BRITISH COLUMBIA HUMAN GEOGRAPHY 12 (MHGEO12) · UNIT C · 25 QUESTIONS

Urbanization and Economic Geography — Practice Test

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Reading I - A Growing City Account

Use this reading for question 1.

Our city began as a port where ships loaded timber and grain. Factories then grew near the rail yards, and workers built homes close to their jobs. Today the downtown core holds offices, shops, and theatres, while new suburbs spread outward along highways.

Newcomers keep arriving for jobs in health care, technology, and the port. Rents downtown are high, so many families live farther out and commute in, and the city is now building a rapid transit line to link the suburbs with the core.

1 **The main idea of the growing city account is that the city grew and changed through**



A a port, factories, new jobs, suburbs, and new transit

B farming alone with no trade

C a shrinking population

D the closing of all transport

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2 **According to the growing city account, a reason newcomers keep arriving is**



A a ban on new housing

B jobs in health care, technology, and the port

C the absence of transport

D the closing of the port

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3 **Urbanisation is best defined as**

A the growth of farms only

B a fall in city populations

C the growth in the share of people living in towns and cities

D a move from cities to farms

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4 **Rural to urban migration is driven by push factors such as a lack of rural jobs and pull factors such as**

A fewer city jobs

B higher rural wages only

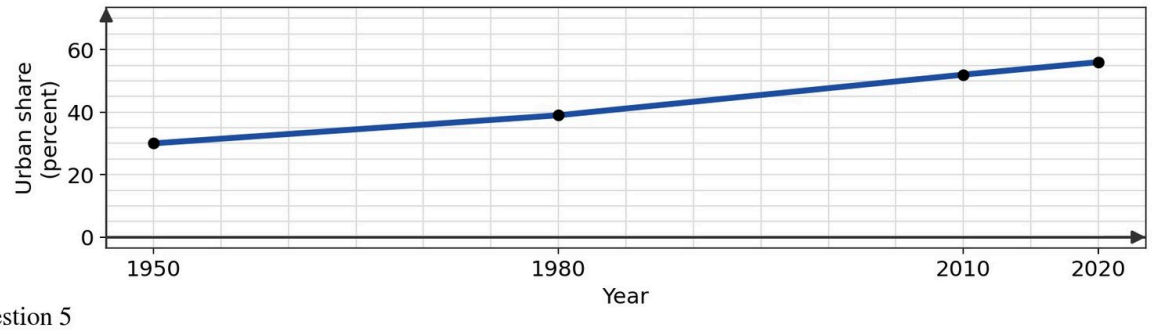
C no city services

D city jobs, services, and education

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B) fell from 56 percent to 30 percent

C) stayed at 30 percent

D) rose to 100 percent

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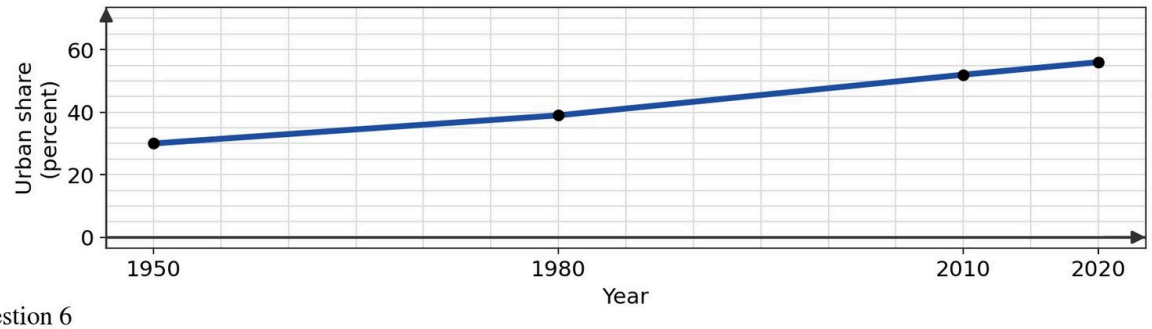
D rose to 100 percent

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Question 6

The graph shows the share of the world population living in urban areas. The urban share in 2020 was about

A) 30 percent

B) 56 percent

C) 52 percent

D) 39 percent

A 30 percent

B 56 percent

C 52 percent

D 39 percent

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7 **A central business district is**

A a farming area outside a city

B a suburb far from any jobs

C the downtown commercial core of a city, with offices, shops, and services

D a national park

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8 **In the concentric zone model of city structure, land uses form**

A a single line along one road

B no pattern at all

C several unrelated cities

D rings around a central business district, with different uses in each ring

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9 **In the sector model of city structure, growth spreads outward mainly**

- **A** along transport routes, forming wedge shaped sectors
- **B** in rings only
- **C** in a random pattern
- **D** away from all roads

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10 **The multiple nuclei model of city structure says a city can have**

- **A** only one centre
- **B** several centres, such as a downtown, an airport district, and a university district
- **C** no centres at all
- **D** only a port

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11 **Suburbanisation is the movement of people and activities from**



A farms to downtown only

B one country to another

C inner cities outward to suburbs, often for space and housing

D suburbs to farms

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12 **Urban sprawl can harm surrounding land because it**

A protects all farmland

B stops city growth completely

C reduces all commuting

D covers farmland and natural land with housing, roads, and malls and lengthens commutes

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13 **A primate city is a city that**

A is much larger than the next largest city and dominates its country

B is the smallest city in a country

C has no suburbs

D is always a capital with no other towns

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14 **Primary economic activities involve**



A making goods in factories

B taking or growing natural resources, such as farming, fishing, mining, and forestry

C providing services to people

D research and information work

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15 **Secondary economic activities involve**

A farming only

B teaching and health care only

C manufacturing and processing raw materials into goods

D banking only

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16 **Tertiary economic activities involve**

A mining only

B making steel only

C growing crops only

D providing services such as retail, transport, health care, and education

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17 **Quaternary economic activities involve**

A knowledge work such as research, information technology, and high level decision making

B farming only

C fishing only

D building houses only

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18 **As an economy develops, employment typically shifts**

A from services toward farming

B from primary activities toward secondary and then tertiary activities

C from factories toward mining only

D in no pattern at all

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19 **The schematic map shows trade routes from Canada. The destination labelled above Canada on the map is**

A the European Union

B Pacific countries

C the United States

D Mexico

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20 **A benefit of international trade for consumers is**



A fewer choices and higher prices

B no goods from other countries

C an end to all local production

D a wider choice of goods, often at lower prices, and jobs in export industries

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21 **A drawback of global trade for some workers is that**

A local industries may struggle to compete and some jobs may move to places with lower costs

B no jobs ever change

C trade creates no competition

D imports are always banned

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22 **In a core periphery pattern of development, core areas tend to be**

A remote and resource dependent only

B wealthy, urban, and industrial, while periphery areas are less developed and often supply resources

C identical to periphery areas

D empty of people

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23 **The schematic map of Canada shows economic activity levels by region in the data shown. The region at level 3 , the highest level, is**

A Prairies

B Quebec

C Ontario

D Atlantic

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24 **The informal economy includes work that is**



A always recorded in official statistics

B not officially recorded, such as street vending and casual labour, and is important in many cities

C always illegal in every case

D done only by large companies

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25 **A megacity is a city with a population of**

A over 1 million

B over 5 million

C over 10 million

D over 100 million

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ANSWER KEY

1.	A	**10.**	B	**19.**	C
2.	B	**11.**	C	**20.**	D
3.	C	**12.**	D	**21.**	A
4.	D	**13.**	A	**22.**	B
5.	A	**14.**	B	**23.**	C
6.	B	**15.**	C	**24.**	B
7.	C	**16.**	D	**25.**	C
8.	D	**17.**	A		
9.	A	**18.**	B		

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