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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)

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## 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.

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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 Fig. 1.1 is a photograph which shows a tea plantation in The Azores, an autonomous region of Portugal, an HIC in Europe.
  - (a) Describe the agricultural practices shown in Fig. 1.1. [3]
  - (b) Explain **two** physical factors affecting agricultural land use and practices on farms. [7]
- 2 'Difficulties in the management of agricultural change are best solved at the local scale.' With reference to one or more examples, how far do you agree with this statement? [20]
- 3 'Labour is the most important factor affecting the location of manufacturing and related service industry.' With reference to one or more examples, how far do you agree with this statement? [20]

### Environmental management

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

- 4 Fig. 4.1 shows projected biofuel production growth for selected countries, 2021–27.
  - (a) Compare the growth in production of the different biofuels shown in Fig. 4.1. [4]
  - (b) Explain **two** environmental impacts from the use of biofuels. [6]
- 5 'Nuclear power offers a sustainable solution for issues in energy production.' With reference to one or more examples, to what extent do you agree with this statement? [20]
- 6 With reference to examples, to what extent are degraded urban environments easier to improve than degraded rural environments? [20]

## Global interdependence

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

- 7** Fig. 7.1 shows exports per capita for countries in the Asia-Pacific region, 2016–18.
- (a) Compare the exports per capita for the countries shown in Fig. 7.1. [4]
- (b) Explain **two** recent developments in different types of tourism. [6]
- 8** ‘The impacts of international aid are often negative for receiving countries.’  
To what extent do you agree with this statement? [20]
- 9** For **one** tourist area or resort, evaluate the impacts of tourism on the economy. [20]

## Economic transition

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

- 10** Fig. 10.1 shows the number of operations of a Brazilian mining transnational corporation (TNC) in 2023.
- (a) Describe the spatial organisation of the TNC shown in Fig. 10.1. [3]
- (b) Explain **two** benefits to transnational corporations (TNCs) of offshoring of services. [7]
- 11** To what extent was the role of government the main factor in the emergence and growth of one or more newly industrialised countries (NICs)? [20]
- 12** With reference to **one** country, evaluate the relative importance of the causes of its regional disparity. [20]

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