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TB374 - Essays

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Three hours allowed  
Answer two questions

1. Despite technological and scientific developments human society is still very vulnerable to natural disasters. Discuss.
2. The development of South America has been primarily concerned with the exploitation of natural resources. Discuss.
3. Explain why the geographer must deal with the question of what it means to be human.
4. Examine some of the ways in which technology is transforming the geography of economic activity.
5. Discuss the contention that 'human geography is one of the smaller social sciences, but it is also one of the liveliest'.
6. David Livingstone has argued that the discipline of geography has evolved to different social and intellectual environments. Assess the importance of the contextual approach in the pursuit of geographical historiography.
7. Arriving at an understanding of Ireland's historical geography 'requires a plurality of outlooks in order to unravel and distinguish the many strands that make up the Irish experience' (Smyth, 1993). Discuss.
8. Write an essay on the history of the discipline of geography.
9. Write an essay on the consumer revolution.
10. Write an essay on the internationalization of economic activity.