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Section A The challenge of natural hazards

Answer all questions in this section.

Question 1 The challenge of natural hazards

Study Figure 1, a graph showing changes in the amount of carbon dioxide (CO₂) in the atmosphere.

![Figure 1](image)
Describe the change in the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere shown in Figure 1. [2 marks]

Outline one reason why the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere has changed over time. [2 marks]

Question 1 continues on the next page
Study **Figure 2**, a map showing how global surface temperatures might change by 2070.

**Figure 2**

![Map showing global surface temperature changes](image)

**Key**

- 0
- +1
- +2
- +3
- +4 °C

Using **Figure 2**, which two of the following statements are true?

Shade **two** circles only.

- **A** Changes in temperature are likely to be lowest in equatorial areas.
- **B** Temperatures in Asia are likely to rise by 1 °C.
- **C** Temperatures over most of the sea areas north of 60° N are expected to increase by 4 °C.
- **D** Temperatures over the whole of Africa are likely to rise by 3 °C or 4 °C.
- **E** The central parts of the continents are expected to have the lowest rise in temperature.
- **F** The rise in sea temperatures is likely to be greatest south of the equator.

[2 marks]
The weather of the UK is becoming more extreme.

Use evidence to support this statement.

[6 marks]

Question 1 continues on the next page
Study Figure 3, a world map showing the tracks and strengths of tropical storms.

**Figure 3**

![World Map Showing Tracks and Strengths of Tropical Storms](image)

**Complete the following sentences.**

[2 marks]

The greatest number of category four tropical storms happen in the ................................................................. Ocean.

Apart from very strong winds, one other associated weather feature of a category four storm is .................................................................

**Give one condition that is needed for a tropical storm to form.**

[1 mark]
Study Figure 4, a satellite image of Hurricane Katrina shortly before it crossed New Orleans in the USA.

Figure 4

Using Figure 4 only, forecast the weather conditions in New Orleans over the next 24 hours.

[4 marks]

Question 1 continues on the next page
Give two reasons why tropical storms eventually lose their energy. [2 marks]

Reason 1: 

Reason 2: 

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ANSWER IN THE SPACES PROVIDED
Study Figure 5a, a photograph showing an area affected by an earthquake in 2010, and Figure 5b, a photograph showing an area affected by a volcanic eruption in 2006.
Choose either an earthquake or a volcanic eruption.

Assess the extent to which primary effects are more significant than secondary effects.

Use Figure 5a or 5b and an example you have studied. [9 marks] [+ 3 SPaG marks]

Chosen tectonic hazard: 

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End of Section A

Turn over for Section B
Question 2  The living world

Study Figure 6, a world map showing some large scale global ecosystems.

![Figure 6](image)

**Figure 6**

Key: □ Hot desert  □ Tropical rainforest  □ Tundra  □ Polar

Using Figure 6, which one of the following statements is correct?

Shade one circle only.

- **A** Most areas of tundra are found on the edges of land masses.  
- **B** The largest polar area is found north of the equator.  
- **C** There are no areas of tundra south of the equator.  
- **D** There are no polar areas south of the Tropic of Capricorn.

[1 mark]
Describe the distribution of hot deserts shown in Figure 6. [2 marks]

Which one of the following statements describes the climate of a tropical rainforest? Shade one circle only.

A  Mild temperatures (10–18 °C), rainfall all year (approximately 1000 mm)

B  High temperatures all year (over 30 °C), very dry (250 mm of rainfall per year)

C  High temperatures all year (25–27 °C), rainfall in every month (1800–2000 mm per year)

D  Wide range of temperatures (15–30 °C), seasonal rainfall (approximately 750 mm) [1 mark]

Question 2 continues on the next page
Study Figure 7, a photograph showing part of the tropical rainforest in Central Africa.

**Figure 7**
Describe and explain the features of the vegetation shown in Figure 7. [6 marks]
Study **Figure 8**, which shows how the forested regions of the world changed between 2005 and 2009.

**Figure 8**

Which region of the world had the greatest rate of deforestation between 2005 and 2009?

[1 mark]
State the number of regions of the world where the rate of deforestation was greater than the world average rate of deforestation between 2005 and 2009. [1 mark]

Outline one possible environmental impact of deforestation. [2 marks]

Suggest one way that international co-operation can help make tropical rainforests more sustainable. [2 marks]

Question 2 continues on the next page
For a hot desert environment or cold environment you have studied, to what extent does that environment provide both opportunities and challenges for development? [9 marks]

Chosen environment:

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End of Section B
Turn over for Section C

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Section C Physical landscapes in the UK

Answer two questions from the following:
Question 3 (Coasts), Question 4 (Rivers), Question 5 (Glacial).

Shade the circle below to indicate which two optional questions you will answer.

Question 0 3 ☐  Question 0 4 ☐  Question 0 5 ☐

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Question 3  Coastal landscapes in the UK
Study Figure 9, on the insert, a 1:50 000 Ordnance Survey map extract of part of the coast of south west England.

0 3  1 Using Figure 9, match the coastal feature below to the correct grid reference.
Shade one circle only.
Choose from the following grid references:
A 673398  B 669421  C 668428

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<th>Coastal feature</th>
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[1 mark]

0 3  2 What is the straight line distance between Warren Point (6642) and Bolt Tail (6639)?
Shade one circle only.
A 1.8 km  B 2.4 km  C 3.0 km  D 3.6 km

[1 mark]

0 3  3 Suggest one reason for the uneven shape of the coastline shown in Figure 9.

[1 mark]
Study **Figure 10**, a photograph of Bolt Tail shown in grid square 6639 **Figure 9**.

**Figure 10**

Using **Figures 9 and 10**, in which direction was the photographer facing when the picture was taken?

Shade one circle only.

A  North east
B  North west
C  South east
D  South west

[1 mark]

Name one process of erosion that may affect these cliffs.

[1 mark]

Question 3 continues on the next page
Study **Figure 11**, a photograph showing sea defences at Beesands in Devon.

**Figure 11**

Suggest how the sea defences shown in **Figure 11** help to protect the coastline.

[4 marks]

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Study **Figure 12**, a sketch map showing features of coastal deposition.

![Figure 12](image)

Using **Figure 12** and your own knowledge, explain how different landforms may be created by the transport and deposition of sediment along the coast.

[6 marks]
Question 4  River landscapes in the UK

Study Figure 13, a 1: 50 000 Ordnance Survey map extract of part of the River Ouse.

Figure 13

State **one** characteristic of the course of the River Ouse in grid square 4754.

[1 mark]

Give the difference in height between the river flood plain at 481561 and the spot height at 460563.

[1 mark]
Study Figure 14, a diagram showing the long and two cross profiles of a river.

**Figure 14**

Describe the shape of the river’s long profile.  

[1 mark]

Suggest one reason why the cross profile of the river valley changes between A and B. 

[1 mark]

State one reason why the size of sediment carried by the river decreases downstream. 

[1 mark]

Question 4 continues on the next page
Study Figure 15, a photograph showing the effects of river flooding in Somerset in 2014.

Figure 15

0 4 6 Explain the likely economic effects of river flooding on the area shown in Figure 15. [4 marks]
Study Figure 16, a photograph showing the waterfall at High Force on the River Tees.

Using Figure 16, explain the processes involved in the formation of the landforms shown.

[6 marks]
Question 5  Glacial landscapes in the UK
Study Figure 17, a 1: 50 000 Ordnance Survey map extract of part of North Wales.

Figure 17

Identify the glacial landform at grid reference 653532. Shade one circle only.

A  glacial trough  
B  pyramidal peak  
C  truncated spur  

[1 mark]

Identify the grid square in which the gradient of the land is steepest. Shade one circle only.

A  5952  
B  5954  
C  6252  

[1 mark]
Study Figure 18, a photograph of Crib Goch shown in grid square 6255 on Figure 17.

**Figure 18**

Using Figures 17 and 18, name the lake shown in the photograph.

[1 mark]

Suggest why the rock shown in the foreground of Figure 18 is fractured.

[2 marks]

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Question 5 continues on the next page
Study Figure 19, photographs showing tourist activity in Snowdonia.

Figure 19
Suggest how tourism might put pressure on the physical environments shown in Figure 19.

[4 marks]
Study **Figure 20**, a diagram showing glacial moraines.

![Figure 20]

Using **Figure 20**, explain how different landforms of deposition may be created in a glacial environment.

[6 marks]