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THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY of IRELAND, GALWAY

SUMMER EXAMINATIONS 1999

B.A. EXAMINATION

TIREOLAÍOCHT B

TB360 Staidéar Speisialta IV: (Geographical Perspectives)

Creidmheas: 1

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Time allowed: 1.5 hours

Use a separate answer book for this Section

Two questions to be answered, one from each Section

Section A

1. Write an account of the life and work of the anarchist geographer Peter Kropotkin (1842-1921).
2. Write an essay on the life and work of either Sir Clifford Darby (1909-92) or Emyr Estyn Evans (1905-89), and explain, using examples, the extent to which he has participated in and responded to developments within the discipline of geography.
3. Compare and contrast the changes that have taken place in the theory and methodology of both Irish and British historical geography since c. 1930.

Section B

4. Positivism assumed particular importance in geographical studies in the 1960s and the 1970s. How did this method of study emerge and what were its characteristics?
5. "Geographers who adopted humanistic approaches to study rejected positivism". Discuss.
6. Discuss the role of structuralism in geographical studies with reference to the main scholars involved and the studies conducted.
7. Post-modernist studies in geography give recognition to changes that are taking place in methods of work, in landscapes and in human behaviour. Discuss.