

**GEOGRAPHY KEYWORDS & PHRASES (SG)*****alphabetical***

NOTE : Words shown ***like this*** in an explanation are explained themselves in the list.

地理課關鍵詞語及短語

按英文字母排序

注意：在解釋內以**粗斜體**字樣印刷的詞語已在本詞語及短語表內另作解釋。

**abrasion**

wearing away of the earth's surface by rocks transported by rivers, waves or ***glaciers***

由河流、海浪或**glaciers**攜帶的石頭造成地球表面的磨蝕

**accessible**

easy to reach / get to

容易到達/達到的

**forestation**

planting with trees to create a forest

栽種樹木以創造樹林

**anticyclone**

an area of high pressure

高氣壓地區

**appropriate technology**

the level of technology suitable for local people to use

適合當地居民使用的技術水平

**arable farming**

agriculture based on growing crops e.g rice, wheat

以種植作物（如米、麥）為主的農業

**arete**

two-sided, knife-edged mountain peak

兩邊如刀刃的山峰

**bilateral aid**

aid from one country to another (Government Aid)

一國給予另一國的援助 (政府援助)

**biological weathering**

breaking down of rocks by plants and animals

由植物和動物造成的岩石碎裂

**birth rate**

the number of live births per 1,000 people in a year

一年內每一千人中活胎出生的數目

**brownfield site**

an area of previously built-up land that is available to be built on again

一幅曾經蓋滿建築物現在又可供發展的土地

**canopy**

the top layer of branches and leaves in a forest

樹林內樹枝與樹葉的頂層

**central business district (CBD)**

located in the centre of an urban area - it is dominated by shops and offices.

Few people live there.

位於市區中心地帶 - 主要為商店及辦公室， 很少民居

**chemical weathering**

breaking up of rock in the place it lies, by chemical processes like solution.

因化學過程 (如溶解) 造成岩石在原地分裂

**climate**

the average weather conditions recorded at a place over many years.

某一地方經過很多年所錄得的平均天氣情況

**cold front**

the dividing line between warm and cold air, where the warm air is forced to rise quickly.

冷暖空氣的分界線，在這兒暖空氣被迫急速上升。

**condensation**

the changing of water vapour into water droplets by cooling.

蒸氣因冷卻變成小水點

**confluence**

where two or more rivers join to make one bigger waterway

兩條或超過兩條河流匯流成一條較大的水道

**congestion**

busy traffic in an area, causing delays

地區內的繁忙交通，會引致延誤。

**conurbation**

a large urban area formed by cities growing outward

由多個城市不斷擴大而形成的大幅市區地域

**corrie, cirque, cwm**

circular hollow high on a mountain side formed by glacial erosion

位於高山山邊由冰川侵蝕造成的圓形凹地

**counter-urbanisation**

people moving away from the city to live outside it

人們從城市搬到外圍地方居住

**crevasse**

a deep gash in the surface of a *glacier*

*glacier*表面的深隙

**crop rotation**

growing a different plant in a field each year to give the soil a rest

每年在田裡種植一種不同的植物使泥土得以休息

**death rate**

the number of deaths per 1,000 people in a year

一年內每一千人中死亡的人數

**deforestation**

cutting down trees and clearing forests

砍伐樹木及清理樹林

**delta**

landform created where a river splits into several channels, at its mouth.

河流在河口處分成幾條水道所造成的地貌

**densely-populated**

having a high number of people per hectare

每一公頃面積的人口數字高

**deposition**

laying down of *sediment* which accumulates to create a landform

*sediment* 沉降堆積而形成的地貌

**depression**

area of low pressure in temperate latitudes (outside the tropics) e.g. British Isles

溫帶地區 (熱帶地區以外) 內之低壓地區，譬如不列顛羣島

**desertification**

spread of a desert, usually as a result of human actions

沙漠擴張，通常由人類行為引起

**detached houses**

houses which stand on their own - not attached to another house

不與另一所房子相連的獨立房屋

**discharge**

the volume of water flowing in a second through a river

一秒鐘內流過河流的水量

**distributary**

smaller river channel that has split from the main channel

從幹流岔出的小分流

**diversification**

moving into new business activities

加入新業務活動

**dormitory town**

town where many residents travel somewhere else to work

許多居民前往其他地區工作的城鎮

**doughnut effect**

the centre of the city becoming emptied as people move out

因居民遷出使城市中心變得空盪盪

**downward erosion**

cutting down into the underlying rocks e.g. the bed of a river

向下侵蝕底層岩石 (譬如河床)

**drainage basin**

area of land drained by a river and its tributaries

一條河流及其支流流經的土地

**economically active**

population aged between 15 and 65 who are able to work

年齡在十五至六十五歲之間並有能力工作的人口

**ecosystem**

system where living things (plants and animals) are linked

生物（指植物和動物）相連的系統

**ecotourism**

tourism which involves protecting the environment and way of life of local people

涉及保護環境及當地居民生活方式的旅遊

**elderly dependants**

population over 65 who may need to be cared for

年齡超過六十五歲並有可能需要他人照顧的人口

**emergency aid**

help given after a major disaster e.g. earthquake

重大災難後（譬如地震）提供的援助

**emergents**

tallest trees in the rainforest, which stick out of the *canopy*

雨林內最高的樹羣，為高出 *canopy* 的樹木

**emigration**

movement of people from one country to another

從一國到另一國的人口遷移

**employment structure**

percentage of the population in the primary, secondary and tertiary sectors of

employment

第一級、第二級及第三級行業內的人數在人口中所佔的百分比

**erosion**

wearing away of the Earth's surface by rivers, *glaciers*, waves and wind

由河流、*glaciers*、海浪和風對地球表面造成的磨損

**erratic**

boulder dropped by a *glacier*

*glacier* 斷裂出來的巨礫

**estuary**

the mouth of a river, where the channel is wide and tidal

河口，這兒的河道寬闊並有潮汐

**evaporation**

changing water droplets into water vapour by heating

經過加熱小水點變成水蒸氣的過程

**evapotranspiration**

loss of water from a *drainage basin* into the atmosphere, from plants and other sources

水份從 *drainage basin*、植物及其他源頭進入大氣層所造成的水份喪失

**exports**

goods and services sold to other countries

售予其他國家的貨品及服務

**extensive farming**

agriculture producing a low output per hectare from large areas of land

在大面積土地上耕種但每公頃所得收成低的農業

**fallow**

land left unfarmed to allow the soil to recover

休耕以待泥土復原的田地

**fog**

cloud at ground level

地面的雲

**footloose industry**

an industry which has great freedom to choose its location e.g. high-tech

享有高度自由選擇所在地的工業，譬如高科技

**fossil fuel**

energy source from plants and animals that died millions of years ago( oil, coal and natural gas)

從數百萬年前死去的植物及動物而來的能量來源（石油、煤及天然氣）

**freeze-thaw**

frost action that leads to the break-up of rock

引致岩石分裂的結冰過程

**function (of settlement)**

(of a *settlement*) what it does and why it is there

(有關 *settlement*) 它的作用及出現原因

**geothermal power**

generating electricity and heat from the ground - usually in volcanic areas

從地下生產電和熱 - 通常在火山區

**glacier ice**

a moving mass of ice in a valley

山谷內巨大的移動冰塊

**green belt**

area of land, mainly countryside, around a large town or city

環繞大鄉鎮或城市的土地，多為鄉下地方



**greenfield site**

land which has never been built on

未經開墾的土地

**greenhouse effect**

the trapping of energy by carbon dioxide and other gases, which stops some of the Earth's heat escaping into space.

因二氧化碳及其他氣體引致能量受困，這情況使地球部份熱力無法排進太空

**greenhouse gases**

the gases (see above) that cause the *greenhouse effect*

引致 *greenhouse effect* 的氣體 (請參看上文)

**Green Revolution**

large increase in food production, following the introduction of new, high-yielding seeds

推出新的、高產量的種子後使糧食產量大幅增加

**ground moraine (see moraine)****groundwater flow**

movement of water through soil and rock because of gravity

因地心吸力原故令水穿過泥土及岩石

**hanging valley**

a tributary valley, joining a "*U-shaped*" valley from a higher level

在較高處連接 *U-shaped valley* 的支流山谷

**heavy industry**

industry making large, bulky products

生產龐大產品的工業

**hierarchy**

placement of items in order of size or importance

按照物件的大小或重要性排序

**high-density housing**

many houses built together on a small area

在小面積土地上興建許多房屋

**high-order goods**

goods which are expensive and bought less often

昂貴而不常買的貨品

**high-rise flats**

flats built in a tower, many storeys high

建在多層高的樓宇內的單位

**honeypot site**

place which attracts a great number of visitors, especially at weekends and holidays

在週末及假期尤其吸引大量遊客的地方

**hydroelectric power (HEP)**

electricity made by the force of moving water

利用流水力量生產的電力

**hydrograph**

line graph showing how the flow of a river varies over a period of time

顯示某段時間內河水水流改變的線型圖

**HYV crops**

heavy yield varieties of crops e.g. new seeds of rice

高產量的作物種類，譬如新的稻米種子

**ice sheet**

slowly moving mass of ice covering a wide area

幅員廣闊流動緩慢的大冰塊

**igneous rock**

rock formed by volcanic activity

因火山活動而形成的岩石

**immigration**

movement of people into a country from another country

從一國到另一國的人口遷移

**imports**

goods purchased from another country

向另一個國家購買的貨品

**indicators of development**

selected features used to define the stage of development a country has reached

e.g literacy, *life expectancy*.

用以界定一國所達到的發展階段的選定特徵，譬如識字率、*life expectancy*

**industrial estate**

area laid out for factories

計劃作工廠用途的土地

**infant mortality**

number of deaths of children under 1 year old per 1000 people

每一千人中一歲以下夭折的幼兒數目

**infiltration**

downward movement of water into soil

水向下穿入泥土

**inner city**

urban zone around the *central business district*

環繞*central business district*的市區地帶

**inputs**

factor that goes into a system. Inputs into factory = energy, & raw materials.

進入一個系統的因素，對工廠的投入=能量及原材料

**intensive farming**

agriculture producing a high yield from a small area.

在小面積土地耕作但收成高的農業

**interception**

prevention of rain from falling onto the ground by trees and plants

樹木和植物阻止雨水下到地上

**interlocking spurs**

ridges of interlocking higher ground in the upper course of a river

河流上游的交錯高地山脊

**irrigation**

artificially adding water to farm land

以人工為農地加水

**isobar**

a line on a map joining places of equal pressure

地圖上連接同等氣壓地區的線

**lag time**

the time it takes for heavy rainfall to enter a river system

大雨後雨水進入河流系統所需的時間

**land use**

the way the earth's surface is used

運用地球表面的方式

**lateral erosion**

sideways erosion

向兩旁伸展的侵蝕

**lateral moraine (see moraine)**

**leaching**

downward movement of minerals through soil caused by water transportation

礦物由水攜帶穿過泥土向下移動

**LEDCs**

Less Economically Developed Countries - poor countries with a low level of development

經濟發展較差國家 - 發展水平低的貧窮國家

**life expectancy**

average number of years a new born baby is expected to live

新生兒預計可存活平均歲數

**linear**

the layout of a long, thin *settlement*

*settlement*的帶狀佈局

**literacy rate**

the percentage of adults who can read and write

有閱讀和寫作能力的成人的百份比

**low-order goods**

goods which are cheap and bought regularly

便宜及經常購買的貨品

**market town**

small rural *settlement* which serves people living in the surrounding area

細小的鄉下 *settlement*，主要為住在周圍地區的居民提供服務

**mass tourism**

concentration of visitors in one area of the world e.g Majorca

大量遊客集中在世界上一個地區，譬如西班牙馬略卡島

**MEDC**

More Economically Developed Country - wealthy country with a high level of development

經濟比較發展國家 - 高度發展的富裕國家

**medial moraine (see moraine)**

**meltwater stream**

stream formed from water melting from a *glacier*

由 *glacier* 融化而來的水所形成的溪流

**migration**

movement of people to a different place

遷入一個新地方的人口遷移

**millionaire city**

large city with more than a million inhabitants

有超過一百萬居民的大城市

**mixed farming**

agriculture based on keeping animals and growing crops

以飼養動物及種植作物為主的農業

**monoculture**

agriculture based on a single crop

只以一種作物為主的農業

**moraine**

transported materials (clay and boulders) dropped by a *glacier* when it melts

*glacier* 融化時留下所攜帶的物質 (黏土及巨礫)

**(lateral moraine)**

line along the side of a valley

沿山谷側而行的礫線

**(medial moraine)**

line down the middle of a valley

在山谷中間向下的礫線

**(terminal moraine)**

line at the end of a valley

山谷終端的礫線

**mouth of river**

where a river enters the sea

河流流入大海的地方

**multilateral aid**

help given to a country by a large organisation e.g United Nations

由具規模的組織 (譬如聯合國) 給予一國的援助

**multiplier effect**

once one successful business grows in an area, other businesses will expand too

在一個地區內只要有一家生意增長，其他生意也會擴大

**National Park**

area of natural beauty and wild countryside managed by a Government

由政府管理的天然風景區及荒蕪鄉下地方

**natural increase**

population growth because the birth rate is higher than the death rate

由於出生率比死亡率高而造成的人口增長

**natural resources**

naturally occurring materials which can be used by people

可供人類使用的自然存在材料

**newly industrialised country (NIC)**

LEDC which has rapid growth in *secondary industries*

在 *secondary industries* 呈快速增長的經濟發展較差國家

**non-governmental organisations (NGOs)**

charity groups involved in providing aid to other parts of the world e.g. Oxfam

參與向世界其他地區提供援助的慈善組織，譬如樂施會

**non-renewable resources**

natural resources which can only be used once e.g. oil

只能用一次的天然資源（譬如石油）

**occluded front**

dividing line where a cold front joins up with a warm front

冷鋒與暖鋒連接的分界線



**out-of-town shopping centres**

shopping centre on the edge of a built-up-area

在稠密地區邊緣的購物中心

**outer-city council estates**

large areas of cheap housing around the edge of cities in the UK

在英國城市週邊地區興建的大面積廉價房屋

**outputs**

the end product of a system e.g. Car from a factory

一個系統的最終產品，譬如工廠生產的汽車

**outwash plain**

flat area of land formed as rivers deposit material carried from a *terminal moraine*

河流從 *terminal moraine* 帶來的物質沉積後所形成的平原

**overgrazing**

destruction of grass & plants caused by too many animals on the land

土地上有太多動物引致草及植物破壞

**overland flow**

movement of water over the land surface

水在地面上移動

**overpopulated**

too many people in an area to be provided for by the available resources

在一幅土地上有過多人依靠現有資源提供所需

**pastoral farming**

agriculture based on keeping livestock e.g. cows & sheep

以飼養家畜（譬如牛和羊）為主的農業

**plantation farm**

a large farm in the tropics growing one cash crop e.g. pineapples

熱帶地區種植一種商品作物（譬如菠蘿）的大農場

**plucking**

removal of rocks from the Earth's surface by a *glacier*

*glacier*把岩石從地球表面移走

**population pyramid**

diagram showing the population structure of a country by age and sex

顯示一國人口年齡和性別的人口結構圖表

**precipitation**

all moisture that reaches the Earth's surface (rain, snow, dew etc)

下到地球表面的一切水份（雨、雪、露水等）

**prevailing wind**

wind direction that occurs most frequently

最常出現的風向

**primary industry**

where raw materials are gathered but not altered in any way before sale

涉及收集原材料但出售前不作任何加工改動的產業

**primary products**

materials gathered in primary industries e.g. metal ore or coffee beans.

第一級產業所收集的材料，譬如金屬礦砂或咖啡豆

**pull factor**

circumstances that attract people into an area / country

一個地區/國家吸引人到來的環境因素

**push factor**

circumstances that drive people out of an area / country

一個地區/國家驅使人離開的環境因素

**pyramidal peak**

three-sided mountain with steep sides and a sharp top

三邊陡斜山峰尖削的山

**quaternary industry**

jobs involved in research rather than production

涉及研究而非生產的工作

**renewable**

natural resource that will never run out e.g. the sea

永遠不會耗盡的天然資源，譬如海洋

**reservoir**

artificial lake used to store water for human use

用來蓄水供人類使用的人造湖

**retail parks**

shopping development located outside the main shopping area, sometimes out-of-town

位於主要購物地區以外（有時在偏遠地方）的購物中心

**ribbon lake**

long thin lake on a valley floor

在山谷底部的帶狀湖泊

**rural to urban migration**

movement of people from the country into towns and cities to live and work

從鄉下搬到城鎮生活和工作的口遷移

**saltation**

bouncing of stones along a river bed

石頭沿河床躍移

**secondary industry**

manufacturing industry turning raw materials into finished products

把原材料變成製成品的製造業

**sediment**

fine material deposited by a river

河流積下的幼細物質

**sedimentary rock**

rock formed from *sediments* laid down on the sea bed

由淤積在海床的 *sediments* 所形成的岩石

**self-help scheme**

where aid is used to allow people to improve their own situation

所提供的援助是用來使受助者得以改善自身情況

**semi-detached houses**

two houses house sharing a dividing wall

兩所共用一堵分隔牆的房子

**set-aside**

European Union policy which pays farmers to take land out of cultivation

歐洲聯盟政策，內容為付款予農民換取某些土地不作耕種

**settlement**

a village, town or city where people live

人們居住的村落、鄉鎮或城市

**shanty town**

area of poorly built, low cost houses on land which does not have full essential service

e.g. sewers,

位於沒有全套重要設施（如污水渠）的土地上的素質差的價廉房屋區

**shifting cultivation**

When farmers cultivate one area until its fertility drops

農人在一幅土地上耕種直至泥土的養份下降為止

**Site**

land on which as *settlement* is built

正在興建 *settlement* 的土地

**situation**

position of a *settlement* in relation to the surrounding area

相對於四周地方而言的 *settlement* 情況

**snout**

the end of a *glacier* where the ice melts

*glacier* 末端，這兒冰塊融化

**solar power**

energy created using heat from the sun

利用太陽熱力來生產的能量

**source(of a river)**

where a river begins as a spring from the ground

河流的源頭，作地下泉

**sparsely-populated**

with a low level of population per hectare

每公頃的人口數字低

**striations**

scratches made on rocks by the movement of *glaciers* across them

因 *glaciers* 流過而使岩石留下擦痕

**subsidy**

money paid to someone to carry out the request of the government e.g. to continue farming sheep in a difficult area

支付給某人的金錢以換取該人按政府要求辦事，譬如在困難地區繼續養羊

**subsistence farming**

agriculture based on growing crops and rearing animals mainly to feed the family

以種植作物和飼養動物來撫養家人為主的農業

**suburbs**

built-up area of a town or city between the *inner city* and the edge

一個鄉鎮或城市的 *inner city* 與週邊地區之間的稠密地區

**superstores**

large retail outlets e.g. ASDA

龐大的零售商店，譬如 ASDA

**surplus**

having more than needed

擁有的比需要的多

**suspension**

movement of fine materials, like sand and silt, by flowing water

因流水而造成幼細物質（如沙及淤泥）移動

**sustainable development**

economic activity or growth which has a long future

有長遠前景的經濟活動或增長

**terminal moraine (see moraine)****terraces**

gently sloping land on hillsides used for farming

位於山邊用作農耕的微斜山波

**tertiary industry**

"service industry" - it provides services to individuals and other industries

e.g. education, entertainment, health

「服務業」- 為個人及其他產業提供服務，譬如教育、娛樂、保健

**throughflow**

movement of water under the surface of the soil

泥土表面之下的水移動

**tied aid**

help given in response to an action completed by the country receiving it.

回應受惠國完成某一行動而提供的援助

**till**

material dumped under a *glacier* as it melts

*glacier* 融化時遺下的物質

**trade**

exchange of goods or services

交換貨品或服務

**trade barrier**

laws or behaviours which make trade difficult - used to protect a country's own

industry

使貿易困難的法例或行為，作用為保護國家自己的產業

**trading bloc**

group of countries with trading agreements

有貿易協議的一組國家

**traditional industry**

an old, established industry in the area

某地區的古老及根基穩固的產業

**transnational / multinational company**

a major company with links & factories in many parts of the world e.g BP

在世界許多地方有業務聯繫及工廠的大公司，譬如英國石油公司

**transpiration**

loss of water from plants into the atmosphere

水份通過植物流失進入大氣層

**tributary**

smaller stream flowing into a bigger stream or river

流進較大溪流或河流的細小溪流

**truncated spurs**

steep cliffs cut by ice as a *glacier* erodes the sides of a *U-shaped valley*

*glacier*侵蝕 *U-shaped valley*側邊時由冰塊切出陡斜懸崖

**underpopulated**

area with low population density

人口密度低的地區

**urban growth**

development of a city area

城市地區的發展



**urbanisation**

increase in percentage of people living in urban areas

在市區地方居住的人口百分比增加

**urban redevelopment scheme**

plans to improve city areas

改善城市地區的計劃

**urban-rural migration**

movement of population from cities into the country to live and work

人口從城市搬到鄉下生活和工作的遷移

**urban sprawl**

outward spread of urban areas into rural areas

市區地方向外擴張至鄉下地方

**U-shaped valley**

valley shaped by glaciation, with a flat floor and steep sides

由冰川作用造成的山谷，為旁邊陡斜底部平坦

**warm front**

dividing line between warm and cool air, where the warm air is being forced to rise

冷暖空氣的分界線，這兒暖空氣被迫向上升

**warm sector**

warm air at the centre of a *depression* between the *warm front* and *cold front*

*warm front*與*cold front*之間的*depression*中心的暖空氣

**watershed**

ridge of high land between the *drainage basins* of two rivers

兩條河流的*drainage basins*之間的高地山脊

**water table**

level where the ground is saturated and rock and soil cannot hold any more water

土地飽和，岩石和泥土不能再承受水份的水位

**weather**

condition of the atmosphere at any given time

任何指定時間的大氣層狀況

**weathering**

breakdown of rock in the place it outcrops (is at the surface)

岩層在露出位置（在表面）受侵蝕碎裂

**young dependants**

percentage of the population under 16, who are unable to work to provide for themselves

人口中未滿十六歲且未能工作維持自己生活的人數所佔的百份比