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GCSE GEOGRAPHY

Paper 1 Living with the physical environment

Friday 17 May 2024

Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- the OS map key insert (enclosed)
- a pencil
- a rubber
- a ruler.

You may use a calculator.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.

Answer **all** questions in Section A and Section B.

Answer **two** questions in Section C.

Question 3 (Coasts), Question 4 (Rivers), Question 5 (Glacial)

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Question	Mark
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- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- If you need additional extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The total number of marks available for this paper is 88.
- Spelling, punctuation, grammar and specialist terminology will be assessed in Question **01.11**.



For the multiple-choice questions, shade the circle next to the correct answer.

CORRECT METHOD



WRONG METHODS



If you want to change your answer you must cross out your original answer as shown. 

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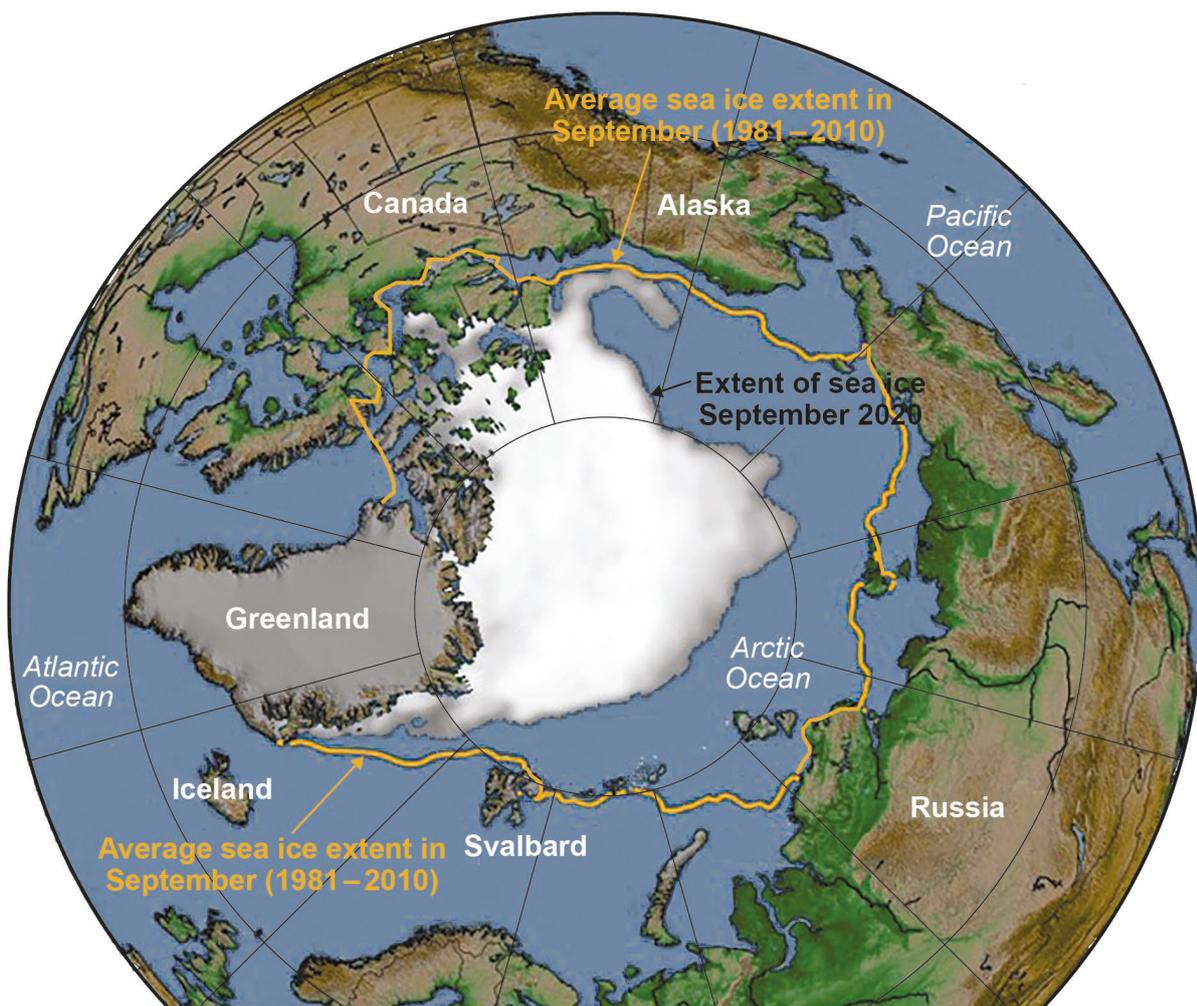
Section A The challenge of natural hazards

Answer **all** questions in this section.

Question 1 The challenge of natural hazards

Study **Figure 1**, a map showing the extent of Arctic sea ice in September 2020 and the average extent of Arctic sea ice in September from 1981 to 2010.

Figure 1



- 0 1 . 1** Using **Figure 1**, compare the extent of Arctic sea ice in September 2020 with the average extent of Arctic sea ice in September from 1981 to 2010.

[2 marks]

Study **Figure 2**, data showing changes in the volume of Arctic sea ice from 1980 to 2020.

Figure 2All figures are km³

Year	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020
April	32 200	29 900	27 400	23 900	22 600
September	16 300	13 800	11 000	4 700	4 400

- 0 1 . 2** Using **Figure 2**, calculate the mean volume of Arctic sea ice in **April** from 1980 to 2020.

Shade **one** circle only.

[1 mark]

- A** 24 100 km³
- B** 25 400 km³
- C** 26 300 km³
- D** 27 200 km³

- 0 1 . 3** Using **Figure 2**, calculate the difference in the volume of Arctic sea ice from **September 1980** to **September 2020**.

[1 mark]

_____ km³

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0 1 . 4 Suggest how changes in the extent of Arctic sea ice are evidence of climate change. **[2 marks]**

Study **Figure 3**, a poster and some news headlines about the United Nations (UN) International Climate Change Conference held in Glasgow in November 2021.

Figure 3



'Urgent climate action by all countries needed to meet 1.5 °C target', says UN.

Agreement made to reduce use of fossil fuels.

Aid increased to poorest countries that are experiencing the worst impacts of climate change.

0 1 . 5 'International agreements are essential for managing climate change.'

Do you agree?

Explain your answer. Use **Figure 3** and your own understanding.

[4 marks]



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Study **Figure 4**, a map showing tectonic plates and plate margins near South America.

Figure 4

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0 1 . 6 Using **Figure 4**, name the type of plate margin shown at **X**.

[1 mark]

0 1 . 7 Using **Figure 4**, which statement describes the movement of plates at **X**?

Shade **one** circle only.

[1 mark]

A The Nazca Plate is moving away from the South American Plate.

B The Nazca Plate is moving under the South American Plate.

C The South American Plate is moving alongside the Nazca Plate.

D The South American Plate is moving under the Antarctic Plate.



Study either **Figure 5** or **Figure 6**.

Figure 5 – a photograph showing the effects of a recent volcanic eruption in La Palma



Figure 6 – a photograph showing the effects of a recent earthquake in the Philippines



0 1 . 1 0 Using **Figure 5** or **Figure 6**, give **two** primary effects of **either** volcanic eruptions
or earthquakes.

[2 marks]

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End of Section A

Turn over for Section B

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Section B The living worldAnswer **all** questions in this section.**Question 2 The living world**

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 Outline **one** reason why there are high levels of biodiversity in the tropical rainforest.**[2 marks]**

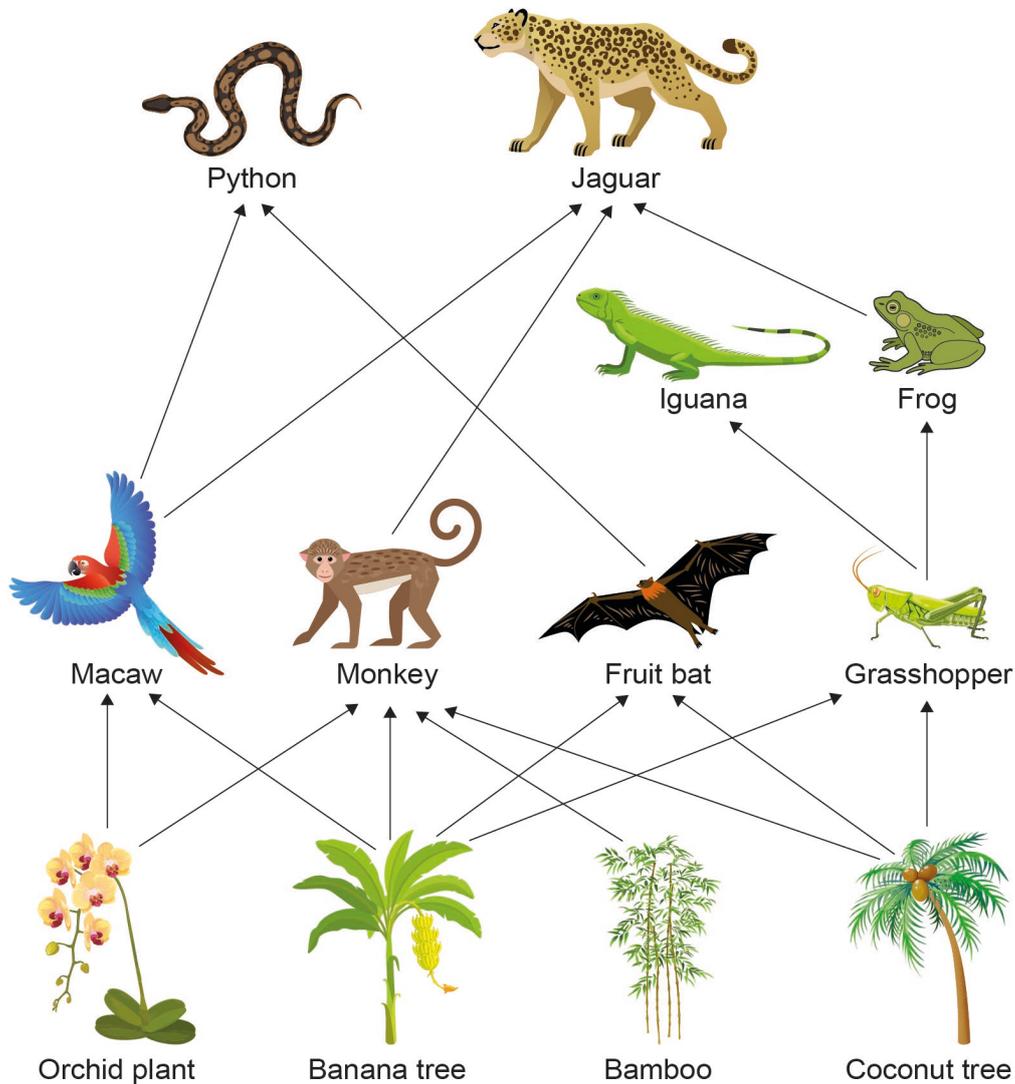
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 State **one** threat to biodiversity in the tropical rainforest.**[1 mark]**



Study **Figure 8**, a diagram showing how different plants and animals rely on each other as sources of food in the tropical rainforest.

Figure 8



0 2 . 3

Complete the following paragraph by choosing the correct words from the list below.

chain consumer increase producer reduce web

Figure 8 is an example of a food _____. Orchid plants are an example of a _____. An increase in the number of jaguars is likely to _____ the number of monkeys.

[3 marks]

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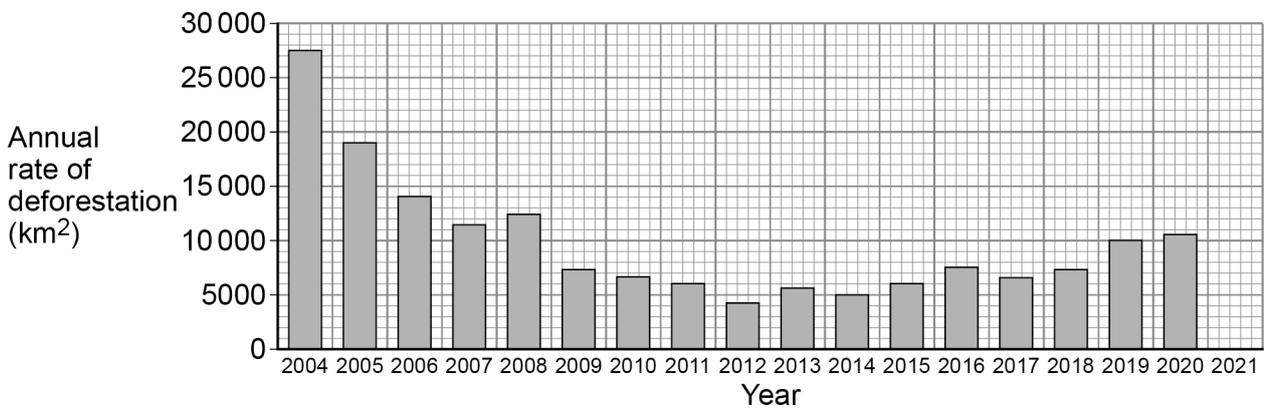
Figure 9 is a graph showing annual rates of deforestation in the Amazon rainforest, 2004–2021.

0 2 . 4 Complete **Figure 9** below using the following data.

[1 mark]

Year	Annual rate of deforestation (km ²)
2021	13 000

Figure 9



0 2 . 5 Using **Figure 9**, which of the following statements is true?

Shade **one** circle only.

[1 mark]

- A** Annual rate of deforestation has increased every year since 2010.
- B** Annual rate of deforestation was highest in 2020.
- C** Annual rate of deforestation was lowest in 2012.
- D** Annual rate of deforestation was twice as high in 2005 as it was in 2020.



Study either **Figure 10** or **Figure 11**, photographs showing soils in a hot desert and cold environment.

Figure 10 – hot desert



Figure 11 – cold environment



0 2 . 8 Using **either Figure 10** or **Figure 11**, suggest **one** way the soil can be affected by the climate in **either** a hot desert **or** a cold environment.

[1 mark]

Study **either Figure 12** or **Figure 13**, photographs showing plants and animals in hot desert and cold environments.

Figure 12 – hot desert



Figure 13 – cold environment



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End of Section B



Section C Physical landscapes in the UKAnswer **two** questions from the following:

Question 3 (Coasts), Question 4 (Rivers), Question 5 (Glacial).

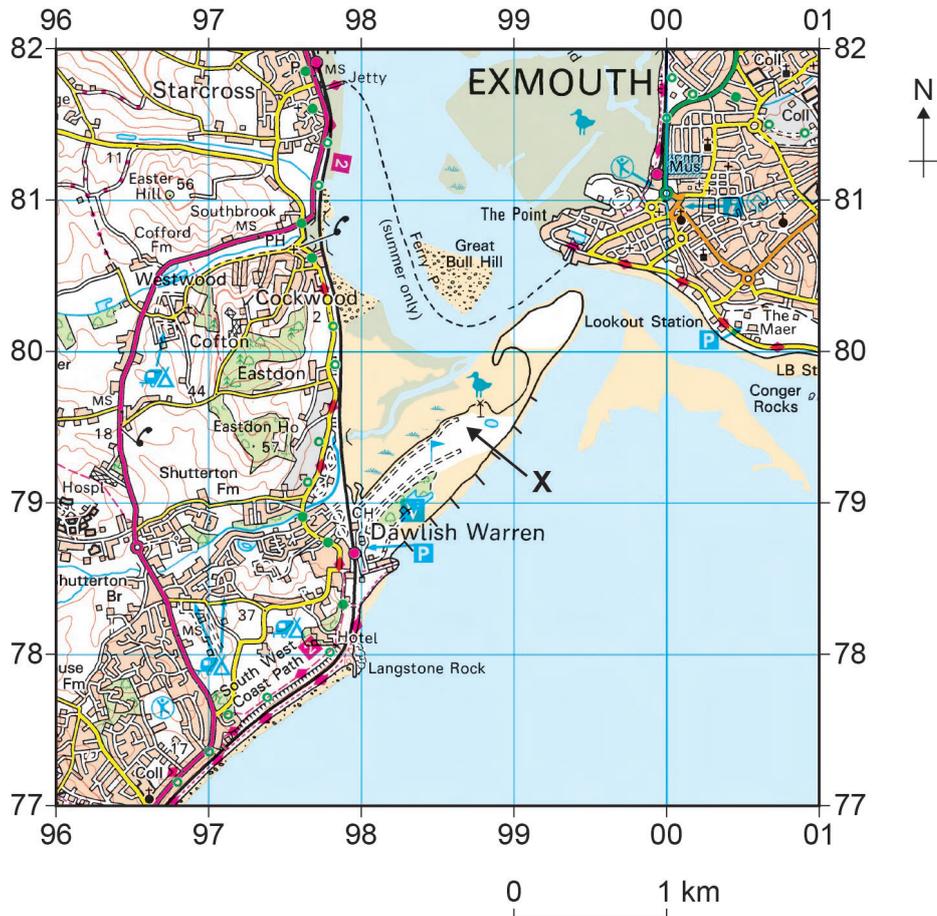
Question 3 Coastal landscapes in the UK**0 3 . 1** What does 'managed retreat' mean?Shade **one** circle only.**[1 mark]**

- A** Allowing the sea to flood or erode an area of low-value land.
- B** Building up dunes and increasing vegetation.
- C** Using concrete or artificial structures to defend against natural processes.
- D** Working with natural processes to restore beaches.

Question 3 continues on the next page**Turn over ►**

Study **Figure 14**, a 1:50 000 Ordnance Survey map of Dawlish Warren, Devon.

Figure 14



0 3 . 2 Using **Figure 14**, which **one** of the following grid squares shows a shingle beach?

Shade **one** circle only.

[1 mark]

- A** 9779
- B** 0079
- C** 9777
- D** 9980

0 3 . 3 Using **Figure 14**, identify **one** method of hard engineering shown in grid square 9879.

[1 mark]



0 3 . 4 The area labelled **X** shows a coastal spit.

Using **Figure 14**, describe the size and shape of the spit.

[2 marks]

Size _____

Shape _____

0 3 . 5 You have studied a coastal management scheme in the UK.

Explain the effects of the scheme.

[4 marks]

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Question 3 continues on the next page

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Study **Figure 15**, a photograph showing features of a coastal landscape.

Figure 15



0 3 . 6 Explain how coastal landscapes are formed by different processes.

Use **Figure 15** and your own understanding.

[6 marks]



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Question 4 River landscapes in the UK**0 4 . 1**

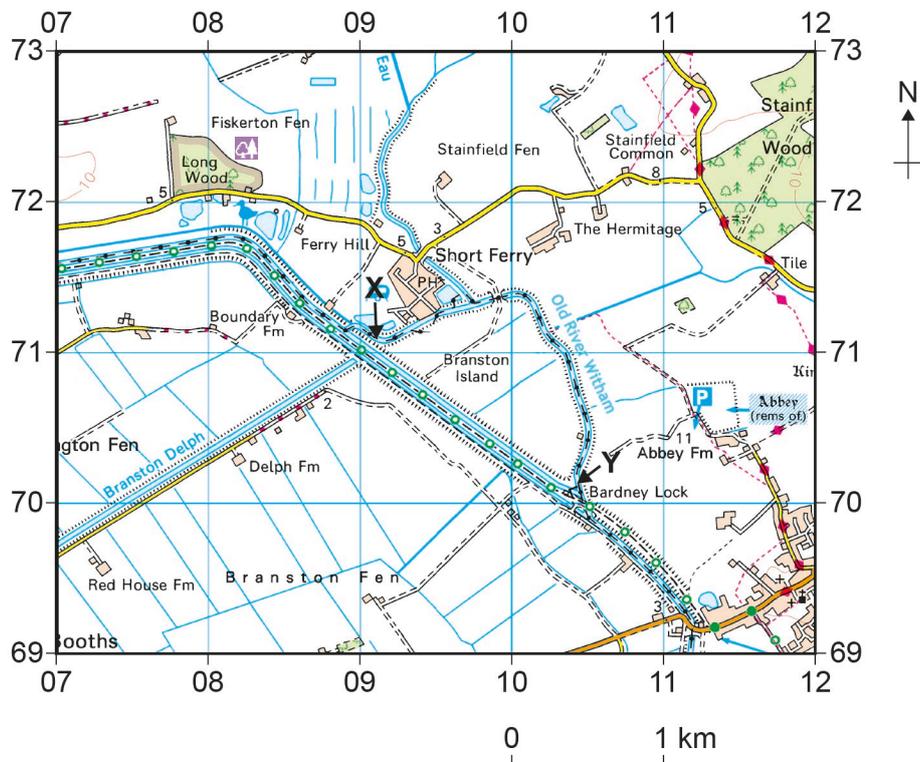
Which **one** of the following factors is most likely to cause river levels to rise quickly after heavy rainfall?

Shade **one** circle only.

[1 mark]

- A** Gentle slopes
- B** Forested land
- C** Permeable rocks
- D** Steep slopes

Study **Figure 16**, a 1:50 000 Ordnance Survey map showing part of the River Witham in Lincolnshire.

Figure 16

0 4 . 2 Using **Figure 16**, measure the distance **along the Old River Witham** between point **X** and point **Y**.

Shade **one** circle only.

[1 mark]

A 1.2 km

B 2.0 km

C 2.8 km

D 3.6 km

0 4 . 3 Using **Figure 16**, identify **one** method of hard engineering shown in grid square 0970.

[1 mark]

0 4 . 4 Using **Figure 16**, describe the relief and drainage shown in grid square 0870.

[2 marks]

Relief (height and shape of the land) _____

Drainage (water features) _____

Question 4 continues on the next page

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0 4 . 5 You have studied a flood management scheme in the UK.

Explain why the scheme was needed and how it works.

[4 marks]

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Study **Figure 17**, a photograph showing features of a floodplain.

Figure 17

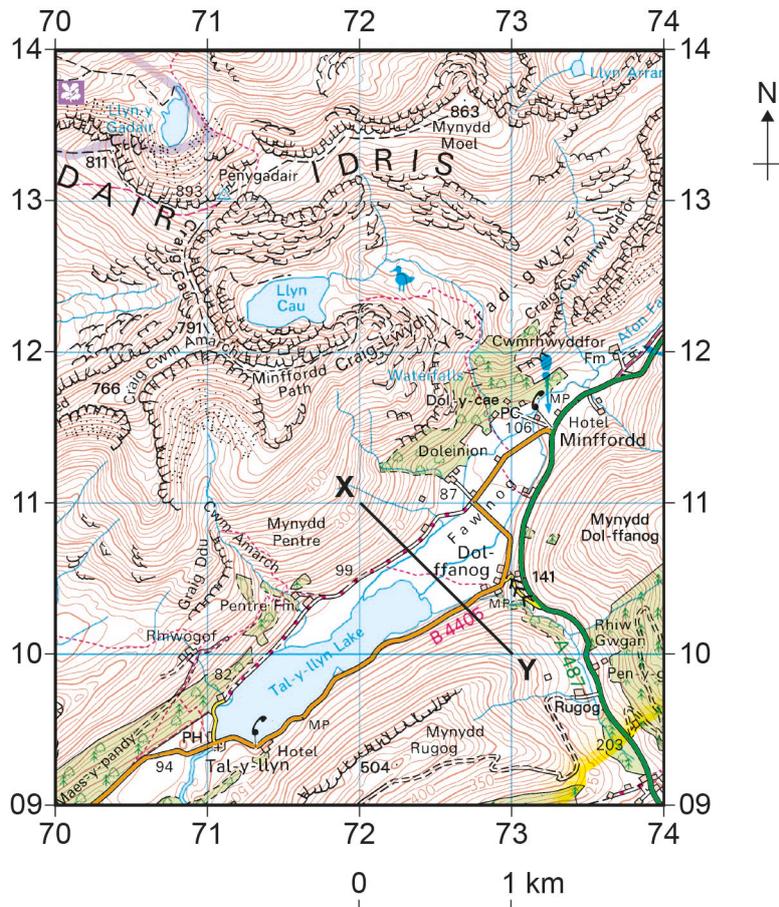


Question 5 Glacial landscapes in the UK

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 What does abrasion mean?
Shade **one** circle only.**[1 mark]**

- A** Glacial ice moves in a circular motion causing hollows to form in the landscape.
- B** Meltwater freezes beneath the ice and tears away pieces of loose rock.
- C** Rocks trapped beneath the glacier scratch and smooth the bedrock underneath.
- D** Water freezes in cracks and expands, causing the rock to break down.

Study **Figure 18**, a 1:50 000 Ordnance Survey map extract of part of Snowdonia.**Figure 18**

0 5. **2** Using **Figure 18**, which grid square shows part of a ribbon lake?

Shade **one** circle only.

[1 mark]

A 7013

B 7310

C 7109

D 7212

0 5. **3** Using **Figure 18**, name **one** landform of glacial erosion shown in grid square 7112.

[1 mark]

0 5. **4** Using **Figure 18**, describe the shape of the valley and measure the width of the valley floor between points **X** and **Y**.

[2 marks]

Shape of valley _____

Width of valley floor _____ m

Question 5 continues on the next page

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0 5 . 5 You have studied a glaciated upland area in the UK.

Explain why this area attracts tourists.

[4 marks]

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