Urban Change in the UK

CENTURY has put together some revision questions to help you prepare for your Paper 2 exam. Answer in your book or on paper and then use the answer sheet to see how you've done and more importantly –

how to improve! Good luck!



Question 1

Describe the location of Exeter. [2 marks]



Figure 1: Map of UK Cities

Question 2

Study figure 2 which shows the breakdown of ethnic diversity in the UK, according to the Census of 2021.

What percentage of the UK population is White British? [1 mark]

UK Ethnic Diversity in 2021

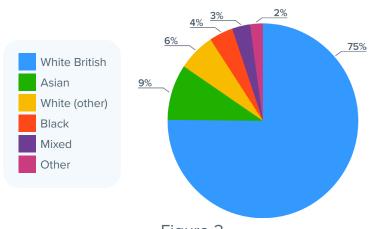


Figure 2

Question 3

Figure 3 shows recycling rates for selected boroughs of London between 2020 and 2021, alongside the London average.

Complete the bar chart using the table below. [2 marks]

City of Westminster	24
Tower Hamlets	19

Recycling Rates in 2020-2021 (%)

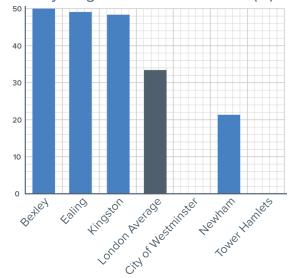
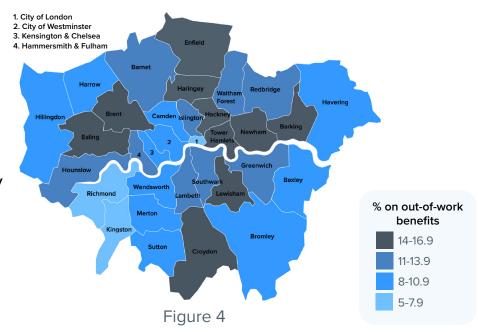


Figure 3

Question 4

Figure 4 shows a choropleth map of the proportion of residents in each borough of London claiming out-of-work benefits.

Suggest how the data may indicate deprivation. 4 marks]



Question 5

A student has written an answer to the following question:

Explain the environmental challenges found in a UK city. Use Figure 5 and your own understanding. [6 marks]



Figure 5: Terraced housing in Liverpool

Use the mark scheme below to:

a) Mark the model answer; give comments and highlight why you would award those marks.

There are lots of challenges in UK cities as shown in figure 5. Many buildings are made derelict and air pollution is a concern. Green spaces are harmed, including animals' habitats. This is an environmental challenge. Additionally, traffic is very busy in cities, particularly the city centres.

Level & Marks	Description	
Level 3:	Shows clear and detailed links between figure 5 and own knowledge.	
5-6 marks	Explanations are clear and accurate.	
	Shows some understanding of the environmental challenges and makes a few links	
Level 2:	between the photo and own knowledge OR more detailed explanation using EITHER	
3-4 marks	the photo or own knowledge. Max level 2 if answer only refers to figure 5 OR own understanding. Max 3 marks if description only (no explanation).	
l evel 1:	Shows limited understanding of the environmental challenges and may make few or	
1-2 marks	no links between the photo and own knowledge. May only include simple statements	
I-∠ IIIdIKS	without explanation.	
0 marks	No relevant content.	

b) Rewrite the answer using the mark scheme to help you. Think carefully about how to achieve the highest level and how you could improve on the model answer.

Urban Change in the UK ANSWERS

Question 1

Describe the location of Exeter. [2 marks]

Each mark for descriptive statement, for example:

- Exeter is in the south west of the UK (1)
- Exeter is south west of Cardiff/Birmingham/London (1)
- Exeter is west of Southampton/London (1)

Don't credit 'near to', 'below' or similar.

Question 2

Study figure 2 which shows the breakdown of ethnic diversity in the UK, according to the Census of 2021. What percentage of the UK population is White British? [1 mark]

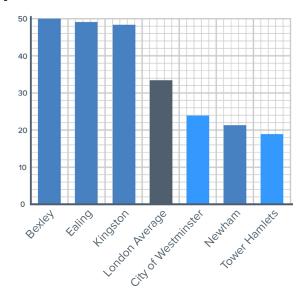
The largest section in the pie chart (blue section) is for White British. Correct answer – 75%

Question 3

Figure 3 shows recycling rates for selected boroughs of London between 2020 and 2021, alongside the London average. Complete the bar chart using the table below. [2 marks]

1 mark for each correct size bar.

City of Westminster	24
Tower Hamlets	19



Question 4

Figure 4 shows a choropleth map of the proportion of residents in each borough of London claiming out-of-work benefits.

Suggest how the data would indicate deprivation. [4 marks]

Mark your own answer using the mark scheme below.

Four mark questions are not marked using individual points, but instead choose a level based upon the quality of the answer as a whole.

Level & Marks	Description
Level 2: 3-4 marks	The answer shows a clear understanding of deprivation in a city. There are clear, accurate links made between figure 4 data and the understanding of deprivation. Answers should include data taken from the choropleth map.
Level 1: 1-2 marks	The answer shows limited understanding of deprivation. The answer may make weak connections between the data and the understanding of deprivation. Answers may only refer to own knowledge OR Figure 3.
0 marks	No relevant content.

Use the sentence starters and mark scheme to write a top level answer.

- There are some areas of London where a high proportion of people claim out-of-work benefits, for example...
- It is likely that those areas are deprived as...
- In contrast, the areas of Richmond and Kingston...

Question 5

A student has written an answer to the following question:

Explain the environmental challenges found in a UK city. Use figure 5 and your own understanding. [6 marks]



Figure 5: Terraced housing in Liverpool

Model answer:

There are lots of challenges in UK cities as shown in figure 5. Many buildings are made derelict and air pollution is a concern. Green spaces are harmed, including animals' habitats. This is an environmental challenge. Additionally, traffic is very busy in cities, particularly the city centres.

Marking:

This answer has some factual information and figure 5 is mentioned. However, there is no explanation. It is a simple description of the environmental challenges found in UK cities. As shown in the mark scheme, answers with description only can reach a maximum of 3 out of 6 marks. Therefore, this answer would be awarded 3 marks.

To improve this answer, explanation must be included.

An example of an explanation:

Many buildings are made derelict due to deindustrialisation causing inner city decline and air pollution, as a result of vehicle emissions, is a concern.

Use CENTURY's structure to help you re-write the answer, and try to get the full 6 marks.

There are lots of environmental challenges in UK cities as shown in figure 5, for example... This harms the environment because...

Other environmental challenges include...

An example of this is...

Check - have you:

- Used Figure 5?
- Used your own knowledge?
- Explained how your chosen points pose challenges for the environment?