

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
Advanced Subsidiary GCE

GEOGRAPHY SPECIFICATION B

2689

Geographical Investigations (I) External Assignment Section B

To be completed under Controlled Conditions during the period,
1 May to 15 May 2005.

Additional materials:

None

Candidates answer in this booklet in the spaces provided.

Additional answer paper must **not** be used.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name in the space above.
- Write your Centre number and Candidate number in the boxes above.
- Answer **one** question from questions 1 to 3 and then answer question 4.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the spaces in this booklet. Your answers must be limited to the spaces provided. Additional answer paper must **not** be used.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- You must attach Section A (your report of 1500 words, along with its cover sheet), to this booklet and hand them in together upon completion of the assignment. The report will be marked out of 20.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

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

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Report	
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TOTAL	

This assignment consists of 8 printed pages and an insert.

Answer **one** question from questions 1 to 3.

You should refer to and expand on, but not repeat, sections of your 1500 word report in your answers.

- 1 What errors were made when planning the data collection, such as types of data to be collected and sampling methodology? How could you improve the planning? [20]
- 2 Explain the extent to which your results correspond with commonly accepted geographical theory. [20]
- 3 Describe and justify the criteria for selecting another location to carry out the same investigation to enable a valid comparison of the results. [20]

Question 1 or 2 or 3 (Circle your choice).

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Answer question 4.

- 4 Geographical investigations are usually carried out in a number of stages, beginning with a statement of the aims and finishing with an evaluation of the investigation. Fig. 1 shows part of the geographical investigation process.

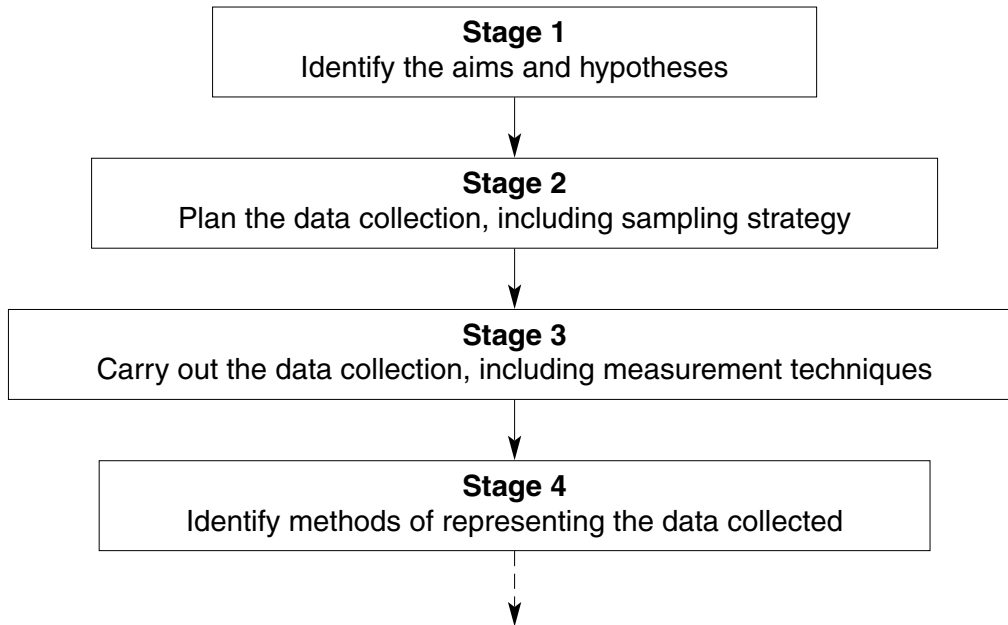


Fig. 1 Part of a Geographical Investigation

Study Figs 2 and 3 on the separate insert which show parts of the same beach in south Cornwall. The beach is approximately 2 km long.

Referring to these photographs, describe how you would carry out Stages 2, 3 and 4 shown in Fig. 1 for **one** of the two following hypotheses.

Either (i) The quality of the environment along this beach varies according to the number of visitors. [20]

Or (ii) Particle sizes vary with gradient along this beach. [20]

Marks are available for each stage as follows:

- Stage 2 7 marks
- Stage 3 7 marks
- Stage 4 6 marks

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