

# YISHUN JUNIOR COLLEGE JC2 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2015

## H2 GEOGRAPHY

Paper 2 Human Geography

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24 AUGUST 2015  
MONDAY 1400 – 1700 HOURS

### QUESTION PAPER

Additional materials:

Answer Paper

1 Insert

World outline map



**TIME 3 HOURS**

### READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

**Start each question on a fresh piece of paper.**

Write your name and CTG on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen on both sides of the paper.

You may use a soft pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.

Do not use staples, paperclips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

#### **Section A**

Answer **all** questions.

#### **Section B**

Answer **two** questions, each from a different topic.

The Insert contains the Table and all Figures referred to in the questions.

Diagrams and sketch maps should be drawn whenever they serve to illustrate an answer.

The world outline map may be annotated and handed in with relevant answers.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

## Section A

Answer **all** questions from this section.

Question 1, 2 and 3 carry 12 marks and Question 4 carries 14 marks.

You should allocate your time accordingly.

### Globalisation of Economic Activity

- 1 Table 1 shows the headquarter locations and the number of passenger cars produced by the top 3 automobile manufacturers in 2008, Toyota, Volkswagen and General Motors (GM), while Fig. 1 shows the top 5 production locations of Toyota and GM.
- (a) With reference to Table 1 and Fig. 1, compare the spatial distribution of Toyota and General Motors. [5]
- (b) Account for the patterns described in (a)(i). [7]

### Population Issues and Challenges

- 2 Fig. 2 shows the distribution of outgoing remittances from migrants working in Malaysia to their countries of origin. Table 2 shows the top 5 destination countries for remittances from Malaysia.
- (a) Using information from Fig. 2 and Table 2, describe the pattern of outgoing remittances from Malaysia. [4]
- (b) Using your own knowledge and information from Table 2, explain the impacts that migration can have on the migrants' countries of origin. [4]
- (c) Suggest reasons why the migrants from the countries in Fig. 2 may choose to migrate to Malaysia. [4]

### Urbanisation Issues and Challenges

- 3 Fig. 3A shows the urban population density and transport energy use per capita for selected cities in 2011. Fig. 3B compares urban density and transport usage in Atlanta and Hong Kong.
- (a) (i) Outline the general relationship between urban population density, transport energy usage per capita and location of the cities. [5]
- (ii) Suggest why Barcelona, a city in Spain, has been marked in orange. [1]
- (b) Using information from Fig. 3B, suggest reasons, aside from population density, that might result in the difference in energy usage per capita between Atlanta and Hong Kong. [6]

### Globalisation of Economic Activity and Population Issues and Challenges

- 4 Fig. 4 shows the life expectancy, crude death rate and incomes for selected countries.
- (a) (i) Describe the variation in life expectancy and incomes for the countries in ASEAN. [4]
- (ii) Account for the trends described in (a)(i). [5]
- (b) With reference to the countries in Fig. 4, explain why crude death rate alone might not be a sufficient as an indicator of a country's level of development. [5]

## Section B

Answer **two** questions, each from a different topic. All questions carry 25 marks.

### Globalisation of Economic Activity

#### 5 EITHER

- (a) Describe and explain the processes that contribute to globalisation. [9]
- (b) How far do you agree that the Human Development Index (HDI) is the best indicator of a country's level of development? [16]

#### 5 OR

- (a) Explain the role of the state in the economic development of one or more named countries. [9]
- (b) To what extent have member states benefitted from supranational bodies? [16]

### Population Issues and Challenges

#### 6 EITHER

- (a) With reference to examples, suggest reasons why some countries may choose to pursue anti-natal policies. [9]
- (b) To what extent have governments been able to influence fertility rates in their countries? [16]

#### 6 OR

- (a) Explain the applicability and limitations of the Demographic Transition Model in today's context. [9]
- (b) Fig. 5 is an image taken from a news website.  
With reference to one or more population-resource theories, discuss the validity of claims such as those made in Fig. 5. [16]

**Urban Issues and Challenges**

**7 EITHER**

- (a) Explain the reasons for, and consequences of, gentrification. [9]
- (b) Assess the success of strategies to manage housing problems in less developed countries (LDCs). [16]

**7 OR**

- (a) Give the meaning of the term urbanisation and briefly discuss the relationship between urbanisation and urban growth. [9]
- (b) With reference to examples, assess the extent to which global cities may be regarded as similar to each other in character and function. [16]