



ADVANCED GCE

GEOGRAPHY A

Synoptic Geography: People and Environment Options

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Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

OCR Supplied Materials:

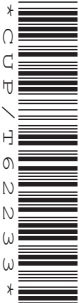
- 8 page Answer Booklet

Other Materials Required:

None

**Friday 30 January 2009
Morning**

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **two** questions, each from a different option.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- Where relevant, you should include sketch maps and diagrams and **make use of examples of places you have studied.**
- This is the synoptic paper. In your answers you must show **understanding of the connections between the different aspects of geography** represented in the whole of the A level specification.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **120**.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer **two** questions, each from a different option.

Option 1: Geographical Aspects of the European Union

Either:

- 1** To what extent have EU policies influenced regional development within Europe? **[60]**

Or:

- 2** Assess the effectiveness of strategies used in the EU to manage problem regions. **[60]**

Or:

- 3** 'The EU is more dependent on internal than external trading relationships.' How far do you agree with this statement? **[60]**

Option 2: Managing Urban Environments

Either:

- 4** Assess the effectiveness of strategies used to manage shanty town issues in LEDCs. **[60]**

Or:

- 5** Evaluate the effectiveness of strategies used to manage urban sprawl in MEDCs. **[60]**

Or:

- 6** 'Social and economic inequalities are issues in both MEDC and LEDC cities.' To what extent do you agree with this statement? **[60]**

Option 3: Managing Rural Environments**Either:**

- 7 To what extent do different types of farming affect rural environments? [60]

Or:

- 8 Evaluate strategies used to protect rural environments. [60]

Or:

- 9 'Most rural communities have been unable to maintain their traditional way of life.' How far do you agree with this statement? [60]

Option 4: Hazardous Environments**Either:**

- 10 Evaluate the effectiveness of strategies used to reduce hazards resulting from slope instability. [60]

Or:

- 11 'Secondary impacts of hazards cause more problems than the primary impacts.' How far do you agree with this view? [60]

Or:

- 12 'The prediction of hazardous events is an inexact science.' How far do you agree with this statement? [60]

