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Afternoon (Time: 2 hours)

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You must have:
Resource Booklet (enclosed)

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions in Section A, **ONE** question in Section B and **ONE** question in Section C.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 90.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Calculators may be used.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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SECTION A

Compulsory topics and synoptic question

You must use the Resource Booklet.

Answer ALL questions in this section. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

A1: Atmosphere and Weather Systems

- 1 (a) Using Figure 1, explain how this model could help manage the risks of drought successfully.

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(b) Assess the impacts of high and low pressure weather hazards on mid-latitude locations.

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(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)



A2: Biodiversity Under Threat

- 2 Using Figure 2, suggest reasons for the differences in the scale of threats to biodiversity between these global regions.

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(Total for Question 2 = 10 marks)



Synoptic question

You should use relevant knowledge and understanding from Unit 1 and Unit 3 (topics A1 and A2) to answer this question.

- 3** To what extent are rapidly growing cities at the greatest risk from extreme weather hazards?

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(Total for Question 3 = 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 50 MARKS



SECTION B

Resource options

You must use the Resource Booklet.

Answer ONE question in this section – EITHER Question 4 OR Question 5.

Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross ☐. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☒ and then indicate your new question with a cross ☐.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

If you answer Question 4, put a cross in the box ☐.

B1: Energy Security

- 4 (a) Using Figure 3, suggest reasons why energy security risk is higher in some countries than in others.

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(b) Using named examples, assess the view that extraction and use of unconventional fossil fuels has more costs than benefits.

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(Total for Question 4 = 20 marks)



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Do not answer Question 5 if you have answered Question 4.

If you answer Question 5, put a cross in the box ☐ .

B2: Water Conflicts

5 (a) Using Figure 4, suggest reasons why water stress risk is higher in some countries than in others.

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TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 20 MARKS



SECTION C

Economic and Political options

Answer ONE question in this section – EITHER Question 6 OR Question 7.

Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☒ and then indicate your new question with a cross ☒.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

If you answer Question 6, put a cross in the box ☒ .

C1: Superpower Geographies

- 6 To what extent is the world becoming more multi-polar in terms of economic, military and geopolitical power?

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SECTION A

A1: Atmosphere and Weather Systems

The following resource relates to Question 1(a).

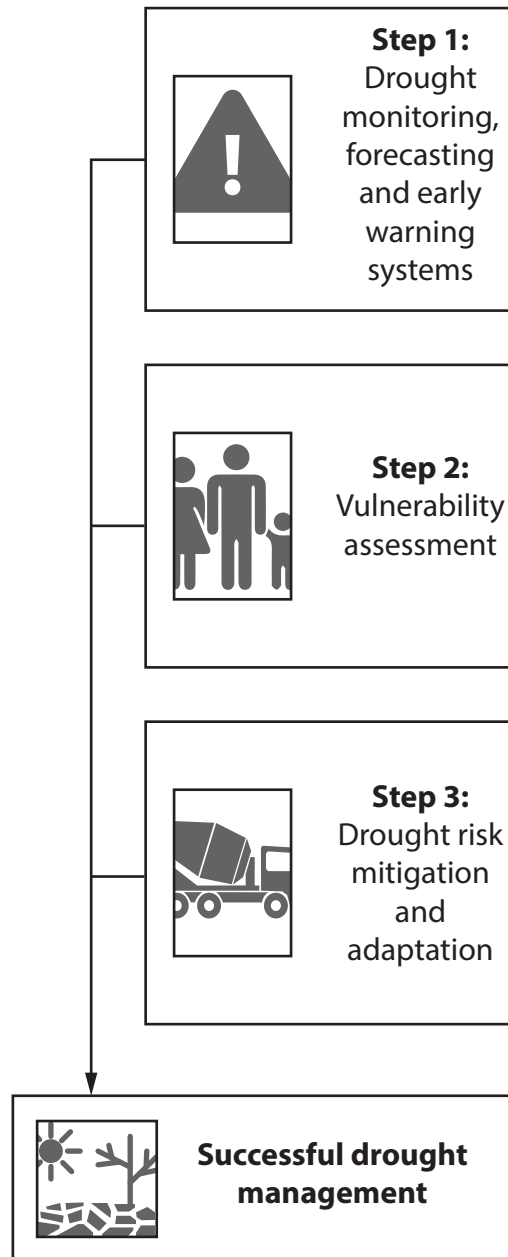


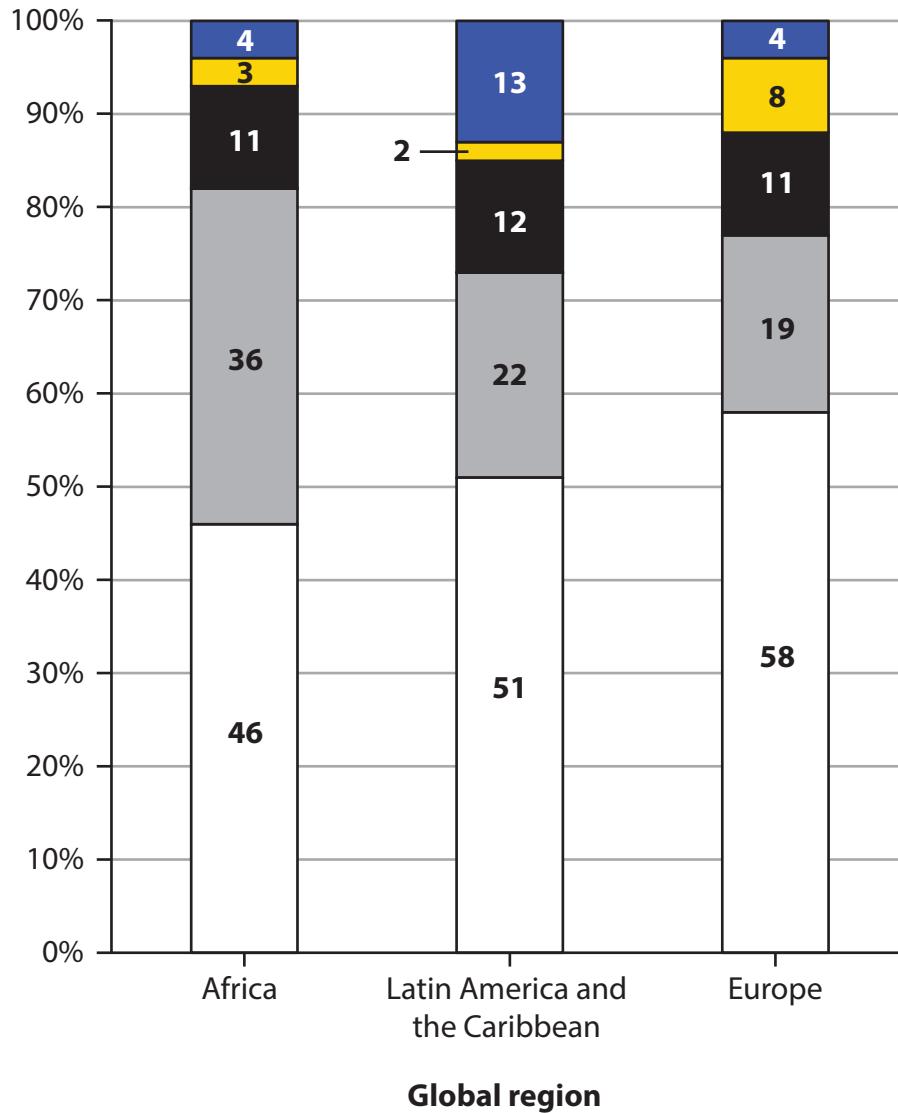
Figure 1

A model of drought hazard management

A2: Biodiversity Under Threat

The following resource relates to Question 2.

Scale of the threat
to biodiversity (%)



Key



Land use change



Species overexploitation



Alien invasive species



Pollution



Global warming

Figure 2

Threats to biodiversity in three global regions

SECTION B

B1: Energy Security

The following resource relates to Question 4 (a).

Country	International Energy Security Risk Index score	Energy security risk level
South Korea	1453	High risk
Belgium	1323	
France	1128	Medium risk
Brazil	1059	
Russia	875	Low risk
Canada	802	

A higher index score indicates a greater risk of energy insecurity.

Figure 3

Energy security risk for selected countries

B2: Water Conflicts

The following resource relates to Question 5 (a).

Country	World Resources Institute water stress score	Water stress risk level
Egypt	4.85	Extremely high
India	4.12	
Australia	2.67	Medium
China	2.40	
Canada	0.88	Low
Brazil	0.78	

A higher water stress score indicates a country at greater risk of water insecurity.

Figure 4

Water stress scores for selected countries

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