

1. (a) (i) insects; [1]
- (ii) fungi; [1]
- (b) (i) many species simply have not been discovered yet (large areas of tropical forest/deep ocean unexplored for example);
rate of extinction is so rapid that some species become extinct before we have discovered them;
small organisms hard to find/capture/identify; [1 max]
- (ii) vertebrates are larger, so are easier to find/catch and classify;
there are fewer species of vertebrate, so the chance of finding all of them is higher; [1 max]
- (c) *e.g.* for insects, use a large sweep net to capture;
and then identify using keys the number of species;
count number of individuals in each species;
use Simpson's diversity index (involves total number of insect species and number of individuals);
number of species must be recorded within a given area (*e.g.* number of species in a quadrat/hectare); [3 max]
- (d) *No mark for naming an ecosystem, but if no ecosystem is named award [1 max].*
e.g. Coral Reef off coast of Philippines
direct threats: [1 max]
aggressive fishing techniques *e.g.* dynamite fishing / cyanide fishing;
collecting shells/coral for souvenirs for tourist industry;
indirect threats: [1 max]
coral reefs then become more vulnerable to storm/cyclone damage / disease / sea temperature changes (due to global warming);
siltation due to mangrove clearance and run-off from coast; [2 max]

2. (a) LEDC
basic/lack of technology generally;
rice farming is typical of LEDCs / where rice is often the staple crop;
cash crops for export such as sugar cane, tobacco;
houses look fairly simple and made from local / cheap materials / thatched roofs;
dependence on working animals;
labour intensive (family labour);
mixed cropping on small scale; [2 max]
Award [0] for only stating LEDC.
- (b) *inputs: [1 max]*
water / technology / cattle (livestock) / sunlight / rain / manure / seed / labour / soil;
Award [1] for any three of the above.
- processes: [1 max]*
planting / ploughing / harvesting / irrigating / repair / respiration / run-off / labour;
Award [1] for any three of the above.
- outputs: [1 max]*
jute / vegetables / mangoes / Jack fruit / Palm / coconut / sugar cane / spices / crops /
waste / income / energy / rice / food / Betel nuts / tobacco / cattle (livestock) / heat /
oxygen / carbon dioxide / wheat / mustard; [3]
Award [1] for any three of the above.
- (c) different crops planted at different levels;
rotation of crops to match seasonal rainfall patterns;
monsoonal climate so main crop is rice;
irrigation technology used in dry season;
livestock fed differently at different times of year;
different jobs done at different times of year; [2 max]
Accept other reasonable answers.
Answers must be linked to variations in environment.
- (d) (i) when nutrients, dissolved in water, wash down through the soil/paddy and
are lost; [1]
- (ii) process by which nitrogen in atmosphere is fixed to form nitrate by
blue-green algae (and converted into a useable form for plants); [1]
- (e) (i) because the terraces are level there is little run-off by water so soil is not
washed away / terraces prevent soil erosion / soil collects in paddies; [1]
- (ii) oxygen is required by decomposers to break down organic matter (the
oxidized zone is closer to the surface and richer in oxygen) / higher BOD in
oxidized zone as more decomposers, thus more decomposition; [1]

3. (a) energy is dissipated/lost along the food chain / converted to less useful form;
this is because species at each trophic level are using some of the energy for
respiration, and some is lost as heat/waste to the environment; [2]
- (b) photosynthesis/primary production is the process by which green plants convert
light energy into a usable form/chemical energy/food/organic matter;
requires carbon dioxide, water, chlorophyll and light;
involves production of oxygen; [2 max]
Give credit for chemical equation.
- (c) coal / oil / natural gas; [1]
Award [1] for any two of the above.
- (d) *Accept any reasonable environmental problem.*
problem: [1 max]
e.g. noise pollution / air pollution / global warming / acid rain;
explanation: [2 max]
*e.g. urban air pollution caused by release of hydrocarbons (from unburned fuel)
and nitrogen oxide;*
*nitrogen oxide reacts with oxygen to form nitrogen dioxide, a brown gas that
contributes to urban haze; [3]*
- (e) zone D; [1]
- (f) primary productivity is the gain in energy/biomass by producers/autotrophs
whereas secondary is gain by heterotrophic organisms;
primary productivity is the conversion of solar energy whereas secondary involves
feeding/absorption; [1 max]
- (g) availability of light *e.g. deep oceans dark below surface limits productivity of plants;*
availability of water *e.g. tropical rainforests receive lots of rainfall each year
whereas deserts have little rain which is limiting to plant growth;*
temperature *e.g. rainforests warm throughout the year so have a constant growing
season and higher productivity;*
nutrient availability *e.g. estuaries receive lots of sediment from rivers; [2 max]*
Award [1 max] for no reference to the biomes in figure 6.

4. (a) (i) *Accept answers between 8.0 and 8.5 billion;* [1]
- (ii) population momentum; [1]
- (iii) $10.2 - 8.3 = 1.9$
 $\frac{1.9}{10.2} \times 100 = 18.6\%$; [1]
- (b) *e.g. unwanted fertility – poor rural women in Nigeria*
may like to be able to limit their family size, but are unable to use family planning because of attitude of their societies (who value male fertility);
religious intolerance to family planning;
because of rural isolation and an inability to access family planning centres;
lack of education about family planning;
e.g. desire for large family size in India
patriarchal society and many offspring seen as a symbol of male fertility;
children seen as a source of income;
farm labour;
seen as security in old age (no social security system);
cultural expectation for sons;
high infant mortality rate so large families necessary to ensure survival of some;
tradition for large family;
few options for women; [3 max]
Award [0] for naming countries.
- (c) natural resources/food will become so scarce that population is limited by hunger;
population limited by wars over scarce resources;
as nations develop economically and move through stages of demographic transition, growth rates can be expected to decline for a variety of socio-economic reasons;
government strategies/policies *e.g.* tax incentives;
greater access to family planning as communications/education/wealth increases;
changing attitudes will reduce desire for large families; [2 max]
Accept any other reasonable suggestions.

5. (a) perhaps cartoonist is suggesting that politicians/society refuse to act because they claim that more research needs to be done first;
despite the fact that evidence (falling birds) is in front of their eyes; [2]
Accept similar interpretations of cartoon, no need to mention acid rain.
- (b) conflict might exist because different groups see the resource differently;
economic value of timber/land is incompatible with leaving forest standing for other uses (indigenous cultures);
indigenous tribes need large amounts of space in which to live sustainably;
reserves left for indigenous people may be too small to sustain them;
forest is cut down by outsiders ignoring the needs of indigenous people;
intrinsic value of forest (biorights) is ignored by exploitative users only interested in economic use;
difference between sustainable use of forest (natural income) and users who exploit natural capital;
conflict between short-term and long-term perspective (indigenous people); [3 max]
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