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First Semester Examinations, 2012/2013 Session

GRY 513: Environmental Perception

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any FOUR questions. Credit will be given for use of specific examples and relevant maps/diagrams to illustrate your answers.

TIME ALLOWED: 2 hrs 30 minutes

1. With reference to specific examples, how may an individual's personality traits influence his/her response to environmental stimuli?
2. What, in your view, are the strengths and limitations of modern technology as a tool for human response to environmental hazards? Illustrate your answer with specific examples.
3. Examine culture as a factor in resource perception, and discuss how cultural differences may induce conflicts in resource use.
4. With reference to specific examples, what do you understand by mental maps, and of what possible uses may such maps be?
5. Outline and discuss the schema of human reactions to irregular natural hazards as proposed by Burton and Kate (1971).
6. Write a well-reasoned essay on 'mitigation' as an important phase of emergency management.