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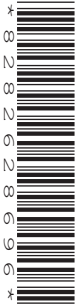
GEOGRAPHY

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Paper 4 Advanced Human Geography Options

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)
Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **four** questions in total:
Answer questions from **two** options.
For **each** option, follow the instructions inside on which questions to answer.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.
- Sketch maps and diagrams should be drawn whenever they serve to illustrate an answer.
- You should make reference to appropriate examples studied in the field or the classroom, even where such examples are not specifically requested by the question.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains all the resources referred to in the questions.

LICs = low income countries.

MICs = middle income countries.

HICs = high income countries.

This document has **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer questions from **two** different options.

Production, location and change

If answering this option, answer Question 1 and **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

- 1 Figure 1.1 shows sources of change in crop production, by world region, 2013–2022.
 - (a) Describe the sources of change in crop production shown in Figure 1.1. [4]
 - (b) Explain **two** agricultural practices which increase crop yield. [6]
- 2 With reference to **one** country, assess the extent to which the need for agricultural change was caused by physical factors. [20]
- 3 With reference to one or more examples, assess the extent to which government policies influence the location of manufacturing and related service industry. [20]

Environmental management

If answering this option, answer Question 4 and **either** Question 5 **or** Question 6.

- 4 Figure 4.1 shows the total share and the different sources of renewable energy used to generate electricity in Japan, an HIC in Asia, 2022.
 - (a) Describe the variations shown in Figure 4.1. [4]
 - (b) Explain **two** ways climate affects monthly variations in renewable energy production. [6]
- 5 ‘Rising demand for energy leads to more pollution.’
With reference to one or more examples, how far do you agree with this statement? [20]
- 6 With reference to **one** degraded environment, assess the extent to which management was able to overcome the problems faced. [20]

Global interdependence

If answering this option, answer Question 7 and **either** Question 8 **or** Question 9.

- 7** Figure 7.1 shows primary product export dependent countries and main product type in 2021.
- (a) Describe the pattern of primary product export dependent countries shown in Figure 7.1. [4]
- (b) Explain how free trade increases trade flows. [6]
- 8** 'Local communities must be involved for international aid projects to be successful.'
- With reference to one or more examples, how far do you agree with this statement? [20]
- 9** With reference to **one** tourist area or resort, assess the extent to which the issues of sustainability changed as the tourist area or resort developed. [20]

Economic transition

If answering this option, answer Question 10 and **either** Question 11 **or** Question 12.

- 10** Figure 10.1 shows well-being indicators for regions in the United Kingdom (UK) relative to other OECD countries, 2020.
- (a) Describe the variations in well-being of the Greater London region shown in Figure 10.1. [4]
- (b) Explain how the process of cumulative causation may lead to regional divergence in a country. [6]
- 11** Assess the extent to which the nature (characteristics) **and** the role of the primary sector change as economies develop. [20]
- 12** Assess the extent to which the growth of newly industrialised countries (NICs) has influenced the globalisation of economic activity. [20]

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