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Generic Marking Principles

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit
 is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme,
 referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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Section A

Answer **all** questions in this section. All questions carry 10 marks.

Population

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	Fig. 1.1 shows dependency ratios in Thailand, an MIC in Southeast Asia, 1980–2030.	2
	Calculate the range in the total dependency ratio shown in Fig. 1.1. Show your working.	
	118 (or 119) – 56 (or 57) = 61, 62 or 63	
	For the correct method (working must use the low value at 2015, not 2030) with inaccurate value(s), 1 mark .	
1(b)	Compare the trends in the youth dependency ratio and the aged dependency ratio shown in Fig. 1.1.	4
	Candidates should offer data from Fig. 1.1 to support the comparison.	
	The youth dependency ratio is decreasing while the aged dependency ratio is increasing, 1 mark . For a comparison of rates, 1 mark .	
	For accurate use of data (numbers, years), up to 2 marks .	
	For separate descriptions without an element of comparison, max. 2 .	
1(c)	Give <u>two</u> socio-economic reasons why the proportion of the youthful population is decreasing in many MICs.	4
	Candidates are free to develop their own reasoning. Reference may be made to countries other than Thailand.	
	 Relevant socio-economic reasons include: economic development influencing personal goals increased costs of raising children increased literacy and education of girls and women increased availability, accessibility and affordability of contraception emigration of young working age to other countries 	
	Credit a simple point 1 mark or a point with development (such as detail or exemplar support), up to 2 marks . Do not credit government population policy, which is demographic and political rather than socio-economic.	

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Migration/Settlement dynamics

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)(i)	Table 2.1 shows the results of a survey about remittances by rural-urban migrants from Abia and Imo, two states in Nigeria, an MIC in West Africa, in 2012.	1
	Using Table 2.1: name the state with the higher percentage of rural-urban migrants sending remittances	
	Abia (unit (%) not needed for the mark)	
2(a)(ii)	Using Table 2.1: calculate \underline{X} , the missing percentage in the frequency of sending remittances for Imo.	1
	44 (unit (%) not needed for the mark)	
2(b)	Compare the types of remittances sent by migrants from Abia and Imo shown in Table 2.1.	3
	Candidates should offer data from Table 2.1 to support the comparison. Comparison comprises similarities and differences.	
	Points of comparison include:	
	 for each type, percentages are higher in Abia for both states, the order of magnitude is the same 	
	• money is the most important type of remittance in both states (Abia 83%,	
	 Imo 15%) biggest difference between the two is in money (83 v 15 = difference of 68), then cloth 	
	smallest difference is in food, which is the lowest of the three types	
	Credit a simple comparison 1 mark and a developed comparison (with detail or data support), up to 2 marks .	
2(c)	Explain how remittances have positive impacts on rural source areas.	5
	Candidates are free to develop their own reasoning. Remittances are used for personal (family) expenditure, not capital infrastructure development such as new roads, hospitals.	
	 Key ideas include: how money gets used, e.g. for families' health and education, improving 	
	houses, for community development	
	 food helps survival, improves diet and nutrition cloth improves wellbeing and quality of life (a need, a luxury) maintains relationship of migrants with home/family 	
	Credit a simple point 1 mark , and a developed point 2 or 3 marks to the maximum.	

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Settlement dynamics

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	Fig. 3.1 shows a hierarchy of world cities in the USA, an HIC in North America, based on connections between service companies.	1
	Using Fig. 3.1, name the highest-ranking world city on the west coast.	
	Los Angeles	
3(b)	Describe the pattern of connections shown in Fig. 3.1.	4
	Candidates should offer information from Fig. 3.1 to support the description (connections (lines), names of world cities).	
	 Points include: main connections between New York City in E and San Francisco and Los Angeles in W (wide lines) fewer and less important N-S connections lighter connections in N of USA, Seattle the least important named world city in terms of connections more world cities and greater pattern of connections in E 	
	 some medium connections, e.g. Dallas, Miami Credit a sense of pattern; a simple point 1 mark and a developed point 2 marks to the maximum. 	

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xplain why the location of services	s within urban settlements is changing.	5
here should be an indication of the lo ities some services moving from CBD uch as business parks. he question asks about locations <u>with</u>	ocation change being explained, e.g. in HIC D/inner city to suburban fringe locations <u>nin</u> urban areas, so explanations involving	
former service location(s)	new service location(s)	
traffic congestion, delays	good, efficient road access	
high cost (bid rent) and intense spatial competition	lower costs per unit area	
lack of space to build/extend and park	available space, purpose-built units, cluster growth	
negative externalities, e.g. crime, safety, air pollution	positive externalities, e.g. relative peace, design	
impact of planning decisions	planning/incentives	
long journey to work time	shorter, easier commute	
	Candidates are free to develop their of There should be an indication of the locities some services moving from CBD uch as business parks. The question asks about locations with ounter-urbanisation should not be created (ey ideas include: former service location(s) traffic congestion, delays high cost (bid rent) and intense spatial competition lack of space to build/extend and park negative externalities, e.g. crime, safety, air pollution impact of planning decisions	Inequestion asks about locations within urban areas, so explanations involving ounter-urbanisation should not be credited. Key ideas include: new service location(s) former service location(s) new service location(s) traffic congestion, delays good, efficient road access high cost (bid rent) and intense spatial competition lower costs per unit area lack of space to build/extend and park available space, purpose-built units, cluster growth negative externalities, e.g. crime, safety, air pollution positive externalities, e.g. relative peace, design impact of planning decisions planning/incentives

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Section B

Answer one question from this section. All questions carry 30 marks.

Population

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	State three causes of high infant mortality rates.	3
	Candidates are free to develop their own approach. Any causes in any dimension are acceptable.	
	 Relevant causes include: social, e.g. lack of maternal education, traditional births, poor maternal diets economic, e.g. impacts of poverty on pregnant and nursing mothers, poor living conditions, cost of doctor/medicines environmental, e.g. extreme heat, drought, pollution political, e.g. impact of conflict on those vulnerable < 1 year 	
	Credit each cause max. 1 mark . For an answer without some clear link to infant deaths, max. 2 marks .	
4(a)(ii)	Explain two effects of high infant mortality rates.	4
	 Candidates are free to develop their own explanations. Possible answers include: high birth rates/continuing high birth rates given the need to ensure the survival of some children by compensating for infant deaths high fertility rate accept government intervention (policy or initiative) to reduce infant mortality rates, e.g. by immunisation emotional/psychological impact of infant deaths on the family other 	
	Credit two effects; a simple effect 1 mark and a developed effect (with detail or an example), max. 2 marks .	

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(b)	With the aid of one or more examples, explain why the death rate falls in Stage 2 of the demographic transition model (DTM).	8
	Candidates should use examples to help explain why the death rate falls in Stage 2 of the demographic transition model (DTM). A diagram is not required (as the model is descriptive rather than explanatory). The examples are likely to be locations, but could be initiatives and activities, etc. Responses will vary depending on the examples chosen, but credit any valid explanation.	
	 The explanation may draw on the following types of factors: social, e.g. education, community initiatives, modernisation changing traditional practices, safer working economic, e.g. investment in food production, sanitation, building better houses, healthcare environmental, e.g. reduced pollution, clean water supply 	
	 political, e.g. development policy, overseas aid Max. 3 marks for a generic answer without examples. 	
	Award marks based on the quality of explanation and breadth of the response using the marking levels below.	
	Level 3 (6–8) Response explains thoroughly why the death rate falls in Stage 2 of the DTM in a clear and focussed manner. Response is well founded in detailed knowledge and strong conceptual understanding of the topic. Any examples used are appropriate and integrated effectively into the response.	
	Level 2 (3–5) Response explains one or more reasons why the death rate falls in Stage 2 of the DTM. Response develops on a largely secure base of knowledge and understanding. Examples may lack detail or development.	
	Level 1 (1–2) Response comprises one or more points about death rates which may not be carefully focussed on why they fall in Stage 2 of the DTM. Knowledge is basic and understanding may be inaccurate. Examples are in name only or lacking entirely.	
	Level 0 (0) No creditable response.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(c)	'Food shortages can always be overcome.' With the aid of examples, how far do you agree?	15
	Candidates are free to develop their own approach to the question and responses will vary depending on the approach chosen. Whichever approach is chosen, essays which address the question and support their argument with relevant examples will be credited. There may be detailed consideration of a case study/one or more examples, or a broadly conceived response, drawing on several examples to illustrate the factors involved.	
	The causes of food shortages may be explored to determine what can be overcome and what cannot (in some circumstances or generally). For example, better distribution of food (the Marxian argument) may be achievable in many places. However, extreme weather, hazardous events, conflict, instability and the sheer number of mouths to feed may make food shortages continue. Candidates may use examples of food shortages, malnutrition, hunger and famine to support and progress the assessment.	
	Award marks based on the quality of the response using the marking levels below.	
	Level 4 (12–15) Response thoroughly discusses the extent of agreement with the view that food shortages can always be overcome in a clear and well developed evaluation. Response is well founded in detailed knowledge and strong conceptual understanding of the topic.	
	Level 3 (8–11) Response discusses the extent of agreement with the view that food shortages can always be overcome and offers an overall evaluation but may be unbalanced. Examples may lack detail or development. Response develops on a largely secure base of knowledge and understanding.	
	Level 2 (4–7) Response shows general knowledge and understanding of food shortages with limited focus on the extent of agreement with the idea that they can always be overcome. Response is mainly descriptive or explanatory with limited use of examples and understanding of the topic may be partial or inaccurate. Some concluding remarks. General responses without the use of example(s) will not get above the middle of Level 2 (6 marks).	
	Level 1 (1–3) Response may broadly discuss food shortages but does not address the question and does not come to a convincing conclusion. Response is descriptive, knowledge is basic and understanding is poor.	
	Level 0 (0) No creditable response.	

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Migration

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)(i)	Give the meaning of the term international forced (involuntary) migration.	3
	A full definition covers each element.	
	<i>international</i> between countries/across national borders (1)	
	<i>forced (involuntary)</i> compelled, e.g. by political instability or conflict, by hazardous event, by catastrophe, e.g. famine, not through choice (1)	
	<i>migration</i> population movement for one year or more (1)	
5(a)(ii)	With the aid of one or more examples, describe <u>one</u> positive impact and <u>one</u> negative impact of forced (involuntary) migration on the migrants themselves. Positive impacts could include physical safety, an end to fear, access to housing,	4
	food, safe water supply, etc. Possible eventual economic gain if moving from MIC/LIC to HIC.	
	Negative impacts could include loss of contact with family and friends, trauma, loss of home and belongings, economic loss (jobs, savings), culture shock or stress, alien culture in destination area, language difficulties, hazardous journey.	
	Credit one positive impact and one negative impact. For a simple description of an impact 1 mark and for a developed description of an impact with use of an example 2 marks .	

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5(b)	Describe the character, scale and pattern of <u>one</u> international migration stream.	8
	This requires a focussed response from candidates using their case study, selecting content about character, scale and pattern only.	
	For character, candidates may include whether it was voluntary or forced (involuntary), who the migrants were (e.g. aged groups, gender), when it happened, how they travelled, etc.	
	For scale, candidates may include numbers (must be reasonably accurate) of migrants, timescale, spatial scale (distance), and source areas and receiving/destination areas.	
	For pattern, this could be through a process such as chain migration or stepped migration or relate to spatial pattern or temporal pattern. As such, the three elements – character, scale and pattern – overlap.	
	Max. 3 marks for a generic answer without example(s).	
	Award marks based on the quality of explanation and breadth of the response using the marking levels below.	
	Level 3 (6–8) Response describes the character, scale and pattern of the chosen international migration stream in a clear and focussed manner. Response is well founded in detailed knowledge and strong conceptual understanding of the topic. Any examples used are appropriate and integrated effectively into the response.	
	Level 2 (3–5) Response describes the character, scale and pattern of the chosen international migration stream. Response may be unbalanced or limited through focussing on one factor or is broad and lacks depth. Response develops on a largely secure base of knowledge and understanding. Examples may lack detail or development.	
	Level 1 (1–2) Response comprises one or more points about international migration which may not be focussed on the question set. Knowledge is basic and understanding may be inaccurate. Examples are in name only or lacking entirely.	
	Level 0 (0) No creditable response.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
5(c)	With the aid of examples, assess the extent to which pull factors cause international economic migration.	15
	Candidates are free to develop their own approach to the question and responses will vary depending on the approach chosen. Whichever approach is chosen, essays which address the question and support their argument with relevant examples will be credited. There may be detailed consideration of a case study/one or more examples, or a broadly conceived response, drawing on several examples to illustrate the factors involved.	
	It is likely that candidates will consider the complexity of migration: decision- making and the interaction of push factors and pull factors, and maybe the influence of facilitating factors such as money, transport networks, information, media, etc.	
	Candidates may differentiate migrations in which push factors were dominant, such as for economic survival following the loss of employment, etc. from those in which pull factors were dominant, such as high wages, the prospect of promotion, incentives, etc.	
	Award marks based on the quality of the response using the marking levels below.	
	Level 4 (12–15) Response thoroughly discusses the extent to which pull factors cause international economic migration in a clear and well developed assessment of both pull factors and push factors. Response is well founded in detailed knowledge and strong conceptual understanding of the topic.	
	Level 3 (8–11) Response discusses international economic migration and offers an assessment of the extent to which it is caused by pull factors but may be unbalanced. Examples may lack detail or development. Response develops on a largely secure base of knowledge and understanding.	
	Level 2 (4–7) Response shows general knowledge and understanding of international migration with limited focus on the question (specifically economic migration and/or pull factors). Response is mainly descriptive or explanatory with limited use of examples and understanding of the topic may be partial or inaccurate. Some concluding remarks. General responses without the use of example(s) will not get above the middle of Level 2 (6 marks).	
	Level 1 (1–3) Response may broadly discuss migration but does not address the question and does not come to a convincing conclusion. Response is descriptive, knowledge is basic and understanding is poor.	
	Level 0 (0) No creditable response.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)(i)	With the aid of an example, give the meaning of the term <i>re-urbanisation</i> .	3
	The movement/migration of residents/population/people (1).	
	Back into, or towards the centres of, cities (centripetal/inwards) (1).	
	The example may be actual, e.g. from the Marne valley into Paris, from a Cheshire village into Salford Quays, Manchester; or generic, e.g. from a commuter village to a new development of loft apartments near the CBD (1).	
6(a)(ii)	Explain two reasons why re-urbanisation occurs.	4
	 Reasons may include: avoiding time taken and cost of commuting/to be nearer work access to vibrant life of inner urban area, e.g. bars, restaurants, culture, entertainment access to good transport, e.g. rail, bus, tram, metro attractive modern housing developments in inner urban area loss of rural idyll or idealism about village life life cycle, e.g. single professionals, after raising children Credit two relevant reasons: a simple reason 1 mark and a developed reason, with detail, depth or the use of an example, 2 marks to the maximum. For a response about the inward movement or relocation of activities rather than residential population, generic credit, max. 2. 	

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Question	Answer	Marks
6(b)	Explain why functional zonation develops in urban areas.	8
	Candidates will develop their own explanation. Reference to the classic land-use models, which are not in the syllabus and which are descriptive, not explanatory, is not expected.	
	 The explanation could include some of the following: bid-rent and spatial competition the advantages of clustering, e.g. high threshold shops near the PLVI in the CBD; lawyers' offices; manufacturing companies in an industrial zone; elite residential groups; shanty town residents/squatters urban planning access to transport historical forces determining later urban growth physical, e.g. terrain, drainage 	
	Max. 3 marks for a generic answer without exemplar content.	
	Award marks based on the quality of explanation and breadth of the response using the marking levels below.	
	Level 3 (6–8) Response explains why functional zonation develops in urban areas in a clear and focussed manner. Response is well founded in detailed knowledge and strong conceptual understanding of the topic. Any examples used are appropriate and integrated effectively into the response.	
	Level 2 (3–5) Response explains why functional zonation develops in urban areas in a limited way. Response develops on a largely secure base of knowledge and understanding. Examples may lack detail or development.	
	Level 1 (1–2) Response comprises one or more points about urban areas which may not be focussed on why functional zonation occurs. Knowledge is basic and understanding may be inaccurate. Examples are in name only or lacking entirely.	
	Level 0 (0) No creditable response.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
6(c)	'It is their large scale that makes it difficult to manage urban settlements.' With the aid of one or more examples, how far do you agree?	15
	Candidates are free to develop their own approach to the question and responses will vary depending on the approach chosen. Whichever approach is chosen, essays which address the question and support their argument with relevant examples will be credited. There may be detailed consideration of a case study/one or more examples, or a broadly conceived response, drawing on several examples to illustrate the factors involved. Scale includes population and physical extent.	
	Candidates may agree and provide supporting evidence of scale and argument; disagree and propose one or more other factors, such as finance; or provide an assessment of the relative importance of large scale and other factors. Syllabus content that may be used includes urban growth, world cities and the two management case studies.	
	Award marks based on the quality of the response using the marking levels below.	
	Level 4 (12–15) Response thoroughly discusses the extent to which it is their large scale that makes it difficult to manage urban settlements in a clear and well developed assessment. Response is well founded in detailed knowledge and strong conceptual understanding of the topic.	
	Level 3 (8–11) Response discusses how it is their large scale that makes it difficult to manage urban settlements and offers an assessment of extent but may be unbalanced. Examples may lack detail or development. Response develops on a largely secure base of knowledge and understanding.	
	Level 2 (4–7) Response shows general knowledge and understanding of large scale urban settlements with limited focus on the question of management. Response is mainly descriptive or explanatory with limited use of examples and understanding of the topic may be partial or inaccurate. Some concluding remarks. General responses without the use of example(s) will not get above the middle of Level 2 (6 marks).	
	Level 1 (1–3) Response may broadly discuss difficulties in urban settlements but does not address the question and does not come to a convincing conclusion. Response is descriptive, knowledge is basic and understanding is poor.	
	Level 0 (0) No creditable response.	