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ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

8291/21

Paper 2 Hydrosphere and Biosphere

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1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

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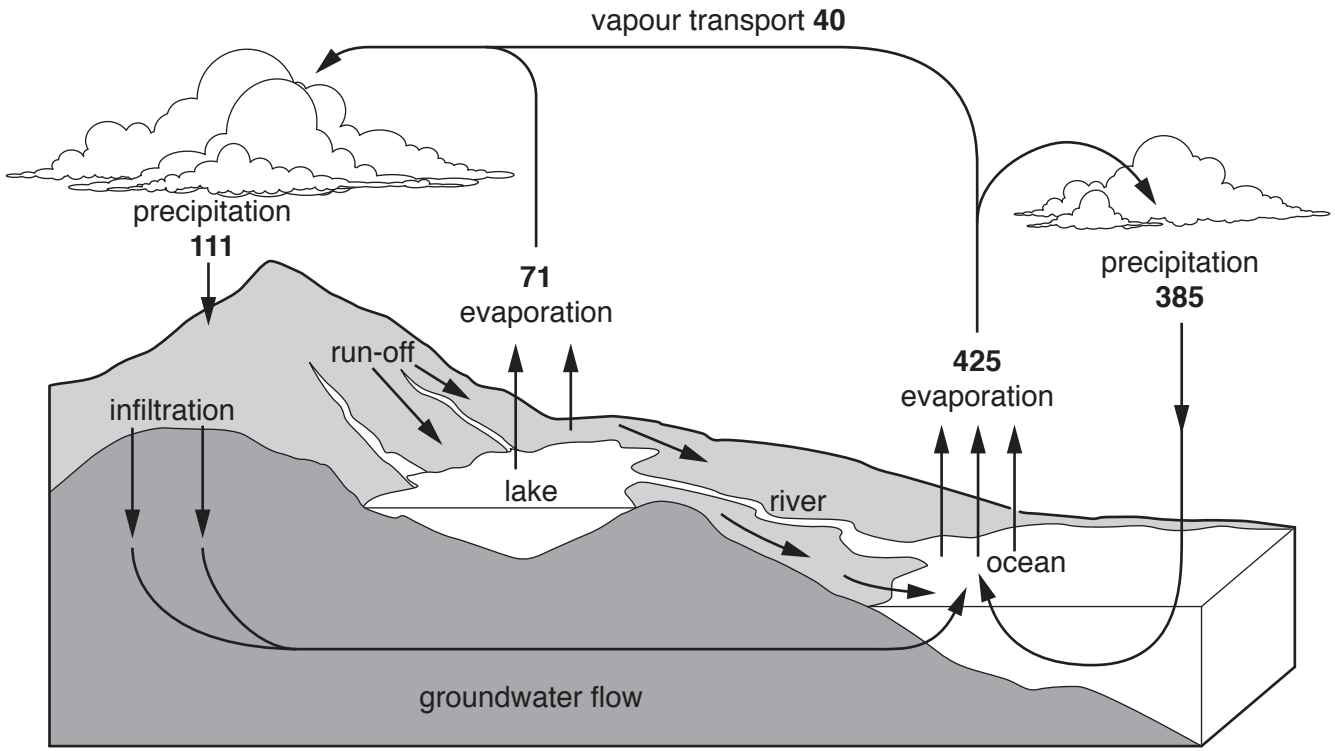
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Section A

Answer **all** questions in this section.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

1 (a) Fig. 1.1 is a diagram representing some of the flows and stores of the hydrological cycle.



values are in hundred thousand km³

Fig. 1.1

(i) State what is meant by the terms *run-off* and *infiltration*.

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infiltration

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[2]

(b) Fig. 1.2 shows changes in past global sea-levels and predicted global sea-levels. The predicted global sea-levels are based upon climate change models produced in 2000.

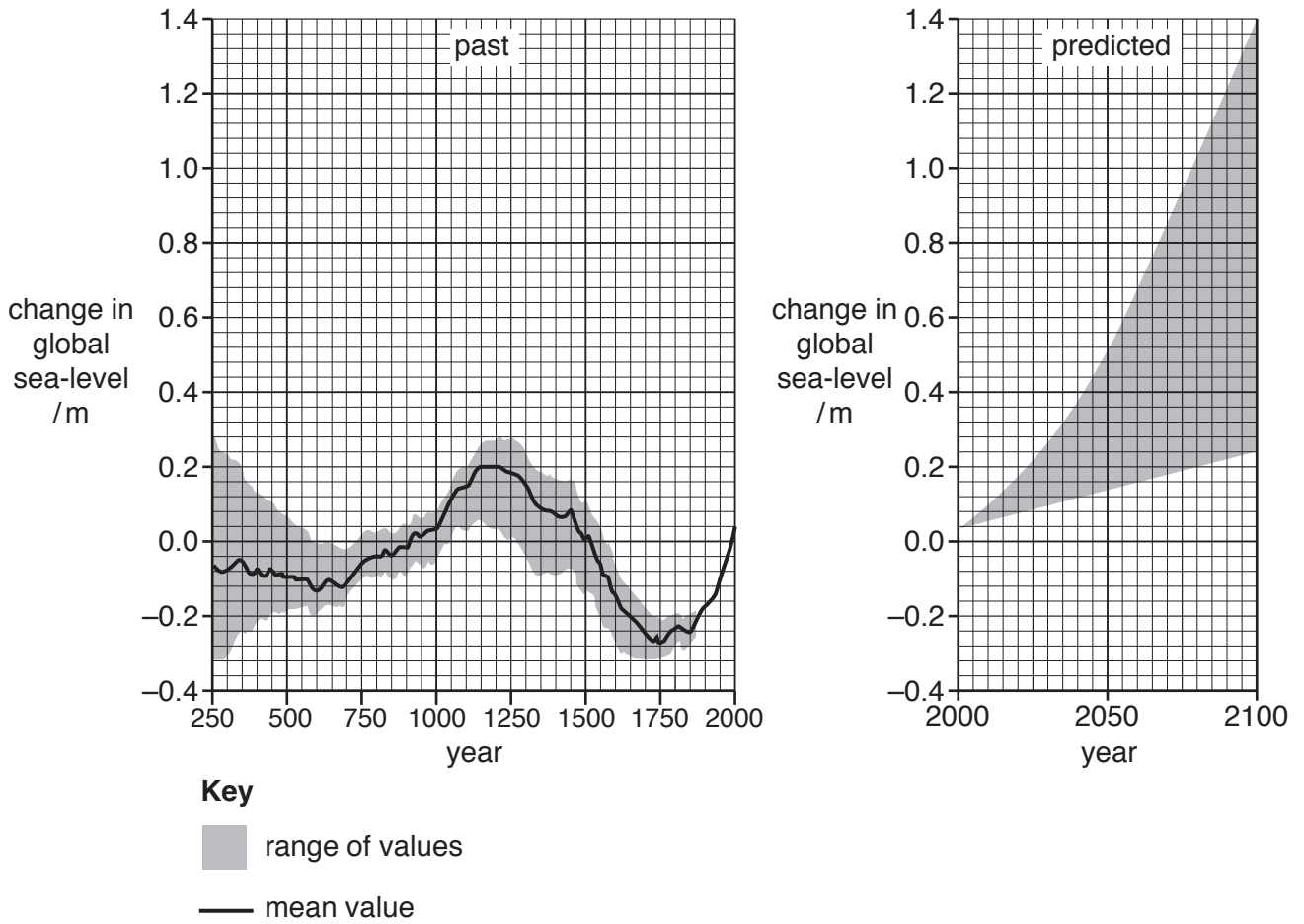


Fig. 1.2

(i) With reference to Fig. 1.2, describe the changes in global sea-levels in the years before 2000.

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(ii) Suggest reasons why data before 1870 has a range of values for the change in global sea-level.

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Fig. 1.3 shows the area of Bangladesh that would be affected by a long-term rise in global sea-level.

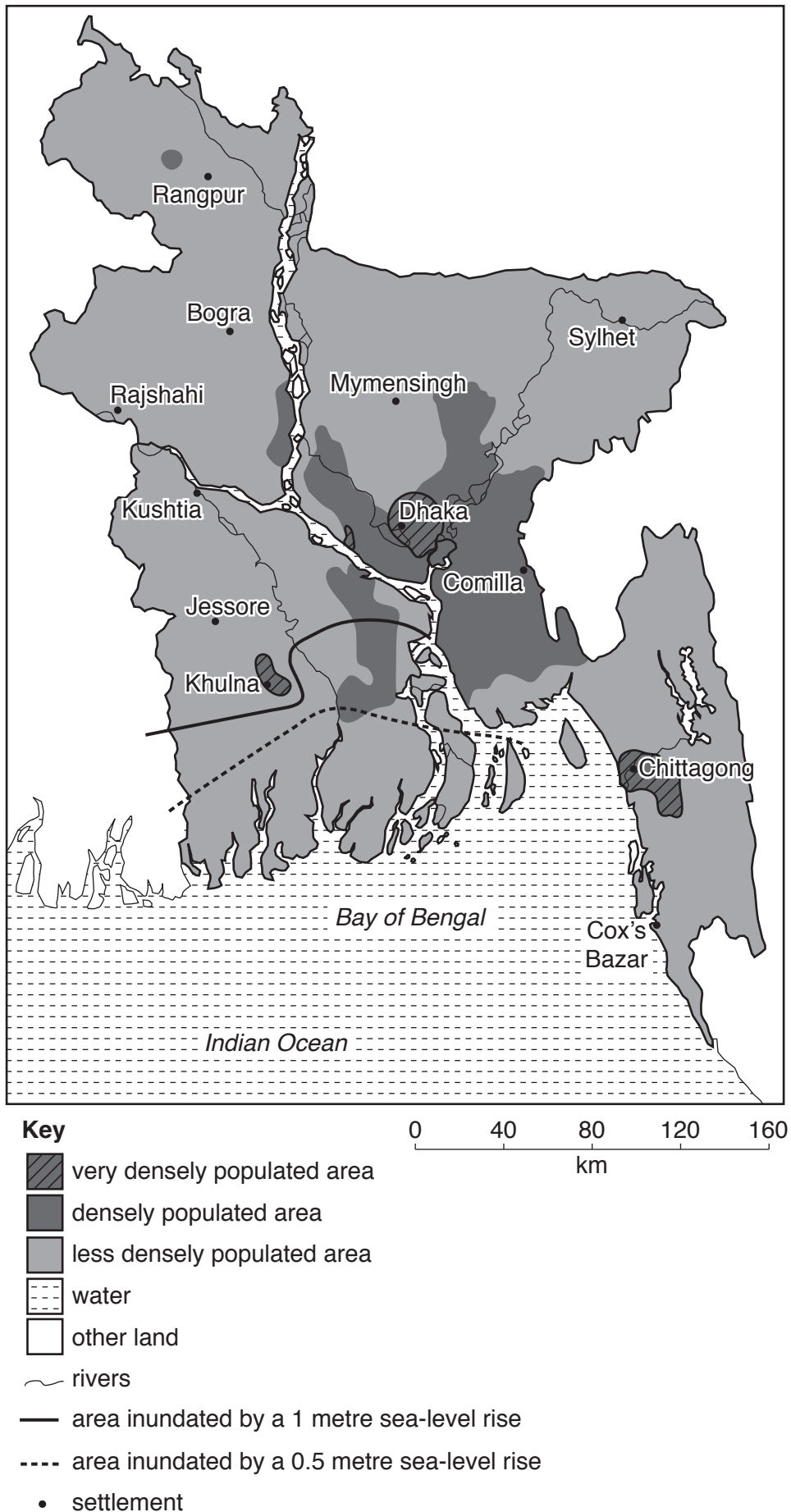


Fig. 1.3

2 (a) A lake is an example of an ecosystem.

(i) State what is meant by the term *ecosystem*.

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(ii) An ecosystem is influenced by abiotic and biotic factors.

Choose **one** abiotic factor and **one** biotic factor from the list and explain the influence of each factor in the ecosystem.

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| competition | oxygen | predators | minerals |
| food availability | water | carbon dioxide | disease |
| pH | temperature | population density | light |

abiotic factor

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biotic factor

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(c) Fig. 2.2 shows a photograph of a lake ecosystem and a sketch map of the surrounding area.

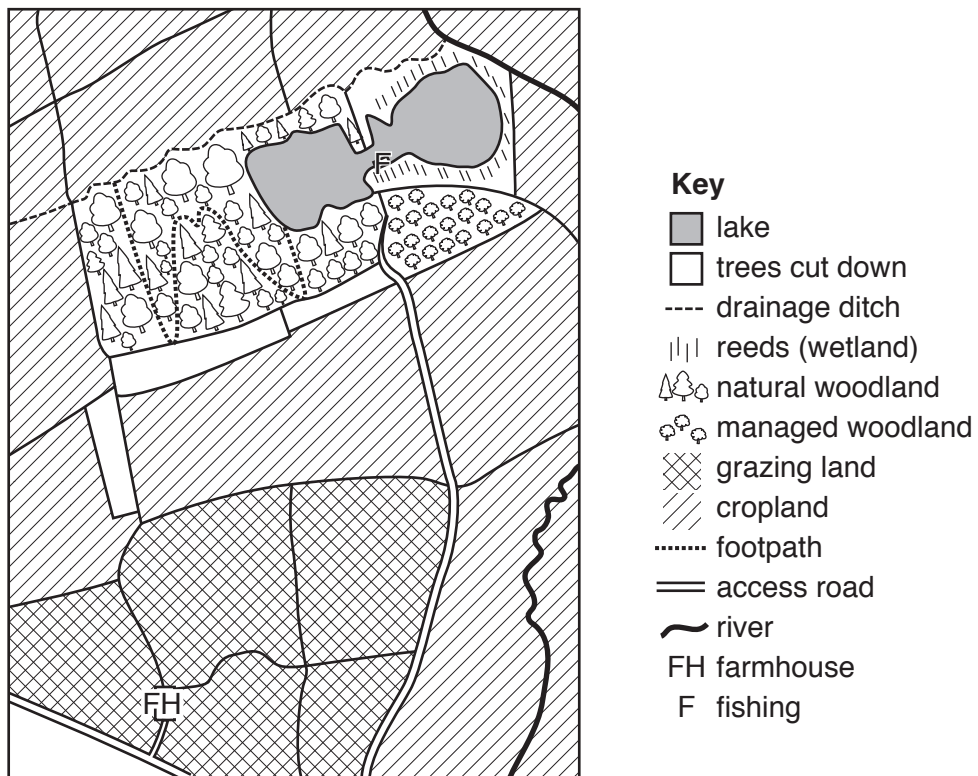


Fig. 2.2

(i) Outline the benefits of conserving a lake ecosystem.

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(ii) Suggest ways in which a lake and surrounding area can be managed for conservation. Refer to Fig. 2.2 in your answer.

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Section B

Answer **one** question from this section.

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- 3 Fig. 3.1 shows trends in global water use by sector.

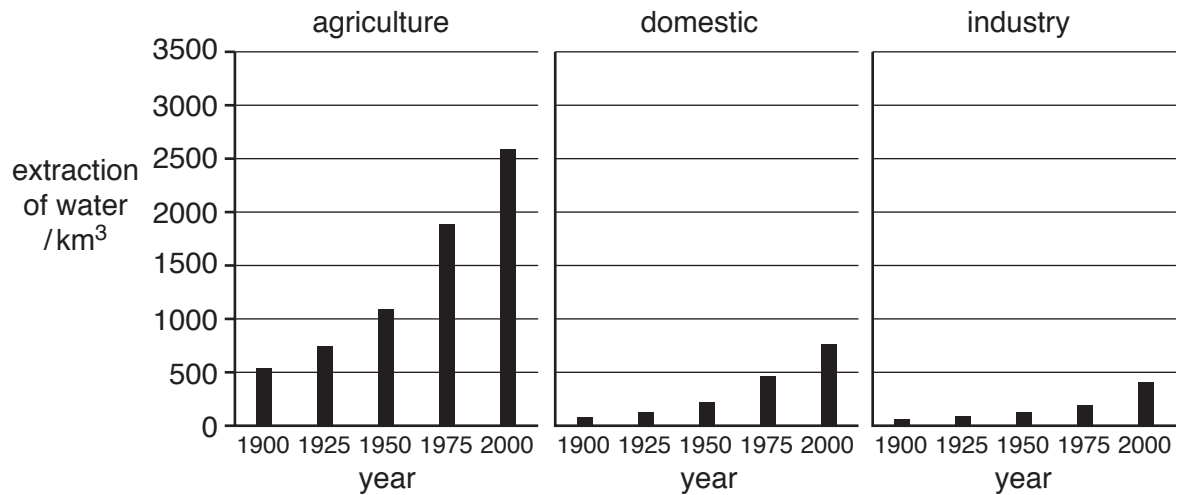


Fig. 3.1

- (a) With reference to Fig. 3.1, describe the trends in the extraction of water by each sector. Suggest reasons for the similarities and differences. [10]
- (b) Assess the impact of an increasing population on water resources in countries at contrasting levels of economic development. [30]

[Total: 40]

- 4 Fig. 4.1 shows changes in the world's biodiversity according to the Living Planet Index from 1970 to 2003. The index compares biodiversity to the 1970 levels.

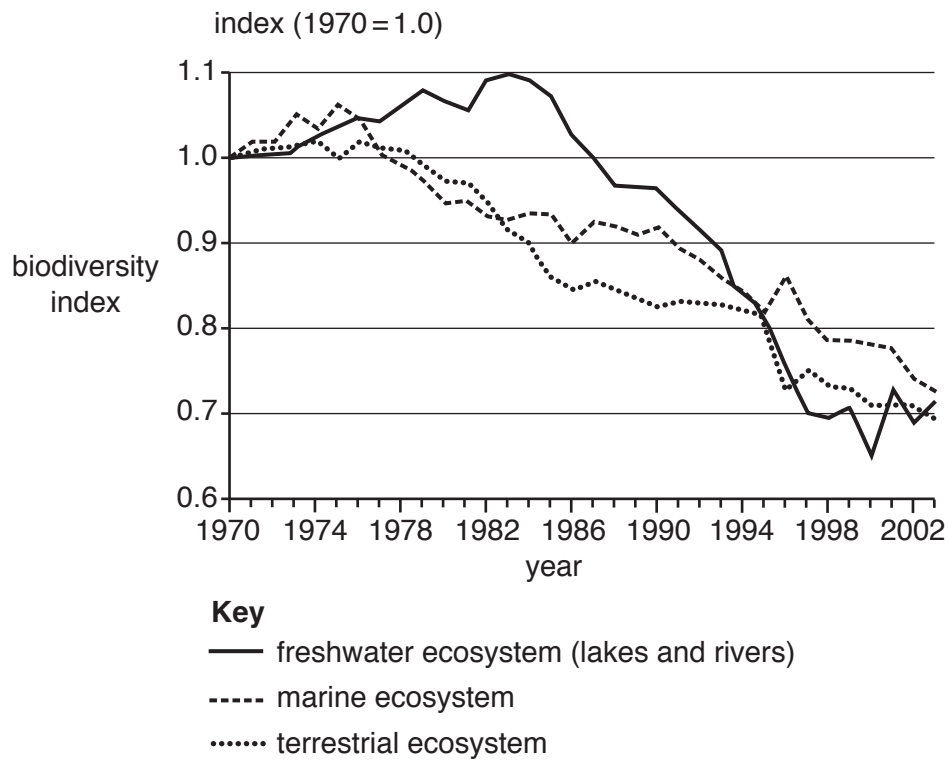


Fig. 4.1

- (a) With reference to Fig. 4.1, describe and explain the trends shown in the biodiversity index of freshwater, marine and terrestrial ecosystems. [10]
- (b) Conservation can involve a 'species approach', which protects species from extinction, or an 'ecosystem approach', which protects populations of species in their natural habitats.

With reference to examples, compare the advantages of both approaches to conservation. [30]

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5 Fig. 5.1 shows some ways groundwater is polluted.

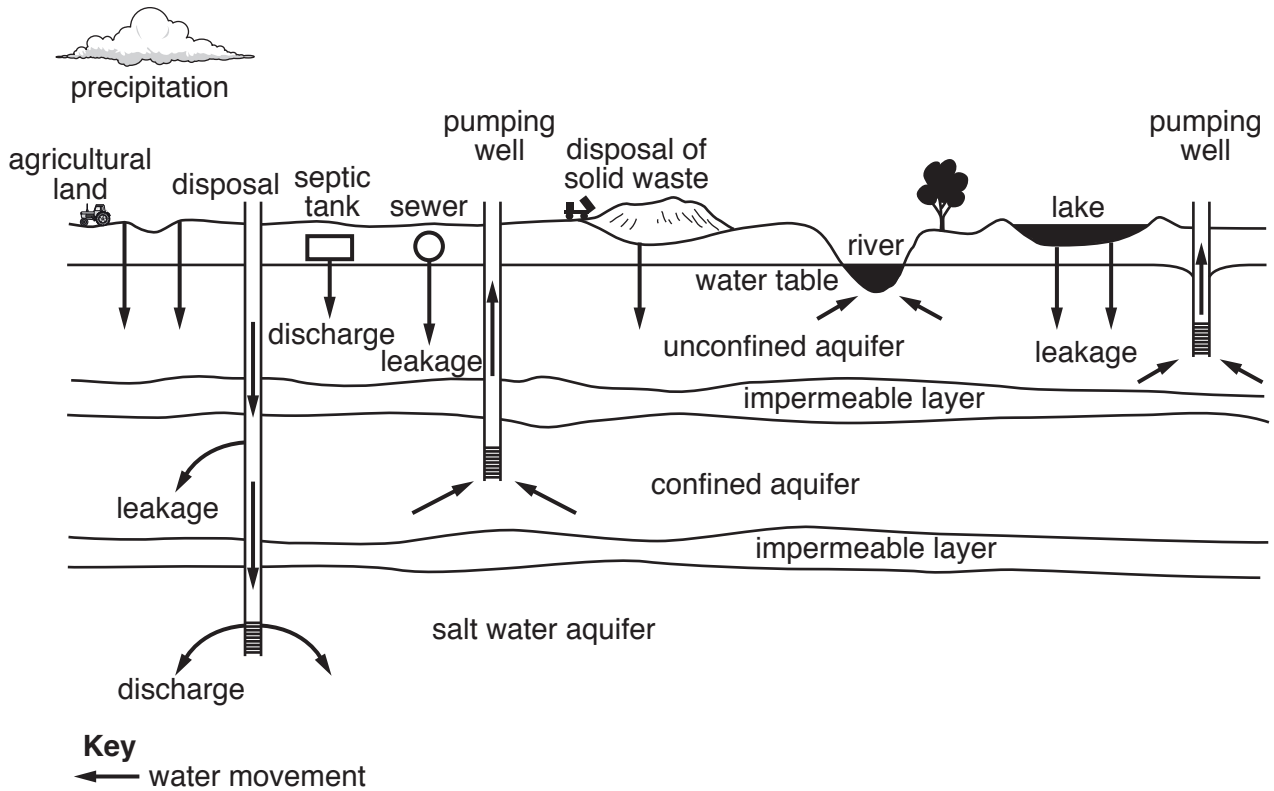


Fig. 5.1

(a) With reference to Fig. 5.1, outline ways in which human activity can lead to the pollution of groundwater stores. [10]

(b) Using examples, evaluate strategies used to manage groundwater stores. [30]

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