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GCSE (9–1) Geography A (Geographical Themes)

J383/01 Living in the UK Today

Tuesday 22 May 2018 – Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour



You must have:

- the Resource Booklet (inserted)

You may use:

- a scientific or graphical calculator
- a ruler (cm/mm)



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INSTRUCTIONS

- The separate Resource Booklet will be found inside this document.
- Use black ink. You may use an HB pencil for graphs and diagrams.
- Complete the boxes above with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If additional space is required, use the lined page(s) at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **60**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology (SPaG) will be assessed in questions marked with a pencil (✎).
- This document consists of **12** pages.

Answer **all** the questions.

Landscapes of the UK

1 (a) (i) Which of the following are characteristics of glaciated uplands?

- A** Cold, wet climate with steep sided valleys.
- B** Deep, fertile soils ideal for growing crops.
- C** Flat landscape with layers of clay and gravel.
- D** Little weathering due to dry, warm climate.

Write the correct letter in the box.

[1]

(ii) Study **Fig. 1** which shows the area of the UK covered by an ice sheet about 18 000 years ago.

Which of the following areas was **not** covered by the ice sheet?

- A** Central Wales
- B** Northern Ireland
- C** South East England
- D** Southern Scotland

Write the correct letter in the box.

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(b) Study **Fig. 2** which shows a photograph of Blakeney Point spit.

(i) Describe the characteristics of the spit in the photograph.

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- (ii) Explain the formation of a spit. You may use a diagram.



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(c)* CASE STUDY – a UK river basin

Name your chosen river basin in the UK:

‘Human activities have a greater impact on the landscape in your chosen river basin than geomorphic processes.’

To what extent do you agree? [12]

 Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology [3]

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People of the UK

- 2 (a) Study **Fig. 3** which shows superfast broadband coverage in the UK in 2014.

Describe the pattern of superfast broadband coverage shown in **Fig. 3**.

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- (b) Study **Fig. 4** which shows demographic transition in the UK.

(i) In which year was the birth rate 16 births per 1000 population?

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(ii) In which stage was the birth rate 20 births per 1000 population?

- A Stage 1
- B Stage 2
- C Stage 3
- D Stage 4

Write the correct letter in the box.

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(iii) Explain the responses to an ageing population in the UK.

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(c) Explain **one** economic advantage of immigration into the UK.

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(d) **CASE STUDY** – a major city in the UK

Housing availability, transport provision and waste management are three challenges faced by urban areas.

Name **one** major city in the UK you have studied:

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Examine the sustainable strategies used in your chosen city to overcome **one** challenge.

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UK Environmental Challenges

- 3 (a) (i) The table below shows **four** air masses that influence the weather in the UK. Use arrows to match each air mass to the correct description.

One has been done for you.

Air mass		Description
Polar maritime		In winter it brings very cold, dry air. It can cause snow showers in the east of the UK.
Tropical continental	→	It can bring heatwaves to the UK in summer and fine, mild weather in winter.
Polar continental		Warm, moist air brings mild weather in winter.
Tropical maritime		Cold air collects moisture over the sea resulting in cold, showery weather.

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- (ii) Explain how continentality influences the weather in the UK.

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- (b) **Case Study – a flood event in the UK caused by extreme weather conditions.**

Name of UK flood event:

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Explain **two** causes of the UK flood event.

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(c) Study **Fig. 5** which shows energy sources used to produce electricity in the UK in 2009 and 2020 (predicted).

(i) Define the term renewable energy.

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(ii) Give the predicted decrease in the use of gas between 2009 and 2020.

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(iii) Suggest **two** reasons to explain the changing contribution of gas in the UK between 2009 and 2020.

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