

<u>Case Study name:</u>	Soil degradation	<u>Section of specification:</u>	SL - Patterns in environmental quality and sustainability	
<u>Location:</u>	<u>City/Region:</u> Sahel desert	<u>Country:</u>		<u>Continent:</u> Africa
<u>What:</u> Increasing effects of soil degradation and desertification		<u>When:</u> Now	<u>Causes/Theory:</u> - Population growth - Deforestation - Overgrazing - Climate change (storms, increasing temperatures)	
<u>Facts and Figures</u> - 3 million km ² - Population doubling every 20 years				
<u>Political Effects:</u>	<u>Economic Effects:</u> Famine	<u>Environmental Effects:</u> Dust storms and continued desertification	<u>Social Effects:</u> Conflict over diminishing resources	
<u>Solutions:</u> Sustainable farming practices, water management, population control		<u>Possible Exam Question:</u>		