together with a clear explanation for the way in which it was carried out. Both description and explanation must be present for a mark in this level. Examiners should not expect all candidates to present their answer in two parts, one relating to description and another to explanation. It is most likely that each point described will be immediately accompanied by the relevant explanation.</p> <p data-bbox="336 952 1254 1120">For this level description and explanation of the method of data collection. At the top of the level reference to sampling or reliability or representation is expected. At the bottom of the level only explanation of the method of collection itself without specific reference to these themes.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1158 440 1184"><b>Level 3</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 1191 1313 1603">A detailed description of the data collection that took place which must refer clearly to the real data collection that took place in the actual enquiry together with a detailed explanation for the way in which it was carried out. Both description and explanation must be present for a mark in this level. Examiners should not expect all candidates to present their answer in two parts, one relating to description and another to explanation. It is most likely that each point described will be immediately accompanied by the relevant explanation. In the explanatory sections reference to sampling is expected and reference to reliability and/or accuracy. In the specification representation of the data collected is included in this section. If included it may be rewarded provided the candidate indicates the reason for its inclusion.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1641 1294 1742">For this level description and explanation of the method of data collection together with description and explanation of <b>one</b> of sampling <b>or</b> reliability and accuracy or representation of the data is needed</p> <p data-bbox="336 1812 552 1839"><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p data-bbox="1345 434 1390 461">0-4</p> <p data-bbox="1345 607 1390 633">5-7</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1158 1406 1184">8-10</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1812 1378 1839"><b>10</b></p>

Question	Description	Mark
1(b)	<p data-bbox="336 327 1214 394"><i>What were the limitations of this part of your enquiry and, given the additional time and resources, how would you improve it?</i></p> <p data-bbox="336 465 440 495"><b>Level 1</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 501 1305 703">A basic statement of a limitation will be made. At the top of the level there will be a slight reference to improvement, possibly an unrealistic one, or simply do more the same. At the bottom of the level only a limitation will be stated. A candidate who says no improvement can be envisaged but provides a rather unconvincing explanation for the assertion can be in this level.</p> <p data-bbox="336 741 440 770"><b>Level 2</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 777 1315 978">At least one real limitation will be clearly identified, albeit in rather general terms. A suggestion will be made for improvement but this will be clear though lacking detail. Improvement will be in terms of more with no reference to different. A candidate who states that there is no way this part of the enquiry can be improved can be in this level if an explanation of why this is so is presented.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1016 440 1046"><b>Level 3</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 1052 1315 1290">At least one real limitation will be identified in detail and at least one realistic and detailed suggestion for improvement given. A candidate who asserts that their study had no limitation in this area, and can see no means of improvement cannot be awarded a mark in this level. At AS level it should be understood that no such stage can be perfect. Reference to different or additional things carries credit. At the bottom of the level emphasis will be on more.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1361 552 1391"><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p data-bbox="1345 465 1390 495">0-4</p> <p data-bbox="1345 741 1390 770">5-7</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1016 1406 1046">8-10</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1361 1382 1391"><b>10</b></p>
	<b>Total marks for question 1</b>	<b>20</b>

Question	Description	Mark
2	<p data-bbox="336 327 1278 427"><i>Describe with the aid of diagrams, two of the data presentation methods you used in your Geographical Investigation and explain why these methods were chosen.</i></p> <p data-bbox="336 465 834 499">Both presentations carry equal marks.</p> <p data-bbox="336 533 440 566"><b>Level 1</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 568 1299 672">Generic qualities: Weak expression with little or no use of geographical terminology. A little evidence of knowledge and at the bottom of the level questions about understanding.</p> <p data-bbox="336 707 1313 880">Content: For the presentation chosen it must be appropriate, though there may be self evidently better methods. Some attempt at justification should be present at the top of the level though absent at the bottom. The quality of the justification will be low. The diagram must be present but will be vestigial at the bottom of the level and incomplete at the top.</p> <p data-bbox="336 916 440 949"><b>Level 2</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 952 1190 1055">Generic qualities: Generally soundly expressed with some use of geographical terminology. Some evidence of knowledge and understanding.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1090 1313 1330">Content: For the presentation chosen it must be fit for the purpose it was used for by the candidate. It may not be the best method but must be appropriate. The justification must be present and indicate some understanding of why it is a better method than others. It will be distinguished from the higher level by the quality of the justification. At the bottom of the level justification will give way to assertion. The diagram must be clear in form and show some evidence of labelling.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1366 440 1400"><b>Level 3</b></p> <p data-bbox="336 1402 1265 1469">Generic qualities: Clearly expressed and detailed answer with effective geographical terminology. Evidence of knowledge and understanding.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1505 1307 1677">Content: For the presentation chosen it must be fit for the purpose it was used for by the candidate. To be in this mark band there must not be an accessible method that is clearly much superior. The justification must be a reasoned one and indicate either that the chosen method is justified on technical grounds or is comparatively better than other methods. The diagram is important and should provide not just the general form of the presentation but indicate labelled axes and a title.</p> <p data-bbox="336 1778 555 1812"><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p data-bbox="1345 533 1390 566">1-4</p> <p data-bbox="1345 916 1390 949">5-8</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1364 1406 1397">9-10</p> <p data-bbox="1345 1778 1378 1812"><b>20</b></p>
	<b>Total marks for question 2</b>	<b>20</b>

Question	Description	Mark
<p><b>Either 3(a)</b></p>	<p><i>During the course of a Geographical Investigation, measurements of wind speeds were recorded simultaneously up the side of a hill. The results are tabulated in Fig 1. on page 2 of the insert.</i></p> <p><i>Identify and explain the statistical measures that would help you to describe this data.</i></p> <p><b>Level 1</b> If the candidate makes the point that a measure related to association is needed, that will qualify for this level.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> A measure will be identified but with there will be limited reference to how it assists in describing the data. The correctly identified t measure together with a reasonable, if brief description of it, merits this level. A reference to association with little more merits the lower part of the level.</p> <p><b>Level 3</b> The most appropriate measure on which to base the answer would be Spearman Rank or Pearson Product Moment. The candidate needs to identify the measure and make clear that one is dealing with association. An explanation of how the statistical measure identified assists in describing the data is required.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-8</p> <p>9-15</p> <p>16-20</p> <p><b>20</b></p>

Question	Description	Mark
<p><b>Or 3(b)</b></p>	<p><i>Figs 2 on page 3 of the insert 2 shows a sketch map prepared by a Geography student to include in a geographical enquiry.</i></p> <p><i>Identify and explain two significant ways in which the map could be improved.</i></p> <p>The response for each way carries a maximum of 10 marks. The requirement to identify and explain precludes the trivial, largely because the explanatory content for the trivial will be virtually non-existent. Even at the lowest level there must be some explanation.</p> <p><b>Level 1</b> This level can be attained by identifying at least one sensible way of improving the map, without explanation.</p> <p><b>Level 2</b> Two sensible ways are made together with explanation. The expression will be clear but lack detail, tending to the general.</p> <p><b>Level 3</b> Two sensible ways for improvement are made that would improve the map. Each of the suggestions must be supported by explanation. In this level there should be detail and clarity to the points.</p> <p><b>Maximum mark</b></p>	<p>0-8</p> <p>9-15</p> <p>16-20</p> <p><b>20</b></p>
	<p><b>Total marks for question 3</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p>