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Level 3 Geography, 2019

91429 Demonstrate understanding of a given environment(s) through selection and application of geographic concepts and skills

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RESOURCE BOOKLET

Refer to this booklet to answer the questions for Geography 91429.

Check that this booklet has pages 2–15 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

YOU MAY KEEP THIS BOOKLET AT THE END OF THE EXAMINATION.

RELEVANT GEOGRAPHIC CONCEPTS

Environments

Environments may be natural and / or cultural. They have particular characteristics and features, which can be the result of natural and / or cultural processes. The particular characteristics of an environment may be similar to and / or different from another. A cultural environment includes people and / or the built environment.

Perspectives

Perspectives are ways of seeing the world that help explain differences in decisions about, responses to, and interactions with, environments. Perspectives are bodies of thought, theories, or world views that shape people's values and have built up over time. They involve people's *perceptions* (how they view and interpret environments) and *viewpoints* (what they think) about geographic issues. Perceptions and viewpoints are influenced by people's *values* (deeply held beliefs about what is important or desirable).

Processes

Processes are a sequence of actions, natural and / or cultural, that shape and change environments, places, and societies. Some examples of geographic processes include erosion, migration, desertification, and globalisation.

Patterns

Patterns may be spatial (the arrangement of features on the earth's surface) or temporal (how characteristics differ over time in recognisable ways).

Interaction

Interaction involves elements of an environment affecting each other and being linked together. Interaction incorporates movement, flows, connections, links, and interrelationships, which work together and may be one-way or two-way interactions. Landscapes are the visible outcome of interactions. Interaction can bring about environmental change.

Change

Change involves any alteration to the natural or cultural environment. Change can be spatial and / or temporal. Change is a normal process in both natural and cultural environments. It occurs at varying rates, at different times, and in different places. Some changes are predictable, recurrent, or cyclic, while others are unpredictable or erratic. Change can bring about further change.

Sustainability

Sustainability involves adopting ways of thinking and behaving that allow individuals, groups, and societies to meet their needs and aspirations without preventing future generations from meeting theirs. Sustainable interaction with the environment may be achieved by preventing, limiting, minimising, or correcting environmental damage to water, air, and soil, as well as considering ecosystems and problems related to waste, noise, and visual pollution.

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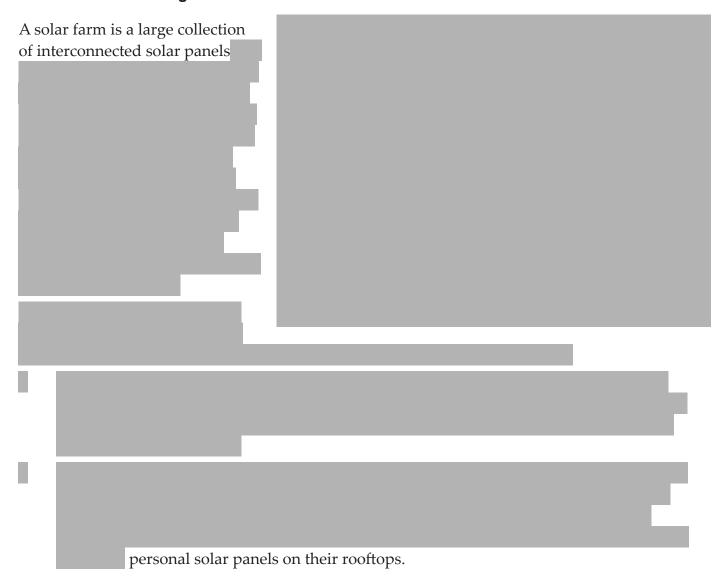
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SOLAR POWER PRODUCTION

RESOURCE A: Introduction to solar energy production

Solar power has advantages for developed countries with growing	
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power losses during tr	ansmission via cables increase with distance.

RESOURCE B: Background to solar farms



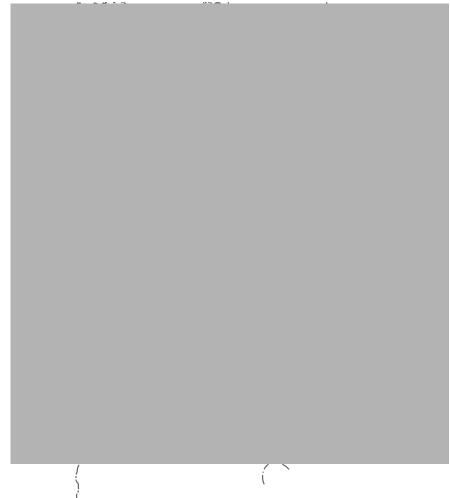
THE ENVIRONMENT OF ITALY

RESOURCE C: Location

Italy is located in southern Europe and comprises the long, bootshaped Italian peninsula.



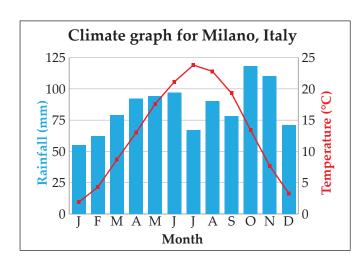
RESOURCE D: Physical map of Italy

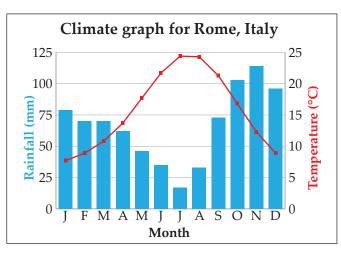


RESOURCE E: Italy's climate

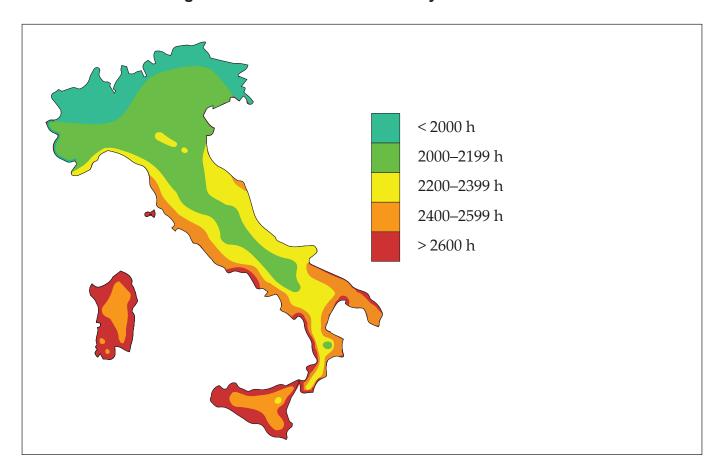
Due to the country's length, Italy's climate

in the afternoon to night hours.

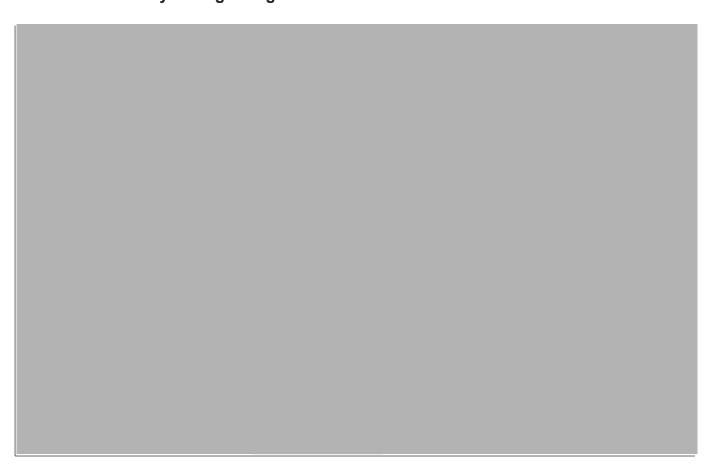




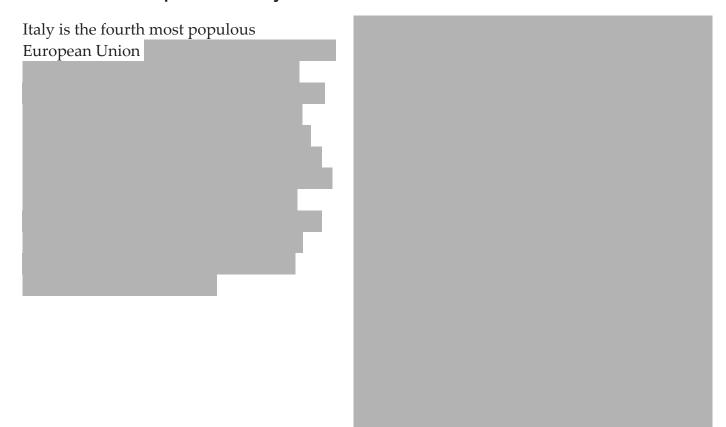
RESOURCE F: Average annual sunshine hours in Italy



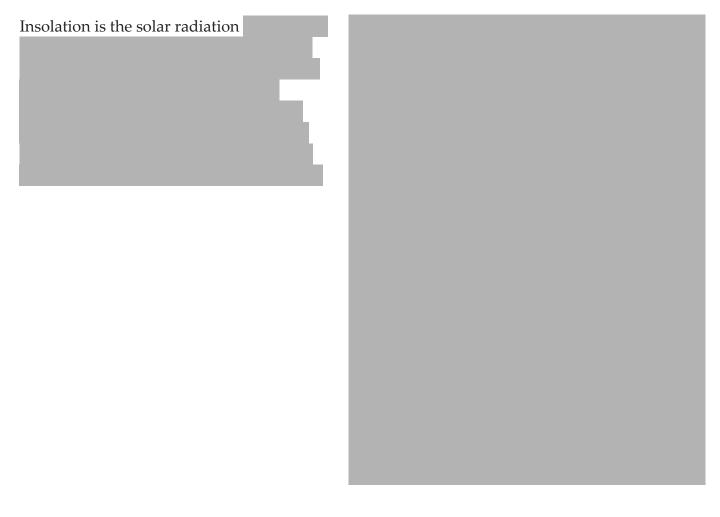
RESOURCE G: Italy's marginal agricultural land



RESOURCE H: Population of Italy

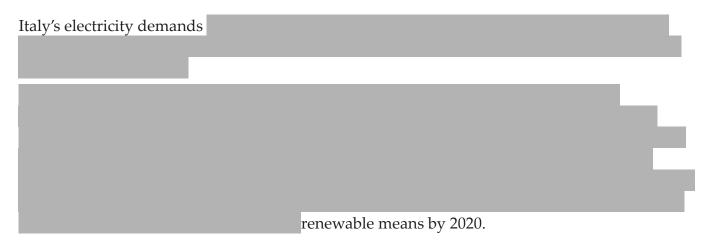


RESOURCE I: Solar potential of Italy

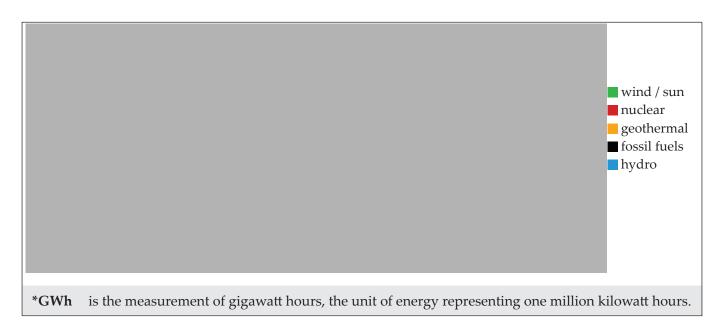


ITALY'S CHANGING ENERGY DEMANDS

RESOURCE J: Italy and power generation



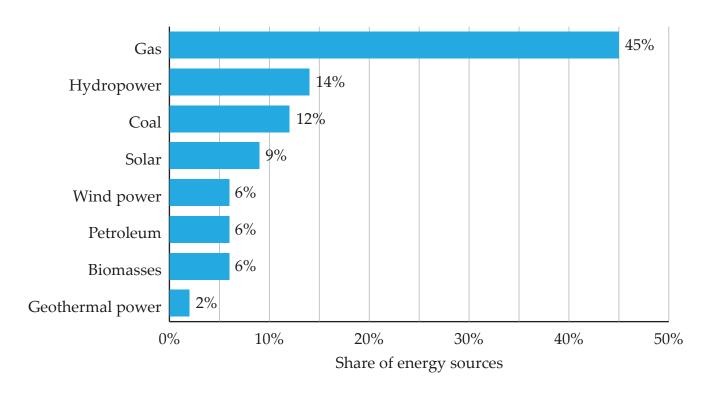
RESOURCE K: Electricity production methods in Italy 1883–2012



RESOURCE L: Gross electricity production by type within Italy 2010–2016

Electricity generation (GWh)	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Hydro (water)	54 406	47 756	43 854	54 671	60 256	46 969	44 257
Thermal (natural gas, oil, and coal)	236 624	234 160	223 153	198 646	182 087	198 238	205 718
Wind	9 125	9 856	13 407	14 897	15 178	14 843	17 668
Solar (photovoltaics)	1 905	10 795	18 861	21 588	22 306	22 942	22 104

RESOURCE M: Electricity production methods in Italy 2017



THE FUTURE OF SOLAR POWER IN ITALY

RESOURCE N: Italy's greenhouse gas emissions

MtCO ₂ e/year	is the abbreviation for million tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions per year.
*LULUCF	is the abbreviation for 'land use, land use change and forestry' that increases the removal of greenhouse gases (including carbon dioxide) in the atmosphere.

RESOURCE O: The Paris Agreement



renewable sources by 2030.

RESOURCE P: Solar parks – not the brightest idea?



RESOURCE Q: The push to go solar



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