

Urban issues and challenges

	Covered in class?				Revision undertaken
A growing percentage of the world's population lives in urban areas.					
I can describe and explain the global pattern of urban change.					
I can describe urban trends in different parts of the world comparing HICs and LICs.					
I can describe and explain factors affecting the rate of urbanisation – migration (push–pull theory), natural increase.					
I can describe the emergence of megacities.					
Urban growth creates opportunities and challenges for cities in LICs and NEEs.					
I can describe, explain and assess a case study of a major city in an LIC or NEE to illustrate:					
I can describe the location and explain the importance of the city, regionally, nationally and internationally					
I can describe and explain the causes of growth: natural increase and migration					
I can explain how urban growth has created opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • social: access to services – health and education; access to resources – water supply, energy • economic: how urban industrial areas can be a stimulus for economic development 					
I can explain how urban growth has created the following challenges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • managing urban growth – slums, squatter settlements • providing clean water, sanitation systems and energy • providing access to services such as health and education • reducing unemployment and crime • managing environmental issues – waste disposal, air and water pollution, traffic congestion. 					
Using an example, I can describe and explain how urban planning is improving the quality of life for the urban poor.					
Urban change in cities in the UK leads to a variety of social, economic and environmental opportunities and challenges.					
I can describe the distribution of population and the major cities in the UK.					
Using a case study of a major city in the UK I can describe and explain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the location and importance of the city in the UK and the wider world • the impacts of national and international migration on the growth and character of the city • how urban change has created social and economic change: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -recreation and entertainment, -employment, - integrated transport systems • environmental: urban greening 					
I can describe and explain and assess how urban change has created challenges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • social and economic: urban deprivation, inequalities in housing, education, health and employment • environmental: dereliction, building on brownfield and greenfield sites, waste disposal • the impact of urban sprawl on the rural–urban fringe, and the growth of commuter settlements. 					
Using an example of an urban regeneration project I can describe, explain and assess: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the reasons why the area needed regeneration • the main features of the project. 					

Urban sustainability requires management of resources and transport.					
I can describe, explain and assess the features of sustainable urban living of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• water and energy conservation• waste recycling• creating green space.					
I can describe and explain how urban transport strategies are used to reduce traffic congestion.					