

Grade 7

Time 1 hr

Total marks 50

Answer all questions.

Section A

1. Choose the correct word from the list below to fill in the blanks.

Apart from and the growth of corals, there are other which contributed in and transforming the of our islands.

..... is the process whereby are broken down into smaller pieces without being

..... occurs when materials such as rocks, sand and soil are by winds, waves, and running water. Here of the materials take place.

[displacement, volcanoes, shaping, weathering, rocks, erosion, natural processes, natural landscape, displaced.]

10 mks

2. State true or false.

(A) Long ago Mauritius was a Dutch colony.

(B) In the year 1910, the British captured the island from the Dutch

(C) From 1968 to 1992, Mauritius had a Governor General and a Prime minister.

(D) The first Governor General was Sir John Shaw Rennie.

(E) Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam was the first President.

(F) There is a dispute between Mauritius and Britain to jointly manage the island of Tromelin.

(G) The Republic of Mauritius including all its islands, has a total land area of 2040 km² with an Exclusive Economic Zone of 1.9 million km².

(H) Agalega and Saint Brandon are volcanic islands.

(I) Most of our islands are found on the Mascarene Plateau which lies under the sea.

(J) The last eruptions occurred in the area of Nouvelle Decouverte about 20,000 years ago.

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Section B

1. How do we call a group of islands?
2. Explain why the islands vary in size and have different landscapes.
3. In which year, the Rodrigues Regional Assembly was set up?
4. List the different names given to our island in the past by the (I) Arabs, (ii) Portuguese, (iii) Dutch, (IV) French (V) British.
5. Explain the Exclusive Economic zone.
6. Give the reasons why it is important to have a sustainable management of our maritime environment.

7. A landscape consists of what?
8. Write 3 reasons why we need to preserve and protect the diverse natural environment of our islands.
9. Name the five plains.
10. How is a coral reef formed?