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**GCE A LEVEL – NEW**



A480U10-1



**TUESDAY, 4 JUNE 2019 – AFTERNOON**

**GEOLOGY – A level component 1**  
**Geological Investigations**

2 hours 15 minutes

**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

In addition to this examination paper, you will need:

- the Resource Sheet
- **Specimens A, E and F**
- geological equipment for testing specimens
- the Mineral Data Sheet
- a calculator
- a protractor
- a ruler

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.  
Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.

Answer **all** questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

This paper is in 2 sections, **A** and **B**.

Section **A**: 30 marks. Answer **both** questions. You are advised to spend about 35 minutes on this section.

Section **B**: 75 marks. Answer **all** questions. You are advised to spend about 1 hour 40 minutes on this section.

The geology is **not** designed to represent any particular area.

The Mineral Data Sheet and **Map 1** and **Photographs 1, 2, 3 and 4** are provided on separate resource sheets.

Strips of plain paper may be obtained from the supervisor on request.

Three specimens, **A, E and F**, are provided for use.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

The assessment of the quality of extended response (QER) will take place in questions **5** and **7**.

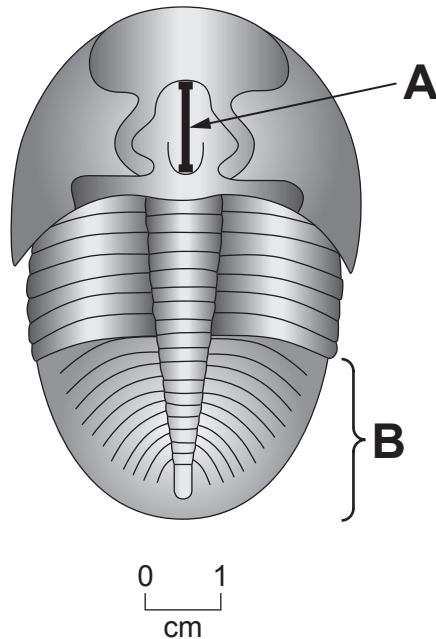
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	Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
Section A	1.	16	
	2.	14	
Section B	3.	12	
	4.	9	
	5.	9	
	6.	9	
	7.	6	
	8.	9	
	9.	21	
	Total	105	

## SECTION A

Answer all questions.

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1. **Figure 1a** shows an example of the trilobite *Nobiliasaphus*.



**Figure 1a**

Refer to **Figure 1a**.

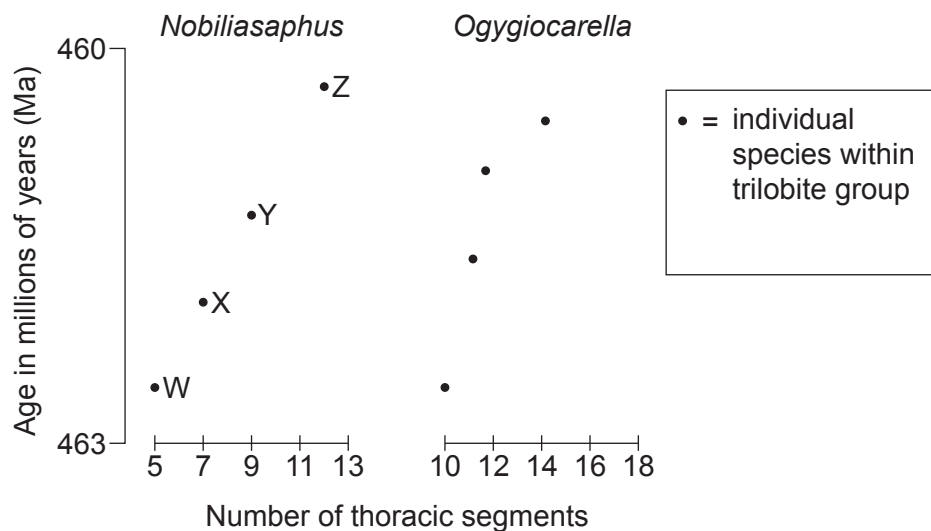
- (a) State the name of the features represented by **A** and **B**.

[2]

**A** .....

**B** .....

- (b) **Figure 1b** shows how the number of thoracic segments of two groups of trilobites have changed during geological time.



**Figure 1b**

Refer to **Figure 1b**.

- (i) State the geological **period** shown in **Figure 1b**. Tick (✓) only **one** box. [1]

Precambrian

Jurassic

Quaternary

Ordovician

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- (ii) State the geological **era** in which the trilobites lived. [1]

Era .....

- (c) Refer to **Figures 1a** and **1b**.

- (i) Identify the letter on **Figure 1b** (**W, X, Y** or **Z**) which represents the trilobite species shown in **Figure 1a**. Tick (✓) only **one** box. [1]

W

X

Y

Z

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- (ii) The number of thoracic segments in the species within the trilobite groups *Nobiliasaphus* and *Ogygiocarella* changed over time. State **one** similarity and **one** difference in these changes for the two groups. [2]

Similarity .....

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Difference .....

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- (iii) A student concluded that the trilobites shown in **Figure 1b** show gradual rather than punctuated evolution. Evaluate this conclusion with reference to the evidence shown in **Figure 1b**. [3]

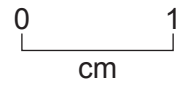
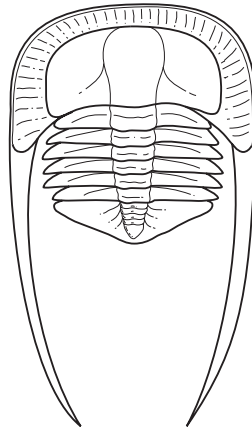
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- (d) **Figure 1c** shows an example of the trilobite *Trinucleus*.



**Figure 1c**

- (i) Suggest, with reference to its morphology, the likely mode of life of *Trinucleus*. [3]

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- (ii) Explain why it is difficult to determine the modes of life of the fossils in **Figures 1a, 1b and 1c**. [3]

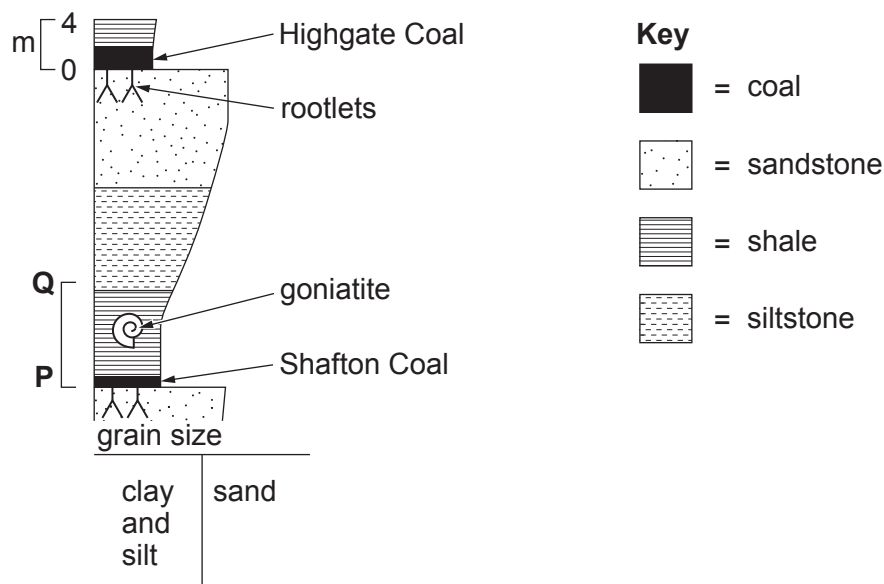
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2. **Figure 2a** shows a graphic log recorded from a coal-bearing sequence in Northern England.



**Figure 2a**

- (a) Describe the changes in palaeoenvironment during deposition between **P** and **Q** on **Figure 2a**. [3]

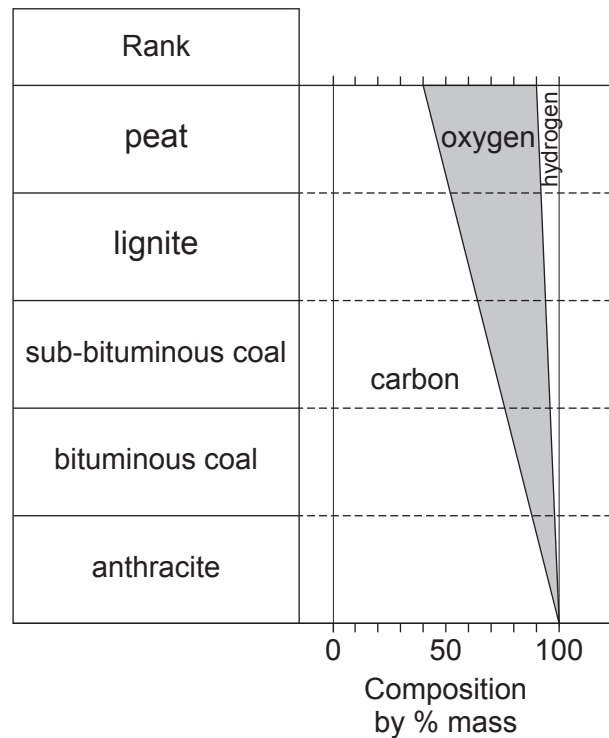
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(b) **Figure 2b** contains information about the ranks of coal and their composition.



**Figure 2b**

(i) Describe the appearance of **anthracite** in hand specimen.

[2]

(ii) Analysis of the Highgate Coal revealed that it has 4% hydrogen and 13% oxygen by mass:

- calculate the % carbon by mass in the Highgate Coal.
- determine the rank of the Highgate Coal using **Figure 2b**.

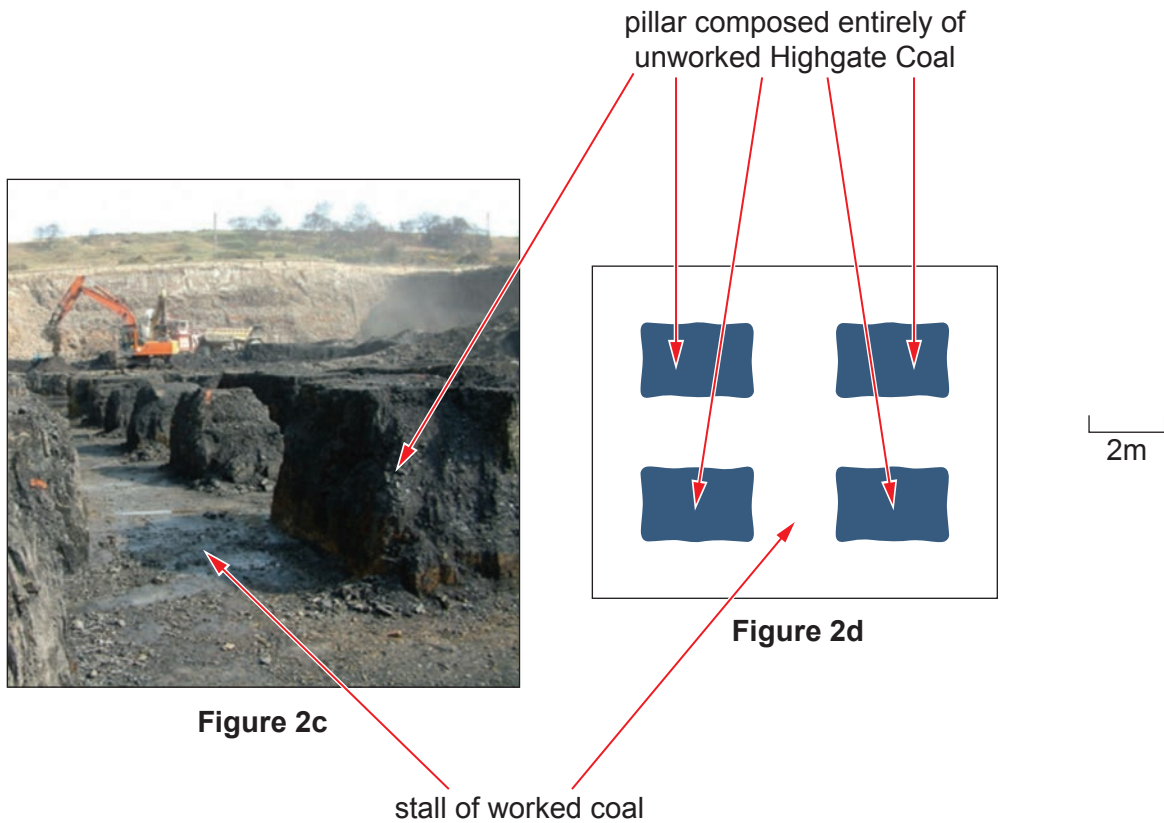
[2]

% Carbon .....

Rank .....

- (c) **Figure 2c** shows some 19<sup>th</sup> century workings that have been discovered in the Highgate Coal during modern extraction of the area by opencast mining. The 19<sup>th</sup> century mining used the pillar and stall method. **Figure 2d** is a plan of an area within these workings.

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Using the information shown in **Figures 2a** and **2d** calculate the volume of coal left in the pillars within the area of **Figure 2d**. Show your working. [3]

Volume of coal .....

- (d) A mining company is planning to investigate whether to extract coal from the surrounding area in the future by conducting a systematic borehole survey. Evaluate the suitability of this technique. [4]

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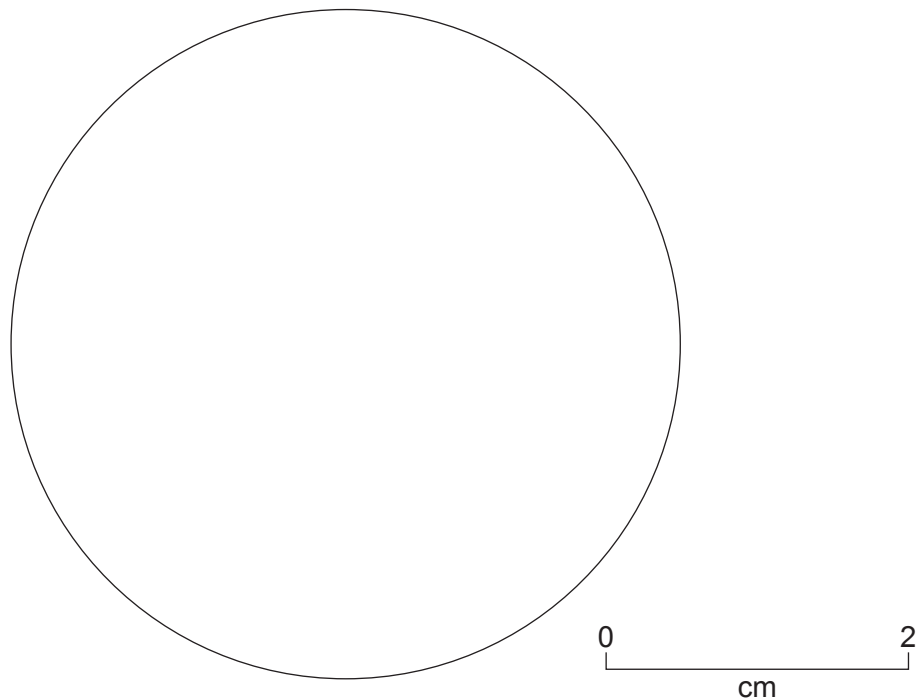
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**SECTION B***Answer all questions.***3.** Study **Map 1** on the resource sheet.**(a)** **Rock Unit J** is a granite containing:

- randomly orientated euhedral feldspar phenocrysts with a modal length of 2 cm
- a subhedral groundmass with a modal crystal size of 5 mm.

Complete **Figure 3** to show this texture.**[4]****Figure 3**

**(b)** Describe **one** diagnostic test or observation that could be carried out to confirm that the phenocrysts are feldspar crystals.  
State the result of the test/observation. You may wish to refer to the Mineral Data Sheet.

**[2]**

Description

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Result

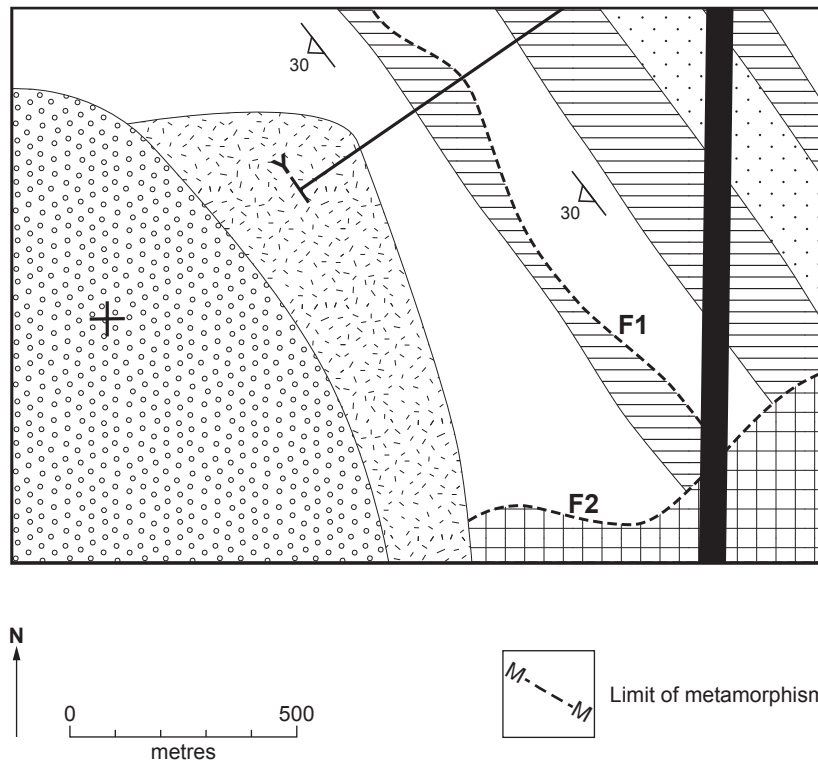
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- (c) **Map 2** shows the south-western corner of **Map 1**. The key for the rock units is the same as for **Map 1**.

**Rock Unit J** has been correctly interpreted as a pluton and has produced a metamorphic aureole which is 50m in width. Draw the outer edge of this metamorphic aureole on to **Map 2** below. [2]



**Map 2**

- (d) State and explain **two** factors that determine the width of a metamorphic aureole. [4]

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4. **Specimen F** was collected from **Rock Unit F** on **Map 1**.

- (a) (i) Describe the outcrop pattern of **Rock Unit F** on **Map 1**. [2]

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- (ii) Describe the texture and composition of **Specimen F**. [3]

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- (iii) State the name of **Specimen F**. [1]

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- (b) With reference to **Specimen F** and the outcrop pattern of **Rock Unit F** on **Map 1**, state the type of igneous body formed by **Rock Unit F**.

Give **one** piece of supporting evidence from each of:

- **Map 1**
- **Specimen F** [3]

Type of igneous body .....

Evidence from **Map 1**

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Evidence from **Specimen F**

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- State and give reasons for the observations you would make in a field investigation to determine the past geological processes that have happened in the area shown in **Photograph 1**, and the order in which they occurred.

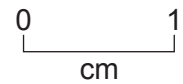
[9 QER]



6. **Specimen E** is a plaster cast of a fossil found in **Rock Unit E** on **Map 1**.

- (a) (i) Draw a diagram of **Specimen E** in **Figure 6a** using the scale provided.

[3]



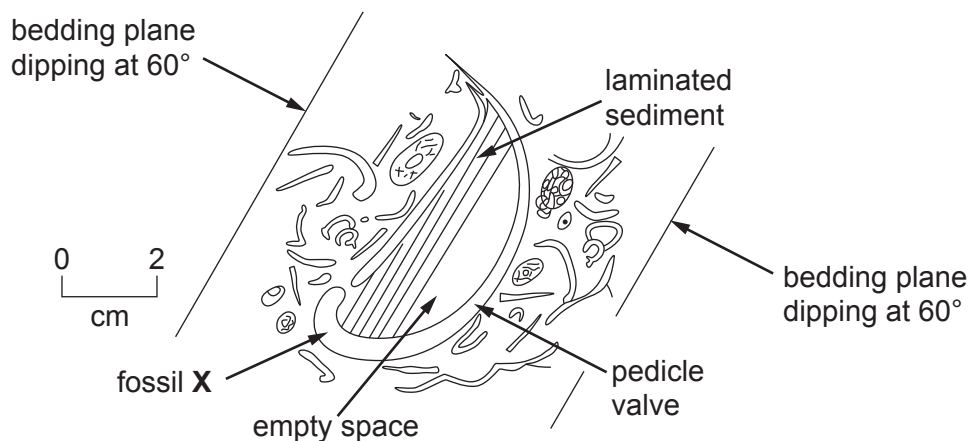
**Figure 6a**

- (ii) State the name of the fossil group represented by **Specimen E**.

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- (b) **Figure 6b** shows fossil **X**. The figure shows a vertical section in a cliff face within **Rock Unit E** at **Locality II** on **Map 1**.



**Figure 6b**

State the name of the fossil group represented by fossil **X**.

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- (c) **Photograph 2** shows a sedimentary structure found in **Rock Unit B** at **Locality III** on **Map 1**.

**Rock Units B** and **E** have been overturned at **Localities II** and **III**. Describe the evidence to support this statement from: [4]

- **Photograph 2 (Locality III)**
- **Figure 6b (Locality II)**

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- describe the processes which have resulted in the formation of **Rock Units A** and **H**.
- explain how these processes have produced the textures and mineralogies observed in **Specimen A** and **Photograph 4**. [6 QER]

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8. (a) **Map 1** shows two faults, **F1** and **F2**.

Complete **Table 1** to describe the features of faults **F1** and **F2** on **Map 1**.

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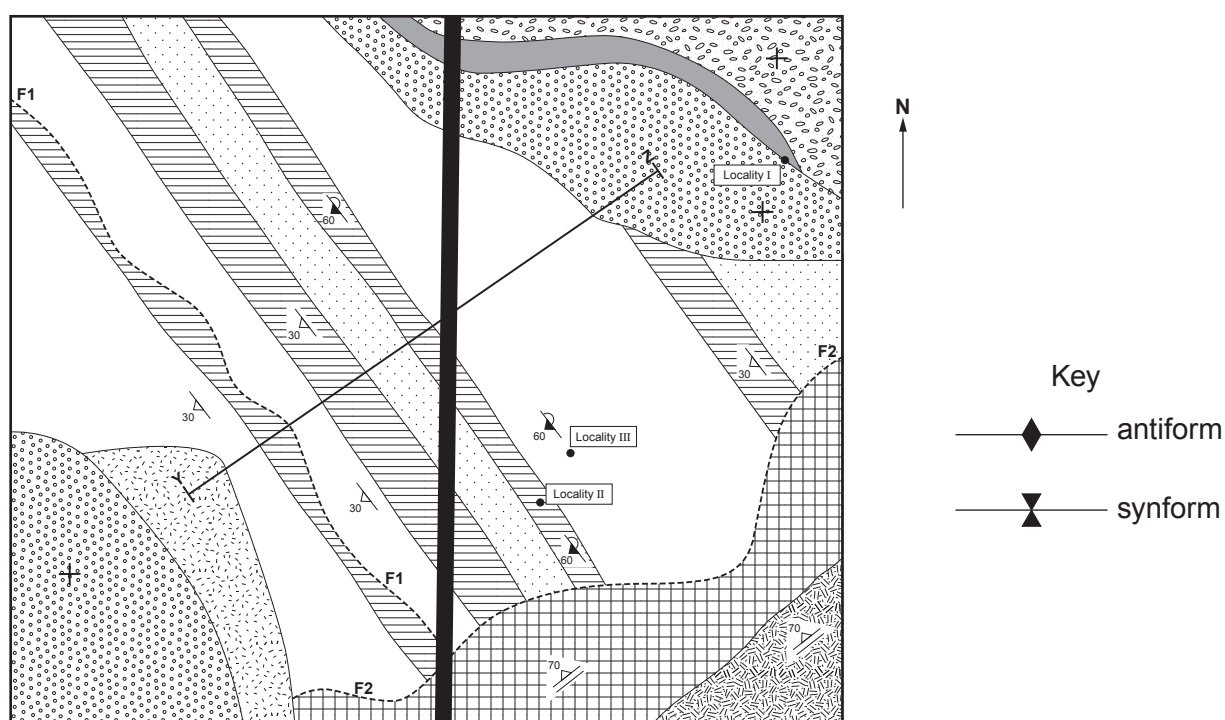
Feature of the fault	Fault F1	Fault F2
Angle of dip of the fault plane	80°	25°
Direction of dip of the fault plane	north-east	•
Hanging wall found on	•	south-east
Younger rock found on	•	•
Type of fault (Normal, Reverse, Thrust or Strike-Slip)	•	•

**Table 1**

(b) **Map 3** is a reduction of **Map 1**. The key for the rock units is the same as for **Map 1**. On **Map 3** clearly mark and label the position of:

- an unconformity in the **south-west** of the map
- **two** fold axial plane traces (using symbols in the key).

[3]



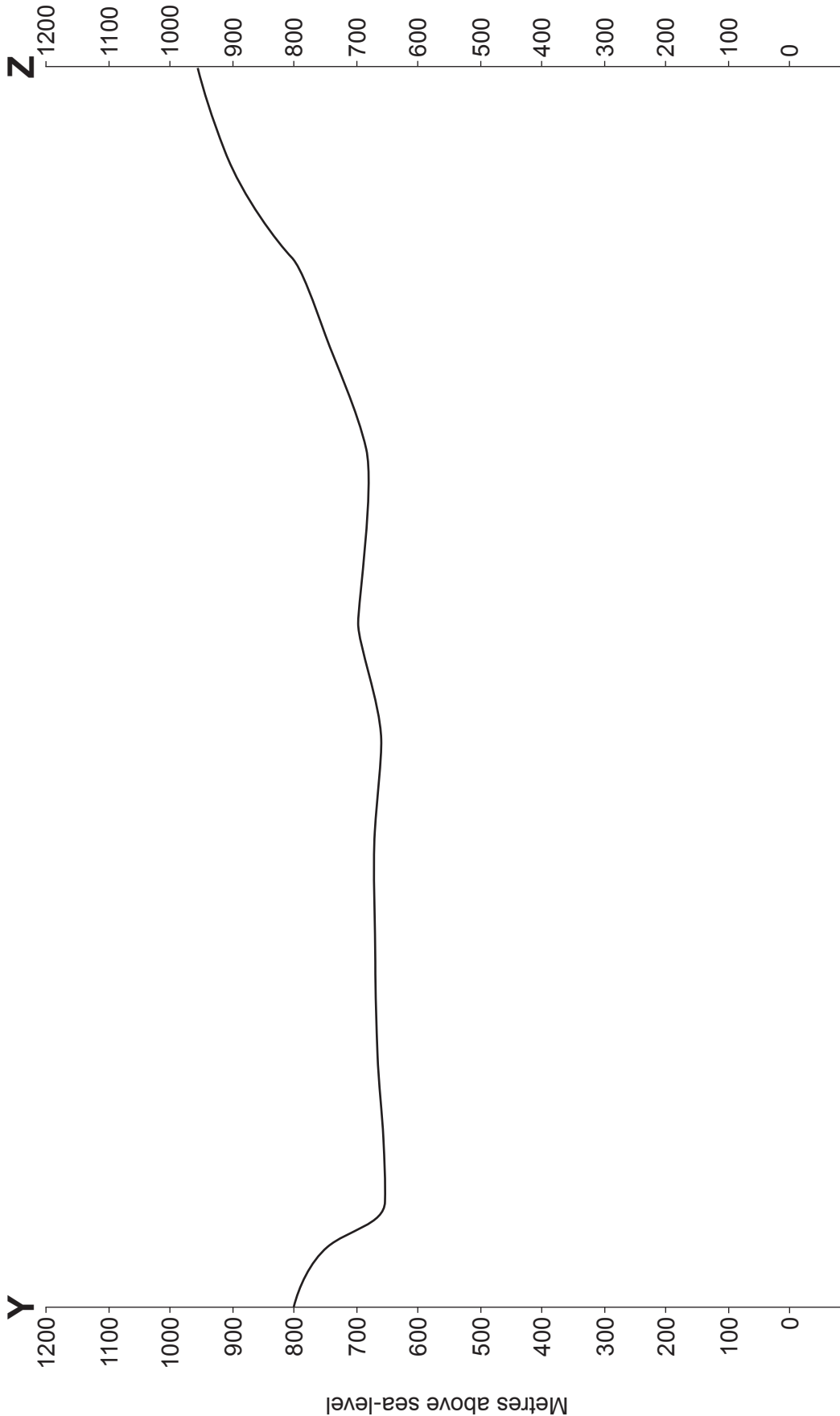
**Map 3**

9. (a) The topographic profile below was taken along the line Y-Z on Map 1.

Complete the geological cross-section along this line using Map 1.

- Draw the rock units. Use similar ornament or letters for those as used on Map 1
- Draw and label any **fold axes**
- Draw arrows alongside any **faults** to show movement
- Project the rock units and structures above the ground surface to illustrate any cross-cutting relationships.

[13]



- (b) In the spaces below complete the sequence of geological events represented on **Map 1**, in order of age, *oldest at the base*. **Do not** include **Rock Units A, C and H**.

Your sequence should list, in the boxes provided, all the rock units except for;

- **Rock Units A, C and H**

Identify each Rock Unit by their letter given in the key to **Map 1**.

Clearly mark and label the position of:

- **Fault F1**
- **Fault F2**
- an episode of **folding**

[8]

**Youngest**








**Oldest**

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**Figure 2c** [https://www.aditnow.co.uk/Photo/28Th-March-2007\\_84806/](https://www.aditnow.co.uk/Photo/28Th-March-2007_84806/)