GCSE GEOGRAPHY KNOWLEDGE BOOK



FIELDWORK HUMAN STUDY

HUMAN STUDY: TOURISM HAS IMPORTANT ECONOMIC IMPACTS AT SHERINGHAM

The information here is what students MUST know. If you hope to get a grade 7-9 GCSE, you will need to extend your knowledge through additional reading, the online textbook, and revision guides. You will also need to work very hard at mastering responses to a variety of challenging command words. Use this as a checklist to identify what is clear to you what you need to work on and what you can tick off once revised, If you have doubts or questions, please come and see your teacher – we will be very happy to help.

Key Content	What you need to know	I get this	I need to work on this	I've revise d it!
Hypothesis word for word recall	Tourism has important economic impacts at Sheringham			
Geographical Theory	The Butler Model: Butler developed a model which shows how any tourist resort may grow. A resort may start off from being a small, low key, destination. He suggests that all resorts go through the same sort of process. Sheringham at this stage 7 Rejuvenation 6 Decline 4 Consolidation 3 Development 1 Exploration Rejuvenation or decline			
	Sheringham is in Stage 4/5 which means:			
	 The local economy is probably dominated by tourism and many local people will make their money from this type of industry. Therefore we should see lots of tourist related economic related activities Traditional industries such as Sheringham's crab, lobster and whelk fishing industries are fraction of their former strength and have suffered There will be continued building and expansion of the resort BUT some of the older buildings will start to become unattractive and overcrowding may start to become a problem. 			

Why was Sheringham a good location?	1.	The town was easily accessible and within walking distance of the coach park this was an advantage because all students could access all data points in a relatively safe, low risk environment								
	2.	The town of	Sheringh	nam was	quite smal	l in its to	al area this was an			
	advantage because we could we could systematically cover the area to ensure the data would be representative and reliable.									
Why was it a suitable topic?		 The town was easily accessible and within walking distance of the coach park this was suitable because all students could access all data points in a relatively safe, low risk environment Sheringham clearly had tourist functions and was a holiday destination this was clearly suitable because the area enabled us to investigate our geographical hypothesis and study a relevant geographical topic. 								
Risk Assessment	ı	Risk/Hazard	Who might be involved	Severity (a)	Likelihood (b)	Level of Risk (a) x (b) (H/M/L)	Precautions/Risk Management			
		Coach may be involved in a crash/accident to or from destination	Students, staff & driver	4	1	4 = Low	All students and teachers to remain seated throughout journey and wear seatbelts			
		When walking from car park to beach students could get hit by a car walking down narrow streets of Sheringham	Staff and students	4	1	5 = Low	Walk in single file and stay on shop side of road. Staff can walk at the front, middle and back to manage stduents			

Sampling Method Used **systematic sampling** with a grid overlaid on a map of Sheringham – WHY? See patterns over wholes area, ensure area is covered so make makes data more reliable and representative DEFGHI LMNOPQ ABC J K Justification of **Primary Data** Hard engineering is controlling longshore drift at Sheringham Collection Method(s) 1. Land use survey to note and observe different tourist functions linked **directly to the Butler Model theory** which states that in stage 5 a tourist area will see a decline in traditional industries and most of the local economy will be driven by tourist related activities 2. Land use map showed how much of Sheringham was driven by tourism 3. Systematic method ensured good coverage and gave an unbiased area to map tourist functions which in turn increased the reliability of the data collected 4. Photos – to cross-reference any observations made of tourist functions in Sheringham

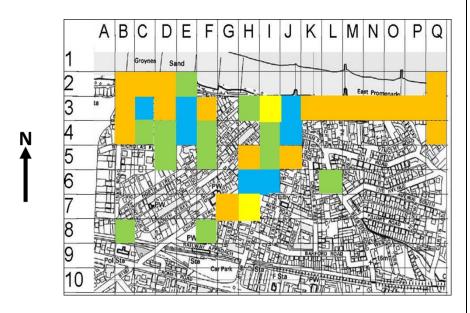
Data Presentation — what do we use and assess why it is appropriate and/or asses how effective it is

What did we do?

- We took our grid map of Sheringham and coloured in all the squares that had a main function related to tourism
- - o Tourist Accommodation was Green
- We did not colour any other land use we just left the squares blank (only coloured in tourist related functions)

A Land Use Map of Sheringham Showing Tourist Related Functions

Land use category	Code	Land use category	Code
Tourist Retail (bucket & spade shops, gift shops etc.)	TR	Arts and entertainment (galleries, theatres, amusements etc.)	AE
Tourist Accommodation (Hotel's, B&B's etc.)	TA	Eating out (restaurants, cafes etc.)	EO



- Only used coloured in squares for tourist related functions effective as we could easily and immediately analyse the proportion of the map that was coloured, this made it easy to interpret. It gave a clear visual representation of tourist functions which related to our hypothesis which stated that a town in stage 4/5 Butler Model should have a high proportion of tourist functions.
- We used four colours to represent all four different tourism categories:
 Tourist Retail was Orange Orange Tourist Entertainment was Yellow Eating Out was Blue
- Tourist Accommodation was Green
 Effective as it gave a clear visual representation and we could instantly

	identify the most and least important tourist functions which meant that it was easy to interpret. This led to accurate interpretations of the data collected. 3. HOWEVER an option could be 'more appropriate' or 'effective' if we placed annotated photos of streets alongside and around the map. This would have helped to provide a clearer representation and a clearer understanding of the types of tourist functions within Sheringham and could have helped with a more accurate and clear interpretation of the data.
Results and Conclusions	 Land Use Map: 26% of Sheringham is dominated by Tourists related functions Tourist Retail_is most important = 47.5% of all tourism functions 86% of Sheringham's High Street is dominated by Tourists related functions Photo evidence showed Sheringham had a number and range of tourist functions located in Sheringham Geography leaders at Kingswood – 65% of all Sheringham's economy relies on tourism CONCLUSION: Accept the hypothesis – tourism has important economic impacts at Sheringham
Evaluation of Methods – Problems and Limitations	Subjective – made judgement of main functions in area – opinion based and so areas could be over or underrepresented (so could construct a set of criteria applied to each square to ensure consistent and less subjective data) Proportion does not necessarily mean economically important compared to other economic activities (so could get additional value data and conduct a questionnaire) Many tourist functions had a dual purpose – they were used by both locals and tourists (could conduct questionnaires for owners of economic functions to get data on what generates most of their businesses) Photos
	Being selective in what we are talking photo of therefore an element of bias (so could systematically take photos N/E/S/W to get a more reliable and representative suite of photos)

Evaluation of Methods – What other Methods could we use	Conduct questionnaires with owners of economic functions – could create a set of qualitative and quantitative questions to gather further data on where money is generated from		
to make our	Gather secondary data on all types of economic data on Sheringham –		
results and	see how much tourism is worth compared to other economics sectors		

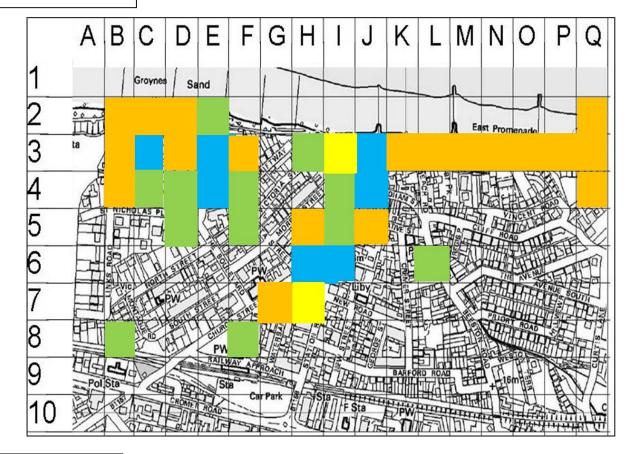
conclusions more reliable?				
Evaluation – to what extent were our results and		The main method used to collect our data was valid to a certain extent and it was backed up and was consistent with the photos we took and the secondary data we collected which meant our results were useful and therefore our conclusion was to an extent reliable .		
conclusions useful and reliable	0	The land use map clearly showed that 26% of Sheringham is dominated by tourist related functions , tourist retail_is most important = 47.5% of all tourism functions and 86% of Sheringham's High Street is dominated by tourist's related functions. This clearly indicates that tourist has had an important economic impact in Sheringham		
		The photos at each groyne also backed up this conclusion as they showed a variety of tourist functions in Sheringham. This is both useful and reliable as the functions obviously did exist in high numbers in Sheringham.		
		Geography leaders at Kingswood – 65% of all Sheringham's economy relies on tourism. This is highly reliable data and as it's a trusted source - as Kingswood staff are experts and have no reason to not tell the truth.		
		The linking and consistency between these three data sets supports our main conclusion that tourism has important impacts at Sheringham and therefore this conclusion is reliable.		
		However the primary data collected is only reliable to a certain extent and arguably to a lesser extent than the secondary data as there were some inaccuracies in the way the data was collected.		
		The land use data was highly subjective – we made judgement of main functions in area – opinion based and so areas could be over or underrepresented based on different opinions. There could also be inconsistencies across areas mapped.		
		The land use map only shows proportion - proportion does not necessarily mean economically important compared to other economic activities		

	☐ Many tourist functions had a dual purpose — they were used by both locals and tourists meaning a level of interpretation was required and therefore data is less reliable due to this subjectivity
	☐ Photos are unreliable as the person is selecting what they want to take the photo of and therefore there is an element of bias.
	 Overall: results from secondary data are reasonably reliable and therefore useful results from the land use map and photos were reliable to an extent but not quite so secure (lesser extent than the secondary) it is likely though that as all three data sets linked and backed up each other's findings then our main conclusions that tourism has
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PRIMARY DATA RESULTS

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SECONDARY DATA RESULTS

KINGSWOOD STAFF: OVER 65% OF SHERINGHAMS ECONOMY

IS RELAINT ON TOURISM