



Geography Year 10 2011

Mid-Year Exam Information Sheet

Exam format

- 60 Minutes
 - Part A – Multiple Choice: Mapping and interpretive skills - 20 marks
 - Part B – Three (3) short answer questions worth 5 marks each - 15 marks
 - Part C – Extended response - 15 marks
- Total of 50 marks

Content to be assessed

Theme: Changing Australian Communities

Topic 1 – Community Change

Types of communities

Causes and consequences of change (economic, political, social, technological, transport methods – refer to one or more of Burra, Junee, Goldsworthy, Gulargambone, Pymont or other communities that have undergone significant change)

Theme: Geographic Issues:

Topic 2 – Urban Growth and Decline – Pymont Ultimo

Community characteristics and changes (e.g. gentrification, blue/white collar workers, demographics)

Urban Renewal (e.g. adaptive reuse, maintenance of heritage fabric, improvement of infrastructure)

Community action: Water Police site – RAG (resident action group which opposed luxury development)

Topic 3 – Coastal Management – South Warilla Beach, Pur Pur Point, recreation area.

Coastal processes including wave action, sand movement, longshore drift

Coastal dune processes and vegetation patterns

Management options including hard/physical (e.g. rock walls, groynes, beach nourishment) and soft/natural management options (e.g. use of fencing, chain and board walkways, re-vegetation)

Community action: The Big Dig – to open Lake Illawarra entrance

Geographic Skills:

Topographic mapping skills including using area and grid references, contour lines, quadrants, gradients and cross-sections, calculating distances, using direction and bearings

Other interpretive skills including: population pyramids, climatic graphs and bar and pie graphs

Research Action Plans and their application to **fieldwork** done this year. (Pymont and Warilla)

Understanding the term Geographical Processes.

Tips and hints

- Know and include **geographic terminology** when writing your responses