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Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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Answer **three** questions, **one** from each section.

The Insert contains Photographs A, B and C for Question 1, Photograph D for Question 3, and Photograph E for Question 6.
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Sketch maps and diagrams should be drawn whenever they serve to illustrate an answer.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.
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Definitions
MEDCs – More Economically Developed Countries
LEDCs – Less Economically Developed Countries

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Section A

Answer **one** question from this section.

QUESTION 1

1 **(a)** Study Fig. 1, which shows information about the percentage of the world's population in each continent between 1800 and 2050.

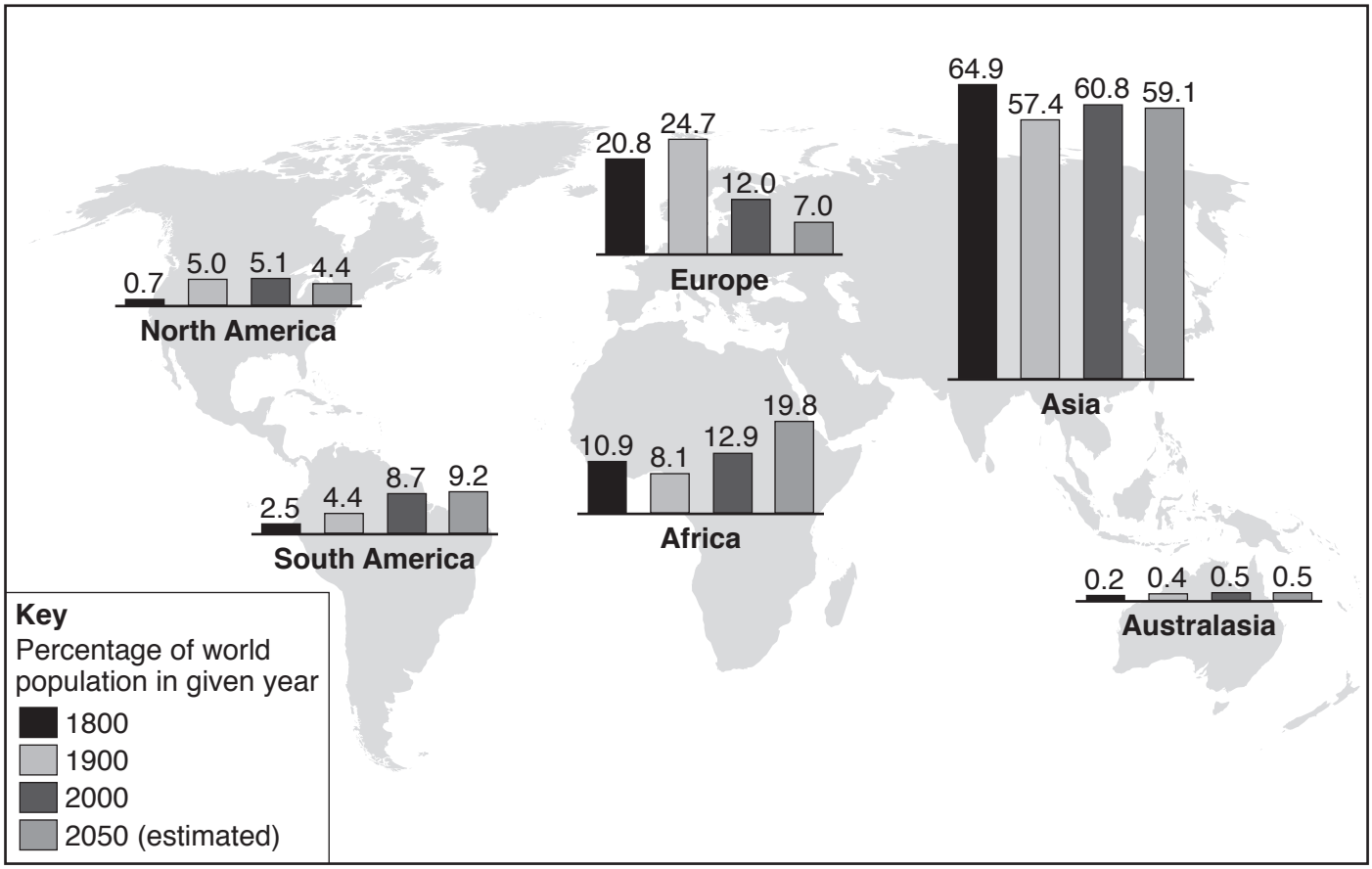

Fig. 1

(i) State which continent has the greatest percentage of the world's population.

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(ii) Name the continent where:

– the percentage of the world's population decreased between 1900 and the year 2000;

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– the percentage of the world's population is likely to increase the most between 2000 and 2050.

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(iii) Explain why natural population growth is still high in many LEDCs.

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(iv) Some countries are over-populated whilst others are under-populated.
Explain fully what is meant by over-population and under-population.

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(b) Study Fig. 2, which shows information about population density, and Photographs A, B and C (Insert).

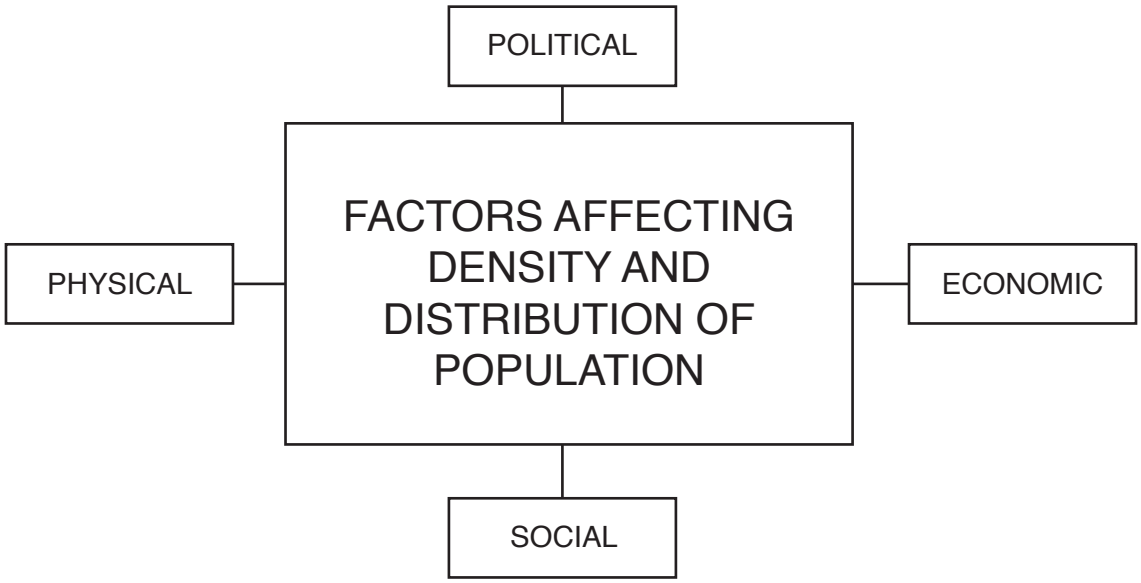

Fig. 2

(i) Identify a physical factor which explains why each of the areas shown in Photographs A, B and C is sparsely populated. You should choose a different physical factor for each photograph.

Photograph A .....

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Photograph B .....

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Photograph C .....

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(ii) Suggest how factors, other than physical factors, may contribute to low population densities in the areas such as those shown in the photographs.

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(c) Name an example of a country **from which** large numbers of people have migrated. Describe the positive and negative impacts of this migration on the named country which they have left.

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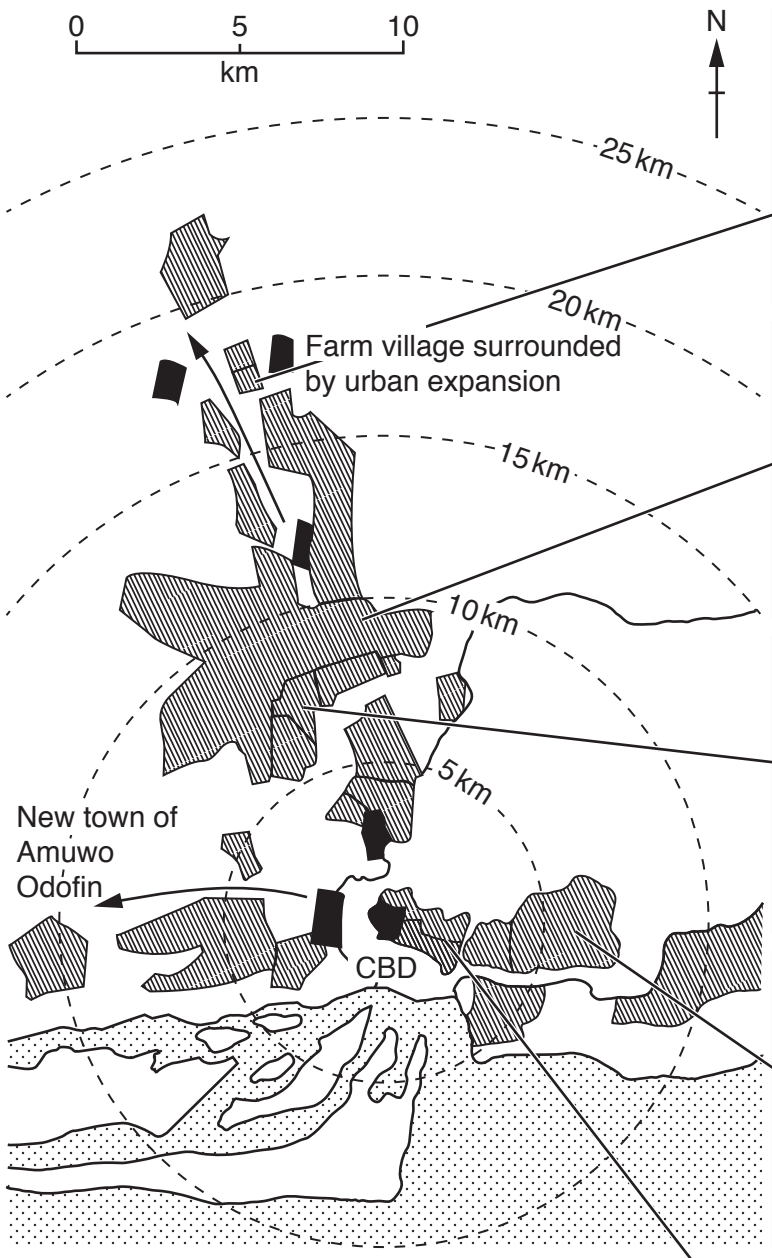
QUESTION 2

2 **(a)** Study Fig. 3, which shows information about housing areas in Lagos, a city in Nigeria (an LEDC in Africa).



Ikeja
30–35 houses per hectare
2.5 people per room
Population density: 175 per hectare
Percentage of houses with:

flush toilet	shared kitchen	piped water
100	0	100

Somula
Up to 30–35 houses per hectare
4 people per room
Population density: 750–1000 per hectare
Percentage of houses with:

flush toilet	shared kitchen	piped water
few	most	10

Surulere
30–35 houses per hectare
2.5 people per room
Population density: 420–550 per hectare
Percentage of houses with:

flush toilet	shared kitchen	piped water
most	10	30

Ikoyi
4 houses per hectare
1 person per room
Population density: 35 per hectare
Percentage of houses with:

flush toilet	shared kitchen	piped water
100	0	100

Central Lagos
40 houses per hectare
4 people per room
Population density: 1000 per hectare
Percentage of houses with:

flush toilet	shared kitchen	piped water
25	80	80

Fig. 3

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(i) What is the distance from the CBD of Lagos to Ikeja?

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(ii) In which **two** of the following directions is Lagos expanding?

Circle your answers from the list below.

north north east north-north west

south-south east south west west [2]

(iii) Using evidence from Fig. 3 **only**, name the area that you think has the best housing conditions.

Justify your answer.

Name of area .....

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(iv) Growing urban areas like Lagos experience traffic congestion.
Describe **four** methods which are used to manage traffic congestion.

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(b) Study Fig. 4, which shows information about the percentage of population living in urban areas in Africa and Europe.

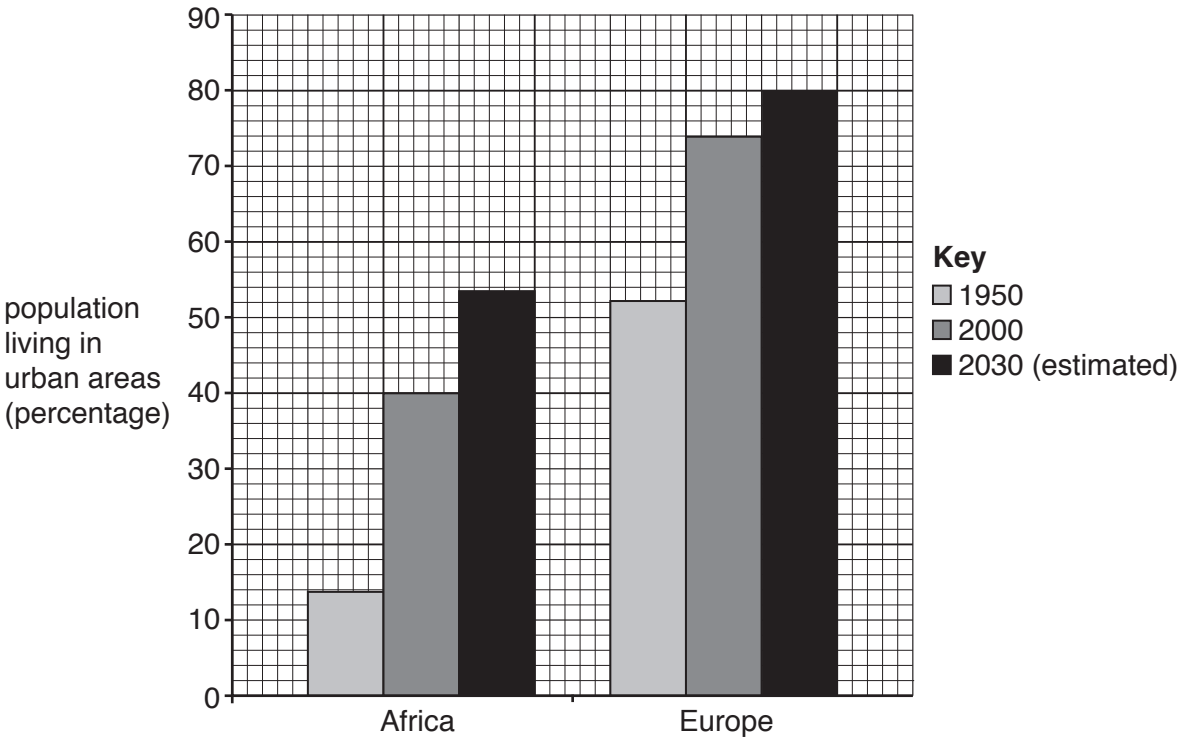

Fig. 4

(i) Using evidence from Fig. 4 **only**, compare the growth in the percentage of population living in urban areas in Africa and Europe.

Include statistics in your answer.

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(ii) Suggest reasons for the migration of population from rural to urban areas in **LEDCs**.

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(c) For a named town or city you have studied, describe the impact of urbanisation on the people who live there.

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Section B

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QUESTION 3

3 **(a)** Study Photograph D (Insert), which shows a small weather station that uses automatic digital instruments.

(i) What is measured by the instrument labelled **X** on Photograph D?

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(ii) Explain why:

– there is a fence around the weather station;

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– the weather station is sited on grass not concrete.

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(iii) Describe the cloud type and cover on the day Photograph D was taken.

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(iv) To what extent do you think the weather station is located in a good position? Give reasons for your answer.

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(b) Study Fig. 5, which shows information about the weather at Reigate, UK, in December 2013.

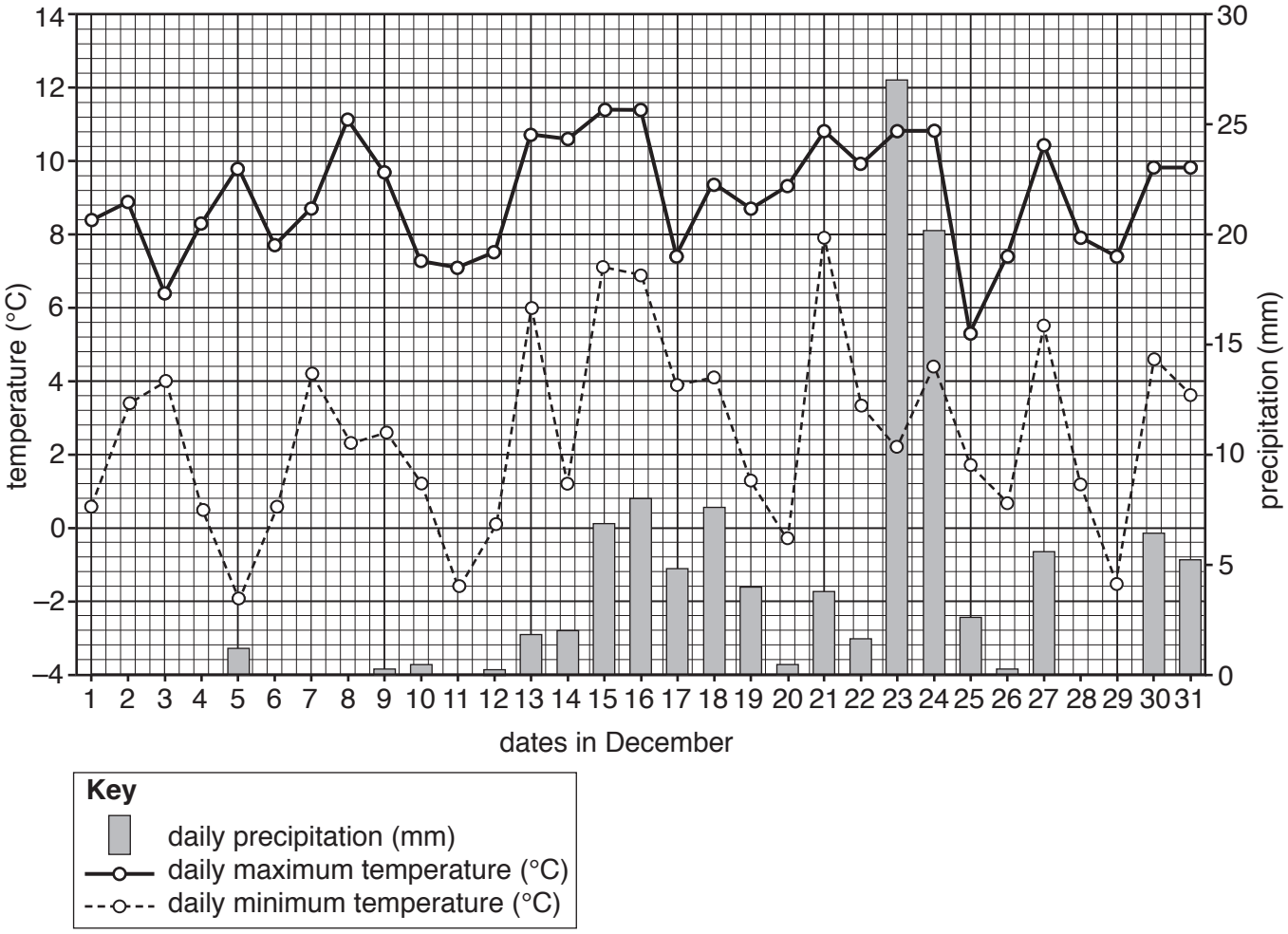

Fig. 5

(i) Compare the weather at Reigate on 14 and 30 December.

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(ii) The data in Fig. 5 was collected using traditional instruments.
Explain how the data about precipitation and temperature would have been obtained.

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(c) For a named river you have studied, explain why flooding occurs.

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QUESTION 4

4 **(a)** Study Fig. 6, a map of hot deserts.

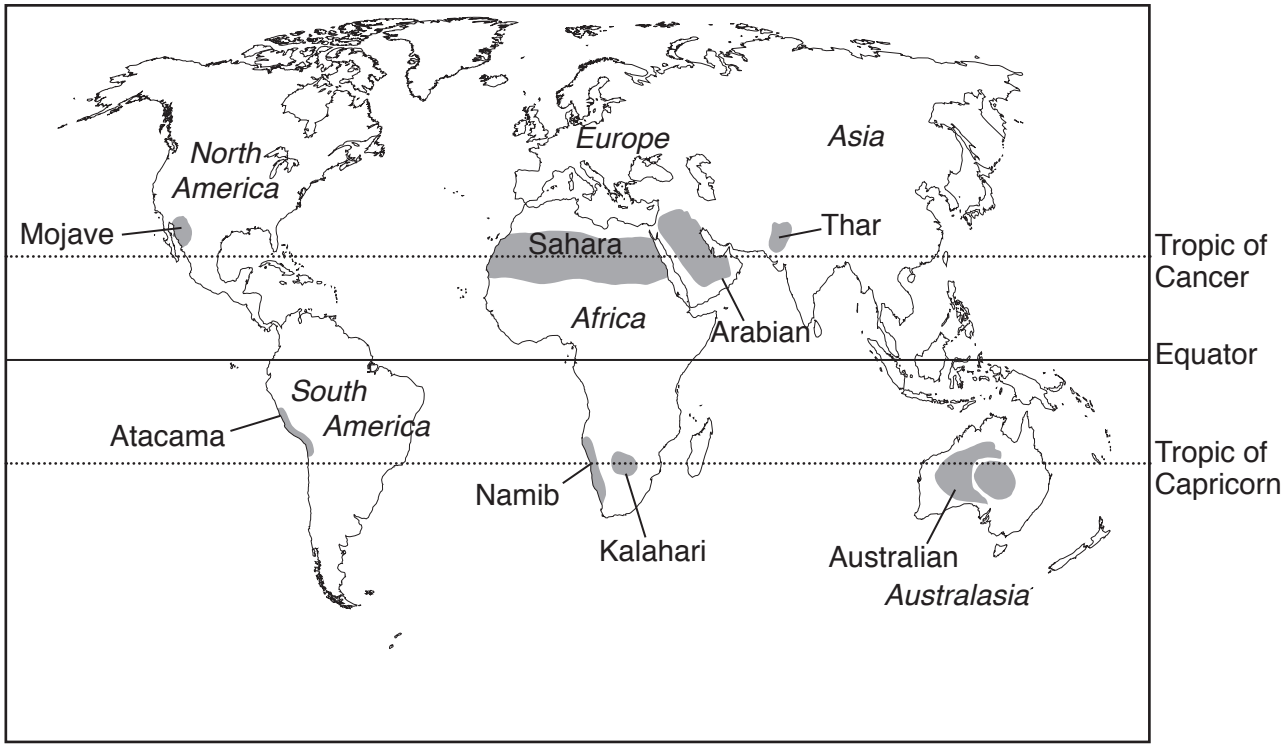

Fig. 6

(i) Tick the statement which best describes the climate of a hot desert.

Climate	Tick (✓)
annual average rainfall is 250 mm or less	
temperatures are always above 30 °C	
temperatures never change during the year	
it never rains	

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(ii) Name the desert which is located:

– across northern Africa; .....

– along the western coast of South America. .....[2]

(iii) Explain why deserts have a high diurnal (daily) range of temperature.

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(iv) Explain how vegetation is adapted to survive in a hot desert.

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(b) Study Fig. 7, which shows areas in the Australian Desert.

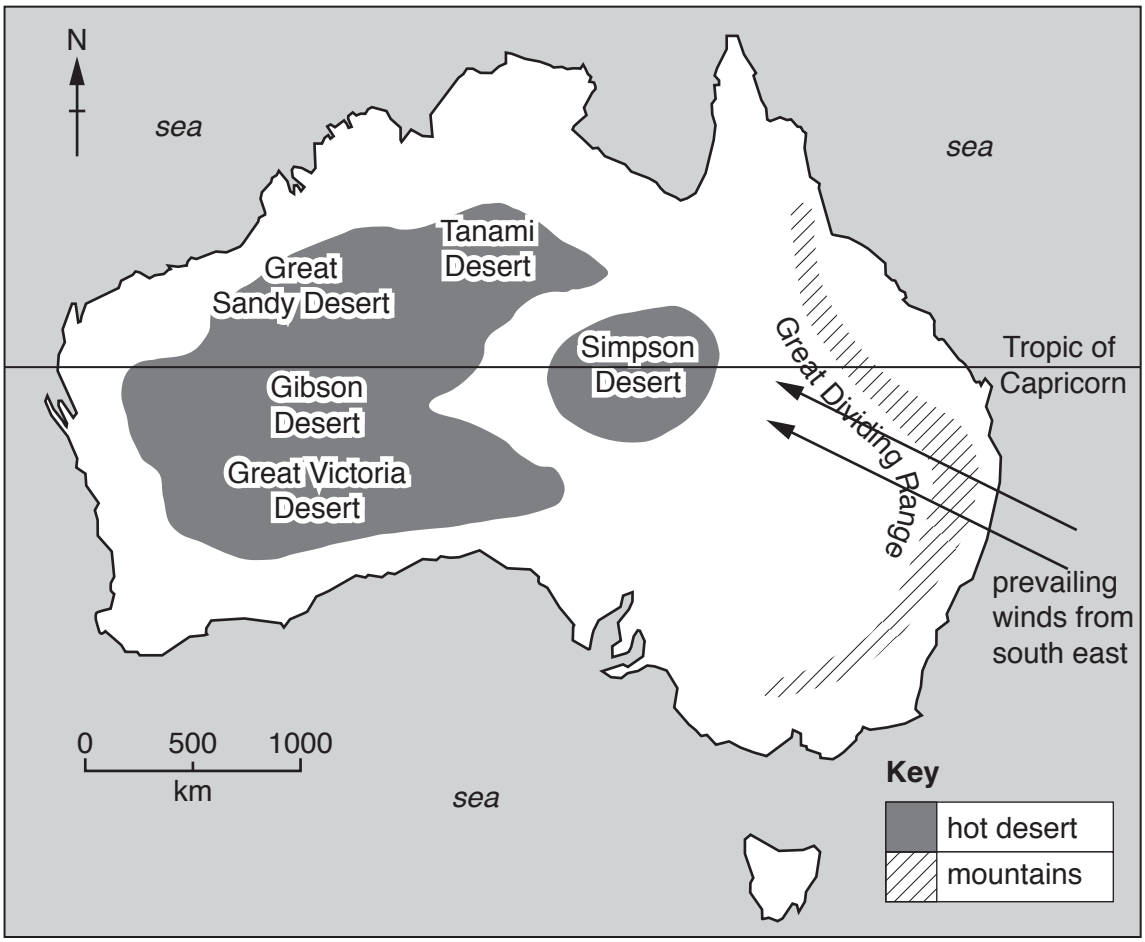

Fig. 7

(i) Suggest reasons why temperatures are high, especially in December and January, in the deserts shown in Fig. 7.

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(ii) Using evidence from Fig. 7, explain why the deserts shown do not receive much rainfall.

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(c) Describe the impacts of deforestation of **tropical rainforests** on the global natural environment. You should refer to named areas affected.

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Section C

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5 **(a)** Study Fig. 8, which shows some information about water.

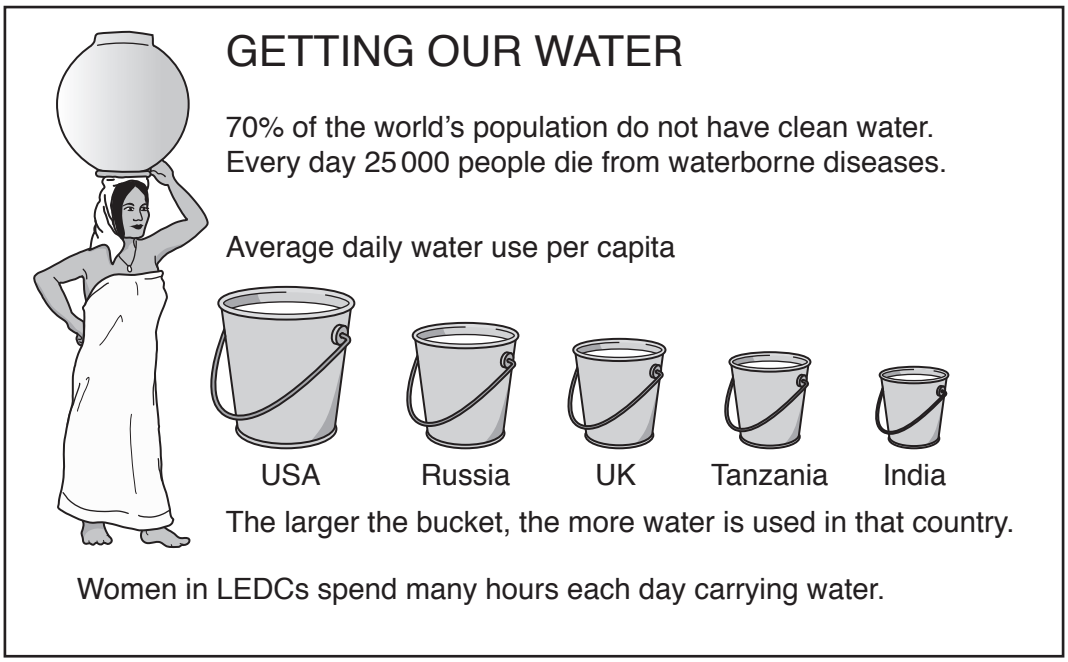

Fig. 8

(i) What is meant by *average daily water use per capita*?

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(ii) Give **two** reasons why water is important for people to survive.

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(iii) Explain why women in LEDCs spend many hours each day carrying water.

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(iv) Explain why many people in LEDCs die from waterborne diseases.

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(b) Study Fig. 9, which shows information about a rural area in an LEDC.

The population of 300 people are spread out over a wide area. Most homes have thatched roofs but the newer ones and the small school have corrugated iron roofs. Many villagers get their water from a borehole which is 4 km away. There are times during the dry season, which usually lasts for 6 to 8 months, when there is no water in the borehole. Then villagers have to carry water from springs in the mountains which are over 5 km away.

Four options are being considered to improve the water supply for the villagers.

Option A — Collect rainwater
Fix plastic gutters to the roofs of homes and build large cement storage tanks for the water to drain into.

Option B — Build four shallow wells near where people live
This is possible where the water table is close to the surface. It takes two unskilled workers 7 days to dig a 10 metre deep well. Each well will need to be lined with concrete.

Option C — Pipe water from the mountains
Pipes can be built from a spring to the area where people live, where it can be stored in a large tank.

Option D — Drill a deep borehole close to the school
A team of engineers will need to bring in a mechanical drilling rig to drill a borehole more than 50 metres deep. Electric pumps will be needed to pump the water to the surface.

Fig. 9

(i) Suggest why Option A would **not** be a good choice.

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(ii) Which one of Options B, C or D do you think should be chosen? Justify your answer.

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(c) For a named area you have studied, describe an economic activity which takes place and explain how it is threatening the local natural environment.

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QUESTION 6

6 **(a)** Study Fig. 10, which shows information about a plan to change the source of the energy used in Bavaria, a part of Germany (an MEDC in Europe).

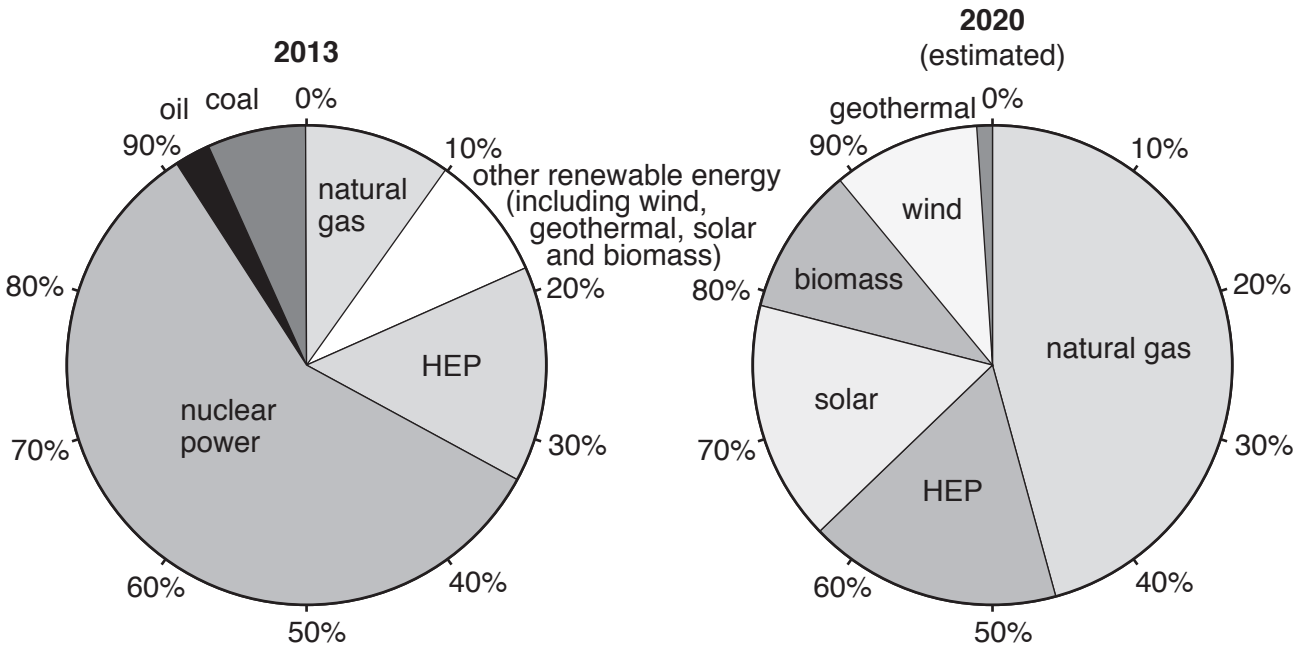

Fig. 10

(i) What was the main source of energy used in Bavaria in 2013?

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(ii) Identify from Fig. 10 an example likely to be used in 2020 of:

– a non-renewable form of energy; .....

– a renewable form of energy. ..... [2]

(iii) Using evidence from Fig. 10 **only**, describe the main planned changes in Bavaria's energy use. Include statistics in your answer.

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(iv) Explain the benefits of the planned changes shown in Fig. 10.

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(b) Study Photograph E (Insert), which shows wind turbines.

(i) Explain why this method of generating electricity is of limited use in many countries.

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(ii) Explain why some people living close to these wind turbines are likely to support their use whilst others will be against them.

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(c) For an example you have studied, describe and explain the location of a factory or industrial zone.

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