Assessment Schedule - 2017

Geography: Demonstrate understanding of how interacting natural processes shape a New Zealand geographic environment (91426)

Assessment Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
 Demonstrating understanding involves: analysing the interacting natural processes and how they shape the environment including some supporting case study evidence. 	Demonstrating in-depth understanding involves: analysing in detail the interacting natural processes and how they shape the environment including detailed supporting case study evidence.	 Demonstrating comprehensive understanding involves: providing an insightful analysis of the interacting natural processes and how they shape the environment integrating comprehensive supporting case study evidence. An insightful analysis includes an analysis of the interaction between the processes and / or elements and / or features of the environment to draw conclusions.

Cut Scores

Not Achieved	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence	
0 – 2	3 – 4	5 – 6	7 – 8	

Evidence

Note: There is no requirement for the map(s) and/or diagram(s) in part (a) to be detailed or to step up between A, M, and E. The answer must be read as a whole before applying holistic top-down judgement. There is no expectation that both parts will be of equal quality. The emphasis in the question is on comprehensively analysing how interacting natural processes operate together to shape a feature(s). The explanation of the operation of one process in part (a) will not be as detailed or comprehensive, as the question does not ask for this.

N1	N2	А3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
Includes some relevant material, but does not address the question (very limited answer).	Describes and / or explains ONE natural process related to a feature(s), but provides no discussion of interacting natural processes or the shaping of a feature(s).	Includes some aspects of how ONE natural process operates, and how it interacts with another to shape a feature(s).	Includes some aspects of how ONE natural process operates, and how it interacts with another to shape a feature(s).	Explains, in detail, how ONE natural process operates, and how it interacts with another to shape a feature(s).	Explains, in detail, how ONE natural process operates, and how it interacts with another to shape a feature(s).	Explains, comprehensively, how ONE natural process operates, and how it interacts with another to shape a feature(s).	Explains, comprehensively, how ONE natural process operates, and how it interacts with another to shape a feature(s).
		Demonstrates some understanding of how different interacting natural processes have shaped a feature(s).	Demonstrates understanding of how different interacting natural processes have shaped a feature(s).	Demonstrates detailed understanding of how different interacting natural processes have shaped a feature(s).	Demonstrates detailed understanding of how different interacting natural processes have shaped a feature(s).	Demonstrates comprehensive understanding, with some insight, of how different interacting natural processes have shaped a feature(s).	Demonstrates comprehensive understanding, with insight, of how different interacting natural processes have shaped a feature(s).
		Includes some supporting case study evidence.	Includes supporting case study evidence.	Includes some detailed supporting case study evidence.	Includes detailed supporting case study evidence.	Integrates comprehensive supporting case study evidence.	Integrates comprehensive supporting case study evidence throughout.
		Describes or infers interaction between processes (may focus more on the shaping of a feature(s), rather than interacting natural processes OR the operation of natural processes, rather than the shaping of a feature(s)).	Describes interaction between processes (may focus more on the location or shaping of a feature(s), rather than interacting natural processes OR the operation of natural processes, rather than the shaping of a feature(s)).	Analyses, in detail, the interaction between processes (may not be consistent throughout the answer, or may in part, consider the shaping of the feature, or the operation of processes, rather than the interaction of the processes).	Analyses, in detail, the interaction between processes throughout.	Analyses comprehensively, with some insight, the interaction between processes (includes a partial analysis of the interaction between the processes and/or elements and/or features of the environment to draw conclusions about how a feature(s) is shaped).	Analyses comprehensively, with insight, the interaction between processes (includes an analysis of the interaction between the processes and/or elements and/or features of the environment to draw conclusions about how a feature(s) is shaped).

N0 = No response; no relevant evidence.