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# **Mark Scheme**

# Paper 1

# Answer 1

Indicative content	General Guidance
Reasons could include:  Coal may have run out UK coal mines have closed The price of coal could have increased	The command word 'suggest' requires you to apply your knowledge and understanding to give possible reasons why the amount of coal used has decreased The answer requires you to either give four reasons or two reasons which are then developed
<ul> <li>Alternative resources such as natural gas could have become cheaper</li> <li>Stricter environmental regulations encourage a shift away from coal</li> <li>Coal is dirty/high carbon emissions</li> <li>Public awareness / protests</li> <li>New government policies</li> <li>International agreements / Paris Agreement</li> <li>Closure of coal-fired power plants</li> </ul>	



Model Answer	Commentary
The amount of coal may have decreased because coal mines in the UK closed [1]. Coal is also a really dirty fuel [1] so people have protested against its use [1]. Furthermore, agreements like the Paris Agreement are trying to reduce coal use [1].	This is one possible way to answer this question – your answer does not have to be exactly the same     The answer has given three reasons one of which has been developed to give
	more detail

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### Ideas could include:

- Fossil fuels are running out / renewables won't run out
- Fossil fuels are too expensive / renewables are getting cheaper
- Renewables are cleaner / no carbon emissions / sustainable
- Public awareness / support
- Technological developments
- New government policies
- International agreements / Paris Agreement
- To fight climate change

## **General Guidance**

- The command word 'suggest' requires you to apply your knowledge and understanding to give possible reasons why the amount of renewables is increasing
- There are four marks available, one mark will be awarded for each reason given or two marks for two reasons with an additional two marks for developing the answer



We are using more renewables because they are getting cheaper [1] and they are cleaner than fossil fuels [1]. Public support for them is growing [1] because people want to fight climate change. [1]

This is one possible way to answer this question – your answer does not have to be exactly the same

Four marks are awarded for the four reasons given in the answer



Ideas such as:

They will eventually run out/finite/they are not renewable [1]

They are expensive forms of energy/to produce/to extract/to import [1]

Transportation costs are high [1]

They pollute the air [1]

They produce waste [1]

They give off greenhouse gases/carbon dioxide/enhance global warming [1]

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Ideas such as:

They don't have the physical conditions required for its generation [1] not enough sunshine for solar power/not enough precipitation for HEP/inland location so wave power is not possible [Dev]

Many countries cannot afford to develop them [1]

Or lack suitable technology/expertise [1]

Currently they are limited in the quantities of electricity which can be produced/most are small scale [1]

Cost of setting up is relatively expensive [1]

Infrastructure is geared towards fossil fuels [1]

Political preferences/e.g. preference for nuclear power [1]

### Answer 5

(i) Any four factors such as:

Exhaustion of fossil fuels/renewable will not run out [1]

Fossil fuels cause atmospheric/water pollution/renewable will not cause atmospheric/water pollution [1]

Renewable do not cause global warming [1]

Global treaties/public pressure to reduce carbon dioxide emissions [1]

Increasing concern about nuclear power [1]

Low running costs/expense of buying fossil fuels [1]

Reduce reliance on imports [1]



Ideas such as:

People made homeless/have to move away [1]

Disruption of communications/roads flooded/people have to drive longer distances [1]

Dams disrupt fish migration/breeding patterns [1]

Farmland flooded/loss of food production [1]

Deforestation/loss of vegetation [1]

Habitats/food chains/ecosystems destroyed/animals forced to move [1]

Noise/disruption/air/water pollution caused by construction/dam building [1]

Less silt transported downstream/loss of soil fertility [1]

Reduction in water supply downstream/less water available for irrigation [1]



## **Answer 7**

Ideas such as:

Some countries have more/a large amount of (energy) resources [1]

Some countries/people can afford energy/can afford to develop energy supplies [1]

Access to technology/skills [1]

Energy/electricity supply/grid is available throughout the country [1]

Using more electronic devices/home appliances [1]

Some countries are industrialized/have more factories [1] manufacturing industry is likely to use large amounts of energy [Dev]

Some countries use a lot of transport/have more cars [1] car ownership is high in

MEDCs/delivery by HGVs [1]

Some countries travel by plane/for leisure travel [1]

Specified reference to impact of climate e.g. impact of air conditioning/central heating etc [1]

Answers to this question can be 5 separate points or can be developed answers

# Paper 2



Indicative content	General Guidance
Reasons could include:  Increased population Urbanisation Increased development Industrialisation/growth in industry / more factories Increased wealth / rising	<ul> <li>The command word 'suggest' requires you to apply your knowledge and understanding to give possible reasons why the overall amount of energy being consumed has increased</li> <li>This answer can be given as four reasons or two reasons with the development of those reasons in the second part of the answer</li> </ul>
standard of living	
<ul> <li>Technological advancements</li> <li>More electrical</li> </ul>	
devices/appliances	
More people have electricity connections	
Increased demand for	
transport/more cars/more flights	
<ul><li>Increased tourism</li><li>Globalisation of trade</li></ul>	PERS PRACTICE
Discovery of new energy	
reserves	

## **Model Answer** Commentary We are using more energy because the Marks 4/4 global population is growing [1] and • This is one possible way to answer this becoming richer [1]. This means that people question - your answer does not have to be can afford to buy more electrical appliances exactly the same [1] and go on holiday abroad more [1]. • Two marks are awarded for growing population and wealth, the second two marks are awarded for the development of those answers to explain why they increase energy consumption