

Assessment Schedule – 2019

Geography: Demonstrate understanding of a given environment(s) through selection and application of geographic concepts and skills (91429)

Assessment Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
<p><i>Demonstrating understanding</i> involves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analysing the environment(s) through selection and application of geographic concepts • selecting and using geographic skills and conventions in the presentation and / or interpretation of information. 	<p><i>Demonstrating in-depth understanding</i> involves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analysing the environment(s) in detail through selection and application of geographic concepts • selecting and using geographic skills and conventions with precision in the presentation and / or interpretation of information. 	<p><i>Demonstrating comprehensive understanding</i> involves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analysing the environment(s) with insight through selection and application of geographic concepts.

Cut Scores

Not Achieved	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
0 – 7	8 – 12	13 – 18	19 – 24

Evidence

Question ONE: Solar energy potential in Italy

The candidate analyses Italy’s environment, and how parts of it are suitable for generating solar energy.

N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
<p>Includes some correct and relevant material; but does not address the question (very limited answer).</p>	<p>Includes little accurate information about the environment and does not clearly demonstrate understanding of the factors that make Italy suitable for the generation of solar energy.</p>	<p>Demonstrates some understanding of the environment and factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • selects and uses skills in the interpretation of information about the natural and / or cultural environment • shows some understanding of the natural and / or cultural environment, but the answer lacks depth • gives some explanation of how the factors make parts of Italy suitable for the generation of solar energy, but it is mainly descriptive • includes some specific evidence from the resources. 	<p>Demonstrates understanding of the environment and factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shows understanding of the natural and / or cultural environment, but the answer lacks depth • gives an explanation of how the factors make parts of Italy suitable for the generation of solar energy, but it is mainly descriptive • includes specific evidence from the resources. 	<p>Demonstrates some detailed understanding of the environment and factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • selects and uses skills with precision in the interpretation of information about the natural and / or cultural environment • shows some detailed understanding of the natural and / or cultural environment • gives a partially detailed analysis of how the factors make parts of Italy suitable for the generation of solar energy • includes detailed evidence from the resource booklet (does not have to be integrated). 	<p>Demonstrates detailed understanding of the environment and factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shows detailed understanding of the natural and / or cultural environment • gives a detailed analysis of how the factors make parts of Italy suitable for the generation of solar energy • includes detailed evidence from the resource booklet (does not have to be integrated). 	<p>Demonstrates comprehensive understanding of the environment and factors, with some insight:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • selects and uses skills with precision in the interpretation of information about the natural and / or cultural environment • shows some comprehensive understanding of the natural and / or cultural environment • gives a partially comprehensive analysis of how the factors make parts of Italy suitable for the generation of solar energy • integrates specific evidence from the resource booklet • shows good use of geographic terminology and concepts. <p>One aspect may be slightly weaker.</p>	<p>Demonstrates comprehensive understanding of all aspects of the environment and factors, with insight:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shows comprehensive understanding of the natural and / or cultural environment • gives a comprehensive analysis of how the factors make parts of Italy suitable for the generation of solar energy

N0 = No response; no relevant evidence.

Question TWO: Italy’s changing energy demands

The candidate selects appropriate information to demonstrate their understanding of change, and makes a comprehensive analysis of how Italy’s power generation has changed from 2010–2016.

N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
<p>Includes some correct and relevant material, but does not address the question (very limited answer).</p>	<p>Attempts an answer, but includes little relevant information and provides no analysis of the changes.</p>	<p>Demonstrates some understanding of the changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • may be more descriptive rather than analysis <p>• draws an appropriate graph showing the changes in wind and solar power with some precision (lack of some conventions, or incompleteness may limit accuracy, etc.)</p> <p>• includes some supporting evidence from the resources in the analysis.</p>	<p>Demonstrates understanding of the changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • describes and partially explains the changes 	<p>Demonstrates some detailed understanding of the changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • describes the changes in detail and provides some detailed explanation for them <p>• draws a multiline graph showing the changes in wind and solar power with precision (conventions and graph are largely accurate)</p> <p>• includes some detailed supporting evidence from the resources in the analysis.</p>	<p>Demonstrates detailed understanding of the changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • describes the changes in detail and provides detailed explanation for them <p>• includes detailed supporting evidence from the resources in the analysis.</p>	<p>Demonstrates comprehensive understanding of the changes, analyses the changes with some insight:</p> <p>• draws a multiline graph showing the changes in wind and solar power with precision (conventions and graph are largely accurate)</p> <p>• includes integrated and detailed supporting evidence from the resources in analysis.</p>	<p>Demonstrates comprehensive understanding of the changes, analyses the changes with insight:</p>

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Question Three: Sustainability

The candidate discusses the positive and negative impacts of solar energy generation for Italy’s environment and comes to a justified conclusion about the future.

N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
<p>Includes some correct material, but does not address the question (very limited answer).</p>	<p>Attempts to describe the impacts of solar farms, but does not evaluate them in relation to the question.</p>	<p>Demonstrates some understanding of the impacts of solar farms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evaluates some of the impacts of solar farms • evaluation may be implied • comes to a conclusion about the long-term sustainability for Italy’s environment (may be implied) • refers to a relevant geographic concept • includes some supporting evidence from resources in the analysis 	<p>Demonstrates understanding of the impacts of solar farms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evaluates some of the impacts of solar farms • evaluation may be partial or implied in parts • comes to a conclusion about the long-term sustainability for Italy’s environment (may be implied) • refers to a relevant geographic concept • includes supporting evidence from resources in the analysis 	<p>Demonstrates some detailed understanding of the impacts of solar farms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evaluates, in some detail, the impacts of solar farms • not all impacts may be evaluated, one or two may be weaker • comes to a partially justified conclusion about the long-term sustainability for Italy’s environment • refers to a relevant geographic concept, with some detail • includes some detailed evidence from resources in the analysis. 	<p>Demonstrates a detailed understanding of the impacts of solar farms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evaluates, in detail, the impacts of solar farms • ONE impact of solar farms may be absent, or weaker in evaluation • comes to a justified conclusion about the long-term sustainability for Italy’s environment • refers to a relevant geographic concept, with detail • includes detailed evidence from resources in the analysis. 	<p>Demonstrates comprehensive understanding of the impacts of solar farms, with some insight:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • comprehensively analyses the impacts of solar farms • comes to a justified conclusion about the long-term sustainability for Italy’s environment • integrates relevant geographic concepts, demonstrating comprehensive understanding • includes integrated and detailed supporting evidence from resources in the analysis • shows some insight in the analysis OR conclusion. 	<p>Demonstrates comprehensive understanding of the impacts of solar farms, with insight:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • comprehensively analyses the impacts of solar farms • comes to a justified conclusion about the long-term sustainability for Italy’s environment • integrates relevant geographic concepts, demonstrating comprehensive understanding • includes integrated and detailed supporting evidence from resources in the analysis • shows insight the analysis AND conclusion.

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