



GCE AS/A level

1211/01

GEOLOGY – GL1

Foundation Unit

A.M. TUESDAY, 13 May 2014

1 hour plus your additional time allowance

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	17	
2.	14	
3.	14	
4.	15	
Total	60	

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need:

**the Mineral Data Sheet;
a calculator.**

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the front cover.

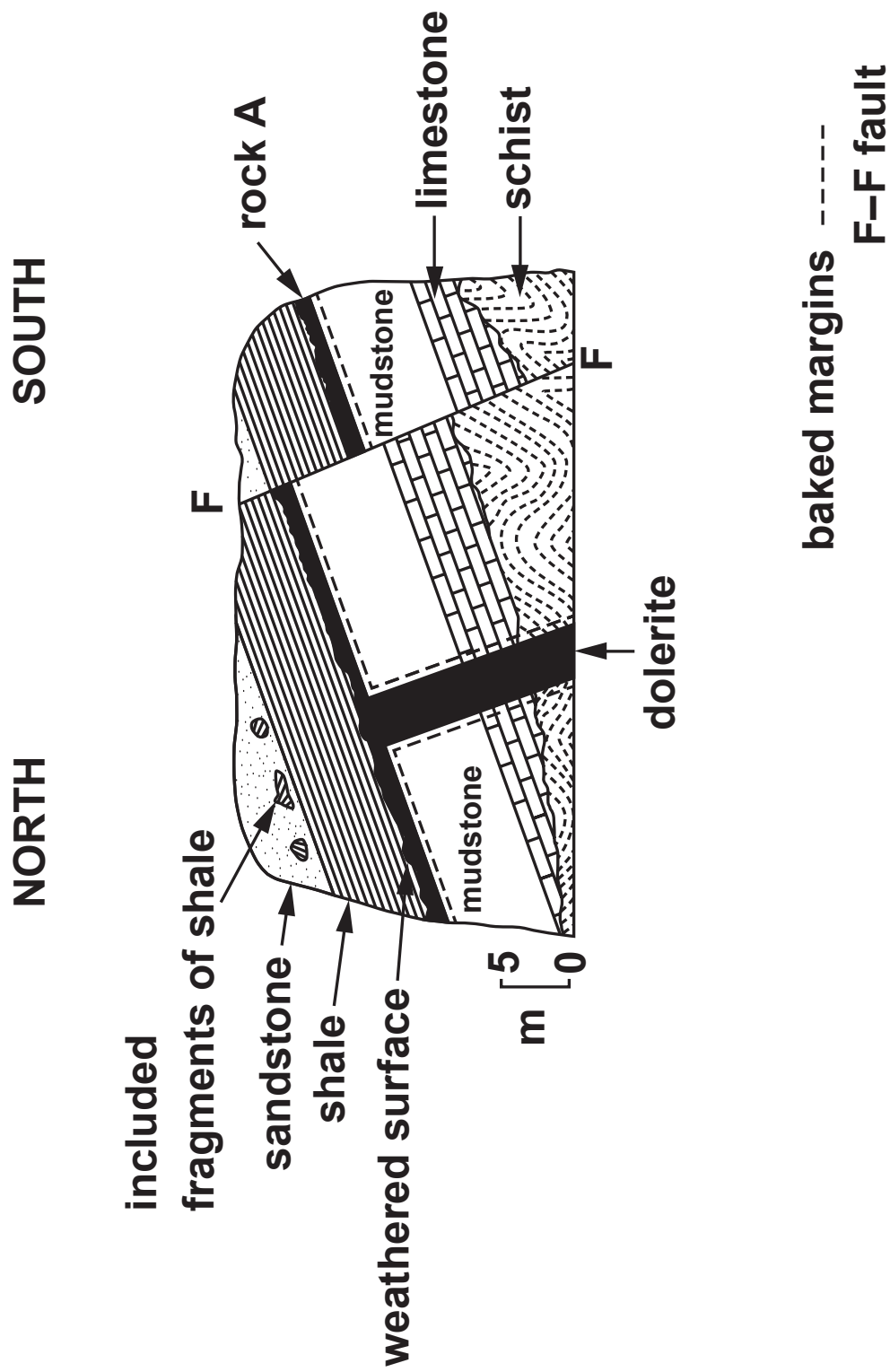
Answer ALL questions in the spaces provided in this booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded that marking will take into account the use of examples and the quality of communication used in your answers.

FIGURE 1a



Answer ALL questions.

1. FIGURE 1a opposite is a road cutting exposure showing the true dip of the sedimentary units.

(a) (i) State the dip direction of the limestone shown in FIGURE 1a. [1]

(ii) State the youngest rock shown in FIGURE 1a and give ONE reason to explain your answer. [2]

- 1(b) (i) A student **INCORRECTLY** concluded that rock A on **FIGURE 1a** is a sill. Identify **TWO** pieces of evidence from **FIGURE 1a** which suggest that it is **NOT** a sill. [2]

1. _____

2. _____

- (ii) Suggest **ONE** similarity and **ONE** difference in the texture and/or mineralogy you might expect to observe when comparing rock A and the dolerite shown on **FIGURE 1a**. [2]

Similarity _____

Difference _____

- 1(c) (i) Measure the throw (vertical displacement) of the fault shown in FIGURE 1a. [1]

_____ metres

- (ii) State the type of fault shown on FIGURE 1a and give a reason to support your answer. [2]

Type of fault _____

Reason _____

- 1(d) (i) Mark onto **FIGURE 1a** using the symbols below where you would expect to find examples of each of the following features. [2]

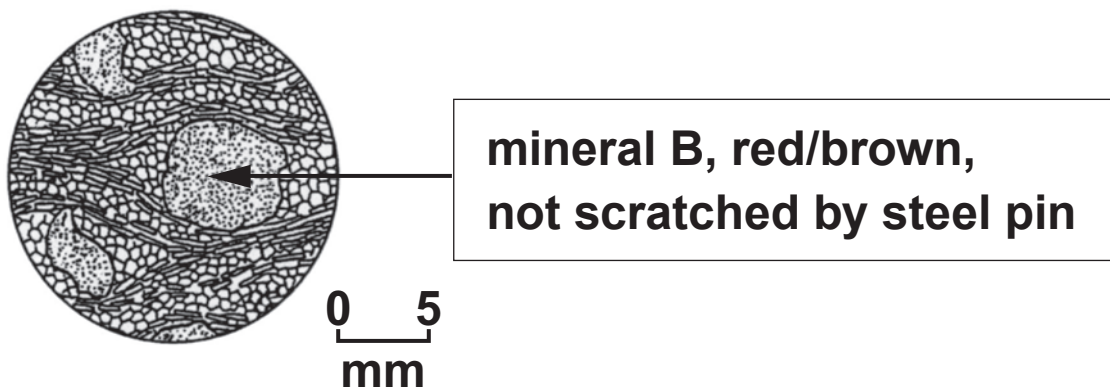
contact metamorphic rock (C) —————→

regional metamorphic rock (R) —————→

angular unconformity (U) —————→

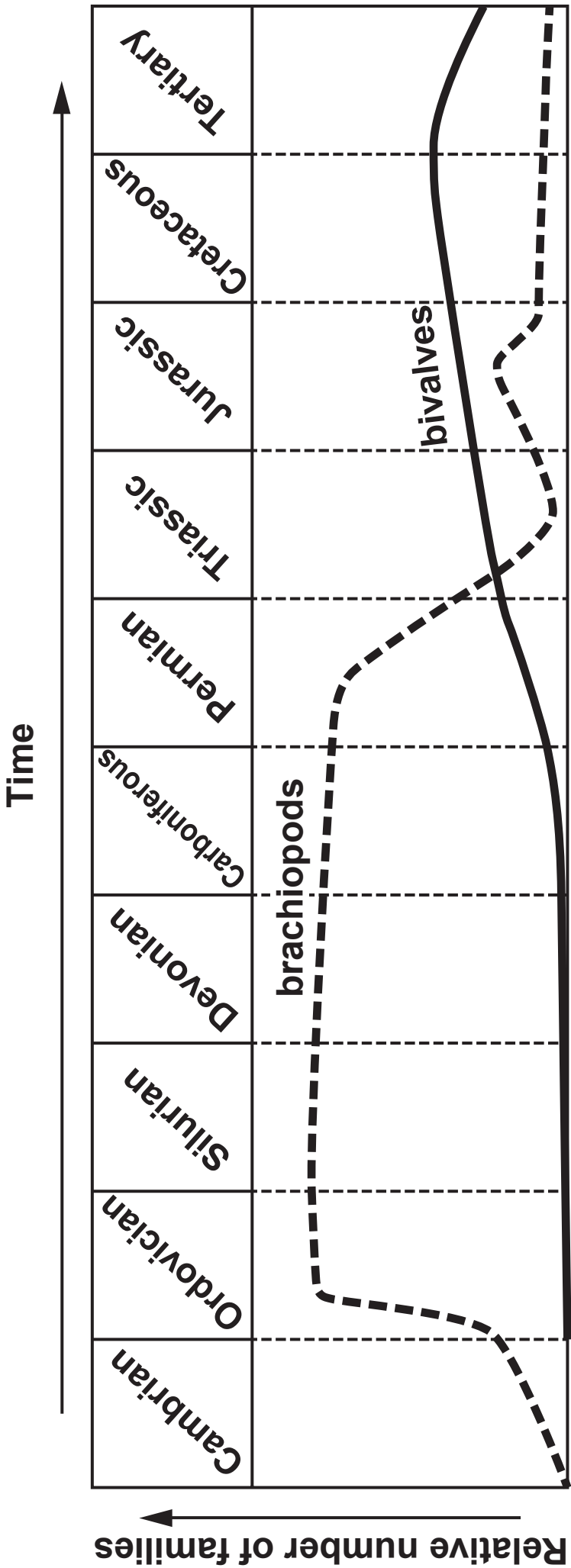
- (ii) **FIGURE 1b** below shows a microscope thin-section view of the schist on **FIGURE 1a**. Using the mineral data sheet identify mineral B in **FIGURE 1b**. [1]

FIGURE 1b



1(d) (iii) Describe and explain the texture of the schist in FIGURE 1b. [4]

FIGURE 2a



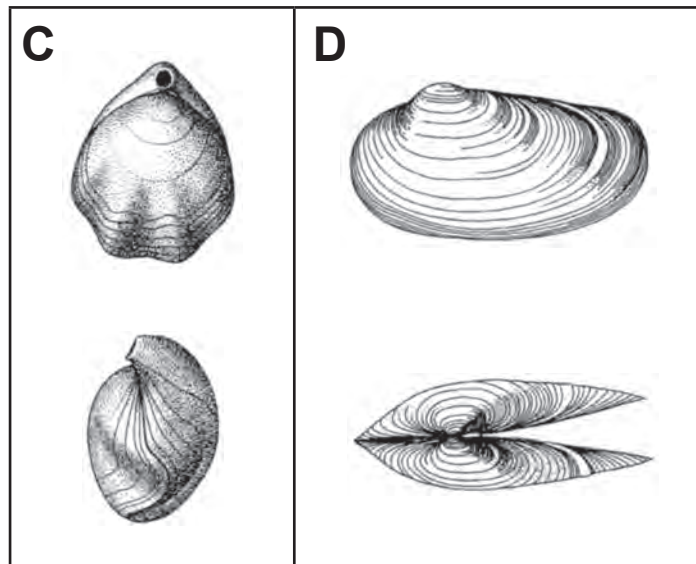
2. FIGURE 2a opposite shows the geological histories of the brachiopod and bivalve fossil groups.

- (a) (i) With reference to FIGURE 2a, describe the changes in the relative numbers of bivalve families from the beginning of the Ordovician to the end of the Tertiary. [3]**

- (ii) State the geological period during which brachiopods and bivalves were both declining in numbers of families. [1]**

2(b) **FIGURE 2b** shows two fossil specimens (C and D) from different fossil groups.

FIGURE 2b



(actual sizes)

- (i) With reference to **FIGURE 2b**, complete **TABLE 2** using the appropriate letters (C or D) to indicate to which fossil group the description applies. [3]

TABLE 2

Fossil Characteristics	Fossil
formed of two valves	C and D
one valve is larger than the other valve	
a plane of symmetry runs between the valves	
each valve has a plane of symmetry	

2(b) (ii) Name the fossil group represented by C. [1]

- 2(c) (i) **FIGURE 2c** is a scatter graph showing the size of 26 specimens of fossil D preserved on a bedding plane surface. The outline of an additional sample is shown in **FIGURE 2d**.

Measure the dimensions of this shell as indicated and plot onto **FIGURE 2c**. [2]

Length _____ mm

Width _____ mm

FIGURE 2c

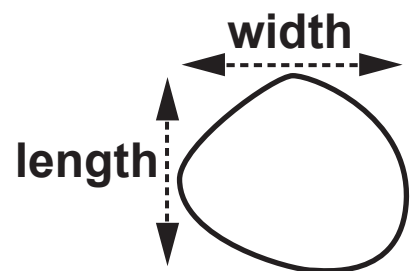
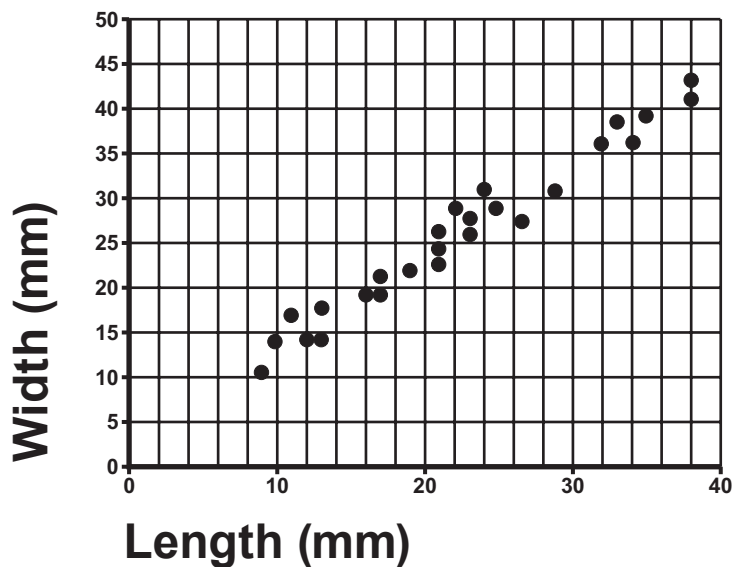
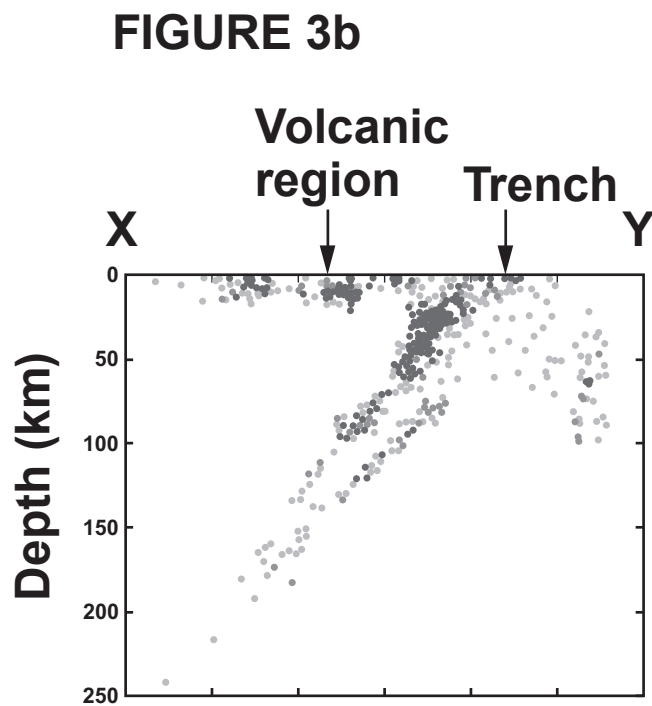


FIGURE 2d
(actual size)

- 2(c) (ii) With reference to FIGURE 2c suggest, giving reasons, whether the fossil specimens of fossil group D are likely to represent a life or death assemblage. [4]**

The map shows the Pacific Plate boundary. The Eurasian Plate is to the west, and the Pacific Plate is to the east. Japan is located on the Eurasian Plate. Taiwan is located on the Philippine Plate. The Philippine Islands are also shown. A line with arrows indicates the boundary between the Pacific Plate and the Philippine Plate. A box labeled 'A' is located on the Pacific Plate. A line labeled 'X' points to the boundary between the Eurasian Plate and the Pacific Plate. A line labeled 'Y' points to the boundary between the Pacific Plate and the Philippine Plate.



3. **FIGURE 3a opposite is a simplified map showing plate tectonic features of part of the western Pacific.**

FIGURE 3b opposite shows the depth of earthquake foci along line X – Y on FIGURE 3a.

- (a) (i) **Refer to FIGURE 3a and FIGURE 3b. Draw an arrow in each of the TWO blank boxes in FIGURE 3a to show the relative direction of movement of the Eurasian and Pacific plates. [2]**
- (ii) **State the type of plate boundary present at locality A on FIGURE 3a by placing a tick in ONE of the boxes below. [1]**

Convergent

☐

Divergent

☐

Conservative

☐

3(b) (i) Describe the pattern of earthquake foci shown in FIGURE 3b. [3]

3(b) (ii) State and explain TWO reasons for the occurrence and distribution of earthquakes in FIGURE 3b. [4]

1. _____

2. _____

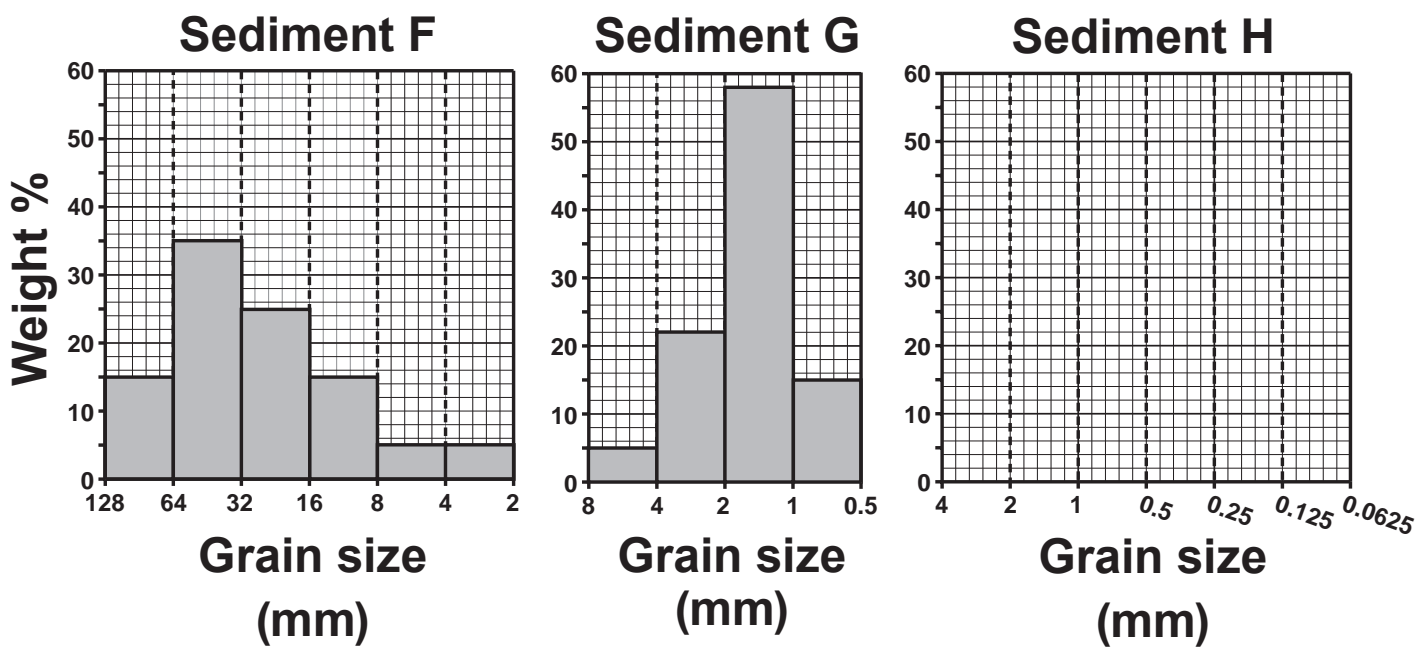
- 3(c) (i) Magma generated beneath the Japanese Islands is ANDESITIC in composition. Explain why ANDESITIC magma forms at this plate tectonic setting. [2]**

- (ii) Explain why andesitic magma results in more explosive volcanic eruptions than basaltic magma. [2]**

TABLE 4

Grain size (mm)	64 to 128	32 to 64	16 to 32	8 to 16	4 to 8	2 to 4	1 to 2	0.5 to 1	0.25 to 0.5	0.125 to 0.25	0.0625 to 0.125
Weight % sediment F	15	35	25	15	5	5					
Weight % sediment G					5	22	58	15			
Weight % sediment H									5	35	60

FIGURE 4a



- 4. TABLE 4 opposite shows the grain size distribution of three sediments (F, G and H) collected from a river.**
- (a) (i) Use the data from TABLE 4 to construct a bar graph for sediment H in FIGURE 4a. [2]**
- (ii) State which of the three sediments (F, G or H) could be described as: [3]**

	most coarse grained
	most poorly sorted
	most likely to be located furthest downstream

- 4(a) (iii) Suggest why there is an absence of silt and clay sized particles ($<0.0625\text{ mm}$) in sediments F, G and H. [2]**

- (iv) Describe how grain size and shape are likely to change as a sediment is transported down a river towards the sea. Explain your answer. [3]**

FIGURE 4b

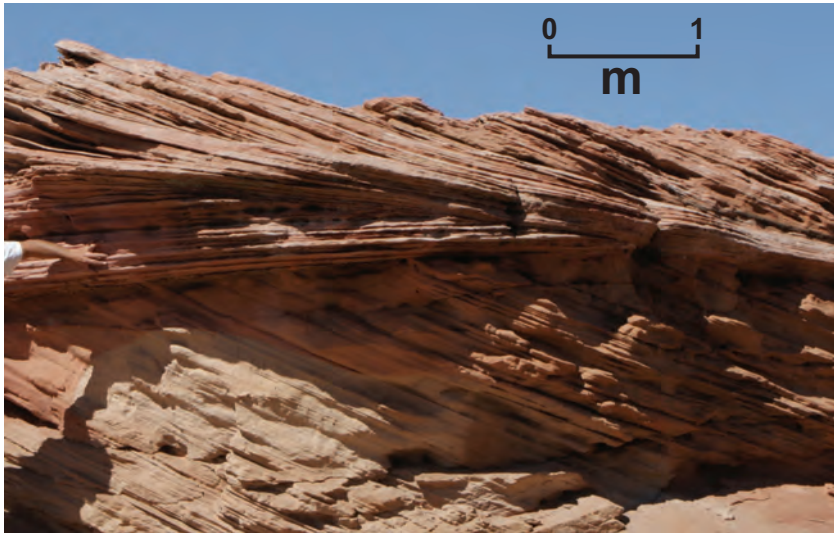
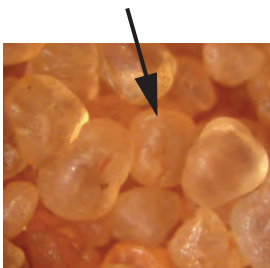


FIGURE 4c

**quartz grains 0.5 mm
in diameter cemented
by haematite**



4(b) FIGURE 4b opposite shows a structure commonly found in sediments deposited by a current.

FIGURE 4c shows detail of the texture of the rock shown in FIGURE 4b.

(i) Name the sedimentary structure shown in FIGURE 4b. [1]

(ii) Explain why the sediment and sedimentary structure shown in FIGURE 4b and FIGURE 4c are UNLIKELY to have been formed in a high energy fluvial environment like sediment F in FIGURE 4a. [4]

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