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Time 1 hour 10 minutes		Paper reference	<b>4GE1/01</b>
<b>Geography</b> <b>PAPER 1: Physical geography</b>			
<b>You must have:</b> Resource Booklet (enclosed), calculator			Total Marks

## Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- In Section A, answer **two** questions from Questions 1, 2 **and** 3.
- In Section B, answer **one** question from Questions 4, 5 **and** 6.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- Calculators may be used.
- Where asked you must show **all your working out** with **your answer clearly identified** at the **end of your solution**.

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 62.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

## Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
- Good luck with your examination.

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## SECTION A

Answer TWO questions from this section.

Some questions must be answered with a cross in a box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

If you answer Question 1 put a cross in the box ☒ .

### 1 River environments

- (a) (i) Identify **one** store in the hydrological cycle.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Evaporation
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Infiltration
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Lake
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Throughflow

- (ii) Identify the statement that best defines transpiration in the hydrological cycle.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Transfer of water from the atmosphere to land.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Plants take up water from the soil and release it into the atmosphere as water vapour.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Water moving through the soil as a result of gravity.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Water vapour cooling in the atmosphere to become liquid.

- (b) (i) State **one** physical factor that influences deposition in a river.

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- (ii) Explain how abrasion erodes the river channel.

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(c) Study Figure 1a in the Resource Booklet.

Suggest **two** reasons for the different storm hydrograph shapes.

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(d) Explain **one** way agriculture can affect water quality.

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(e) Study Figure 1b in the Resource Booklet.

Identify the feature labelled **X**.

(1)

(f) Explain the formation of a waterfall.

(4)

(g) Study Figure 1c in the Resource Booklet.

Analyse the factors that can affect river flood risk.

(8)





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If you answer Question 2 put a cross in the box ☐ .

## 2 Coastal environments

(a) Identify the best definition of **mechanical weathering**.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Where rocks are broken down by physical factors in the environment.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Where rocks are eroded by activities of plants and animals.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Where rocks are protected from physical processes on a coastline.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Where the chemical composition of the rocks is changed.

(b) (i) Identify an **abiotic** factor that affects coastal ecosystems.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Animals
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Climate
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Plants
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Fungi

(ii) Identify **one** feature of coral reef ecosystems.

(1)

(iii) Explain **one** factor that controls the distribution of coral reef ecosystems.

(2)



(c) Study Figure 2a in the Resource Booklet.

Suggest **two** marine processes forming these coastal landforms.

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(d) Explain **one** way industry can threaten coastal ecosystems.

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(e) Study Figure 2b in the Resource Booklet.

Identify the feature labelled **X**.

(1)

(f) Explain how prevention strategies can reduce the impact of coastal flooding.

(4)

(g) Study Figure 2c in the Resource Booklet.

Analyse the different viewpoints affecting the decisions on coastal management strategies.

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If you answer Question 3 put a cross in the box ☐.

### 3 Hazardous environments

(a) Identify which of the following can be used to record earthquakes.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Flow meter
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Hygrometer
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Richter scale
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Seismograph

(b) (i) Identify a method of measuring tropical cyclones.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Bradshaw scale
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Pressure scale
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Saffir-Simpson scale
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Wind speed scale

(ii) State **one** factor that influences the development of tropical cyclones.

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(iii) Explain **one** physical impact of a tropical cyclone hazard.

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(c) Study Figure 3a in the Resource Booklet.

Suggest **two** reasons why some places are more vulnerable to tectonic hazards than others.

(4)

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(d) Explain **one** strategy to reduce the impacts from earthquake events.

(3)



(e) Study Figure 3b in the Resource Booklet.

Identify the type of plate boundary.

(1)

(f) Explain the formation of a volcano.

(4)

(g) Study Figure 3c in the Resource Booklet.

Analyse the short- and long-term impacts of the earthquake event.

(8)





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**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 50 MARKS**



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## SECTION B

### Geographical Enquiry

Answer ONE question from this section.

If you answer Question 4 put a cross in the box ☐.

#### Investigating river environments

- 4 (a) (i) Identify which of the following statements refers to systematic sampling.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Collecting data at random sites along a river.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Collecting data every 100m along a river.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Collecting data from two different river catchments.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Collecting data from three sites along a river.

- (ii) Name **one** piece of equipment you would use to measure river wetted perimeter.

(1)

- (iii) Describe **one** health and safety risk it is important to be aware of when carrying out fieldwork near rivers.

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If you answer Question 5 put a cross in the box ☐.

### Investigating coastal environments

5 (a) (i) Identify the correct definition of systematic sampling.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Collecting data at random sites along a coastline.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Collecting data every 100m along a coastline.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Collecting data from two different coastline.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Collecting data from three sites along a coastline.

(ii) Name **one** piece of equipment you would use to measure beach gradient.

(1)

(iii) Describe **one** health and safety risk it is important to be aware of when carrying out fieldwork in a coastal environment.

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If you answer Question 6 put a cross in the box ☐.

### Investigating hazardous environments

6 (a) (i) Identify the correct definition of systematic sampling.

(1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>A</b> Collecting rainfall data at random sites in a town.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>B</b> Collecting rainfall data every 1 km away from the town centre.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C</b> Collecting rainfall data from two different towns.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>D</b> Collecting rainfall data from three sites in a town.

(ii) Name **one** piece of equipment you would use to measure rainfall.

(1)

(iii) Describe **one** health and safety risk it is important to be aware of when carrying out fieldwork related to hazardous environments.

(2)



- (b) Study Figure 6 in the Resource Booklet. It shows information about some design, some data collection methods used, data presentation and a conclusion.

The aim of the student's investigation was to examine change in weather patterns using a weather diary.

Evaluate how far the design and the data collection methods provided reliable evidence for the student's conclusions.

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 12 MARKS**

**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 62 MARKS**



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## Geography

### PAPER 1: Physical geography

#### Resource Booklet

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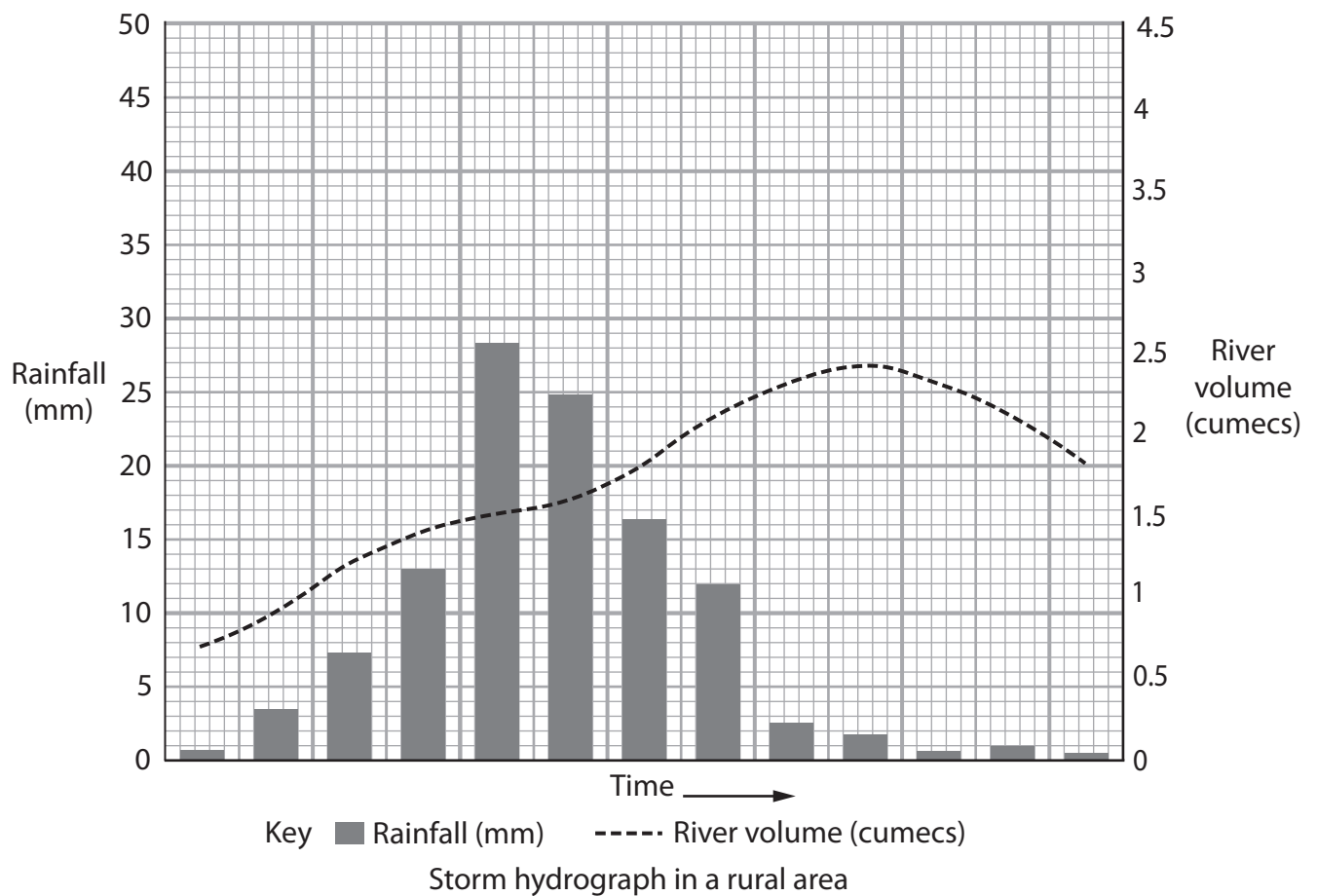
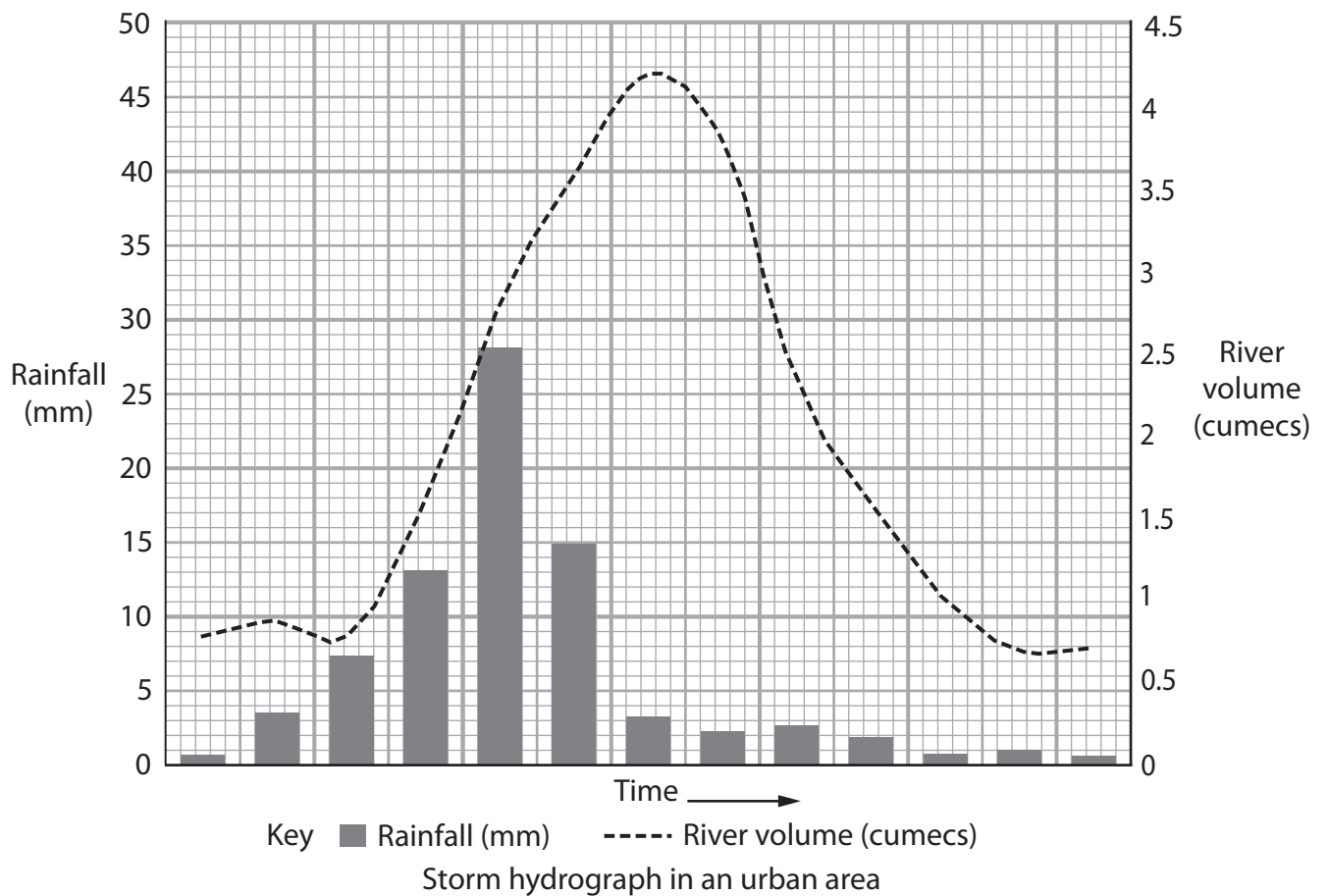
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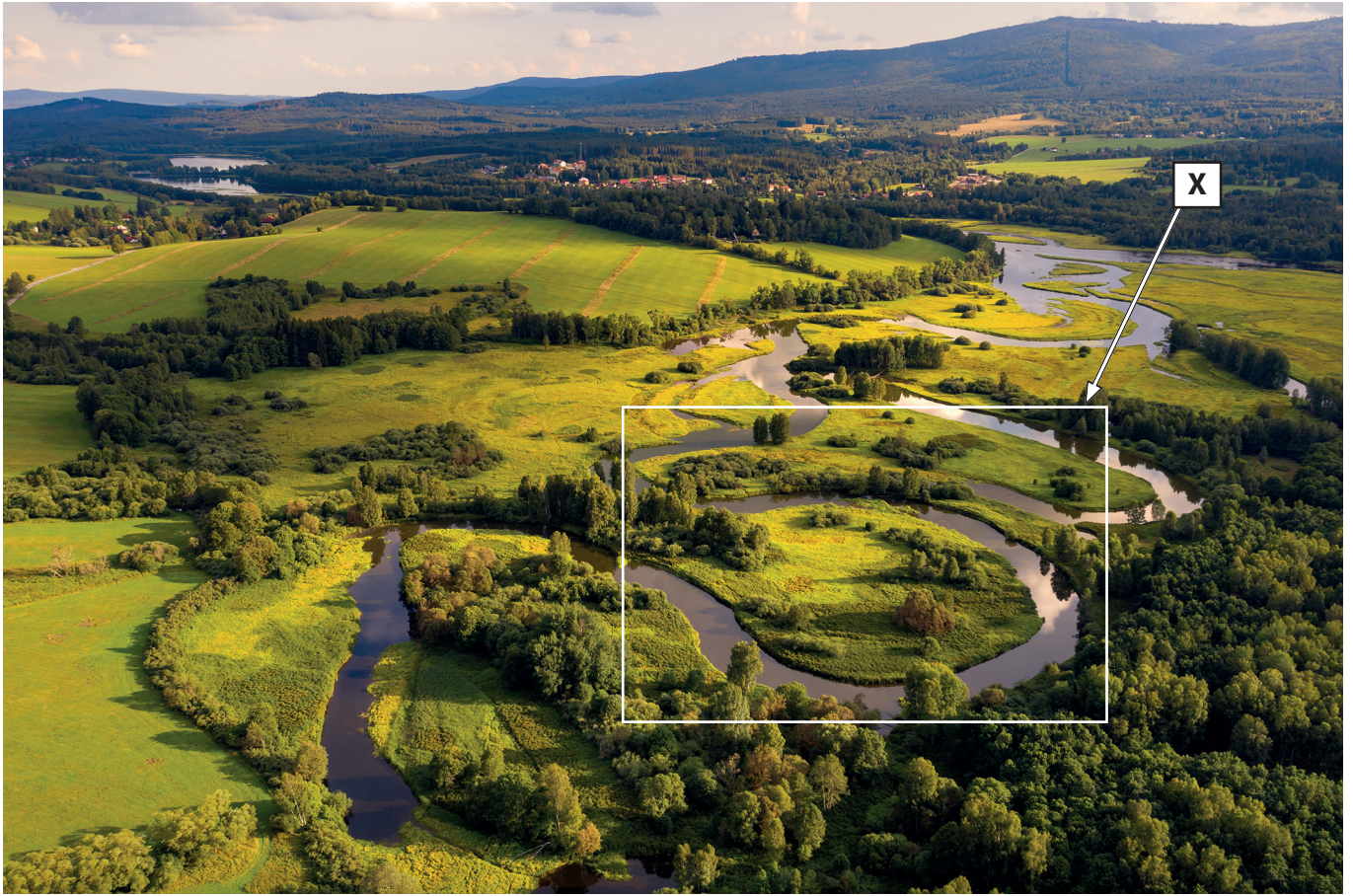
  
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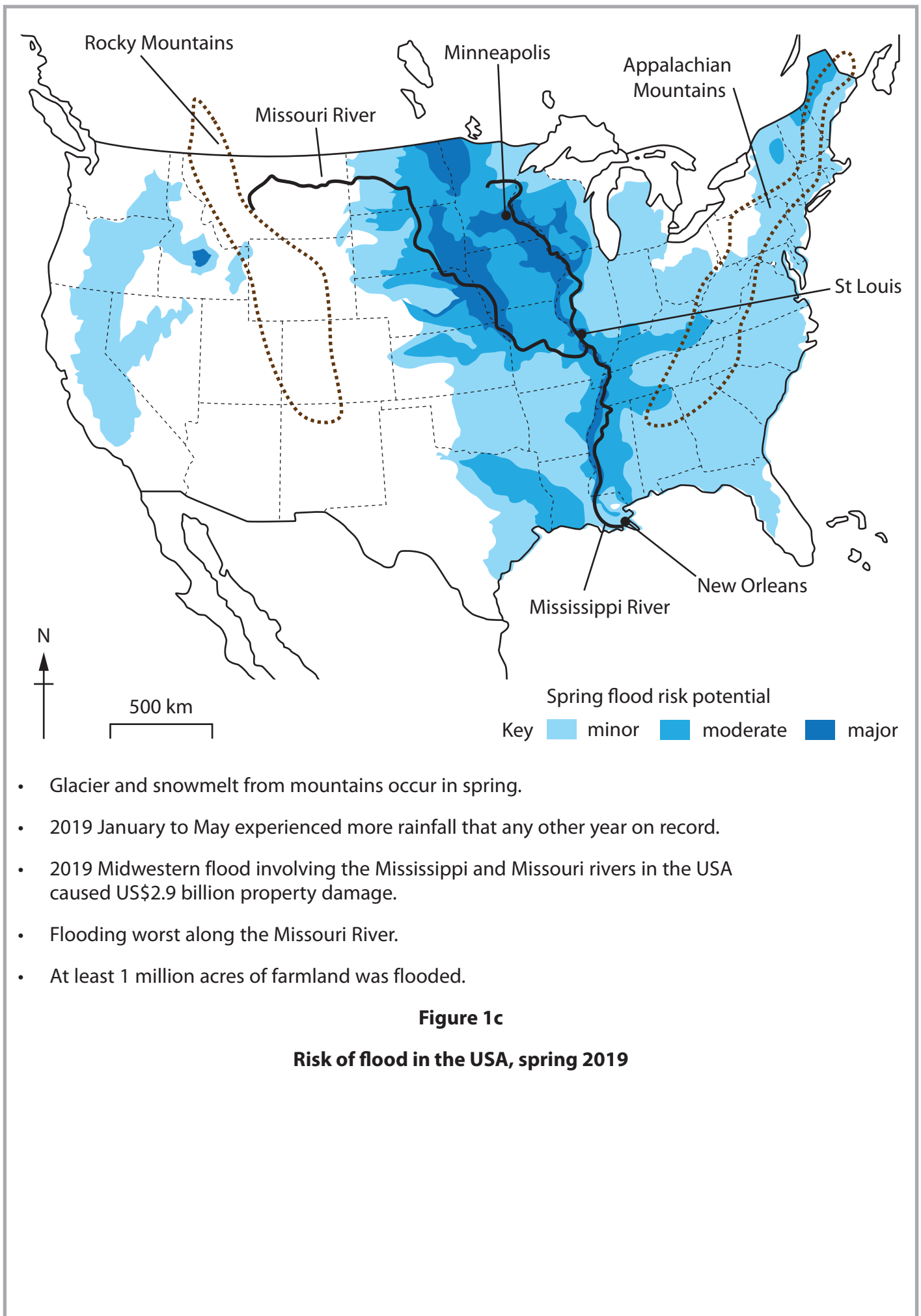
**Figure 1a**

**Two storm hydrographs**

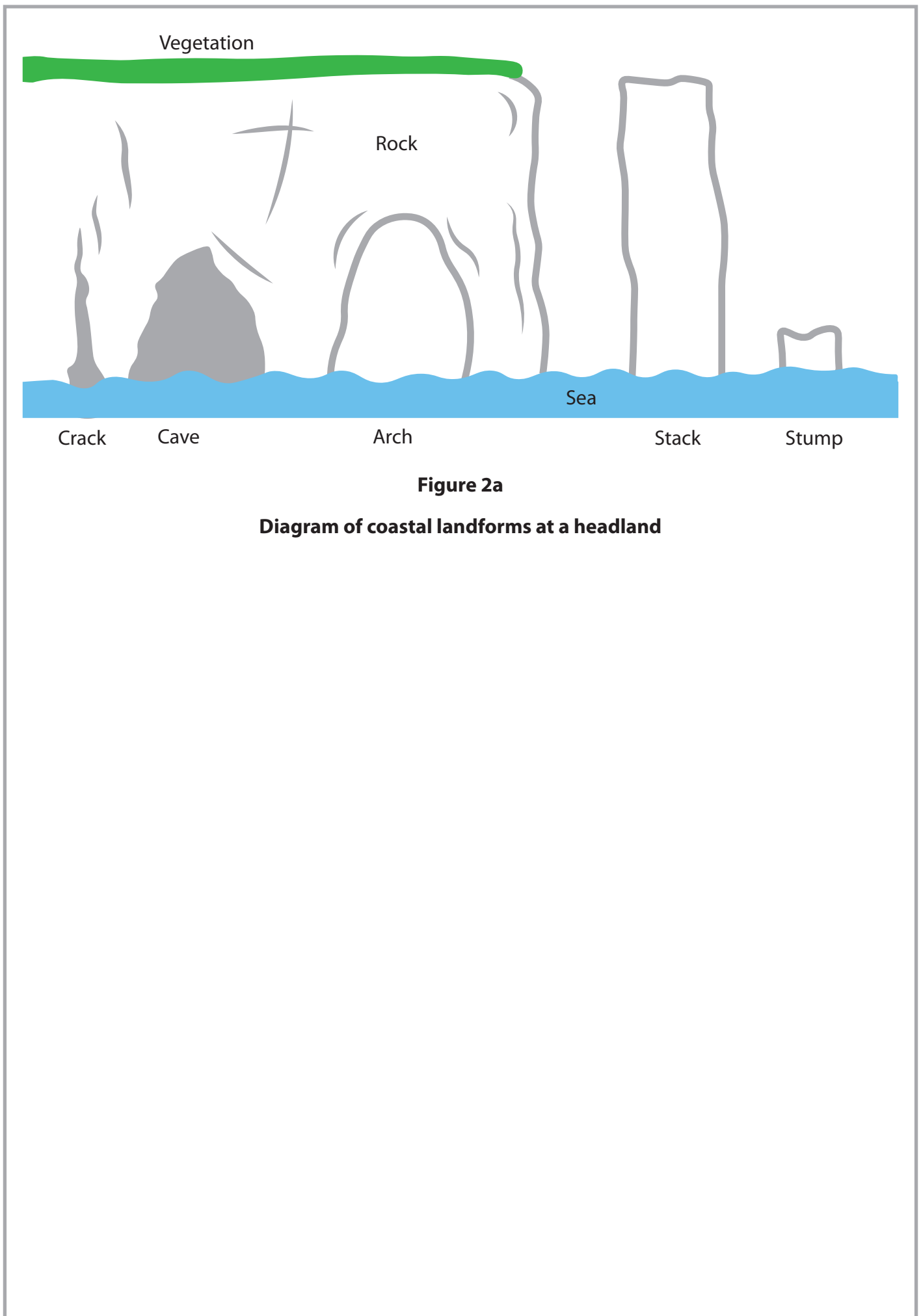




**Figure 1b**  
**Vltava River in the Czech Republic**

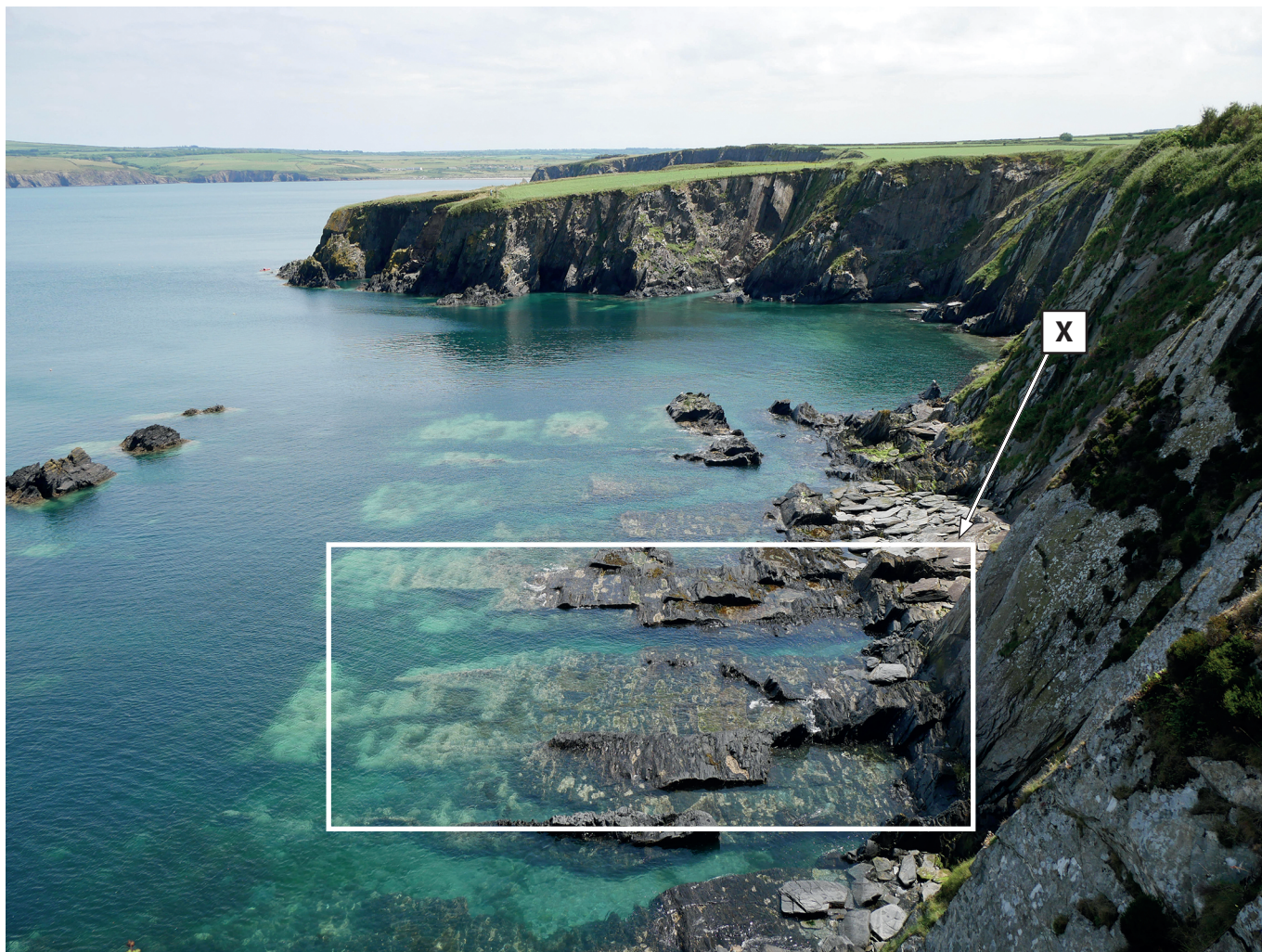




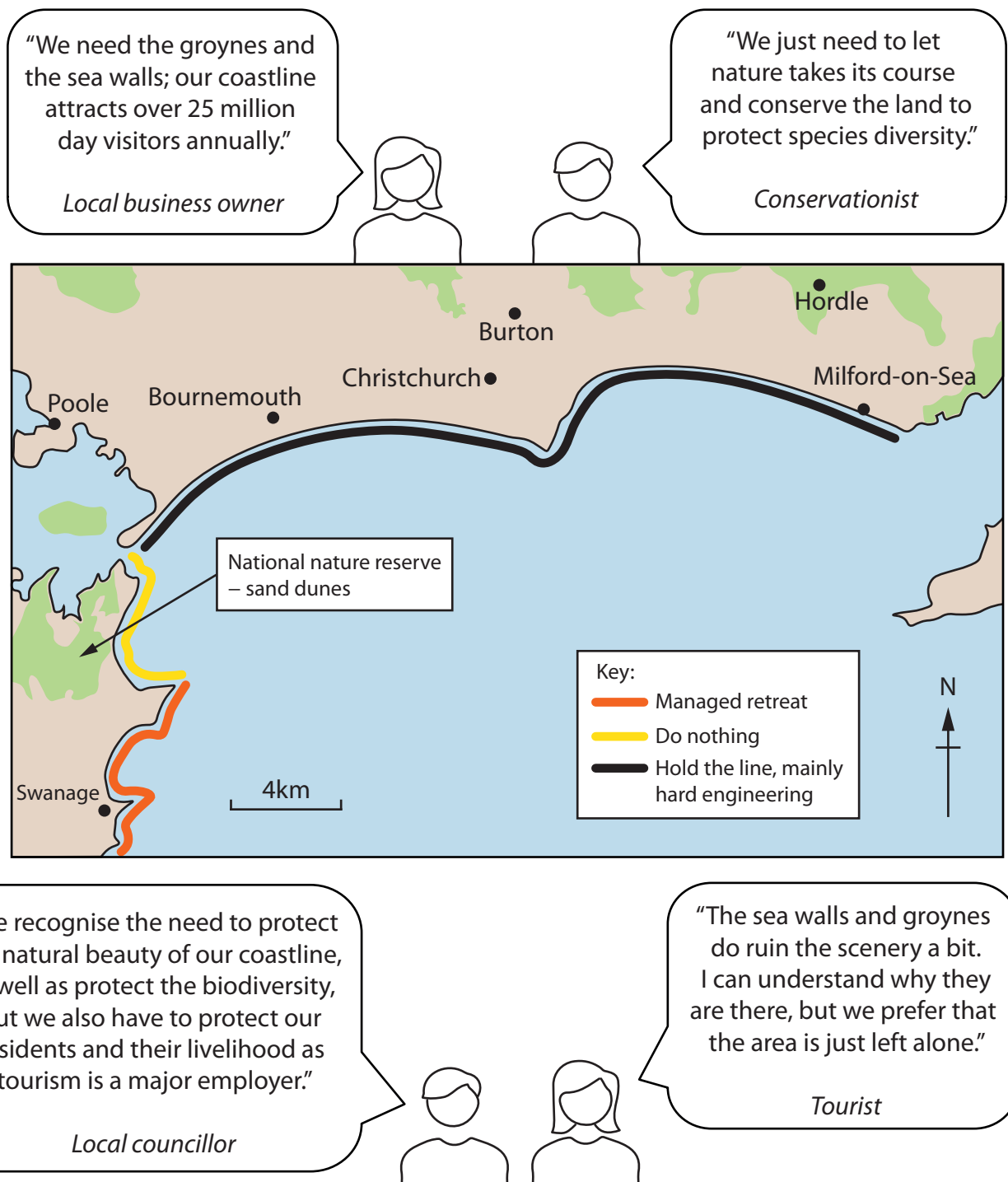


**Figure 2a**

**Diagram of coastal landforms at a headland**

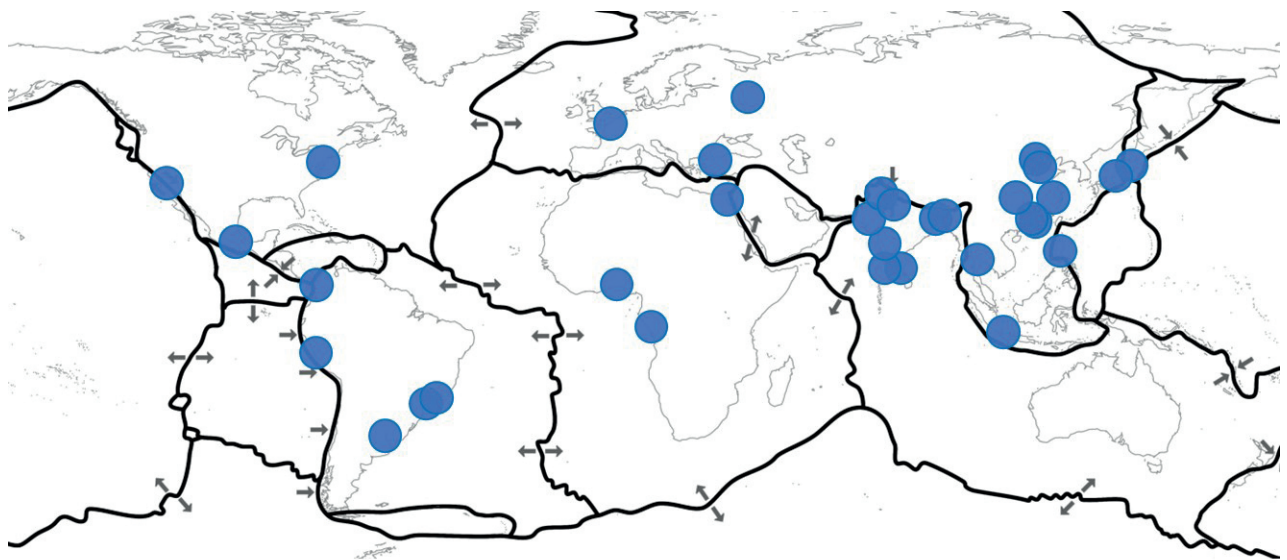


**Figure 2b**  
**Coastal landscape in Pembrokeshire, UK**



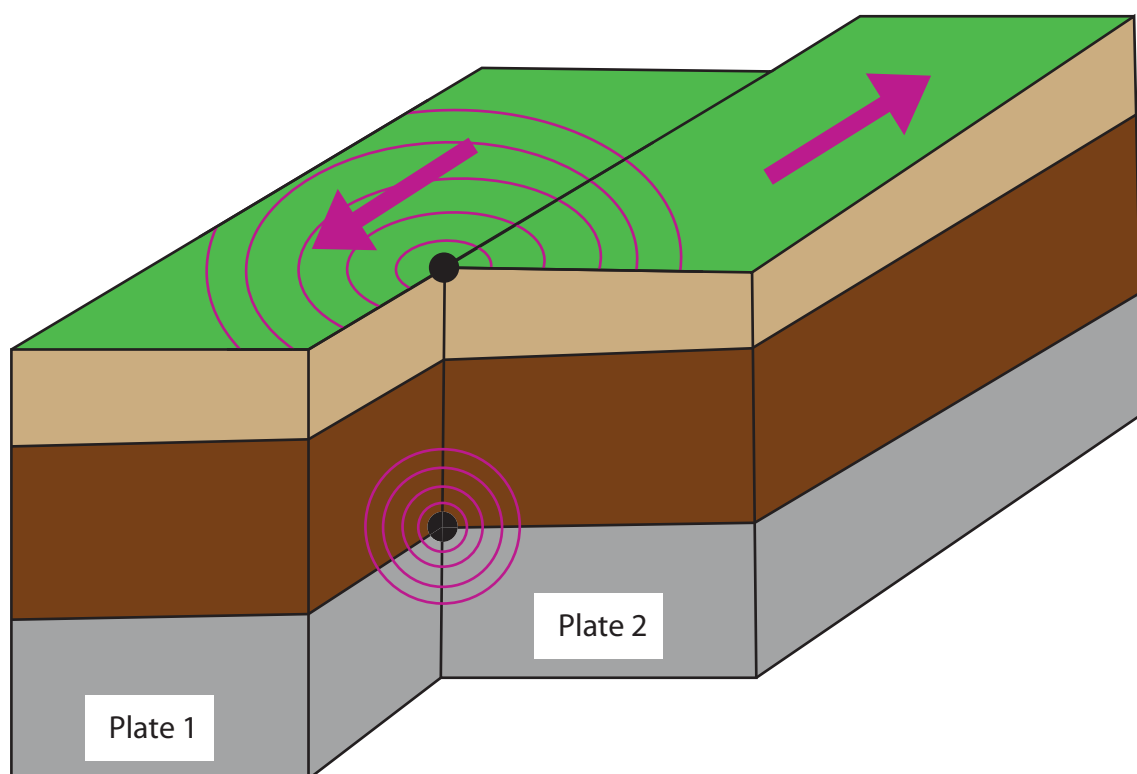
**Figure 2c**

**Different views on coastal management strategies along the Dorset coast, UK**



- Key:
- Megacity
  - Tectonic plate boundary
  - ➔ Direction of plate movement

**Figure 3a**  
**Tectonic plate boundaries and megacity locations**



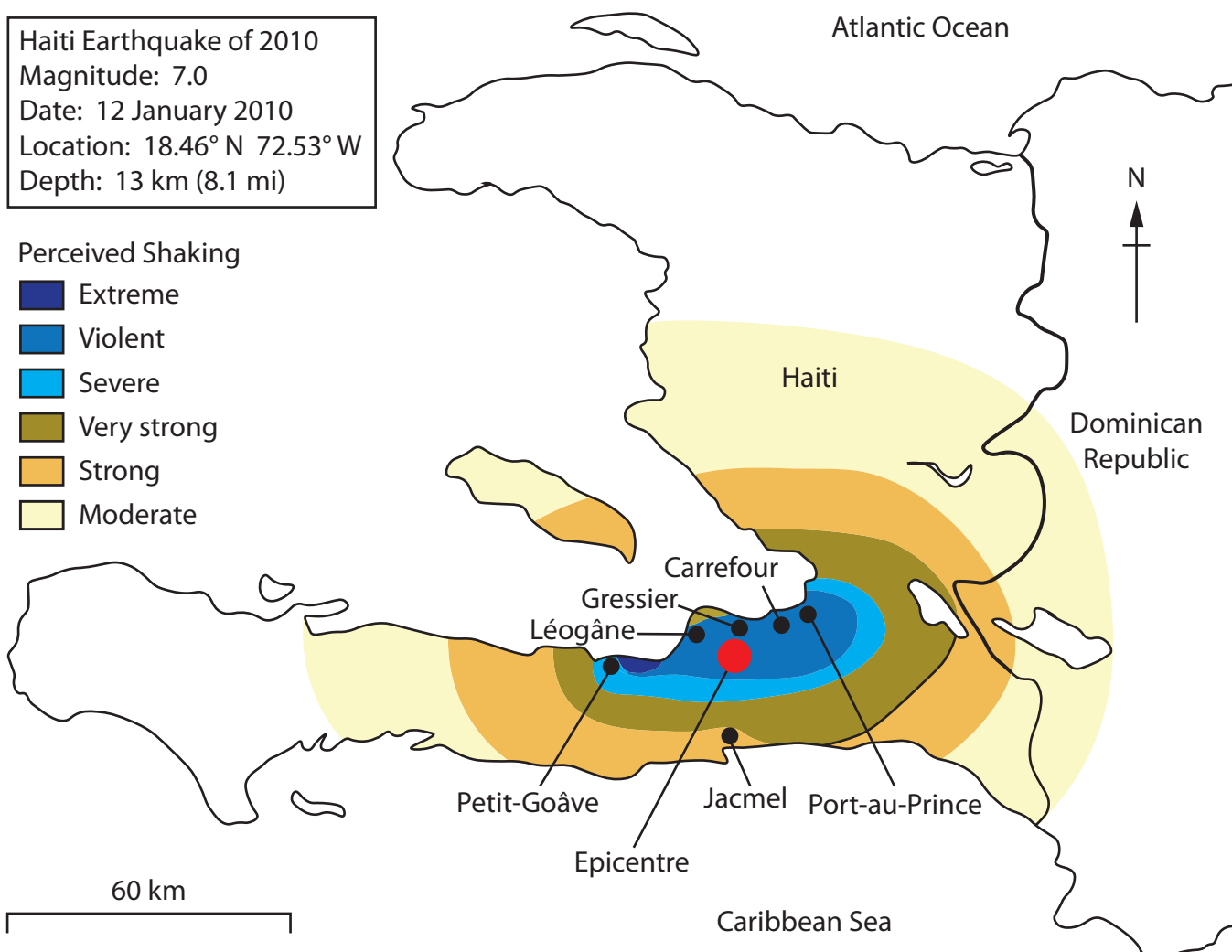
**Fig 3b**  
**Diagram of a plate boundary**



Haiti Earthquake of 2010  
 Magnitude: 7.0  
 Date: 12 January 2010  
 Location: 18.46° N 72.53° W  
 Depth: 13 km (8.1 mi)

Perceived Shaking

- Extreme
- Violent
- Severe
- Very strong
- Strong
- Moderate



Population	9.95 million
Short-term Impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 220,000 people killed</li> <li>• 300,000 people injured</li> <li>• Transport and communications disrupted, airport damaged</li> <li>• Shortage of aid supplies due to lack of preparation</li> </ul>
Long-term Impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 million people with poor access to food and water</li> <li>• 1.3 million people homeless</li> <li>• Outbreaks of cholera</li> <li>• Many businesses were destroyed particularly the clothing industry</li> </ul>

**Figure 3c**

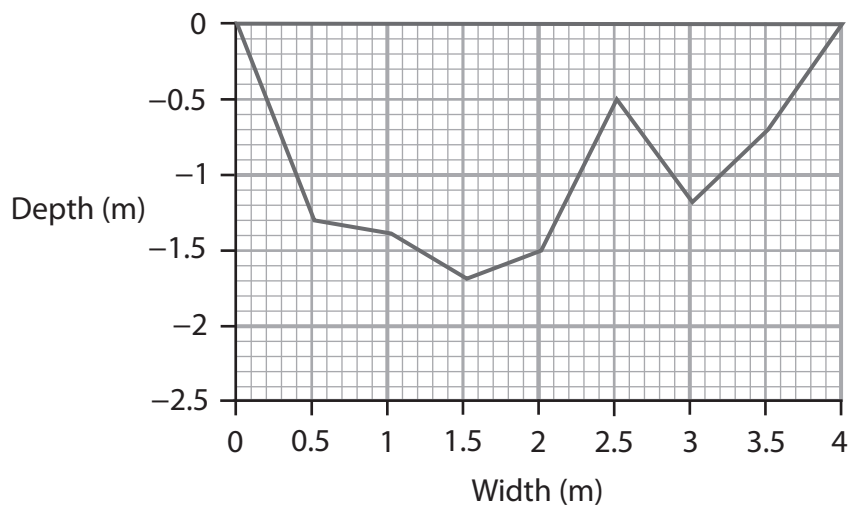
**Details about an earthquake event in Haiti, a developing country in 2010**

At two different sites along a river chosen at random on a map:

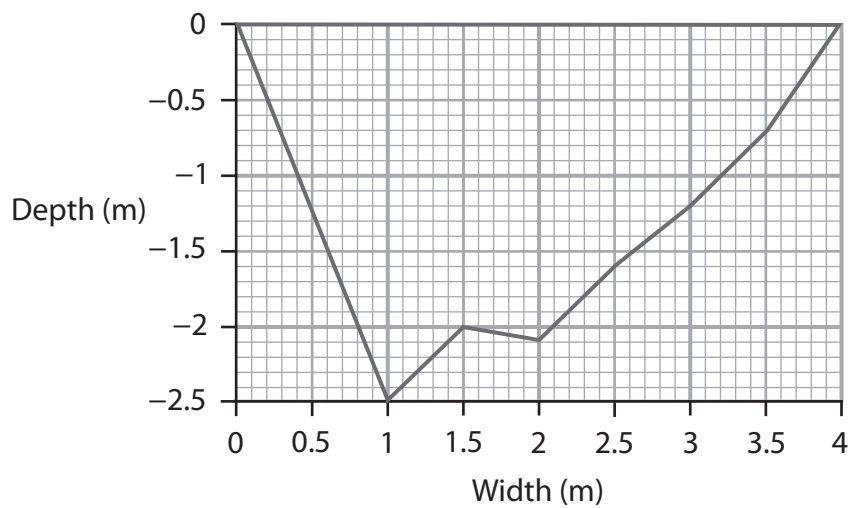
- Measure river width/depth
- Measure river wetted perimeter
- Measure river velocity

**Figure 4a**

**Extract from data collection methods**



Site 1



Site 2

Conclusions	
1	I found that the characteristics of the river changed along the course of the river.
2	Calculating river velocity at each site allowed me to find out that river velocity is fastest in the upper course of the river.
3	There was little difference between the width of the river between the fieldwork sites.

Figure 4b

Extracts from student's data presentation and conclusion

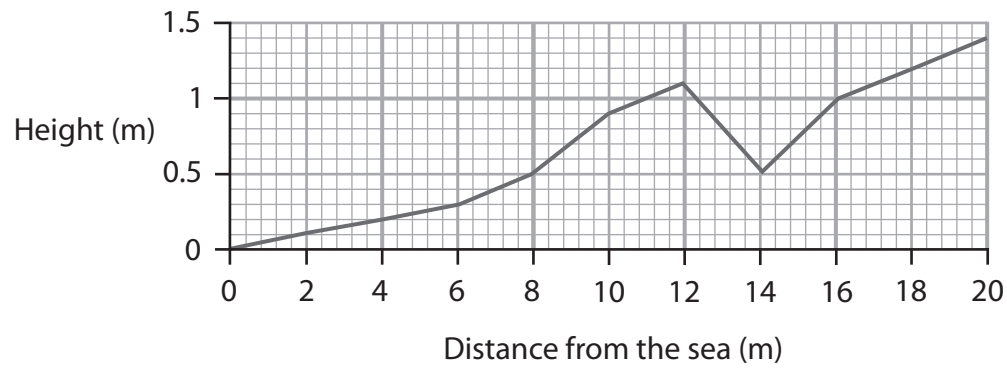
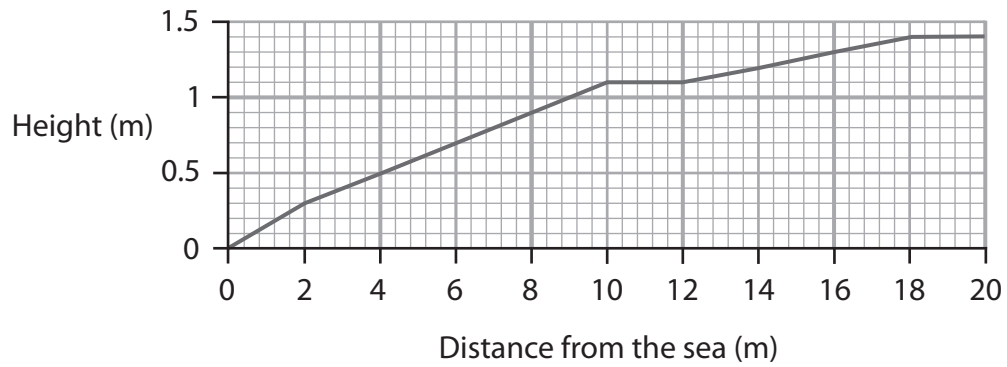
At two different sites along a beach chosen at random on a map:

- Measure gradient of the beach at set distances
- Record sediment shape
- Measure sediment size

**Figure 5a**

**Extract from data collection methods**





Conclusions	
1	I found that the characteristics of the beach changed along the coastline.
2	Measuring the changes in the gradient of the beach allowed me to create a beach profile to show how characteristics changed along the coastline.
3	There was little difference between the sediment size along the stretch of the coastline.

**Figure 5b**

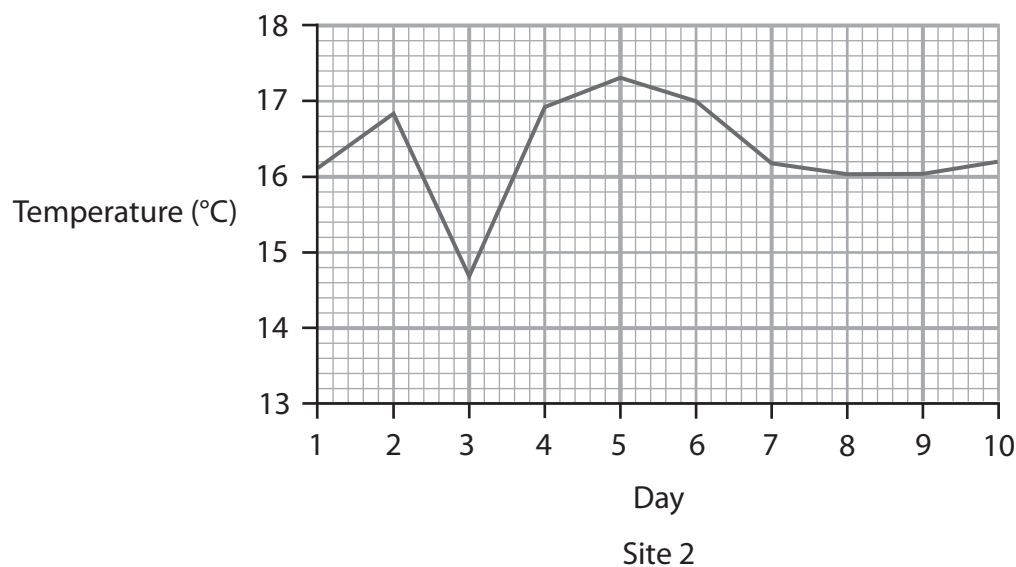
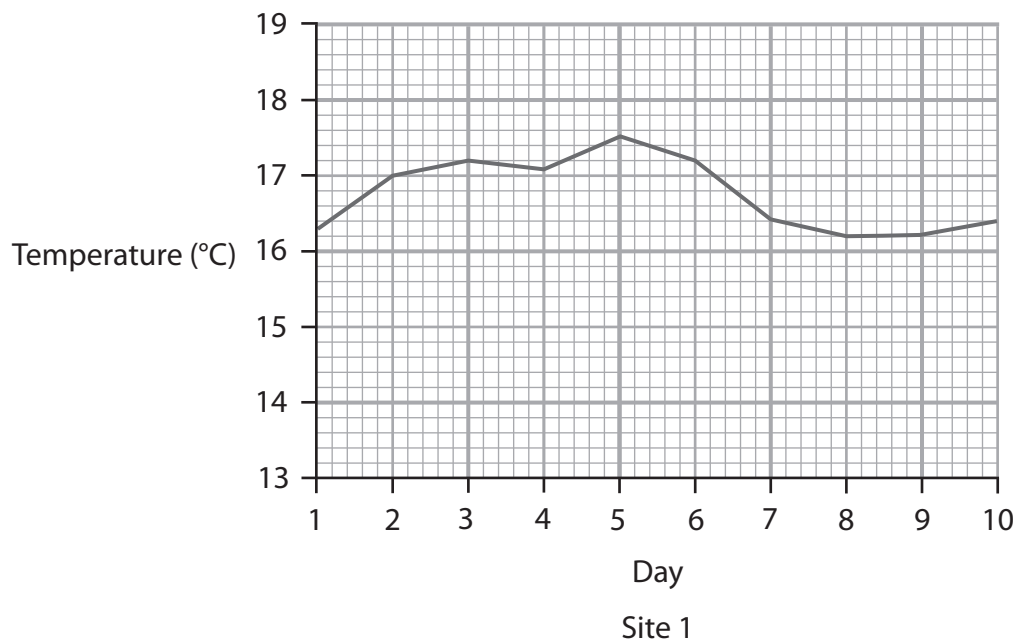
**An extract from the student's data presentation and conclusion**

At two different sites chosen at random on a map, data collected for a weather diary, including:

- temperature
- humidity
- rainfall

**Figure 6a**

**Extract from data collection methods**



Conclusions	
1	I found that the weather characteristics and changes in the weather were similar at both sites.
2	Changes in humidity were often linked to temperature and amount of rainfall.
3	There was little difference between the average temperatures of both sites.

**Figure 6b**  
**An extract from the student's data presentation and conclusion**

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