Urban Homework Answers 4

Study Figure 1, a table outlining challenges created in an urban environment

Social and Economic Challenges

Many people who move to the city from rural areas end up in <u>squatter settlements</u> (slums) — settlements that are built <u>illegally</u> in and around the city, by people who <u>can't afford</u> proper housing.

- 1) They are often badly built and overcrowded.
- People often don't have access to basic services,
 e.g. clean running water, proper sewers or electricity.
- 3) The <u>unclean conditions</u> and <u>lack</u> of access to <u>medical</u> <u>services</u> mean people often have <u>poor health</u>.
- People may <u>not</u> have access to <u>education</u> so they are unable to develop the skills needed to get better <u>jobs</u>. They often work <u>long hours</u> for <u>little pay</u>.
- 5) There can be high levels of unemployment and crime.

Environmental Challenges

If cities grow <u>rapidly</u> waste disposal services, sewage systems and environmental regulations for factories <u>can't keep pace</u> with the growth.

- Rubbish often isn't <u>collected</u> or it may end up in big <u>rubbish heaps</u>. This can damage the <u>environment</u>, especially if it's <u>toxic</u>.
- Air pollution comes from burning fuel, vehicle exhaust fumes and factories.
- 3) Sewage and toxic chemicals can get into rivers, harming wildlife.
- 4) The <u>road system</u> may not be able to <u>cope</u> with all the <u>vehicles</u>. <u>Congestion</u> causes increased <u>greenhouse gas</u> emissions.
- Using figure 1 and your own knowledge
 For a named example of a city in a LIC or NEE, discuss the challenges created by urban growth (9 + 3spag)
 - 1.4 This question is level marked. There are 3 extra marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar.

 How to grade your answer:

permanent structures, improving the sewer system and introducing rubbish collection schemes, and an explanation of how these have a positive effect, e.g. by making the area more pleasant and healthier to live in.

- Answers may refer to the Favela-Bairro Project in Rio de Janiero, where self-help schemes have been operating in 73 favelas.
- .4 This question is level marked. There are 3 extra marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar. How to grade your answer:

Level 0: There is no relevant information. [0 marks]

Level 1: There is a basic description of the challenges created by urban growth. [1-3 marks]

Level 2: There is a clear discussion of the challenges of urban growth. [4-6 marks]

Level 3: There is a detailed discussion of the challenges created by urban growth. [7-9 marks]

Make sure your spelling, punctuation and grammar is consistently correct, that your meaning is clear and that you use a range of geographical terms correctly [0-3 marks]. Your answer must refer to a named example.