**Population and tourism review questions**

**Population**

1. Until which years did all areas of the Venice Municipality see an increase in population?
2. What was the original basis for the rise of the Venice Republic and its success in past centuries?
3. When did the population of the historic city begin to decline, and how much lower is its population today compared with when it was at its height?
4. Describe and explain the relationship between population change in the historic city and the mainland during the 1950s to 1970s.
5. Describe and explain other demographic and social changes affecting the historic city in the past few decades (e.g. age structure, household size, employment).

**Tourism**

1. Approximately how many tourists visit historic Venice and the lagoon each year? Roughly how many tourists on average are in Venice each day of the year?
2. How has the amount of visitors to the historic city changed over the past few decades? How do numbers of visitors compare with the number of residents on an average day?
3. Describe some economic benefits of the tourist industry for Venice.
4. Evaluate the impacts of tourism on the historic city. Describe the various ways in which tourism makes living in the city increasingly difficult for residents.
5. Study the relevant chart at the end of the Tourism factsheet. Evaluate the impact of cruise ship tourism. In what ways is this type of tourism less beneficial and problematic compared with other types of tourism?

**Synoptic questions**

1. Study the chart at the end of the Demographics factsheet. What do you understand by the term ‘effective population’?
2. Why must effective population (as opposed to simply resident population) be taken into account by city authorities in planning and investing in public services?
3. What political tensions do you think are likely to exist between the historic city, lagoon islands, and mainland? (The three areas are managed jointly - the Venice municipality).
4. Venice with its lagoon is a UNESCO World Heritage Site <http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/394/>. Suggest reasons why it might become classed as an endangered world heritage site in the near future.