

**MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2010 question paper  
for the guidance of teachers**

**2217 GEOGRAPHY**

**2217/12**

Paper 12 (Geographical Themes), maximum raw mark 75

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### The features of the marking scheme

Each question carries 25 marks. Candidates cannot earn above the maximum marks available within each sub section.

The marking scheme attempts to give guidance about the requirements of each answer and lists a number of responses which will earn marks along with the general principles to be applied when marking each question. It should be noted that candidates can earn marks if their answers are phrased differently provided they convey the same meaning as those in the mark scheme. **THE CANDIDATES DO NOT NEED TO USE THE SAME WORDING TO EARN MARKS.**

The notation 'etc' at the end of an answer in the mark scheme signifies that there may well be other correct responses or examples that can be given credit. Providing the statement is true, relevant to the question asked and not repetition of a previous point made credit should be given.

A point made within one sub-section which is an answer to the question set in a different sub-section should not be given credit as each sub-section asks different questions which require independent answers.

The mark scheme uses semi colons (;) to separate marks and diagonals to separate alternative answers.

During coordination the mark scheme is modified to add points agreed after discussion or to delete any points not allowed. All examiners should ensure that their modified scheme is fully up-to-date before marking begins.

### Marking mechanics.

**Point marking** is used for sections (a) and (b) of each question, although marks are available in specified questions for development of appropriate points. Ticks should be used to clearly indicate the wording on a script where a mark has been allowed. Where a development point has been allowed the letter 'D' should be placed adjacent to the tick. The number of ticks should always be equal to the total number of marks awarded, the mark for each sub-section should be added up and placed in the margin at the end of the sub-section. The total mark for the entire question should be added and transferred to the front of the script.

Where a candidate makes a point which is not quite sufficient for credit an upturned 'V' insert symbol should be used. If after careful consideration a mark is awarded which gives 'benefit of doubt' to the candidate the letter 'J' should be placed adjacent to the tick (i.e. the candidate has 'just' achieved the mark).

**Levels of response marking** is used for section (c) of each question. Thus it is the quality of the response which determines which level an answer is achieved rather than the quantity of statements contained within it. However once assigned to a level the mark achieved within that level is determined by the number of points made.

Levels 1 and 2 are distinguished by whether statements are simple (level 1) or developed/elaborated (level 2). A candidate can immediately enter L2 by making developed points without making any L1 statements. In order to achieve L3 a candidate must have already reached the top end of L2 – in addition his/her answer should have a clear example, and if the answer must be place specific as well (7 marks).

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Where statements are assigned levels by the examiner this should be indicated by the use of L1, L2 and L3 next to the statements. A summary of the overall level and mark awarded should be written at the end of the answer. Ticks should **not** be used on answers which are marked using levels of response marking.

All answers, whether marked by point marking or levels, should have signs of having been assessed by the examiner. Crosses are acceptable to signify wrong answers and a red line accompanied by the letters 'I/R' should be used to indicate those which are irrelevant.

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- 1 (a) (i) 14.4 people are born (per year) per 1000 people  
1 mark [1]
- (ii) 37.2 minus 16.9 (one mark for method)  
20.3 per 1000  
2 @ 1 mark [2]
- (iii) Ideas such as:  
good health care/enough hospitals/doctors/nurses/clinics;  
good sanitation/more hygienic;  
good access to safe/clean water  
sufficient food supplies  
innoculation against many disease/drugs/medicines/cures for diseases;  
education re healthcare/life style issues  
availability of pensions;  
specific provision for elderly (or examples) etc.  
3 @ 1 mark [3]
- (iv) Ideas such as:  
little availability of contraception/family planning;  
not educated re contraception/family planning;  
unable to afford contraception/family planning;  
traditionally large families/to prove virility;  
economic advantage of bringing up children/children work;  
many women do not have careers/work/are uneducated;  
no pensions/need children to look after parents in old age;  
high infant mortality rate;  
religious beliefs re. contraception etc.  
4 @ 1 mark [4]
- (b) (i) Ideas such as:  
LEDC pyramid will have wider base/more children/MEDC base will be narrower;  
LEDC pyramid will have narrower top/less old people/MEDC top will be wider;  
LEDC pyramid will be more pyramid shaped/MEDC less pyramid shaped;  
LEDC pyramid shows less people living to older age/MEDC more people living to older age etc.  
  
NB Answer can relate to pyramid or population structure.  
Ideally answer should be comparative, however accept discrete accounts.  
3 @ 1 mark [3]

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- (ii) Impacts such as:  
 strain on economy/working population; therefore higher taxation (dev); in order to pay pensions (dev)  
 need for more money to be spent on facilities for elderly; e.g. care homes/health care (dev);  
 not enough workers for key positions; so need to attract foreign workers (dev); and difficult to defend country (dev);  
 services for young under utilised/uneconomical; therefore schools closed down (dev) etc.

5 @ 1 mark or development

[5]

(c) Levels marking

Level 1 (1–3)

Statements including limited detail describing the policies which have been used to influence growth rates.

(NB Could be to encourage population growth – e.g. Singapore, or reduction – China).  
 (e.g. distribute free contraceptives, education about contraception, one child policy, incentives for one child families, advertise benefits of small families etc.)

Level 2 (4–6 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. China).

More developed statements describing the policies which have been used to influence growth rates.

(e.g. incentives for one child families such as free places in schools and free healthcare, forced abortion/sterilization for parents after first child. Workplace 'snooper' required to grant permission for employees to have child, advertise benefits of small families such as greater amount of disposable income available etc.)

(NB MAX 5 marks if no named e.g.)

Level 3 (7 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. China).

Comprehensive and accurate statements describing the policies which have been used to influence growth rates including some place specific reference.

(NB **Place specific references** could include specific reference to one child policy (or aspects of it e.g. 'Granny Woo' or named settlements or rural areas. Alternatively candidates might quote changes in demographic statistics as a result of one child policy).

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2 (a) (i) Central business district (CBD).

1 mark [1]

- (ii) Ideas such as:  
 It contains the whole city;  
 And surrounding rural area/ nearby towns;  
 It is large/c.30km x 15km/450sq.km;  
 Oblong shape/egg shape etc.

2 @ 1 mark [2]

- (iii) Ideas such as:  
 low cost land;  
 plenty of space/room to expand;  
 proximity to urban area/large numbers of customers;  
 motorway junction/easy access for customers/delivery;  
 main road links to urban area;  
 two motorways merge nearby/access from all directions/could attract customer from north of river;  
 Away from congested area etc.

3 @ 1 mark [3]

- (iv) Ideas such as:  
 provides more choice for shoppers;  
 shopping under cover/safe environment;  
 easy road access/free parking/free buses;  
 will provide competition for shops in CBD/less shoppers using CBD;  
 some CBD shops will close down/go out of business/empty shops;  
 attracts bargain stores/charity shops to CBD;  
 lower quality of environment in CBD;  
 people without cars/old people may find access to new shopping centre difficult;  
 could encourage CBD redevelopment;  
 increasing congestion on motorway/less congestion in CBD etc.

4 @ 1 mark [4]

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- (b) (i) Photograph A = out of town shopping centre  
 Photograph B = CBD  
 Photograph C = neighbourhood centre

3 @ 1 mark

[3]

- (ii) Ideas such as:

There are large numbers of people living nearby;  
 The services will be of low order/people will only travel short distances for low order services;  
 People will not travel far to buy convenience goods (or examples);  
 Services in neighbourhood centres are likely to be used frequently;  
 So people would not want to travel far every day (or e.g. for a daily newspaper) (dev);  
 The shops/services in neighbourhood centres are found in almost all shopping areas;  
 So people do not have to travel far as similar shops are nearby (dev);  
 The shops/services may have a small sphere of influence;  
 People are only likely to buy low cost items there (or examples);  
 It is not worth the cost of transport to travel far for these (dev)

5 @ 1 or development

[5]

- (c) Levels marking

Level 1 (1–3 marks)

Statements including limited detail describing the main features of a CBD.  
 (e.g. shops, leisure facilities, high rise buildings, offices, high rents, busy/crowded, congested, accessible, lots of traffic; lots of air pollution etc.)

Level 2 (4–6 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. London).  
 More developed statements describing the main features of a CBD.  
 (e.g. high order shops/services, department stores, shoe shops/jewellers etc, cinemas and theatres, high rise buildings such as offices of major companies, pedestrianised streets, indoor malls, high rents due to competition for space, congested therefore large amount of air pollution/traffic noise, area from which all main roads radiate etc.)

(NB MAX 5 marks if no named e.g.)

Level 3 (7 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. London).  
 More developed statements describing the main features of a CBD, including some place specific reference.  
 (e.g. high order shops/services all along major streets like Oxford Street, department stores such as Harrods/Selfridges, shoe shops/jewellers etc, cinemas and theatres in the West End, high rise buildings such as offices of major companies, pedestrianised streets/markets such as Covent Garden, indoor malls etc.)

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**3 (b) (i) P**

1 mark [1]

- (ii)** Ideas such as:  
 Greater amount/volume of water;  
 water is faster flowing/has more energy;  
 as it has further to travel;  
 centrifugal forces pushes water to outer bank/helicoidal flow.

2 @ 1 mark [2]

- (iii)** Ideas such as:  
 weight/power/force of water;  
 removes unconsolidated/soft materials/soil/clay;  
 pushes air/water into cracks in rock;  
 and breaks it apart/cavitation/undercuts bank;  
 repeat of process etc.

3 @ 1 mark [3]

- (iv)** Methods of river transportation such as:  
 traction; large materials being pushed/rolled along bed (exp);  
 saltation; pebbles being picked up by water and bounced along the bed/series of hops (exp);  
 suspension; light materials carried within the water (exp);  
 solution; materials dissolved in the water (exp);

NB One mark for each named process and one for explanation correctly linked with it.

2 @ 2 marks [4]

- (b) (i)** Impacts such as:  
 loss of life;  
 flooding of roads/disruption of road transport;  
 flooding of farmland/damage to crops/death of farm livestock;  
 damage to houses/property/evacuation of residents;  
 damage to/flooding of businesses/pub/restaurant;  
 boats damaged/swept away;  
 contamination of land/dwellings by pollutants;  
 damage to trees;  
 loss of recreational land etc.

3 @ 1 mark [3]

- (ii)** Methods such as:  
 build higher banks/artificial levees; so it will hold more water (dev)  
 afforestation; so less water will reach river (dev)  
 build dams/barriers; to regulate flow of water (dev)  
 straighten river; so water is removed from drainage basin more quickly (dev);  
 widen/deepen/regular dredging; so less water is displaced by accumulated sediment (dev);  
 artificial drainage channels/overflow channels;  
 restrict building on flood plain etc.

5 @ 1 mark or development [5]



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(c) Levels marking

Level 1 (1–3 marks)

Statements including limited detail describing advantages and/or difficulties of living on a delta.

(e.g. Good for agriculture/fertile soils; Water for irrigation; easy to build road/rail; source of food/fish; flat building land; flooding; instability of foundations; need to bridge rivers; competition for space etc.)

Level 2 (4–6 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. Mississippi Delta).

More developed statements describing advantages and/or difficulties of living on a delta.

(e.g. fertile soils therefore high crop yields; Water for irrigation enables cultivation in dry periods; easy to build road on flood plain; source of food/fish to vary diet; flat building land so construction is easy;

flooding may regularly damage homes; need to bridge rivers makes cost of road construction expensive; competition for space due to high population density etc.)

(NB MAX 5 if no named e.g.)

Level 3 (7 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. Mississippi Delta).

Comprehensive and accurate statements describing advantages and difficulties of living on a delta.

(NB **Place specific references** could include settlements or rural areas in delta region, alternatively area of sea into which it flows.) [7]

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4 (a) (i) Wenchuan (county)

1 mark [1]

(ii) Mianyang;  
Ngawa

2 @ 1 mark [2]

(iii) Ideas such as:

7.9 on Richter Scale/powerful earthquake;  
It occurred in mid-afternoon/during the day;  
children were at school/people were at work ;  
Many buildings/infrastructure collapsed/destroyed;  
Buildings may have been poorly constructed/they were not earthquake proof;  
It affected a wide area;  
Which contained large settlements/it was densely populated;  
Gas leaks/fires;  
Roads blocked/delaying emergency services;  
Contamination of water/lack of water;  
Poor preparation of population/education re. earthquakes;  
Poor emergency services etc.

3 @ 1 mark [3]

(iv) Ideas such as:

damage to workplaces/people are unable to earn a living;  
negative impact on economy/production;  
damage to roads;  
economic implications of rebuilding;  
damage to schools/disruption of education;  
decaying bodies/polluted water/damaged water treatment plants so spread of disease/  
further loss of life;  
psychological trauma;  
homelessness etc.

4 @ 1 mark [4]

(b) (i) Ideas such as:

build houses/schools which are more stable/designed to sway not collapse (or any other design related point);  
ensure planning regulations adhered to;  
Deep foundations;  
Flexible water/gas pipes/Automatic gas switch off;  
Earthquake drills/education re. procedures/stockpile supplies;  
Build on solid ground;  
Better preparation of emergency services;  
Restrict building heights etc.

3 @ 1 mark [3]

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- (ii) Ideas such as:
- They have lived there all their lives/sentimental attachment;
  - Close to family/friends;
  - There are good services/schools/hospitals;
  - Work in area/fertile farmlands; so they can make a good living (dev);
  - Cannot afford to move;
  - Pressure of living space; as much of the other land is Mountainous (dev);
  - Confidence in safety;
  - Willing to take the risk; as earthquake has not occurred for many years (dev) etc.

5 @ 1 mark or development

[5]

(c) Levels marking

Level 1 (1–3 marks)

Statements including limited detail explaining causes of earthquakes.  
(e.g.. on a plate boundary/fault, plates move/rub against each other, cause vibrations, pressure build up, friction etc)

Level 2 (4–6 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. San Francisco).  
More developed statements explaining causes of earthquakes.  
(e.g. plate boundaries/faults are line of weakness, plates are moving at either side of fault, plates become locked together/friction prevents smooth movement of plates, build up of pressure causes sudden movement/plates jerk apart etc.)

(NB MAX 5 marks if no named e.g.)

Level 3 (7 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. San Francisco).  
Comprehensive and accurate statements including some place specific reference.  
(e.g. San Andreas fault was line of weakness, North American and Pacific plates are moving at either side of fault, plates become locked together/friction prevents smooth movement of plates, build up of pressure, sudden movement/plates jerk apart etc.) [7]

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5 (a) (i) Industries using advanced/computerized methods/industries involving use/manufacture of silicon chips/science based industries/processing with micro-electronics etc.

1 mark [1]

(ii) A = France

B = United Kingdom

2 @ 1 mark

[2]

(iii) Ideas such as:

USA has higher total share;

On average USA 22/23% compared with 9% Germany especially in aerospace;

48/49% compared with 10% in Germany;

but Germany has higher share in pharmaceuticals;

16% compared with 10% in USA;

USA more in computers/office machinery;

16/17% compared with 4/5% Germany;

USA more in communications equipment;

16/17% compared with 5%

Reserve 1 mark for use of figures but MAX 2 on figures.

3 @ 1 mark

[3]

(iv) Ideas such as:

skilled/highly qualified workforce;

good motorway links/road communications,

proximity to international airport;

attractive/greenfield sites;

presence of universities/research institutions;

government/local authority investment in science parks;

cheap/flat/plenty of land;

pre-existing high tech industry/reputation etc.

4 @ 1 mark

[4]

(b) (i) Ideas such as:

Decrease in primary sector;

40 – 42% to 8 – 10%;

Increase in secondary sector;

18 – 20 % to 44 – 46%;

Increase in tertiary sector;

39 – 41% to 45 – 47%

Reserve 1 mark for use of figures but MAX 2 on figures.

3 @ 1 mark

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- (ii) Ideas such as:  
 more people in employment; so more people can buy food for their families (dev)  
 higher wages; so greater demand for products of local industry (dev);  
 improvement in skills;  
 improvements in infrastructure; such as roads/electricity (dev);  
 rising standard of living or specifics; such as housing/sanitation;  
 improvement in public services; such as health care/education (dev) ; therefore longer life expectancy (dev);  
 more money for country; therefore increase in GDP (dev);  
 multiplier effect etc.

5 @ 1 mark or development

[5]

**(c) Levels marking**

Level 1 (1–3 marks)

Statements including limited detail explaining location of manufacturing/processing industry (e.g. large workforce, good transport links, cheap land, raw materials, energy supply, water supply etc.)

Level 2 (4–6 marks)

Uses named example

More developed statements explaining location of manufacturing/processing industry

(e.g. large workforce with engineering skills, good rail links to raw material supplies, located on coalfield for energy supply, water supply to use in processing etc.)

(NB MAX 5 if no named/or inappropriate e.g.)

Level 3 (7 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. sugar refining in Baltimore USA).

Comprehensive and accurate statements including some place specific reference.

(e.g. good motorway links to markets in large cities such as New York and Washington, adjacent port facilities for import of sugar cane from Caribbean, government grants due to investment in declining industrial areas, large areas of flat land adjacent to waterside for storage of raw cane, large workforce in urban area which has high unemployment rate due to recent industrial decline etc.)

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- 6 (a) (i)** Use of water in factories/for cooling/processing/producing energy etc.
- 1 mark [1]
- (ii)** Differences such as:  
 Greater percentage use in industry in Europe;  
 Greater percentage used for agriculture in Asia;  
 Higher percentage used domestically in Europe;  
 Main use in Asia agriculture but in Europe main use is industry.
- 2 @ 1 mark [2]
- (iii)** Expect ideas such as:  
 people are more dependent on the land in Asia;  
 Greater proportion used for industry in Europe as there are more factories;  
 Greater proportion used in homes in Europe because supply infrastructure is more efficient;  
 people own more domestic appliances (washing machines/dishwashers) in Europe etc.
- 3 @ 1 mark [3]
- (iv)** Ideas such as:  
 growing population to supply;  
 more use of pipes/taps to supply;  
 more use of domestic appliances (or examples);  
 greater need of water to promote good hygiene/sanitation;  
 more water used to wash cars/water gardens/fill swimming pools;  
 development of LEDCs leads to greater domestic water use etc.
- 4 @ 1 mark [4]
- (b) (i)** Ideas such as:  
 Uneven distribution;  
 Mainly in MEDCs;  
 In temperate areas;  
 Most are in Northern hemisphere;  
 Concentrated are in North America/Europe/Australasia;  
 Scattered in South America/Asia/Africa;  
 One mark MAX for examples of countries (e.g. Australia/USA/Chile etc.)
- 3 @ 1 mark [3]
- (ii)** Methods such as:  
 dam/reservoir; with pipelines leading to homes (dev);  
 desalination plants;  
 more boreholes/wells;  
 cloud seeding;  
 rationing;  
 cover wells; so there is less evaporation;  
 afforestation;  
 Treatment plants/use grey water/recycling;  
 Import water; from areas which receive higher rainfall (dev) etc.
- 5 @ 1 mark or development [5]

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(c) Levels marking

Level 1 (1–3 marks)

Statements including limited detail describing impacts of a water shortage.

(e.g. Loss of lives/higher death rates; less food production/crops die; malnutrition/starvation; migration to urban areas/many refugees; reduction in levels of hygiene/sanitation; Rationing/water restrictions, water conflicts etc.)

Level 2 (4–6 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. Ethiopia).

More developed statements describing impacts of a water shortage.

(e.g. Loss of lives/higher death rates due to malnutrition/starvation;

less food is produced as crops die due to insufficient water;

As they cannot make a living from farming people migrate to urban areas; rise in diseases such as typhoid as people use same water for drinking, bathing and waste disposal etc.)

(NB MAX 5 marks if no named e.g.)

Level 3 (7 marks)

Uses named example (e.g. Ethiopia).

Comprehensive and accurate statements including some place specific reference.

NB **Place specific references** may be to particular parts of the country affected, named rivers/reservoirs/lakes which have dried up or areas/cities to which people are migrating. Alternatively candidates might quote statistics relating to the length of a drought or the rainfall figures. [7]

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