

GEOGRAPHY PAPER 312/2 K.C.S.E 2000

SECTION A

Answer all the questions in this section

1. State four characteristics of softwood forest in Canada.
2. (a) State two human activities that may lead to soil erosion
(b) Give four reasons why it is necessary for Kenya to conserve her environment
3. (a) State three physical conditions that favour sugar cane growing in the lake Victoria basin in Kenya
(b) State three problems experienced in sugar cane farming in Kenya
4. (a) Which are the three functional zones of an ideal urban centre?
(b) What two benefits would there be if more commuters in urban centers in Kenya used public transport?
5. (a) Name two renewable sources of energy which are exploited in Kenya
(b) Give two reasons why the coal resources in Tanzania have not been exploited

SECTION B

Answer question 6 and any other two questions from this section

6. The table below shows items exported from countries A and B. Use it to answer questions (a), (b), and (c)

Country A		Country B	
Exports	Weights in Tonnes	Exports	Weight in Tonnes
Maize	12,600	Lubricating oil	2,200
Coffee	9,990	Industrial chemical	2,100
Oil cakes	1,560	Fertilizer	5,300
Spices	750	Vehicles	3,300
-----		Wire products	2,200
-----		Paper	2,700
Total	24,900	Total	17,800

- (a) (i) Name the main export item of each country
(ii) Calculate the percentage of the export item with the least tonnage in each country

(b) (i) draw a divided rectangle 15cm long to represent the export items for country A

Country A

Maize: Coffee: Oilcakes: Spices:

(ii) State three advantages of using divided rectangles to represent geographical data.

(c) How would countries A and B benefit from trading with each other?

(d) State five characteristics of bar graph

7. (a) Describe the stages in the reclamation of land from the sea in the Netherlands

(b) Explain four benefits of land reclamation in the Netherlands

(c) (i) Explain three conditions that favour irrigation farming in Kenya

(ii) State five problems experienced in irrigation farming in Kenya

8. (a) Give four reasons why Kenya should become an industrialized country

(b) Explain why some industries are located near sources of water

(c) (i) State five benefits of decentralizing industries in Kenya

(ii) Explain three problems hindering decentralization of industries in Kenya

(d) State four characteristics of the cottage industry in India

9. (a) (i) Apart from cotton, name two other fibre crops

(ii) State two climatic conditions that are ideal for cotton farming

(b) State three differences between cotton growing in Kenya and U.S.A

Kenya

U.S.A

(c) Explain three ways in which the government of Kenya encourages cotton farming

(d) (i) apart from making textiles, state three other uses of cotton wool

(ii) Explain three problems faced by the textile industry in Kenya

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