



PRACTICE QUESTIONS FOR VCE

HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Unit 4: Area of Study 2
Health and the
Sustainable
Development Goals

SET 2

Question 1 (11 marks)

a. What is the purpose of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)?

3 marks

b. Identify **two** key features of SDG 3, 'Good health and wellbeing'.

2 marks

c. Explain how actions taken to achieve SDG 1, 'No poverty', could assist in achieving SDG 3.

3 marks

d. Explain how achieving SDG 3 promotes sustainability.

3 marks

ANSWERS

Question 1a.

Sample response

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are important because they continue the work of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) by aiming to end extreme poverty and to fight inequality and injustice. The SDGs address the fact that there has been uneven progress across regions and countries. The SDGs also address new global challenges such as conflict and climate change.

Mark allocation: 3 marks

- 1 mark for explaining that the SDGs continue the work of the MDGs by aiming to end extreme poverty and fight inequality and injustice
- 1 mark for explaining that the SDGs are required to address uneven progress across regions and countries
- 1 mark for explaining that there are new global challenges (e.g. conflict and climate change) for the SDGs to target

Question 1b.

Sample response

to decrease maternal mortality rate and to decrease the infant mortality rate and the under-five mortality rate

Mark allocation: 2 marks

- 1 mark for each key feature identified (up to 2 marks)

Question 1c.

Sample response

By eradicating extreme poverty everywhere (achieving SDG 1), more people may be able to afford health care. This may include contraception for women. By having increased access to contraception, women may have fewer births close together, which will decrease the risk of complications and death as a result of pregnancy, thus decreasing the maternal mortality rate and helping achieve SDG 3.

Mark allocation: 3 marks

- 1 mark for identifying the key features of SDG 1
- 1 mark for identifying the key features of SDG 3
- 1 mark for explaining how SDG 1 can help achieve SDG 3

Question 1d.

Sample response

By decreasing maternal mortality rates, more children will grow up with a mother caring for them. If more people live longer, healthier lives due to reduced deaths from communicable diseases and maternal mortality, increased knowledge can be passed from one generation to another. For example, a mother who lives longer may teach her children about the importance of safe water and nutritious food so that her children can meet their dietary needs and can pass this knowledge on to their own children.

Mark allocation: 3 marks

- 1 mark for providing a relevant example of SDG 3
- 2 marks for explaining sustainability by using examples