



	Geographical Explanations	Geographical Decisions	Geographical Links	Geographical Investigations
Mastering	Analysis of most significant reasons. Identify the most significant reason(s) and correctly explain why this is the crucial factor for this process/feature/pattern to occur. Comprehensive use of specific key terms which enhances the quality of explanation.	Valid and appropriate conclusion is reached. Thorough justification of decision fully supported by developed explanation and detailed exemplification. A critical understanding of all factors is clear and demonstrates a balanced understanding of all factors.	(C) All the resources are critically used. Creativity and flair is evidenced by developed explanation of the interconnections between topics and exemplified with global examples. (TLG): Comprehensive understanding of wide range of different stakeholders based upon their values, attitudes and actions and how these influence the future decisions	(P) A wide range of (independently thought of) cartographic and graphical techniques have been accurately and appropriately used. (I) Data is analysed fully: patterns, evidence, anomalies and manipulation, developed reasons and valid conclusions. (E) Critical evaluation of the appropriateness of location, accuracy and reliability of methods, presentation techniques and validity of conclusions with extensions/developments suggested
Deepening	Developed multiple reasons in the correct sequence. The interlinkages between several reasons are explained to fully explore and sequenced to give a full reasons for the process/feature/pattern. Detailed evidence of appropriate topic specific key terms	Valid and clear conclusion is reached. Justification of decision is supported by developed explanation and evidence of exemplification. A balanced understanding of all factors	(C) A wide range of resources are fully used through identification, interpretation and synthesis of key concepts and issues. Attempts to show creativity and flair is shown by explanation of the interconnections between topics and exemplified with global examples. (TLG) An understanding of the role a wide range of different stakeholders have based on their values, attitudes which influence future decisions	(P) A range of cartographic and graphical techniques have been accurately and appropriately used. (I) Data is analysed to include patterns, evidence anomalies with reasons to explain these with developed conclusive comments. (E) Simple evaluative comments are made to review the accuracy and reliability of methods, presentation techniques and the validity of conclusions.
Securing	Developed multiple reasons. Ideas have been linked and/or extended using connectives such as 'this will lead to...'; 'this in turn will...' to link the idea to the question. Clear evidence of appropriate topic specific key terms.	Basic conclusion is reached with some reasons and exemplification given for this. The answer attempts to provide balance, but one argument is given far more weighting than the other.	(C) A range of resources are used through clear identification, interpretation and synthesis of important concepts and issues. Clear interconnections are explained between topics and some relevant exemplification. (TLG) A clear understanding of the role of a range of different stakeholders have based on their values, attitudes and actions and the different decisions made	(M) Qualitative and Quantitative methods are accurately described and justified including sampling and measurement technique referring to accuracy and reliability. (P) Both cartographic and graphical techniques are used appropriately to present data. (I) Data is described to identify patterns and evidence and basic reasons are given to explain these with basic conclusions.
Developing	A few stand-alone ideas are explained with basic reasons. Basic use of some key terms	Conclusion are implied (not clearly stated) with simplistic reasons offered with limited exemplification. The answer may be imbalanced or incomplete.	(C) Several resources are used with basic identification and interpretation of concepts and issues. Basic interconnections are described between topics with some exemplification. (TLG) A basic understanding of several stakeholders' attitudes, actions and the different decisions made	(M) Quantitative and Qualitative methods are described to include sampling and measurement technique required to collect data. (P) A range of graphical techniques are used appropriately for the data. (I) Data is described to identify patterns and evidence and basic reasons to support
Emerging	A few stand-alone ideas are stated almost list like in nature	Accurate points given with an attempt to give simple reasons for these	(C) Resources are used through simple identification and interpretation of basic concepts and issues. Simple connections are identified within topics with some exemplification. (TLG) A simple identification of a few stakeholders' attitudes, actions and the different decisions made	(M) Quantitative and/or Qualitative methods are described with key parts of the measurement technique given. (P) Two simple graphs have been used appropriately for the data. (I) Data is described with some valid patterns given.