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Fourth University Examinations  
Geography A

T1471 Economic and Social Studies (Spatial Analysis)

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Time allowed: 3 hours

Answer four questions

1. Write an account of the life and work of either the Russian anarchist geographer Peter Kropotkin (1842-1921) or the American cultural geographer Carl Sauer (1889-1975).
2. 'Geographical critics have expressed their revulsion at positivism's ... failure to recognise that statistics don't bleed' (Livingstone, 1992). Discuss this statement with reference to trends within the discipline of Anglo-American geography during the second half of the twentieth century.
3. Give an illustrated account of any two major forms of statistical mapping commonly used by geographers.
4. In a global context Ireland has a benign natural hazard environment. Discuss.
5. Outline the range of human behaviour during and after a major natural disaster.
6. 'Behavioural geography can perhaps be described as a somewhat 'forgotten' perspective within human geography, despite the fact that it incorporates a number of concerns'. What are these concerns, and how have they been articulated?
7. Examine the role of landscape as a record of human spatial behaviour.
8. 'Both political and economic factors have contributed to Post-war European migration'. Discuss.
9. Assess the validity of the statement that 'The geographical patterns of population change in Ireland since the early 1980s reflect both national and regional influences'.
10. 'The investigation of spatial patterns and spatial processes is central to geography'. Discuss.