Sample question

(a) Study Fig. 1.

(i) What is meant by ‘rural area’? (1)

(ii) In which year was the world’s rural population:
    A 2 billion
    B the same as the world’s urban population? (2)

(iii) Compare the world’s urban and rural populations in 1950 with what is expected in 2030. Use figures to illustrate your answer. (3)

(iv) Describe the differences between a typical rural area in an LEDC and an MEDC. (4)

(b) Study Fig. 2 which shows a rural settlement in an MEDC.

(i) Suggest three reasons why the rural settlement shown in the photograph grew up at that site. (3)

(ii) Suggest the likely advantages and disadvantages for people of living in this rural settlement today. (5)

(c) For a named area that you have studied in an LEDC, explain why rural depopulation has occurred. (7)

(Total 25)