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SECOND OPPORTUNITY/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER		
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INSTRUCTIONS		
1. Answer ALL the questions.		
2. Read all the questions carefully before answering.		
3. Number the answers clearly.		

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Question 1

Answer only **ONE** of the following **TWO** questions. <u>Provide a heading to indicate which one your answer refers to.</u>

A] Provide the definition, by G Sjoberg, for the term "city".

(2)

OR

B] Explain the term "urban mobility" in the context of Egyptian urban settlements.

(2) [2]

Question 2

Describe the various requirements for the urban revolution.

(8) [8]

Question 3

Describe the urban form and layout of Ur, a city of one of the earliest civilisations, namely the Mesopotamian civilisation. Your answer must focus on the basic urban components and can include a sketch with explanatory legend. (8)

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Question 4

Answer only **ONE** of the following **TWO** questions. <u>Provide a heading to indicate which one your answer refers to.</u>

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A) Discuss the significance of Kahun (Egypt) in urban history.

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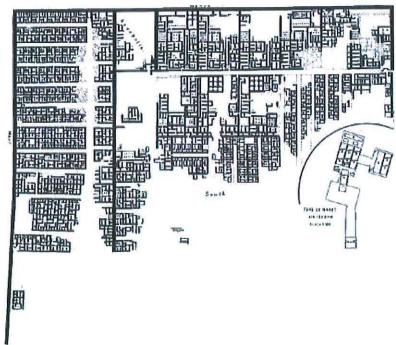


Figure 1: Kahun, Egypt

(Source: Morris, A.E.J., (1994), History of Urban Form. Before the Industrial Revolutions (third edition), London, Prentice Hall, p29)

OR

B] According to A.E.J. Morris, in the section regarding Harappan Cities, there is a basic consistent urban form (lack of deviation) in the case of Mohenjo-Daro, Harappa, Kalibangan and Lothal. Identify the three main consistencies and similarities regarding the urban forms of the four settlements.

(3)

[3]

Question 5

In history, the forms of settlements at both the rural/village and urban/city status have been determined by factors and influences which A.E.J. Morris calls urban form determinants, **Natural-world determinants** and **Man-made determinants**.

Discuss any **TWO** of the following **THREE** urban form determinants. <u>Provide headings to indicate</u> which ones your answers refers to.

A] Topography (4)

AND/OR

B] Aesthetics (4)

AND/OR

C] Pre-Urban Cadastre

(4)

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Question 6

Answer any **ONE** of the following **TWO** questions. <u>Provide a heading to indicate which one your answer refers to.</u>

Describe the following Greek urban form components/basic elements:

A] The Acropolis (5 marks) and the Agora (4 marks)

(9)

OR

B] The Agora (4 marks) and the Greek's residential districts (5 marks)

(9)

[9]

Question 7

Discuss Athens based on the various Greek urban form components/basic elements. Select **four** relevant elements, from the included list and discuss Athens accordingly. (4)

The basic elements:

- 1) the acropolis,
- 2) city walls,
- 3) the agora,
- 4) leisure and cultural areas,
- 5) the harbour and port.

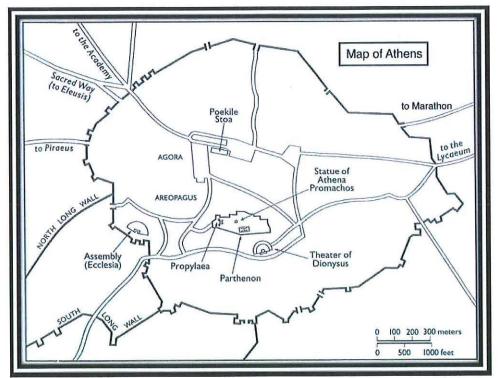


Figure 2: Athens (For your information: Propylaea – ceremonial gateway building, Areopagus – prominent rocky outcrop).

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Question 8

Describe the typical imperial urban plan of Roman settlements. Your answer must refer to the standardised plan of the regulated provincial Roman towns. (10)

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Question 9

Answer only **ONE** of the following **TWO** questions. <u>Provide a heading to indicate which one your answer refers to.</u>

A] Explain the policy "Romanisation through urbanisation" applied by the Roman empire in the new conquered territories. (4)

OR

B] Explain the statement by AEJ Morris "Rome was therefore predominantly a city of flatdwellers". Your answer must refer to the type of housing. (4)

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Question 10

Describe the various locations of Market Places (urban components) in a medieval town with an organic growth form. (8)

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Question 11

Describe F.L. Olmstead's suggestions for the provision of parks and streets. (No marks for the identification of categories.) (5)

[5]

Question 12

Identify the 5 ideas of Ebenezer Howard, which were quite revolutionary at the time and laid the groundwork for the entire tradition of modern city planning. (5)

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Question 13

The diagram represents one section of a Garden City (Figure 3). Describe the area between the centre and the outer ring of the town. (7)

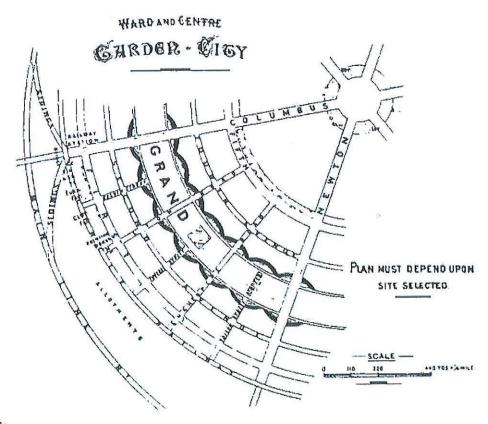


Figure 3: (Source: R.T. LeGates & F.Stout (editors), (2011), The City Reader (fifth edition), The Routledge Urban Reader Series, London, Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, plate 35).

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Question 14

Le Corbusier developed his principles of planning most fully in "La Ville Contemporaine" and "La Ville Radieuse". The key to these principles was the famous paradox.

- a) Explain Le Corbusier's demands regarding the achievement of the paradox. (5)
- b) Describe Le Corbusier's Contemporary City/"La Ville Contemporaine", as illustrated in the provided sketch (Figure 4). (No marks for percentages of different land uses.) (10)

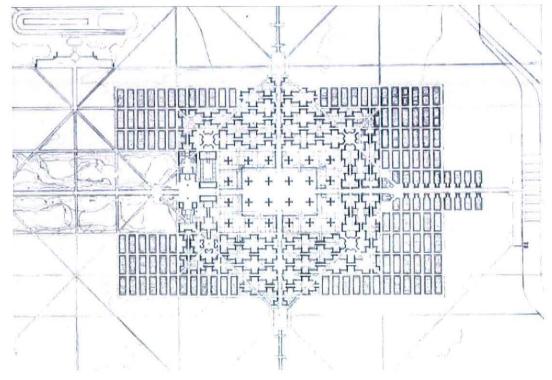


Figure 4: La Ville Contemporaine

Source: https://www.jstor.org/stable/pdf/3171035.pdf

Question 15

Explain briefly Frank Lloyd Wright's Broadacre City Plan. (4)

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