Urban drainage issues and management *3.2.3.5*

Q1	True or False?
Α	Urban areas experience more flash floods than rural areas.
В	Urbanisation leads to a decrease in vegetation.
С	Urban surfaces absorb water quicker than in rural areas.
D	In developing countries, urban drainage systems are often blocked by waste.
E	Sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDS) can help to reduce flooding risk

Q2	Match the correct term to the correct definition				
Α	The system by which water circulates between the atmosphere, oceans and				
	land.				
В	Not allowing fluid to pass through.				
С	The collection of water over a natural drainage area.				
D	The area of land that supplies water to a river via its tributaries				
Е	A management project to improve a degraded river.				
Selec	Select from: Catchment Drainage basin Water cycle River restoration Impervious				

Q3	One sentence is incorrect in each of the explanations below. Identify the wrong one.
Α	Tarmac and concrete in urban areas changes the ability of the catchment area to deal with
	precipitation. They ensure water is absorbed into the ground and is transferred by throughflow
	underground. The rivers in cities fill up quickly and cause floods.
В	Land use changes in a city to accommodate the growing population. Traditional land use, such as
	farming and forestry makes way for housing. This reduces flooding as the ground can't fill up with
	water and therefore is removed from the area rather than causing a flood.
С	Man-made drainage channels are created in an urban area to remove water from the system.
	They are efficient and are able to completely eradicate the risk of flooding within the area. Some
	are called Storm Drains.
D	Sewage and waste is a problem within urban areas. It often clogs up drainage systems and causes
	blockages which can increase flooding. This occurs more so in developed world cities.
E	Flood hydrographs in urban areas show that the lag time is longer than in rural areas. The impact
	of flooding can be worse in urban areas due to the larger population living in cities than in rural
	areas.

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Q4	Decide which heading the various factors would match with, in regards to urban drainage.			
Urban drainage causes		Urban drainage issues	Urban drainage management	
Pedes	trianising areas	Demand for transport	River restoration	
High building density		High population	Urban planning	
Rural-urban migration		Increased runoff	Flash flooding	

Q5	Think about the implications of attempting to manage urban drainage		
Α	What are some of the future negative implications?		
В	What are some of the future positive implications?		

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