

Geography Essay Question

Theme: Geography (How Humans Change Their Environment)

Throughout global history, human societies in various nations and regions have changed their physical environments to meet their needs. Societies have built structures, removed vegetation and resources, and modified the land to meet their needs. These changes have often had different results.

Task: Select *two* different nations/regions and for *each*

- Explain why they modified their environment
- Explain how the people of that specific nation/region modified their physical environment
- Discuss the effect this modification had on that nation/region

You may use any nation or region from your study of global history. Some suggestions you might wish to consider include Middle East (modified the land), Africa (modified the land), Japan (modified the land), Great Britain (removed resources), South Africa (removed resources), Brazil (removed vegetation), China (built a structure), and East Germany (built structures).

You are *not* limited to these suggestions.

Do *not* select the United States or a region of the United States as an example in your answer.