Environmental Management and Change Comparative Study

Due Date:

Outcomes Assessed:	
A student:	
explains processes and influences that form and transform places and environments	GE5-2
• analyses the effect of interactions and connections between people, places and environments	GE5-3
accounts for perspectives of people and organisations on a range of geographical issues	GE5-4
assesses management strategies for places and environments for their sustainability	GE5-5
• acquires and processes geographical information by selecting and using appropriate and relevant geographical tools for inquiry	GE5-7

Task:

Select ONE coastal environment in New South Wales, Australia as the context for a comparative study with a coastal environment in at least ONE other country. You are present in a report format with appropriate geographical tools to support your ideas.

Details:

- Investigate the biophysical processes essential to the functioning of the selected coastal environments and explain how the biophysical processes operating in the environment maintain its functioning (150 - 200 words)
- Investigate the causes, extent, and consequences (short and long term) of an example of an environmental change in both coastal environments (150-200 words)
- Compare and evaluate of the effectiveness of the management responses in achieving environmental sustainability of both coastal environments (100-150 words)
- Propose how individuals could contribute to achieving environmental sustainability for the coastal environment in each country (100-150 words)

Submission Details:

Environmental Management and Change Comparative Study Report (500-700 words) (20 marks)

- Your report will include all 4 key areas from the task outline
- You need to use at least three geography tools and primary data from the list below in your report
 - □ maps
 - primary data collection from observing, measuring, collecting and recording data, developing and conducting surveys and interviews
 - ☐ fieldwork instruments such as weather instruments, vegetation identification charts, compasses, GPS, GIS
 - □ graphs and tables
 - □ virtual maps
 - □ satellite images
 - □ global positioning systems (GPS)
 - □ geographic information systems (GIS)
 - □ photographs showing geographical content
 - □ diagrams
 - □ field sketches
 - □ web tools
- Present your findings in a report format
- Provide a comprehensive reference list to show the resources you have used



Marking Criteria

C	riteria	
•	Integrates geographical terms and concepts in an appropriate context	
•	Uses knowledge to develop a logically sequenced report that highlights a sophisticated understanding of the functioning and management of a coastal environment in both countries.	17-20
•	Demonstrates highly developed factually correct and comprehensive contextual knowledge of the functioning and management of a coastal environment in both countries	
•	Provides concise definitions of geographical terms and applies concepts in appropriate context	
•	Uses knowledge to develop a logically sequenced answer report	13-16
•	Demonstrates sound factual and appropriate contextual knowledge of the functioning and management of a coastal environment in both countries	10 10
•	Provides clear definitions of geographical terms, and a sound discussion of relevant points	
•	Refers to knowledge to develop a report that highlights a sound understanding of the topic you are studying and researching	9-12
•	Demonstrates correct and mostly relevant knowledge of the functioning and management of a coastal environment	
•	Provides basic definitions of some geographical terms.	
•	Uses generalised knowledge that attempts to provide a response on the functioning and management of a coastal environment in both countries	5-8
•	Utilises some appropriate geographical terms	
•	Develops no logical sequence in answer	1-4
•	Demonstrates lack of knowledge of the functioning and management of a coastal environment	

