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Human Geography

Monday, 22 May 2006: 10.00am to 1.00pm

Candidates should answer **FOUR** of the following **TWELVE** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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- 1. Using examples from contemporary society, discuss the insights that knowledge of Human Geography affords.
- 2. Examine the forces that tend to promote 'clustering' and 'dispersion' in the patterning of rural settlement.
- 3. Explain why people migrate across international boundaries and examine the debates that occur about controlling such movements.
- 4. Explain what you understand by the term 'counter-urbanisation' and discuss the reasons why it can be seen in many large cities in contemporary, advanced, western economies but not in large cities elsewhere.
- 5. 'Patterns of urban land use are reasonably distinctive and consistent.' What forms do they take and why?
- 6. 'Trade not aid.' Discuss.
- 7. How far would you agree with the view that the 'regional concept' has far greater practical and analytical value when interpreted 'functionally', rather than in terms of 'homogeneity'?
- 8. 'Economists tend to take the view that markets and price mechanisms can more than cope with concerns about resource depletion.' Discuss how far do you think that they are right?
- 9. Critically assess the value of Alfred Weber's theory of the location of manufacturing activities.
- 10. Explain the ways in which August Losch extended Walter Christaller's 'central place theory' and assess the practical value of 'central place' modelling.
- 11. Discuss the difficulties of curtailing and controlling pollution at whatever spatial scale you choose.
- 12. If you had to prepare a consultant's report for a planning authority about the socioeconomic development of a city or region that you have studied, discuss in detail what it would contain.

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