

# 20. Human influences on ecosystems

## 20.2 Habitat destruction

### Paper 3 and 4

#### Marking Scheme

## Q1.

(a)(i)	<i>any three from:</i> 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 ;	<b>3</b>	MP3 <b>A</b> more meat consumption  MP5 <b>A</b> acid rain  MP7 e.g. natural disaster / war / flooding
(a)(ii)	<i>any three from:</i> 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 ;	<b>3</b>	
(b)	<i>any two from:</i> monitoring or tagging / protection, of species ; legislation / law / prevent (over) hunting / prevent poaching ; seed banks / zoos ; captive breeding programmes ; education ; removal of introduced species ;	<b>2</b>	
(c)	<b>A ;</b> <b>A ;</b> <b>B and D ;</b>	<b>3</b>	either order
(d)	the number of (different) <u>species</u> ; that live in an area ;	<b>2</b>	
(e)	<i>any one from:</i> replant when trees are removed / AW ; do not cut down too many trees (at once) ;	<b>1</b>	

## Q2.

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

**Q3.**

(c)	increase (in carbon dioxide concentration) ; <i>idea of</i> (because there is) less photosynthesis ;	<b>2</b>	
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**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 ;	<b>3</b>	
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**Q5.**

(a)(i)	deforestation ;	<b>1</b>
(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 ;	<b>2</b>

**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 ;	<b>2</b>	
(b)	screening ; primary treatment ; secondary treatment ; separation ; aeration ; settlement / sedimentation ; anaerobic / sludge, digestion ; disinfection / chlorination / UV light ; AVP ;	<b>1</b>	
(c)(i)	microorganism / AVP ;	<b>1</b>	
(c)(ii)	decompose / digest / breakdown, (sewage) ;	<b>1</b>	

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

**Q9.**

(b)	<p><i>any three from:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 no roots, to absorb water / bind soil / hold soil together ;</li> <li>2 <i>idea of:</i> no canopy / AW, to protect (soil) from rainfall ;</li> <li>3 increase in run off / AW ;</li> <li>4 ref. to soil erosion ;</li> <li>5 loss of, mineral content / ions / nutrients / AW, in the soil ;</li> <li>6 flooding (in the valleys) ;</li> <li>7 landslides / mudslides ;</li> <li>8 ref. to visual pollution / dead tree stumps / bare ground / AW ;</li> <li>9 loss of biodiversity / disruption of food chains / disruption of food webs / (species) extinction ;</li> <li>10 AVP ;</li> </ol>	<b>3</b>	
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**Q10.**

(c)	<p><i>any three from:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 named threat ;</li> <li>2 <b>and</b> 3 detail of how it is a threat to aquatic ecosystems ;;</li> <li>4 another named threat ;</li> <li>5 detail of how it is a threat to aquatic ecosystems ;</li> </ol>	<b>3</b>	<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>
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