9395 TRAVEL AND TOURISM

9395/43 Paper 4 (Specialised Tourism), maximum raw mark 50

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1 (a) Explain two possible benefits to the Man and the Biosphere Programme of setting up an association of ecotourism service providers. [4]

To help develop tourism as they have little experience (1) gives guidance (1).

Help with quality control (1) maintain an effective project (1), gives marketing assistance (1).

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(b) Tourism in Kyrgyzstan is increasing. Evaluate the ways in which local tourism providers might benefit from a growth in tourism to this area. [9]

Indicative content:

- possible new jobs
- may increase wealth to the area with income generation
- possible infrastructure developed that would benefit local people as well as visitors
- revenue maximisation
- development of local community and further local involvement
- better understanding between cultures

Exemplar:

…may manifest in new jobs and a general increase in wealth in the area, although may be restricted due to seasonality…infrastructure may be developed which would assist with a growth in accessibility for both hosts and guest…

Level of response

Level 1 (1–3 marks)
Candidate identifies one for 1 mark, two for 2/3 marks.

Level 2 (4–6 marks)
Candidate explains benefits. Explains one for 4 marks, explains two for 5/6 marks.

Level 3 (7–9 marks)
Candidate evaluates the benefits. Evaluates one for 7 marks, assesses two for 8 marks.
Final concluding statement for 9 marks.
(c) The adventure activities in Kyrgyzstan will be taking place in unspoilt countryside. Assess the potential environmental impacts that might arise as a result of these activities. [12]

Indicative content: may be positive or negative impacts

- erosion of natural vegetation and soils
- visual and noise pollution
- trespass
- loss of habitats
- litter
- water contamination
- wildlife conservation
- possible preservation of landscape through zoning and education

Exemplar:
…numerous environmental issues with loss of natural habitat and erosion of the landscape, different adventurous activities will have different impacts, e.g. lake usage could potentially cause disturbance and wash impacts whilst…

Level of response
Level 1 (1–4 marks)
Candidate identifies impacts. Identifies one for 1 mark, two for 2 marks, identifies three for 3/4 marks.
Level 2 (5–8 marks)
Candidate explains impacts. Explains one for 5 marks, two for 6 marks and three impacts for 7/8 marks.
Level 3 (9–12 marks)
Candidate assesses the potential environmental – positive or negative – impacts. Assesses one for 9 marks, two for 10/11 marks and final conclusion for 12 marks.
2 (a) Explain two reasons why tourists are attracted to Mexico’s Day of the Dead festival. [4]

Experience different culture (1) going to Mexico and seeing first-hand the festival (1)
Watch the dances and see the masks (1) learn about the reasons why they celebrate such a festival and how (1)
See the colours, sights and sounds (1) educate themselves (1)
2 x 2

(b) Assess the likely benefits to the host population of preserving cultural activities, such as Mexico’s Day of the Dead festival. [9]

Indicative content:

Preservation of the festival to continue and possibly grow depending on the marketing and promotion involved.
Helps to secure some employment during the month of festivities. However, this only lasts for one month.
Educating the younger members of the community to help with the continuance of the festival for years to come.
May assist with the provision of community based facilities.
Continue with values, traditions and customs – these may become altered over a period of time and changed to suit the tourists’ needs rather than be authentic to the spirit of the festival itself.
Revenues.

Level of response
Level 1 (1–3 marks)
Candidate identifies impacts. Identifies one for 1 mark, two for 2/3 marks.
Level 2 (4–6 marks)
Candidate explains impacts. Explains one for 4 marks, explains two for 5/6 marks.
Level 3 (7–9 marks)
Candidate assesses the positive impacts. Assesses one for 7 marks, assesses two for 8 marks. Final concluding statement for 9 marks.
(c) Many tourists visit Mexico to witness the Day of the Dead festival during November. Evaluate the problems that this may cause the host population. [12]

Can be from environmental, ecological or socio-cultural.

Indicative content:

Overcrowding – may be localised.
Crime – may be petty or could incorporate gangs.
Could lead to demonstration effect – festival over period of a month, gives plenty of time for locals to mix with visitors.
Loss of privacy for the locals – this may not become a problem although the time span may solve this.
Or
Increase in wealth, etc. for short period of time, may increase sales of certain goods and services which will then decrease as the month ends.
Mix of cultures and education.

Exemplar:
...large increase would be mass tourism. This may lead to overcrowding and a loss of privacy for the hosts, however, the festival is only staged over a monthly period...petty crime may evolve...inappropriate behaviour may upset hosts, environmental damage to graves may be upsetting and cause conflict...

Level of response
Level 1 (1–4 marks)
Candidate identifies impacts. Identifies one for 1 mark, two for 2 marks, identifies three for 3/4 marks.
Level 2 (5–8 marks)
Candidate explains impacts. Explains one for 5 marks, two for 6 marks and three impacts for 7/8 marks.
Level 3 (9–12 marks)
Candidate evaluates the problems. Evaluates one for 9 marks, two for 10/11 marks and final conclusion for 12 marks.