

# 20. Human influences on ecosystems

20.2 Habitat destruction

Paper 3 and 4

Marking Scheme

## Q1.

(a)(i)	<p><i>any three from:</i></p> <p>1 (increased area for) housing / urbanisation / industry / factories / buildings ;      2 roads / railways / infrastructure / building dams ;      3 livestock production / AW ;      4 extraction of, (named) natural resources / mining ;      5 freshwater / marine, pollution ;      6 climate change / global warming ;      7 AVP ;</p>	3	<p>MP3 A more meat consumption      MP5 A acid rain      MP7 e.g. natural disaster / war / flooding</p>
(a)(ii)	<p><i>any three from:</i></p> <p>1 increased yield ;      2 less space required ;      3 cheaper, production / labour cost OR more profit / AW ;      4 easier harvesting ;      5 fertiliser / pesticides, applied (to all) at the same time      OR same, fertiliser / pesticide, is used ; ora      6 AVP ;</p>	3	
(b)	<p><i>any two from:</i></p> <p>monitoring or tagging / protection, of species ;      legislation / law / prevent (over) hunting / prevent poaching ;      seed banks / zoos ;      captive breeding programmes ;      education ;      removal of introduced species ;</p>	2	
(c)	<p><b>A</b> ;  <b>A</b> ;  <b>B and D</b> ;</p>	3	either order
(d)	<p>the number of (different) <u>species</u> ;      that live in an area ;</p>	2	
(e)	<p><i>any one from:</i></p> <p>replant when trees are removed / AW ;      do not cut down too many trees (at once) ;</p>	1	

## Q2.

(a)(i)	(from) 1800 (to) 1900 ;	1	
(a)(ii)	(percentage land used for housing) increases ;	1	
(a)(iii)	1970 ;	1	
(b)	<p><i>any three from:</i></p> <p>reducing biodiversity ;      disruption of food webs and chains ;      habitat destruction ;      extinction ;      loss of soil / soil erosion ;      flooding ;      increased carbon dioxide in, atmosphere / air ;      AVP ;</p>	3	<p>e.g. enhanced greenhouse effect      / global warming / climate change      ref. to change in rainfall patterns</p>
(c)	<p><i>any one from:</i></p> <p>overharvesting (aquatic species) ;      (named) pollution / effect of sewage ;      mining / extraction of (named) resources / dredging ;      (non-biodegradable) plastics ;      AVP ;</p>	1	<p>e.g. tourism / change in temperature (of water)</p>

**Q3.**

(c)	increase (in carbon dioxide concentration) ; <i>idea of</i> (because there is) less photosynthesis ;	2	
-----	---	---	--

**Q4.**

(c)	<i>any three from:</i> voice deepens / AW ; shoulders broaden ; growth spurt / AW ; sexual organs enlarge ; sperm, production / release ; (increased) production of testosterone ; facial hair grows ; pubic / body / underarm, hair grows ; increase in, muscle / bone (mass) ; AVP ;	3	
-----	--	---	--

**Q5.**

(a)(i)	deforestation ;	1	
(a)(ii)	<i>any two from:</i> increased area needed for plant crop production ; increased area needed for livestock production ; housing / urbanisation ; extraction of natural resources ; AVP ;	2	

**Q6.**

(a)	kill / remove, pathogens / microorganisms ; to make it safe to, use / drink ; prevent disease ; to remove, toxic waste / nitrate pollution ; it can harm species in, river / sea / oceans ; AVP ;	2	
(b)	screening ; primary treatment ; secondary treatment ; separation ; aeration ; settlement / sedimentation ; anaerobic / sludge, digestion ; disinfection / chlorination / UV light ; AVP ;	1	
(c)(i)	microorganism / AVP ;	1	
(c)(ii)	decompose / digest / breakdown, (sewage) ;	1	

## Q7.

(c)(i)	habitat destruction ; extinction : soil erosion ; flooding ; AVP ;; e.g. landslides / leaching / disruption to food chains or webs or loss of food source / desertification	2	
(c)(ii)	agriculture ; mining / extraction, of resources ; building, houses / factories / industries ; building, transport links / roads ; AVP ; e.g. paper production	2	
(d)(i)	10662.4 ;;	2	<b>A</b> 10662 ecf incorrect total + 5 max one mark
(d)(ii)	deforestation is decreasing / less areas of forest are being removed ;	1	
(d)(iii)	ref. to, education / awareness ; protecting areas / national parks ; legislation ; AVP ;; e.g. idea of alternative, sources of energy used / resources	2	ecf if wrong trend in 5d(ii)

## Q8.

(b)(i)	<i>any three from:</i> 1 (total) number of fires in natural ecosystems is higher than (total) number of fires in managed land <i>or</i> <i>idea that</i> the savannah (alone) has more fires than the (total) fires in managed land ; 2 fires on managed land, have a lower expansion rate / spread more slowly (than other fires) ; 3 fires on managed land, have a shorter duration / last less time (than other fires) ; 4 more fires on land being deforested than in natural forest ; 5 comparative data quote (with units at least once) ; 6 AVP ;	3	MP5 e.g. approx. 20% of all fires occur on land managed by humans
(b)(ii)	multiply ; number of fires by expansion rate by duration (for each row) ;	2	
(b)(iii)	<i>any three from:</i> 1 reduction in population sizes of organisms ; 2 organisms / animals / plants, become endangered ; 3 organisms / animals / plants, become extinct ; 4 loss of biodiversity ; 5 loss of genetic diversity ; 6 ref. to negative effect on, food chains / food webs ; 7 ref. to negative effect on, nutrient / water, cycling ; 8 AVP ;	3	e.g. migration of organisms / flooding / soil erosion / leaching / desertification

## Q9.

(b)	<p><i>any three from:</i></p> <p>1 no roots, to absorb water / bind soil / hold soil together ;      2 <i>idea of:</i> no canopy / AW, to protect (soil) from rainfall ;      3 increase in run off / AW ;      4 ref. to soil erosion ;      5 loss of, mineral content / ions / nutrients / AW, in the soil ;      6 flooding (in the valleys) ;      7 landslides / mudslides ;      8 ref. to visual pollution / dead tree stumps / bare ground / AW ;      9 loss of biodiversity / disruption of food chains / disruption of food webs / (species) extinction ;      10 AVP ;</p>	3	
-----	---	---	--

## Q10.

(c)	<p><i>any three from:</i></p> <p>1 named threat ;      2 and 3 detail of how it is a threat to aquatic ecosystems ; ;      4 another named threat ;      5 detail of how it is a threat to aquatic ecosystems ;</p>	3	<p><i>examples of named threats:</i>      (micro)plastics / litter / sewage / fertilisers / effluent / (named) introduced / alien species / escaped farmed fish / genetically modified fish / (over)fishing / hunting / cyanide fishing / bomb fishing / (named) chemical / nuclear, pollutants / (named) development in sea / coast / (named) development in sea / coast / shipping / (named) tourism</p> <p><i>examples of detail of threat:</i>      habitat destruction / toxic to (aquatic) organisms / chokes / strangles / traps / blocks digestive systems (of aquatic animals) / accumulates in an organism / passes down a food chain / eutrophication / algal bloom / feminisation of fish / acidification of water / sedimentation in water</p>
-----	---	---	---