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Exam Board	Questions/focus points	Key Ideas/Context	Lesson
WJEC	2.1 What are the distinctive features of settlements?	The urban-rural continuum. The distinctiveness of places - perceptions of places/local areas.	Lesson 1 Where has
AS Level UNIT G2 Changing Human Environments	2.2 How does the social and cultural structure of settlements vary and why?	Patterns of intra-urban migration The reasons for counter- urbanisation and reurbanisation.	the concrete gone?
Theme 2 :	2.3 What are the issues of the inner city?	The reasons why regeneration is considered appropriate including deindustrialisation, dereliction.	
settlement change in MEDCs	2.5 How is the rural urban fringe changing and why?	The pressures on green belts from recreation, retailing and business/ office parks and government housing targets, bypasses and ring road developments. Evaluation of the impact of changes.	
	2.6 How are rural settlements changing and why?	Second homes; homes for local employees and retirement; employment; retailing and service provision. The changing social profile of settlements. The social impacts of the changing rural economy.	
A2 Level UNIT G4 Theme 4: Sustainable Cities	4.3 What attempts have been made to find sustainable solutions to problems faced by cities?	Strategies to deal with: transport and communications; disparities in wealth; areal extent; quality of environment.	Lesson 2 Where should the concrete go?
	4.4 How sustainable are cities?	Critically assess attitudes towards the sustainability of cities	concrete go.

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OCR AS level Unit F762: Managing Change in Human Environments • Managing urban and rural change	What are the social and economic issues associated with urban and rural change?	Urban growth and decay can lead to a variety of social and economic issues in urban areas. The problems of managing the growing demand for services. Structural change can lead to economic and social differences within and between rural areas.	Lesson 1 Where has the concret gone?
Key Concepts: Urban and rural landscapes consist of a variety of interdependent and interconnected activities and processes, change over time and space and will vary dependent on their	What are the environmental issues associated with urban and rural change?	Urban and rural change can put increasing pressures on the environment including: traffic congestion; atmospheric pollution; water pollution; urban dereliction; waste disposal.	
location and have certain characteristics and result from a variety of factors Change in urban and rural areas will produce a variety of impacts Urban and rural change results in opportunities and challenges	How can urban and rural areas be managed to ensure sustainability	Sustainable management requires an understanding of the dynamic nature of social/economic/political processes in urban and rural areas. The sustainable development of urban and rural areas requires a careful balance of socio-economic and environmental planning.	Lesson 2 Where should the concrete go

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EDEXCEL			
AS level Unit 2			Lesson 1
Geographical	How can we manage rural inequality and improve the lives of the	Examining the main problems and barriers to equality including	Where has
Investigations	rural poor? How successful have particular schemes been?	lack of access to affordable housing, local employment and basic	the concrete
Topic 3: Unequal Spaces		services.	gone?
Managing rural			
inequalities	What strategies can be used to combat inequality in urban areas? How successful have particular schemes been?	Town planning initiatives and sustainable communities	Lesson 2 Where
Managing urban			should the
inequalities			concrete go?
·	How places re-invent and market themselves by regeneration and	Investigating the different types of rebranding and re-imaging	
Topic 4 Rebranding	re-imaging to attract work, residents and visitors.	and their purpose.	Lesson 2
Places		Examining why rebranding is needed because of, for example the	Where
Piaces		spiral of decline, loss of industry and population change.	should the
	Who are the 'rebranding players' and what strategies exist for		concrete go?
Time to rebrand	places to improve themselves	Rebranding for a sustainable future.	
Time to reprairu			
Rebranding strategies			
A2 level Contested	Technology may have a direct role in overcoming global	Examining technological fixes proposed to solve global problems	Lesson 2
Planet	environmental issues, such as global warming and land	and setting these against criteria such as those for environmental	Where
	degradation – but technological fixes may not be feasible or	sustainability.	should the
Topic 6: The	desirable.		concrete go?
Technological Fix?			
	The question of whether increasing technology use and an	Examining whether technology will always lead to waste and	
	environmentally sustainable future	pollution, or if it can be developed within a	
	can be reconciled	more sustainable model	

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AQA			
A2 level Unit 3	Contemporary urbanisation	Urbanisation: characteristics, causes and effects.	Lesson 1
GEOG3	processes	Suburbanisation; Counter-urbanisation;	Where has the
Contemporary		Re-urbanisation: characteristics, causes and effects.	concrete gone?
Geographical Issues			
The Human Options:	Urban decline and	Planning and management issues.	
World cities -	regeneration within urban		
Economic	areas	Characteristics and causes of urban decline.	
development and		Urban regeneration: gentrification, property-led regeneration schemes, partnership schemes	
change related to		between local and national governments and the private sector.	
urbanisation.			
	Retailing and other services	The decentralisation of retailing and other services – causes and impacts.	
		The redevelopment of urban centres – impacts and responses.	
			Lesson 2
	Contemporary sustainability	Transport and its management: the development of integrated, efficient and sustainable systems.	Where should
	issues in urban areas		the concrete go?

In addition all of the specifications require the following elements

- Interpretation and Analysis of a variety of types of image, graphs, charts, data and other resources
- Use of primary and secondary sources to investigate geographical processes and their effects environmental quality, photo panoramas, Goad maps, residential quality, neglect and dereliction, housing, employment, health and census data.
- Map work at a variety of scales, land-use maps
- Use of GIS and other modern technology
- Be able to identify and analyse potential conflicts
- Be able to consider a range of options concerning the management of geographical issues and understand the decision making processes
- Be able to recognize and define an issue, consider evidence from a range of viewpoints and establish criteria for evaluation of the issue
- Research into issues to extend understanding, including fieldwork to investigate characteristics and processes of change