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1.0 PREAMBLE

1.1 INTRODUCTION

The Heritage-based Geography syllabus forms 1 - 4 is designed to promote an appreciation and understanding of the earth's landscape and the relationship between people and their environment. It encompasses the physical heritage aspects of the earth such as landforms, climates and eco systems. The syllabus also fosters an element of the intangible heritage such as cultures and economic development. It promotes inclusivity and equity in education.

1.2 RATIONALE

The teaching of Heritage-based Geography in the secondary schools will equip learners with skills to understand geographical concepts including locations, patterns and processes of phenomena. It is designed to enable learners to appreciate diversity, valuation, utilisation and conservation of resources. The learning area gives an opportunity to learners to manipulate geographical data and make informed decisions in their day-to-day experiences.

1.3 SUMMARY OF CONTENT

The Heritage-based Geography learning area comprises both physical and human aspects. It also covers, geo-literacy, map reading and fieldwork skills.

1.4 ASSUMPTIONS

It is assumed that learners:

- have a natural desire to explore their environment
- possess basic knowledge of direction and location
- constantly interact with weather phenomena in day-to-day life
- interact with natural resources
- are aware of people engaging in various economic activities

1.5 CROSS-CUTTING THEMES

This learning will develop in learners, an appreciation of:

- environmental management
- disaster risk management
- enterprise skills
- health and wellbeing

- climate change
- gender stereotyping
- ICT

2.0 PRESENTATION OF SYLLABUS

The Heritage-based Geography Syllabus is a single document covering Forms 1 - 4.

3.0 AIMS

The aims of the syllabus are to:

- 3.1 equip learners with skills in statistical and cartographic techniques
- 3.2 develop practical skills of enquiry, observation, recording and interpretation of geographical information
- 3.3 promote an understanding of environmental management issues
- 3.4 foster an appreciation of sustainable exploitation, processing and economic use of minerals and other resources
- 3.5 develop in learners an understanding of topical issues such as pandemics, climate change and natural disasters
- 3.6 create an awareness of diverse communities and cultural multiplicity
- 3.7 promote an understanding of environmental patterns, dynamics and relationships

4.0 SYLLABUS OBJECTIVES

Learners should be able to:

- 4.1 demonstrate basic knowledge of geographic information systems
- 4.2 interpret topographical maps, photographs and satellite images
- 4.3 collect, analyse and interpret geographical data
- 4.4 conserve natural resources in the context of both economic development and environmental protection
- 4.5 develop technologies in issues of climate change
- 4.6 narrate the processes that bring about change in both physical and human environment
- 4.7 show geographical knowledge in creating solutions to everyday challenges

- 4.8 develop enterprise skills in resource utilisation and conservation
- 4.9 explain the relationship between physical and human processes in the shaping of geographic space

5.0 METHODOLOGY AND TIME ALLOCATION

5.1 METHODOLOGY

This syllabus takes into account learner centred approaches and methods. The choice of teaching methods and approaches should be guided by the principles of inclusivity, equity, relevance, specificity, gender sensitivity and respect. The syllabus proposes the use of the concentric, systems and integrated approaches.

The concentric approach: It recommends teaching geography starting from the local environment, then move to the whole of Zimbabwe, Southern African Development Community region, rest of Africa and the World.

Systems Approach: It involves the study of inter-relationships of various components in the environment which make up the whole. The focus is on the inputs, processes and outputs and feedback in a given system.

The integrated approach: It recommends that related topics should be taught together rather than in isolation

The following are suggested methods of teaching and learning geography:

- Demonstrations
- Field work
- Games
- Simulations
- Debates
- Experimentations
- Group work and discussions
- Role-play
- Case studies
- Project based learning
- Educational tours
- Individualisation

5.2 Time Allocation

Five (5) periods of 40 minutes per week should be allocated for adequate coverage of the syllabus. The teachers should allocate time appropriately for learners with individual special education needs.

NB: Educational tours should be undertaken at least once a year.

6.0 TOPICS

- 6.1 Weather and Climate
- 6.2 Landforms
- 6.3 Eco systems
- 6.4 Natural resources
- 6.5 Energy and Power
- 6.6 Map work and Geographical Information systems
- 6. 7 Minerals and mining
- 6.8 Environmental management
- 6.9 Agriculture and land reform
- 6.10 Industry
- 6.11 Settlement and population
- 6.12 Transport and trade

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7.0 SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

7.1 TOPIC 1: WEATHER AND CLIMATE

FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4
 Weather elements and instruments Weather station Weather data Types of rainfall and distribution Weather forecasting 	 Weather hazards Influence of people on weather Climate of Zimbabwe Climate variability 	 Air masses Air masses affecting Zimbabwe and Southern Africa Climatic types on global scale; Interpretation of climatic data 	 Temperate depressions Frontal systems Tropical cyclones, People's influence on climate Climate change

FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4
Landforms in the local area, Zimbabwe, Africa and the world and benefits of these landforms.	Weathering of rocks and resulting	 Plate Tectonics theory Folding Faulting Volcanoes and earthquakes Effects of tectonic processes 	 Landforms resulting from: Water action and river processes Wind action Hazards associated with landform development processes Disaster risk management:

7.3 OPIC 3: ECOSYSTEMS

FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4
Components of an ecosystem Micro ecosystems Interdependence in ecosystems (food chains and webs)	 Biodiversity Tropical ecosystems (biomes) Sustainable management of ecosystems 	 Biogeochemical cycles Wetlands Conservation of ecosystems Restoration of ecosystem 	 Soil components Soil forming processes in the tropics. Soil
c.k.O.	Use of ecosystems in entrepreneurship	Benefits of ecosystems	properties Soil types

7.4 TOPIC 4: NATURAL RESOURCES

FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4
 Natural resources concept Renewable and non-renewable resources Sustainable use of resources in their local area 	 Population and resources Exploitation of resources in Zimbabwe and Africa 	 Conservation of resources Wildlife management 	2030
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7.5 TOPIC 5: ENERGY AND POWER DEVELOPMENT

FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4					
Types and	Economic	 Conservation of 						
sources of	importance of	0,						
energy	energy typesRelative	• Project on use of						
• Siting of power plants	Relative importance of	energy in the local area.						
Power	using different	arca.	(2)					
generation	energy		00					
Environmental	sources							
impact from								
generation and use of different		OV	>					
energy types								
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7.6 TOPIC 6: MAP WORK AND GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Distribution of Factors influencing		
minerals and mining in Zimbabwe	 Small scale mining in Zimbabwe Extraction and processing of minerals in Zimbabwe and Africa 	 Environmental conservation and environmental management Environmental impact assessment in mining Sustainable utilisation

importance of minerals	Health and safetyBeneficiation and value addition	of mineral resources
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7.8 TOPIC 8: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4
 Aspects of the environment State of the environment in Zimbabwe 	 Environmental deterioration Global warming Climate change Climate change adaptation and mitigation 	 Environmental management legislation International protocols and treaties 	 Environmental management planning Aspect of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Land use planning as a strategy of sustainable environmental management

7.9 TOPIC 9: AGRICULTURE AND LAND REFORM

•	FORM 1	•	FORM 2	•	FORM 3	•	FORM 4
•	Factors influencing agriculture Farming as a system Land use zoning	•	Farming types in Zimbabwe Agro ecological regions in Zimbabwe	•	Land tenure Land reform Land Reform in Zimbabwe Contribution of small-scale farmers to food security	· ·	Climate change and agriculture Agricultural disease, pests and solutions Urban agriculture Agribusiness
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7.10 TOPIC 10: INDUSTRY

FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4
Types of industry Importance of industries to Zimbabwe Nature and distribution of industries in Zimbabwe	Secondary industry: Factors influencing location of industry; Types and distribution of manufacturing and processing industries Transnational industries	Small to medium enterprises The role of informal industries in Zimbabwe Occupational safety and health Problems associated with manufacturing industries in	Service industries tourism as a case study of a service industry Tourism and its importance in Zimbabwe Quaternary industries Problems associated with service industries in Zimbabwe
		manufacturing	

7.11 TOPIC 11: SETTLEMENT AND POPULATION

FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4
 Types of settlements Site and location of settlements Rural settlement patterns Rural and urban land use planning legislation 	 Urbanisation Urban land use models Unplanned urban settlements Effects and solutions of unplanned settlements Disaster resilient infrastructure 	 Basic population terms Collection, presentation and interpretation of population data Population distribution and density in Zimbabwe, Africa and the world 	 Population growth Patterns/Demographic Transition Model Causes of population growth and their effects Causes and effects of migration Internal and International Population policy Population and diseases

7.12 TOPIC 12: TRANSPORT AND TRADE

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	FORM 1	FORM 2	FORM 3	FORM 4
	 Transport 	Trade	Regional imbalances in	
	-Modes of	- domestic	trade	
	transport	- foreign	 Trading blocks 	
	 -Advantages and 		_	
	disadvantages			
	 Zimbabwean 			
	transport network			

8.0 COMPETENCY MATRIX FORM 1

Topic 1: WEATHER AND CLIMATE

Topic	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Weather elements and instruments	 distinguish between weather and climate list elements of weather describe instruments used to measure weather elements read and record weather data 	 Differences between Weather and climate Weather elements Weather instruments Reading instruments and recording weather data 	 Discussing the differences between weather and climate Describing weather conditions, they experience Matching elements to corresponding instruments Describing the functions of weather instruments 	 Weather instruments School weather station Print media Electronic media Weather charts Timber Woodwork tools Resource persons Local environment Jaws software Talking books
Weather station	 identify the factors influencing the location of a weather station 	 Location of a Weather station The Stevenson screen 	 Measuring and recording weather data Note: Schools should establish and run functional weather 	

	 describe the characteristics of the Stevenson screen make a Stevenson screen 	 stations Determining the suitability of the location of a school weather station Explaining the characteristics of a Stevenson screen Making a Stevenson screen
Weather data	 draw weather tables and graphs Interpret synoptic symbols Calculate weather statistics Weather tables, graphs and maps Synoptic symbols Weather statistics 	 Plotting weather tables and graphs Interpreting weather maps Drawing synoptic symbols Reading synoptic charts Calculating weather statistics
Precipitation	 identify types of precipitation describe the rainfall formation process draw annotated diagrams of types of rainfall Precipitation e.g. rain, snow, and hail Rainfall formation processes Types of rainfall, such as relief rainfall, convectional rainfall, frontal rainfall. 	 Listing forms of precipitation Describing the process of rainfall formation Drawing diagrams illustrating relief rainfall, convectional rainfall, and frontal rainfall.

Weather forecasting	 explain weather forecasting describe the importance of weather forecasting forecast weather using indigenous knowledge systems (IKS) 	 Weather forecasting Importance of weather forecasting Indigenous weather forecasting 	 Stating the meaning of weather forecasting Interpreting national weather forecast reports Predicting weather Discussing importance of weather forecasting Gathering information on use of IKS in weather forecasting
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TOPIC 2: LANDFORMS AND LANDSCAPE PROCESSES

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Landforms	identify landforms describe the landforms	 Landforms: local area regional Africa the world 	 Observing landforms Describing landforms Listing of landforms Sketching landforms 	Local environmentPhotographsVideosJaws softwareTalking books

Benefits of landforms	explain benefits of landforms	Benefits of landforms	Discussing benefits of landforms
	 differentiate between landforms and landscape 		Modelling landforms and landscape in the local environment

TOPIC 3: ECOSYSTEMS

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Components of Ecosystems	 describe the meaning of systems and ecosystems identify components of the ecosystem explain the components of the ecosystem draw food chains and food webs. 	Components of ecosystems: Biotic Abiotic	 Outlining systems and ecosystems Identifying components of the ecosystem Demonstrating knowledge of ecosystem components 	 Local ecosystems Talking books Jaws software
Micro ecosystem	identify components of a local micro ecosystem	Components of micro ecosystem: Inputs	Listing inputs, processes and outputsDiscussing linkages	

	explain the linkages of the components.	- Processes - Outputs	Touring local ecosystems Recording components of the ecosystems
Interdependence in ecosystems	 draw food chains and food webs interpret food chains, food webs and food pyramids. 	Food chain, food webs and food pyramids	 Illustrating food chains, food webs and food pyramids Explaining linkages of the components of the ecosystem

TOPIC 4: NATURAL RESOURCES

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Renewable and non- renewable resources	classify resource into renewable and non- renewable	Renewable and non-renewable resources	Classifying resources into renewable and non-renewable	
Sustainable use of resources in their local area	 describe how resources can be extracted sustainably in their locality 	Sustainable exploitation of resources	Discussing sustainable extraction of resources	

TOPIC 5: ENERGY AND POWER

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Types and sources of energy	 list types of energy identify sources of energy describe uses of energy 	 Energy Renewable: -solar -biogas -water -wood fuel -wind Non - renewable fossil fuels: -coal -Petroleum -Natural gas -Nuclear energy 	Identifying fuel types Describing sources of renewable and non - renewable energy	 Local environment Photographs Videos Local environment Photographs Videos Local environment Photographs Videos Jaws software Talking books
Siting of power Plants	 state factors affecting siting of power plants describe the siting of power plants 	 Siting of power plants Location of hydroelectric power 	Identifying the factors affecting siting of power plants	
Power generation	 describe types of power generation explain the processes of power 	Nuclear and thermal plants (including geo- thermal)	Discussing possible power plants	

	generation	 Thermal power generation (Geo thermal, gas, coal) Solar HEP Wind Nuclear 	2030	
Environmental impact from generation and use of energy	 explain the environmental impact of types of energy outline measures to mitigate 	Energy and environment: -Pollution -Deforestation -Climate change Mitigation -Reforestation -A forestation -Use of clean energy	 Discussing uses of energy Undertaking educational tours Describing environmental impact of types of energy Discussing processes of mitigation 	
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TOPIC 6: MAP WORK AND GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Characteristics of a map	 list the components of a good map. identify the components of a good map on a given map 	Components of a good map Title Grid/ gratitude Direction information Legend/ Key Scale Cartographer Co-ordinate reference system	 Outlining the components of a good map Finding the components of a good map on a given map 	 Ordinance survey Maps Atlases Magnetic compasses
Types of maps	 outline the characteristics of the major types of maps. classify map into the major types 	Major types of maps Topographical maps Political Physical Economic	 Listing the characteristics of the major types of maps Categorising maps into major types 	
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Location on maps	 determine the longitude and latitude of a point in degrees establish the longitude and latitude of a point using metres 	Co-ordinate systems geographic co-ordinate system Universal Transverse Mercator co-ordinate system (Thirteen figure grid reference)	 Mapping the location of home and school Locating features on a map
Scale	 draw a sketch map showing locality of school and home. explain the concept of scale describe the importance of scale outline types of scale distinguish among the types of scale demonstrate the use of scale in drawing simple maps. 	The concept of scale Importance of scale Types of scale simple statement scale representative fraction linear scale Use of scale for producing simple maps	 Outlining the concept of scale Explaining the importance of scale Listing the types of scale Differentiating the types of scale Drawing simple maps using scale
Universal symbols	 draw universal symbols Interpret universal symbols on maps 	 Common universal symbols Interpretation of universal symbols on maps 	 Illustrating phenomena using universal symbols Explaining universal symbols

Direction	 explain the concept of direction illustrate compass directions calculate bearings navigate using magnetic 	 The concept of direction Compass directions Bearing Magnetic compasses and their use 	 Describing the concept of direction Outlining compass directions
	compasses	002	 Computing bearings Finding directions using magnetic compasses
Distance	 measure distances using various methods demonstrate the use of the Pythagoras theorem in the calculation of distance estimate area on maps using grid squares and graph paper 	Measurement of straight and winding distances on maps: - string - straight edged piece of paper - pair of dividers Calculation of straight distances Estimation of area on maps	 Finding straight and winding distances on maps Calculating distances using the Pythagoras theorem Finding area on maps using graphs paper and grid squares
Area	Estimate area on maps using grid squares and graph paper	Estimation of area on maps	Finding area on maps using graph paper and grid squares

TOPIC 7: MINERALS AND MINING

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
	able to:		72	
Distribution of minerals and mines in Zimbabwe	identify mines and minerals in Zimbabwe describe the distribution of mines and minerals in Zimbabwe	 Zimbabwe's geological formations Mines and minerals in Zimbabwe Distribution of mines and minerals in Zimbabwe 	Drawing maps showing mines and minerals distribution in Zimbabwe Describing the distribution of mines and minerals in Zimbabwe Touring mines	 Geological maps Mineral samples Local mines Photographs of minerals Recommended text books
Ores and mineral groups	list precious minerals in Zimbabwe identify ores and mineral groups	Precious minerals in Zimbabwe Ores and mineral groups	 Identifying precious minerals in Zimbabwe Identifying minerals Discussing the characteristics of ores and mineral groups in Zimbabwe 	

Use and importance of	 describe the 	The economic	Discussing the	
minerals	economic	importance of	economic	
	importance of	minerals in	importance of	
	minerals in	Zimbabwe	minerals in	
	Zimbabwe		Zimbabwe	

TOPIC 8: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Aspects of the environment	identify aspects of the environment describe aspects of the environment	Aspects of the environment -land -water -air	explaining aspects of the environment	 Photographs Videos Talking books Jaws software Local environment Resource persons EMA Act ZINWA Act Water Act Parks and Wildlife Act Forestry Act Recommended

		-		text books
State of the environment	 describe state of the environment distinguish between pristine and degraded state of the environment 	Environment:PristineDegraded	 Observing the state of the environment Discussing the pristine and degraded environment 	
Environmental management	 outline the Indigenous knowledge systems (IKS) in environmental management explain the environmental management concept: 	 Management of Land Water Air Wildlife 	 Investigating IKS on environmental management Discussing environmental management Developing environmental management plan 	
	concept:			
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TOPIC 9: AGRICULTURE AND LAND REFORM

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	RECOMMENDED RESOURCES
Factors influencing agriculture	 explain agriculture Identify types of agriculture explain factors influencing agriculture 	 Types of agriculture Physical factors Political factors Socioeconomic factors 	 Discussing the concept of agriculture Listing types of agriculture Explaining factors influencing agriculture 	 Local farms Charts showing farming in Zimbabwe Local land uses Recommended text books
Farming as a system	 name elements of a farm classify inputs into physical, human and economic identify elements of a communal farm 	InputsProcessingOutputs	 Listing elements of a farm Differentiating classes of inputs Tabulating elements of a communal farm 	
Land use zoning	 identify land use zones in a community Justify the need for zoning outline suitability of land for particular land use 	Land use zones such as: arable land grazing land residential land Land use legislation such as: the town and	 Drawing different land use zones on maps Explaining land uses in the local community Justifying each land use zone Touring farms 	

Factors influencing agriculture	 explain agriculture Identify types of agriculture explain factors influencing agriculture 	Country planning Act Types of agriculture Physical factors Political factors Socio- economic	Discussing the concept of agriculture Listing types of agriculture Explaining factors influencing agriculture	 Local farms Charts showing farming in Zimbabwe Local land uses Recommended text books
Farming as a system	 name elements of a farm classify inputs into physical, human and economic identify elements of a communal farm 	factors Inputs Processing Outputs	 Listing elements of a farm Differentiating classes of inputs Tabulating elements of a communal farm 	text books
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Land use zoning	 identify land use zones in a community Justify the need for zoning outline suitability of land for particular land use 	Land use zones such as: arable land grazing land residential land Land use legislation such as: the town and country planning Act	Drawing different land use zones on maps Explaining land uses in the local community Justifying each land use zone Touring farms
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TOPIC 10: INDUSTRY

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Types of industry	describe industry identify types of industry	IndustryTypes of industry	 Describing industry Identifying types of industry 	 Maps Charts Newspaper Talking books Jaws software Recommended text books

Importance of industries to Zimbabwe	 explain the importance of industry 	Importance of industries	 Discussing importance of industry Touring local industries 	
Nature and distribution of industries in Zimbabwe	 describe the distribution of industries in Zimbabwe 	Distribution of industries in Zimbabwe	Describing the distribution of industries in Zimbabwe	

TOPIC 11: SETTLEMENT AND POPULATION

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Types of settlement	 identify different types of settlement describe the characteristics features of different settlement types 	 Characteristics of rural settlements Characteristics of urban settlements 	 Observing nature of settlement in local area Discussing differences between urban and rural settlement Debating the advantages and disadvantages of 	 Local environment Photographs Jaws software Maps Resource persons Acts of Parliament Constitution of Zimbabwe Recommended

			living either in rural or urban settlement	text books
Site and situation of settlements	 distinguish site and situation of a settlement outline general site factors of settlements identify site factors that influenced location of their local settlement explain the importance of situation in growth of settlement 	 Site and situation factors Nucleation Dispersion 	distinguishing site and situation of a settlement (rural or urban) describing the site of the local settlement/ any rural area you are familiar to	
Rural settlement patterns	 identify rural settlement patterns describe rural settlement 	Rural settlement patterns	Describing arrangement of dwelling units in the local area (rural or urban)	

	patterns		Drawing rural settlement patterns
Rural and Urban land use planning legislation	list laws governing rural and urban land use in Zimbabwe	 Regional town and country planning Act Rural councils Act 	 Describing land use planning laws Discussing the main issues in the land use planning laws

TOPIC12: TRANSPORT AND TRADE

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Modes of Transport	describe 'transport' Identify modes of transport explain changes in modes of transport in recent times	Modes of transport	 Describing 'transport' as a concept Listing modes of transport Touring transport convergence centres such as airports and road ports 	 Maps showing transport networks Photographs Airports Road ports Sea ports

Advantages and Disadvantages of transport modes	explain the advantages and disadvantages of modes of transport	Advantages and disadvantages	Outlining advantages and disadvantages of different modes of transport
Transport	 explain the different transport networks in Zimbabwe, region and Africa. draw transport networks calculate transport indices interpret transport indices 	Transport networks and analysis	 Mapping/drawing of transport network routes of Zimbabwe Describing transport networks in Zimbabwe, region and Africa. Identifying transport networks from maps Drawing transport flow line diagrams Calculating transport indices Interpreting transport indices
Transport challenges	discuss solutions to transport challenges	 Transport challenges and solutions 	Discussing solutions to transport challenges
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FORM 2 COMPETENCY MATRIX FORM 2

TOPIC 1: WEATHER AND CLIMATE

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Weather hazards	 outline weather hazards describe causes and effects of weather hazards suggest measures to reduce weather hazards 	 Weather hazards such as floods, lightning and drought Causes of weather hazards Weather hazards impact Mitigation measures 	 Stating weather hazards Identifying hazards impacts Determining mitigation measure Identifying human activities which contribute to changes in local weather 	 Maps Weather instruments School weather station Print media Electronic media Weather charts Resource persons Local environment

Influence of people on weather	 describe how human activities contribute to weather changes e evaluate the effect of human influence on weather Effect of human activities on whether such as deforestation, dam construction, industrialisation weather Analysing the effects of human activities on weather weather
Climate of Zimbabwe	 describe Zimbabwe's climatic zones and patterns in climatic zones erelate Zimbabwe's climatic zones to various economic activities
Climate variability	 describe climate variability suggest solutions to effects of climate variability describe effects of climate variability Discussing climate variability Examining effects of climate variability Discussing climate variability Discussing effects of climate variability Discussing variability Discussing variability Discussing variability Discussing variability Discussing variability Discussing variability Note: Learners should continue recording weather data

TOPIC 2: LANDFORMS AND LANDSCAPE PROCESSES

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Rocks	 Identify main types of rocks Describe the formation of each of the main rock types describe the characteristics of various rock under each main rock type classify the rock types 	 Rock types; igneous sedimentary metamorphic Origin of rocks 	 Examining rocks Describing the formation of rocks Distinguishing characteristics of rocks classifying rocks under each main rock type 	 Rock samples Local environment Photographs Videos

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Weathering of rocks and resultant landforms	 describe the main types of weathering distinguish between mechanical and chemical weathering describe landforms resulting from weathering 	 Physical/mechanical weathering Chemical weathering Landforms resulting from weathering granitic landforms karst landform 	 Describing the main types of weathering Distinguishing between mechanical and chemical weathering Sketching landforms resulting from weathering Observing landforms in the local area 	 Photographs Sketches diagrams Local environment Model of the earth Maps
Internal structure of the earth	 illustrate with a diagram the internal structure of the earth describe the parts of the internal structure of the earth 	The parts of the internal structure of the earth crust mantle core	 Drawing the internal structure of the earth Modelling the internal structure of the earth 	
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TOPIC 3: ECOSYSTEMS

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Biodiversity	identify habitats in a local ecosystem	 Species diversity Habitat diversity Genetic diversity 	Undertaking Field survey to determine biodiversity Adopting a micro environment for biodiversity conservation Participating in biodiversity conservation projects	 Maps Photographs Videos Local environment Satellite images Legislation such as Ecosystems Protection Act
Tropical ecosystems	 locate biomes in Africa identify the inputs, processes and outputs of each biome explain the adaptations of vegetation and animals in each biome 	 Equatorial rainforest Tropical continental Tropical desert 	 Describing the location of individual biomes on a map. Describing the inputs, processes and outputs of each biome. Outlining the adaptation of vegetation and animals in each biome 	

Sustainable Management of ecosystems	describe sustainability of ecosystem identify strategies for conserving local forests construct fireguards around the school plant trees in the locality control local erosion	Concept of ecosystem sustainability Conservation measures against environmental challenges such as veld fires, deforestation and soil erosion	 Describing ecosystems sustainability Formulating ways of conservation of local forests Participating in constructing fireguards Planting trees and controlling soil erosion 	 Maps Photographs Videos Local environment Satellite images Legislation such as Ecosystems Protection Act
Use of ecosystems in entrepreneurship	tify potential nesses from systems gn a small business g local ecosystems a small business using l ecosystem	 Potential eco- business Project on small business using local ecosystems 	 Listing potential businesses from ecosystems e.g. ecotourism Drawing up a business proposal based on resources from local ecosystem Running a small ecosystem-based business. 	 Local ecosystems Recommended textbooks
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TOPIC 4: NATURAL RESOURCES

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Population and resources	 describe the growth of population and its effects on resources 	Growth of population and its effects on resources	Discussing the growth of population and effects on resources	 Maps Charts Print media Magazines ZimStat Local environment
Exploitation of natural resources in Africa	describe the factors influencing exploitation of natural resources		Discussing the factors influencing the exploitation of natural resources	

TOPIC 5: ENERGY AND POWER DEVELOPMENT

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Economic importance of energy types	explain the importance of energy in economic activities examine the advantages and disadvantages of using different types of energy	 Importance of energy in agriculture, mining, and manufacturing Advantages and disadvantages of using different sources of energy 	 Discussing the role of energy in economic development Comparing and contrasting different energy types 	 Photographs Videos Local environment Print media Electronic media
Relative importance of using different energy sources	justifying the choice of particular types of energy	Sources of energy: -water -wind - solar, - nuclear -biogas -fossil fuels -wood -animal draught power	 Calculating the relative costs of using different energy types Touring farms and factories that use energy 	

TOPIC 6: MAP WORK AND GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Contour lines and their interpretation	 describe the concept of contour lines determine altitude using contour lines identify landforms using contour patterns 	 The concept of contour lines Determination of altitude using contour lines Identification of landforms using contour patterns 	 Explaining the concept of contour lines Finding altitude using contour lines Recognising contour patterns using contour patterns 	Ordinance survey MapsAtlases
Gradient	 describe the concept of gradient calculate gradient of a slope apply gradient data to understand phenomena on the map 	 The concept of gradient Calculation of gradient Interpretation of gradient data 	 Explaining the concept of gradient Finding the gradient of a slope Describing phenomena on a map using gradient data 	
Land use Patterns	 describe types of land use on a map explain determinants of land use zoning on maps 	 Types of land use Factors affecting land use patterns Identification landuse 	 Identifying types of land use on maps Outlining determinants of land use patterns on map Outlining land uses from 	

identify land use patterns on a map describe types of land use patterns explain processes influencing land use patterns	patterns on maps Types of land use patterns point data polygon/area data line data Processes influencing land use pattern on maps	maps Recognising land use patterns on a map Explaining the types of land use patterns Describing the determinants of land use patterns
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TOPIC 7: MINERALS AND MINING

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Factors influencing mining in Zimbabwe	describe the term mining describe the factors influencing mining in Zimbabwe	 Mining Factors influencing mining 	 Discussing the meaning of mining Explaining factors influencing mining 	 Mining Maps Models of Mining methods Print media Internet Videos on mining methods Mines (including panning sites) Photographs

Methods of mining	describe the	Methods of mining:	Tes Discussing the Min	d panners ting kits eral samples
	mining methods in Zimbabwe	SurfaceUnderground	advantages and text	commended books eral testing kits
Mineralogy	 identify methods used in prospecting for gold describe physiochemical properties of alluvial minerals identify methods used in gold panning outline problems associated with gold panning suggest measures to increase the contribution of gold panning to the national economy 	 Gold panning in Zimbabwe: prospecting methods (including IKS) physio-chemical properties of alluvial minerals mining methods problems associated with gold panning measures to increase the contribution of gold panning to the national economy 	 Investigating methods used to prospect for gold Describing methods used in gold panning Touring gold panning sites Devising measures to increase the contribution of gold panning proceeds to the economy Testing for gold, diamond, tin etc. NB Learners should test for the properties of one mineral in the laboratory 	

Environmental impact of mining	 describe the environmental impacts of mining identify mitigation measures Identify mining area rehabilitation measures 	 Environmental impact of mining Mitigation and rehabilitation of a mining area 	 Discussing environmental impacts of mining Touring a local mine to study environmental impact of mining and discussing solutions Developing a sustainable environmental management plan
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TOPIC 8: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Environmental degradation	 describe forms of environmental degradation describe causes of environmental degradation 	 Forms of environmental degradation such as: veld fires soil erosion silting of rivers rivers changing courses 	 Outlining forms of environmental degradation Debating causes of environmental degradation Discussing 	 Local environment Photographs Videos Resource persons Climate Policy

	 explain effects of environmental degradation outline mitigation measures 	 gullies uncontrolled mining uncontrolled sand abstraction deforestation destruction of wetlands water pollution air pollution poor waste management practices other forms such as noise and graffiti Social, economic and physical effects Mitigation of environmental degradation 	effects of environmental degradation • Explaining ways of mitigating environmental degradation	document • Climate Change Response Strategy document
Impact of climate change on the environment	 identify impacts of climate change on the environment 	Impact on : • Land - soil - vegetation • Water: - quantity	 Discussing impacts of climate change on the environment Debating pros and cons of 	

	explain pros and cons of climate change	 quality Air quality Negative impacts Positive impacts 	climate change impact in Zimbabwe
Climate change mitigation	describe climate change mitigation measures	 Climate change mitigation -targeting people and environment 	 Identifying climate change mitigation measures

TOPIC 9: AGRICULTURE AND LAND REFORM

TOPIC			SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Farming types in Zimbabwe	 identify the dominant farming types in Zimbabwe explain the characteristics of each farming type 	Characteristics of farming types Subsistence Benefits and challenges Communal farming in Zimbabwe Commercial dairying, horticulture/ market gardening	 Classifying farming types in Zimbabwe Outlining characteristics of each farming type 	 Local farms Map showing farming in Zimbabwe Photographs of farms or farming activities

		 cattle ranching mixed farming plantation and irrigation farming 	3030
Agro- ecological regions of Zimbabwe	 draw Zimbabwe`s agro-ecological regions on a map of Zimbabwe describe the characteristics of each region explain the farming activities of each region 	 Regions 1- 6 location characteristics farming activities 	 Identifying regions on a map of Zimbabwe Outlining the characteristics of each region Identifying the farming activities of each region
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TOPIC 10: INDUSTRY

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Secondary industry: factors influencing location of industry	explain factors influencing the location of industries	Factors influencing the location of industry	 Discussing factors influencing location of industry Identifying types of industrial location Explaining the factors influencing the location of a local industry Touring a local industrial site 	ChartsPhotographsLocal industryMaps
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Transnational corporations (TNCs)	 describe transnational corporations discuss the advantages and disadvantages of Transnational corporations 	 Transnational corporations Advantages and disadvantages of Transnational corporations 	 Explaining the concept transnational corporations Describing the advantages and disadvantages of Transnational corporations
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TOPIC 11: SETTLEMENT AND POPULATION

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Urbanisation	 explain the causes of urbanisation describe process of urbanisation describe effects of urbanisation suggest solutions to problems of urbanisation 	 Causes of urbanisation Process of urbanisation Effects of urbanisation 	 Discussing causes of urbanisation Explaining the process of urbanisation Debating effects of urbanisation Identifying solution to problems of urbanisation 	 Graphs Tables Local urban centre Photographs Videos Print media Electronic media Unplanned settlements
Urban land use models	 describe urban land use zones outline the main features of different land use models 	 Urban land use zones: CBD industrial zones residential zones recreational 	 Matching models to actual towns in Zimbabwe Undertaking an educational tour/trip to an urban area 	

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES	SUGGESTED
	Learners should be able to:		AND ACTIVITIES	RESOURCES
		zones Land use models: Concentric Sector Multiple- nuclei	70,	
Unplanned urban Settlements	 state characteristic of unplanned settlements describe the location of unplanned settlements within urban centres explain causes of unplanned settlements 	 Nature of unplanned settlements Distribution of unplanned settlements within urban centres Causes of unplanned settlements in urban areas 	 Undertaking an educational tour to unplanned settlements Identifying characteristics of unplanned settlements Explaining the distribution of unplanned settlement 	
Effects and solutions of unplanned settlements	 outline effects of unplanned settlements suggest measures to solve problems of unplanned settlements 	 Unplanned settlements and the environment Socio-economic impact of unplanned settlements Measures to solve problems of unplanned 	 Identifying effects of unplanned settlements Discussing solutions to the challenges of unplanned settlements 	 Photographs Videos Local urban centre Local environment Print media Electronic media Unplanned settlements



TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
		settlement		
Disaster resilient Infrastructure	 identify the main features of disaster resilient infrastructure describe factors considered in siting settlements 	 Housing designs and materials Factors to consider when siting settlements 	Observing local infrastructure designs Suggesting examples of disaster resilient infrastructure	

TOPIC12: TRANSPORT AND TRADE

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Trade	Explain trade Describe trade patterns in Zimbabwe, SADC, Africa and the world	 Trade as a result of demand in one place being met by supply from another Trade patterns in Zimbabwe, SADC, Africa and the world 	 Identifying what necessitates trade Outlining trade patterns Drawing trade diagrams showing trade patterns 	Maps showing trade patterns and volumes

Domestic and foreign trade	 outline the characteristics of domestic and foreign trade differentiate domestic from foreign trade 	 Domestic trade Foreign trade 	 Interpreting trade graphs Outlining the characteristics of domestic and foreign trade discussing the differences between domestic and foreign trade 	
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FORM 3: COMPETENCY MATRIX

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TOPIC 1: WEATHER AND CLIMATE

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Air masses	 describe an air mass classify air masses describe types of air masses and their characteristics 	 Air mass Classification of air masses Characteristics of types of air masses 	 Describing an air mass Describing the basis for classifying air masses Discussing the types and characteristics of air masses 	 Videos Maps of Zimbabwe, Africa and the World Climatic tables Charts Synoptic maps

Air masses affecting Zimbabwe and Southern Africa	describe weather associated with air masses affecting Zimbabwe and Southern Africa describe weather conditions associated with the Inter-Tropical Convergence zone	 Air masses affecting Zimbabwe and Southern Africa (south-east and north-east trades and north-west trade winds) Weather associated with air masses affecting Zimbabwe and Southern Africa The Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) 	 Identifying air masses affecting Zimbabwe Describing the weather associated with air masses affecting Zimbabwe and Southern Africa Illustrating the position of the ITCZ in Africa in January and July 	
Climate types on a global scale	 explain the basis for climatic classification on a global scale describe characteristics of world's climatic regions 	Climatic types and characteristics on a global scale i.e. tropical climates, warm temperate climates and polar climates	 Discussing the basis for climatic classification on a global scale Drawing maps of Africa showing major climatic regions 	
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Interpretation of climatic data • interpret clim graphs and t		Describing climatic tables and graphs
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TOPIC 2: LANDFORMS AND LANDSCAPE PROCESSES

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Continental Drift Theory	outline the continental drift theory	The continental drift theory	Identifying evidence of the continental drift theory	World mapGIS (simulation)Videos
Plate tectonics theory	describe tectonic movement explain implications of plate tectonic movements on climate	Plate boundaries: Constructive/Diverge nt Destructive/Converge nt Transform	 Illustrating constructive, destructive and conservative boundaries Discussing implications of plate movements 	

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Folding and faulting	 describe processes of folding and faulting describe resultant landforms 	 Folding and resultant landforms Faulting and resultant landforms 	Illustrating landforms resulting from folding and faulting	
Volcanoes and earthquakes	 outline the distribution of volcanoes and earthquakes explain the causes of volcanoes and earth quakes 	Volcanoes and Earthquakes	Outlining the distribution of volcanoes and earthquakes	
Effects of tectonic processes	identify effects of volcanic activity and earthquakes identify measures	Effects of volcanic activity and earthquakes	Explaining the effects of volcanic activity and earthquake	
Mitigating effects of vulcanicity and earthquakes	to reduce effects of vulcanicity and earthquakes	Measures to reduce effects of vulcanicity and earthquakes	 Suggesting measures to reduces the effects of vulcanicity and earthquakes 	

TOPIC 3: ECOSYSTEMS

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Biogeochemical cycles	 explain the biogeochemical cycles outline the importance of biogeochemical cycles in the ecosystem 	Biogeochemical cycles (Nutrient cycle, Nitrogen cycle and Carbon cycle)	 Describing biogeochemical cycles Discussing the importance of the cycles to the ecosystems 	 Local ecosystems Photographs Electronic media Print media
Wetlands	 explain the importance of wetlands outline the benefits of wetlands 	 Importance of wetlands Benefits of wetland areas 	 Describing the importance of wetlands Discussing the benefits of wetlands 	Wetlands
Conservation of ecosystem	Identify methods of conservation	 Conservation methods such as: terracing use of alternative sources of energy such as biogas, solar destocking legislation IKS 	Explaining the methods of conservation	EMA Act
Restoration of ecosystems	 explain the methods of restoring ecosystems outline benefits of restoring ecosystems 	 Restoration methods such as: gully reclamation grass planting tree planting 	 Discussing the methods of restoration Explaining the benefits of 	Degraded environment

			restoring the ecosystems Adopting degraded local ecosystems and rehabilitating them	
Benefits of ecosystems	explain the importance of ecosystems	 Benefits such as timber carbon sinks oxygen fruits/honey reduce soil erosion humus medicines increase in precipitation 	Discussing the benefits of ecosystems	
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TOPIC 4: NATURAL RESOURCES

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Conservation of resources	describe resources conservation measures identify ways of conserving resources	 Resources conservation methods of: fish water soil forest 	 Undertaking field trip /tour Identifying ways of conserving resources 	 Maps Print media CITES Reserves and sanctuaries Wildlife parks Local environment CAMPFIRE districts such as Mbire, Mahenye, Hurungwe

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Wildlife management	 describe wildlife management identify advantages of wildlife management 	 Types of wildlife management Game parks Conservancies Safari areas Sanctuaries National parks 	 Discussing advantages and disadvantages of wildlife management 	
Human wildlife conflict	 distinguish problemanimals from dangerous animals identify the causes of human-wildlife conflict suggest solutions to 	 Human-wildlife conflict Causes of human-wildlife conflict Solutions to human- 	 Listing problem animals and dangerous animals Explaining the causes of human-wildlife conflict Discussing the 	
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TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Communal Areas Management Programme For Indigenous Resources (CAMPFIRE)	 human wildlife conflict give reasons for the establishment of the CAMPFIRE discuss the benefits of the CAMPFIRE discuss the sustainability of CAMFIRE 	 wildlife conflict CAMPFIRE Benefits of CAMPFIRE Sustainability of CAMPFIRE 	 solutions to human-wildlife conflict Identifying reasons for the establishment of CAMPFIRE Explaining the benefits of CAMPFIRE Discussing sustainability of CAMPFIRE Note: Refer to a specific case study in Zimbabwe. 	
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TOPIC 5: ENERGY AND POWER

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Conservation of energy sources	explain how energy sources can be conserved	Energy conservation methods: -Increased use of public transport -Use of renewable energy sources (wind, biogas, Hydro- electric power, solar power)	 Explaining energy conservation Participating in conservation activities such as tree planting and recycling 	 Local environment Policies and strategies such as: Renewable energy policy Bio-fuels policy Climate policy Climate change response strategy

Energy production and conservation in the local area	analyse types of energy used and conservation measures undertaken in the local area	 Production of energy in the local area Conservation measures: reforestation use of energy efficient technologies 	Conducting survey on energy conservation in the local area Making energy conserving technologies such as: - biogas digester and tsotso stove Note: Learners are encouraged to form energy conserving clubs	
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TOPIC 6: MAP WORK AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Global Positioning System and world time zones	 explain the concept of GPS apply GPS technology in navigation calculate time using longitude 	 The concept of GPS Navigation using GPS World time zones Calculating time using longitude 	 Describing how GPS works Navigating using GPS Finding the time zone of a location 	 GPS units Smart phones Q GIS software (open source) Computers The Internet – Google earth/ Flash earth
The Electromagnetic spectrum	 describe the concept of light as a wave explain the visible wave bands of the electromagnetic spectrum apply the electromagnetic spectrum in the interpretation of photographs 	 The concept of light as a wave The visible wave bands of the electromagnetic spectrum Application of the electromagnetic spectrum in the interpretation of photographs. 	 Explaining the concept of light as a wave Describing the visible wave bands of the electromagnetic spectrum Demonstrating the ability to use the electromagnetic spectrum in the interpretation of photographs 	

TOPIC 7: MINERALS AND MINING

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Small scale mining in Zimbabwe	 describe small scale mining describe the contribution of small-scale mining to the economy of Zimbabwe explain the challenges and solutions to small scale mining outline the legislative 	Small scale mining Contribution of small-scale mining to the economy of Zimbabwe Challenges and solutions Legislative	 Discussing small scale mining Discussing the contribution of small-scale mining to the economy. Identifying challenges and solutions to small scale mining. Researching on legal requirements on mining and mining rights 	 Maps Charts Print media Internet Mines and Minerals Act Environmental Management Act NASSA Act EMA officials Resource persons
Processing of minerals in	framework on mining and mining rights	framework on mining and mining rights	Discussing the processing of selected minerals in Zimbabwe and Africa	
Zimbabwe and Africa	 explain the processing of selected minerals in 	The processing of selected		

	Zimbabwe and Africa	minerals in Zimbabwe and Africa	39	
Beneficiation and Value addition	 describe the importance of beneficiation of minerals in Zimbabwe 	 The beneficiation of minerals in Zimbabwe 	Discussing the importance of beneficiation of minerals	
Safety and Health in mining	explain the importance of safety and health issues in mining	 Issues of safety and health in mining 	Discussing safety and health issues in mining	
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TOPIC 8: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Environmental management legislation in Zimbabwe	 explain environmental management legislation assess the effectiveness of requisite legislation on environmental management discuss challenges and solutions of implementing environmental management legislation 	 Environmental management legislation Effectiveness of environmental management legislation Challenges and Solutions 	 Interpreting key provisions of environmental management legislation Explaining the effectiveness of environmental management legislation Discussing challenges and solutions of implementing environmental management legislation 	 Constitution of Zimbabwe Environmental Management Act Ecosystems Protection Act Photographs Videos Resource persons

TOPIC 9: AGRICULTURE AND LAND REFORM

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Land tenure	 describe land tenure identify forms of land tenure in Zimbabwe explain 	 Land tenure systems Free-hold Leasehold Communal State-owned Advantages and disadvantages 	 Explaining land tenure Listing land tenure types Describing characteristics of each tenure system Giving advantages and disadvantages of each land tenure system 	 Title deeds and lease agreements forms Charts illustrating models of

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners	CONTENT	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
	should be able			
	to:			
	characteristic s of each land tenure system compare land tenure systems		2030	resettlement Resettlement farms Newly resettled farmers
Land reform	 describe land reform explain forms of land reform 	 Reorganisation of land Land tenure Landuse land consolidation land fragmentation 	 Discussing land reform Debating the need for land reform Explaining forms of land reform 	
Land reform in Zimbabwe	identify reasons for land reform in Zimbabwe explain the land reform process in Zimbabwe outline the contribution of small-scale farming to food security	Resettlement: Phase1 (the willing seller willing buyer) and Phase 2 (accelerated) * Aims * Processes * Outcomes * Challenges and solutions * Characteristics of resettlement models Small scale farming and food security	 Justifying land reform in Zimbabwe Explaining land reform in Zimbabwe Touring resettlement farms Discussing the contribution of small-scale farming to food security 	

TOPIC 10: INDUSTRY

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Small to medium enterprises	 describe the causes, characteristics and location of small to medium enterprises 	small to medium enterprise - causes - characteristics - location	Describing the characteristics, causes and location of small to medium enterprises	 Print media Pamphlets Government publications Statutory instruments
The role of informal industries in Zimbabwe	 discuss the role of informal industries in Zimbabwe 	The role of informal industries in Zimbabwe	Discussing the role of informal industries in Zimbabwe	
Occupational safety and health in industry	discuss measures adopted in industries to promote occupational safety and health	Occupational safety and health	Discussing measures adopted in industries to promote occupational safety and health	

Challenges associated with manufacturing and processing industries in Zimbabwe	 identify solutions to challenges facing manufacturing and processing industries in Zimbabwe 	Challenges facing manufacturing and processing industries in Zimbabwe	Discussing solutions associated with challenges facing manufacturing and processing industries in Zimbabwe	
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TOPIC 11: SETTLEMENT AND POPULATION

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Population terms	 describe population terms apply population terms at local or national levels 	Population terms such as: Birth rate, death rate Infant mortality rate Fertility	Describing population termsApplying population terms	 The home The local community Census reports
Population data collection,	 collect population data within the 	Population data collection and	 Conducting sample survey and a school 	Class membersFamily members

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
presentation and interpretation	school or local community analyse population data present population data interpret population data	analysis techniques • Population data presentation techniques	census Drawing population pyramids Discussing the data Comparing population pyramids of different regions (Zimbabwe and Sweden/Germany)	Population pyramids
Population distribution and density in Zimbabwe, Africa and the world	 describe population distribution in Zimbabwe, Africa, and the world explain differences in population density in Zimbabwe, Africa and the world 	 Population distribution in Zimbabwe: Africa World Variations in population density in Zimbabwe, Africa and the world Factors affecting population density 	 Identifying population distribution patterns Discussing causes of population distribution/ density 	 Population maps of Zimbabwe Population maps of Africa Population maps of the World
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TOPIC12: TRANSPORT AND TRADE

TOPICS	OBJECIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	RECOMMENDED RESOURCES
Regional imbalances in trade	demonstrate how trading patterns may create imbalances nationally and between regions/nations	Trade imbalances within a country Regional trade imbalances International trade imbalances imbalances -	 Explaining the concept of 'regional trade imbalance' Identifying trade imbalances on maps nationally, regionally and internationally 	Maps of internal, regional and international trade
Trading blocs	 name economic groupings like SADC, COMESA, ECOWAS, OPEC, EU Give reasons for 	 Trading blocs SADC COMESA ECOWAS OPEC EU 	 Listing of trading groupings Explaining the aims of the different economic groupings 	
	the formation of trading blocs	A		

COMPETENCY MATRIX FORM 4

TOPIC 1: WEATHER AND CLIMATE

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Temperate depressions	describe factors influencing the development and distribution of temperate depressions	Development of temperate depressions	Discussing structure and development of temperate depressions	MapsPhotographscharts
Frontal systems	describe weather associated with different types of fronts	Types of fronts and related weather	Identifying types of fronts and their associated weather	

Tropical cyclones	 discuss the distribution and development of tropical cyclones explain weather hazards associated with tropical cyclones Distribution and development of tropical cyclones Weather conditions and hazards associated with tropical cyclones Explaining weather weather Explaining weather Explaining weather
Human influence on climate	 identify human activities on climate such influencing climate Luman influence on climate such as afforestation, desertification, dam construction identify human hazards associated with tropical cyclones ldentifying human activities influencing climate
Climate change	 describe the nature, causes and effects of climate change in Zimbabwe and the world at large identify ways of adaptation against climate change Mature, causes and effects of climate change Adaptation to climatic change Mitigation against climate change Identifying ways of adaptation and mitigation against climate change Identifying ways of adaptation and mitigation against climate change

TOPIC 2: LANDFORMS AND LANDSCAPE PROCESSES

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Landforms resulting from water action and river processes	 describe the nature of seasonal water flow in rivers explain river processes in shaping the landscape describe landforms resulting from river processes 	 Seasonal nature of rivers in Zimbabwe Processes operating along a river channel Landforms resulting from river processes: valleys meanders waterfalls rapids 	 Labelling of rivers in Zimbabwe Explaining the processes operating along a river channel Describing landforms resulting from river processes: valleys meanders waterfall rapids etc. 	 Maps Local rivers Photography Print and electronic media
Landforms resulting from wind action	 describe the characterist ics of arid and semi- arid regions explain the distribution of arid and semi-arid regions 	 Characteristics of arid and semi-arid regions Distribution of arid and semi-arid regions Wind action processes such as erosion, transportation and deposition Landforms resulting from wind action areas in Zimbabwe and Africa 	 Discussing characteristics of arid and semi-arid regions Describing factors influencing location and extent of arid and semi-arid areas in Zimbabwe and Africa Explaining wind action processes of erosion, transportation and 	

	 explain the processes of wind action describe the landforms resulting from wind action 		disposition • Describing the formation of landforms from wind action	
Hazards associated with landform development	describe the hazards associated with landform development	Hazards associated with landforms development	Describing hazards associated with landform development	
Disaster risk management of volcanoes, earthquakes, flooding, mass wasting	identify methods of disaster risk manageme nt of volcanoes, earthquake flooding and mass wasting	 Disaster risk management of volcanoes earthquakes flooding mass wasting 	Discussing disaster risk management of volcanoes, earth quakes, flooding and mass wasting	
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TOPIC 3: ECOSYSTEMS

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Soil components	 identify components of soil measure soil components analyse soil components 	Components of soil: – air – organic matter – water and – minerals	 describing the components of soil collecting soil samples measuring soil components drawing tables and graphs from findings analysing findings 	 Soil samples Instruments to measure soil components
Soil forming processes in the tropics and soil types	 describe the processes of gleyzation and cheluviation name type of soils formed through soil forming processes in the tropics 	 Soil forming processes: gleyzation cheluviation Soil types sand clay loam 	Explaining the process of gleyzation and cheluviation Differentiating soil types	

Soil properties	 explain soil profiles identify soil properties describe horizons in the soil profile 	 Soil profile Soil properties: texture structure colour pH organic content 	 Identifying (digging) the soil profile in the local area Discussing the soil properties Drawing the soil profile 	 Soil profile in the local area Soil samples Litmus paper
		 mineral content 	 Testing the pH 	

TOPIC 5: GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Venn Diagrams (Boolean logic)	 describe the basic functions of Boolean logic apply the Boolean logic in solving simple spatial problems describe the concept of overlay analysis 	 Boolean logic intersection union complement Application of Boolean logic in solving simple spatial problems The concept of overlay analysis 	 Explaining the basic functions of Boolean logic. Using Boolean logic basics to interpret spatial problems 	

Overlay Analysis	apply relational and conditional statements in overlay analysis	 Use of relational statements in overlay analysis Use of conditional statements in overlay analysis 	 Explaining the concept of overlay analysis Using relational and conditional statements in overlay
		analysis	analysis.

TOPIC 6: MINERALS AND MINING

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Sustainable use of mineral resources	explain sustainable use of mineral resources	 Sustainable use of mineral resources such as, reuse and recycling 	Discussing sustainable use of resources	 Print media Videos Mines EIA guidelines EIA experts
Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in mining	 describe environmental impact assessment describe the importance of environmental impact assessment in mining 	 Environmental impact assessment in mining The importance of environmental impact assessment in mining 	Discussing environmental impact assessment in mining Discussing the importance of environmental impact assessment in mining	Maps Ministry of mines
Cost-benefit	 explain the cost- 	 Cost-benefit 	 Calculating cost- 	

analysis (CBA)	benefit analysis concept	analysis	benefit for a hypothetical mining
	 describe the 		project
	importance of the		Discussing the
	cost-benefit		importance of cost-
	analysis in mining		benefit analysis

TOPIC 7: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Environmental management at global level	 identify international treaties and protocols relevant to environmental management discuss pros and cons of domesticating international treaties and protocols 	 International treaties and protocols in environmental management Pros and cons of domesticating international treaties and protocols 	 Discussing international treaties and protocols domestication (applying international treaties and protocols to Zimbabwe`s environment legislative framework) Debating on pros and cons of domesticating international treaties and protocols 	International treaties and protocols such as: UN Framework Convention on Climate Change Kyoto Protocol Montreal Protocol Bamako Convention Basel

			102h	 Convention Zambezi River Basin Action Plan Resource persons Land use related legislation such as: Regional, Town and Country Planning Act
Land use planning as a strategy for sustainable environmental management	 describe land use planning explain land use planning as a strategy for sustainable environmental management identify challenges in land use planning suggest mitigation measures 	 Land use planning in Zimbabwe Land use planning as a strategy for sustainable environmental management Challenges in land use planning Mitigation measures: risk informed land use planning related policies and legislation 	 Explaining land use planning in Zimbabwe Describing land use planning as a strategy for sustainable environmental management Outlining challenges in land use planning Discussing mitigation measures 	

TOPIC 8: AGRICULTURE AND LAND REFORM

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Climate change and agriculture	 deduce the effects of climate change on agriculture suggest mitigation measures assemble possible adaptation measures 	 Effects of climate change on agriculture Mitigation in agriculture Adaptation 	 Identifying the effects of climate change on agriculture worldwide, Discussing mitigation Outlining measures for each effect Suggesting adaptation measures for Zimbabwe and Southern Africa 	 Climate change simulation data World map showing possible effects Photographs Pests Farms Electronic media
Agricultural diseases, pests and solutions	identify agricultural diseases and pests	•Diseases •Pests	Naming diseases and pests	
	 describe the effects of pests and diseases suggest manual, biological and chemical control measures 	Effects of pests and diseases on productivity Biological and chemical Control	 Discussing the effect of pests and diseases on productivity identifying control methods Touring farms 	
Urban Agriculture	 evaluate advantages and 	Urban agriculturenatureadvantages	assessing urban agricultureexplaining	

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
	disadvantages of urban agriculture • identify problems of urban agriculture • suggest solutions to the problems	 disadvantages problems of urban agriculture solutions for urban agriculture 	problems of urban agriculture discussing solutions to problems of urban agriculture	
Agribusiness	 list types of agribusiness in Zimbabwe identify sources of funding for small scale agribusiness evaluate importance of agribusiness to the individual and economy 	 Forms of Agribusiness funding Importance of Agribusiness 	 Naming Agribusiness types Suggesting possible sources of funding Discussing importance of Agribusiness Proposing small projects based on Agriculture 	 Agribusiness Internet Videos on small Agribusinesses

TOPIC 9: INDUSTRY

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Service Industries	describe service industry	Service industries	Discussing characteristics of service industries	 Zimbabwe Tourist maps Tourist magazines and brochures Tourist sites Videos on tourism and service industries
Tourism and its importance in Zimbabwe	 define tourism describe tourism in Zimbabwe describe problems associated with tourism in Zimbabwe suggest solutions to problems faced by tourism in Zimbabwe 	Tourism Importance of tourism in Zimbabwe Tourist attractions in Zimbabwe Problems associated with tourism in Zimbabwe Solutions to tourism related problems	 Discussing the importance of tourism in Zimbabwe Touring local tourist sites Discussing problems associate d with service industry in Zimbabwe Suggesting solutions to tourism related problems 	

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Quaternary industries	 describe quaternary industries in Zimbabwe 	 Quaternary Industries 	Describing quaternary industries	
Challenges associated with service and quaternary industries in Zimbabwe	 explain problems associated with service and quaternary industries in Zimbabwe 	Problems associated with service and quaternary industries in Zimbabwe	Discussing problems associated with service and quaternary industries in Zimbabwe	
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TOPIC 10: SETTLEMENT AND POPULATION

TOPIC	OBJECTIVES Learners should be able to:	CONTENT (knowledge, skills, values and attitudes)	SUGGESTED NOTES AND ACTIVITIES	SUGGESTED RESOURCES
Population growth patterns	 identify factors which influence population growth explain factors which influence population growth 	 Factors affecting population growth: birth rate death rate immigration emigration 	Discussing factors which affect population growth	 Map of Zimbabwe World map Videos Photographs of migrants Case studies of: Typical

Causes and effects of migration	 describe causes of migration explain effects of migration outline different categories of migration 	Causes: push factors pull factors Effects in: sending areas receiving areas Internal migration rural to urban urban to rural urban to rural urban to rural intra-urban Intra- rural International migration Voluntary and involuntary	 Discussing causes of migration Discussing effects of migration Outlining the categories of migration 	developing countries - Typical developed countries • Photographs showing diseases in: - developing countries - developed countries • Videos of people suffering from various diseases of HIV/AIDS, Ebola, hypertension • Chart showing population
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Population policy	 describe the rationale of having population policies explain the effects of population policies for named developed and developing countries 	 Population policies in developing countries Population policies in developed countries Policies promoting population growth Policies limiting population growth 	 Discussing the importance of population policies Debating the need for population policies 	pyramids of contrasting population growth The Demographic Transition Model Population pyramids
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Population and diseases	 describe diseases associated with developing countries describe diseases associated with developed countries explain the difference in diseases between developed and developing countries explain social and economic effects of diseases 	Common diseases in: developing countries (at least one of water borne, vector borne and nutritional diseases) developed countries (mainly lifestyle diseases). Reasons for variations in diseases spread between developing and developed countries Socio-economic effects of diseases	 Discussing reasons for the incidence/ spread of diseases in developing and developed countries Discussing differences in diseases between developed and developing countries Debating socioeconomic effects of diseases 	
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The Demographic Transition Model (DTM)	 describe the features of the various stages of the DTM identify countries with high/low population growth rate 	 Stages of the DTM Critique of the DTM Examples of countries with: high population growth declining population Effects of population growth 	 Describing the stages of the DTM Assessing the applicability of the DTM to local community and Zimbabwe Discussing effects of high population growth 	
Effects of population growth/decline	 explain the effects of population growth (negative or positive) 	Effects of declining population	Discussing effects of declining population	
	SEO GRAN			

9.0 ASSESSMENT

The Heritage-based Geography syllabus learning area for form 1 - 4 shall be assessed through School Based Continuous Assessment (SBCA) and Summative Assessment (SA). These assessments shall be guided by the principles of inclusivity, practicability, authenticity, transparency, flexibility, validity and reliability. The principles are crucial for creating a supportive and effective learning environment that fosters growth and development in learners at secondary school level. Arrangements, accommodations and modifications shall be visible to enable candidates with special needs to access assessments.

This section covers the assessment objectives, the assessment model, the scheme of assessment, and the specification grid.

9.1 Assessment Objectives

By the end of the Heritage-based Geography syllabus learning area for form 1 - 4, learners will be assessed on their ability to:

- 9.1.1 demonstrate basic knowledge of geographic information systems (GIS)
- 9.1.2 interpret topographical maps, photographs and satellite images.
- 9.1.3 collect, analyse and interpret geographical data
- 9.1.4 conserve natural resources in the context of both economic development and environmental protection
- 9.1.5 develop technologies in issues of climate change
- 9.1.6 narrate the processes that bring about change in both physical and human environment
- 9.1.7 show geographical knowledge in creating solutions to everyday challenges
- 9.1.8 develop enterprise skills in resource utilisation and conservation
- 9.1.9 explain the relationship between physical and human processes in the shaping of geographic space

9.2 Assessment Model

Assessment of learners at Lower Secondary School Level for Heritage-based Geography Syllabus shall be both Continuous and Summative as illustrated in Figure 1. School Based Continuous Assessment shall include recorded activities from the School Based

Projects done by the learners. The mark shall be included on learners' end of term and year reports. Summative assessment at school level shall include terminal examinations which are at the end of the term and year.

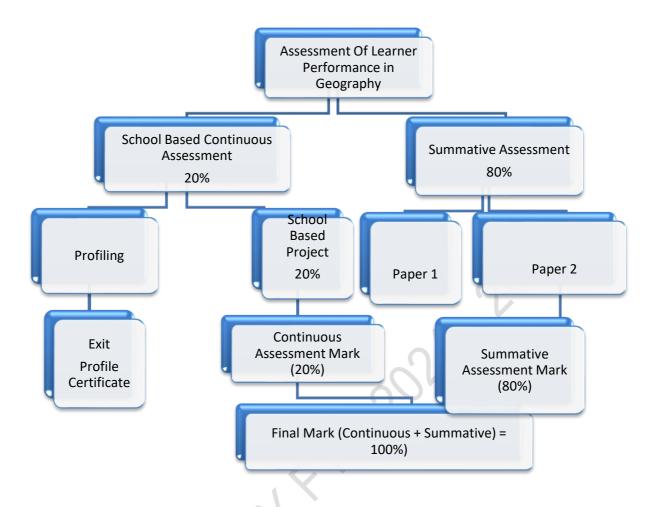


Fig. 1 Assessment Model

In addition, learners shall be profiled and learner profile records established. Learner profile certificates shall be issued for checkpoints assessment in schools as per the dictates of the Teacher's Guide to Learning and Assessment. The aspects to be profiled shall include learner's prior knowledge, values and skills, and subsequently the new competences acquired at any given point.

9.3 Scheme of Assessment

The Assessment Model shows that learners shall be assessed using both School Based Continuous Assessment and Summative Assessment for both School and ZIMSEC assessments.

The table shows the Scheme of Assessment where 20% is allocated to School Based Continuous Assessment and 80% to School or ZIMSEC Summative Assessment.

School Based Continuous Assessment	20%
Summative Assessment	80%
Total	100%

9.3.1 Description of School Based Continuous Assessment

Learners shall do one school-based project per form which contributes to 20% of the end of year final mark. The end of year summative assessment shall then contribute 80%. However, for ZIMSEC public examinations, two (2) school-based projects shall be considered as School Based Continuous Assessment at form 4. The two School Based Projects shall include those done during form 3 and 4 sessions. Each will contribute 10%.

9.3.1.1: School - Based Project Continuous Assessment Scheme

The Table given below shows the Learning and Assessment Scheme for the School Based Project.

Project Execution	Description	Timelines	Marks	
Stages				
1	Problem Identification	January	5	
2	Investigation of related ideas to the problem/innovation	February	10	
3	Generation of possible solutions	March	10	
4	Selecting the most suitable solution	April-May	5	
5	Refinement of selected solution	June	5	
6	Presentation of the final solution	July	10	
7	Evaluation of the solution and Recommendations	August-September	5	
	TOTAL		50	

The learning and assessment scheme shows the stages that shall be executed by pupils and the timeline at which each stage shall be carried out. Possible marks, totalling 50, are highlighted to indicate how much can be allocated.

9.3.2 Description of the ZIMSEC Summative Assessment

ZIMSEC Summative Assessment shall be a public examination at form 4. The examination shall consist of 2 papers.

Paper	Paper type	Marks	Duration	Weighting
1	Multiple choice	40	$1\frac{1}{2}$ hours	30%
2	Structured – free response and data response		$2\frac{1}{2}$ hours	50%
TOTAL				80%

Paper 1: Multiple choice

Duration: $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours

The paper consists of 40 multiple choice questions marked out of 40. The paper is compulsory and will be set on all syllabus topics

Paper 2: Structured – free response and data response

Duration: $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours

The paper consists of nine (9) structured free response and data response questions, three (3) in section A, three (3) in section B and three (3) in section C. candidates are required to answer four (4) questions, one from section A, one from section B and one from section C and one other question chosen from any section. Each question will score 25 marks.

9.4 Specification Grid

Skill	Paper 1	Paper 2
Knowledge and	50%	50%
comprehension		
Application and Analysis	40%	40%
Problem solving	10%	10%
TOTAL	100%	100%

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