

# GCSE Geography B

Summary of DE&I improvements





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<p>In the detailed content for 3.6a, we have updated the wording as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The opportunities for people (<del>access to resources and employment</del>) living in the megacity (<del>access to education and health services, and formal and informal employment opportunities</del>).</li></ul>	15	<p>We have made this change to improve the balance between opportunities in (a) and challenges in (b) to better reflect the real world:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>'resources' is replaced by the more specific terms 'education and health services'.</li><li>'formal and informal' added to 'employment' in order to make the link between the case study and the overview content in 3.2b, where these terms are used.</li><li>word order amended to make the content read better.</li></ul>
<p>In the detailed content for 3.6b, we have updated the wording as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The challenges for people living in the megacity caused by rapid population growth (housing shortages, <del>the development of squatter housing and slum settlements</del> <del>poor quality housing, -insecure property rights,</del> inadequate water supply and waste disposal, poor employment conditions, <del>and</del> limited service provision and traffic congestion).</li></ul>	15	<p>We have replaced 'the development of squatter and slum settlements' with the more neutral terms 'poor quality housing' and 'insecure property rights'. Student responses show that both features are widely taught and well understood. The terms squatter settlements and slums are stereotypical and have the potential to cause discomfort though. Changing this language is therefore an important step in improving the diversity, equity and inclusion (DE&amp;I) of this area of content. We also appreciate that many teachers are already avoiding the use of these terms.</p>
<p>In the detailed content for 3.6c, we have updated the wording as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The pattern of residential areas of extreme wealth and contrasted with <del>slums and squatter settlements</del> <del>areas of poor quality housing and in some cases insecure property rights, and reasons</del> <del>Reasons</del> for differences in quality of life within the megacity, <del>and the</del> <del>The</del> political and economic challenges of managing the megacity.</li></ul>	15	<p>To match (b), we have replaced 'slums and squatter settlements' with 'areas of poor quality housing and in some cases insecure property rights'. We have split the content into three sentences to make it easier to read.</p>



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<p>In the detailed content for 7.2a, we have updated the wording as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How the biosphere provides resources for Indigenous and <b>other</b> local people (food, medicine, building materials and fuel resources) but is also increasingly exploited commercially for energy, water and mineral resources.</li></ul>	32	We have added 'other' to remove the potentially confusing distinction between 'Indigenous' and 'local' people, and to make it clear that Indigenous people are not separate from local people.