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Aboriginal and Intercultural Studies

General course

Externally set task sample two
Marking key

Total marks for this task: 35

Question 1

(4 marks)

Define the following terms as they relate to Australian First Nations Peoples.

(a) Custodianship of Country

(2 marks)

Description	Marks
Defines the term Custodianship of Country as it relates to Australian First Nations Peoples	2
Makes a generalised statement about Custodianship of Country for Australian First Nations Peoples	1
Total	2
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Custodianship of Country refers to Australian First Nations Peoples' ongoing relationship with their lands and to the reciprocal relationship with Country, rather than ownership over the lands. This includes the rights, duties and obligations to care for Country, as defined through kinship roles and language groups. These are passed on through traditions.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

(b) World view

(2 marks)

Description	Marks
Defines the term world view as it relates to Australian First Nations Peoples	2
Makes a generalised statement about world view for Australian First Nations Peoples	1
Total	2
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>World view refers to the concept of the world held by Australian First Nations Peoples in which each aspect of culture, identity and society is connected with all other aspects in the context of particular times, places and relationships.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

Question 2

(6 marks)

Describe **three** reasons for the importance of astronomy for Australian First Nations Peoples.

Description	Marks
For each of the three reasons (3 x 2 marks)	
Describes a reason for the importance of astronomy for Australian First Nations Peoples	2
Makes a generalised statement about a reason for the importance of astronomy for Australian First Nations Peoples	1
Total	6
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Weather: Australian First Nations Peoples 'read' the stars and watch the movements of the planets to predict coming weather and shifts in seasons. For example, the Mer people from the Torres Strait Islands use natural markers to indicate the coming monsoon season. Understanding the weather also enabled Australian First Nations Peoples to make decisions such as when to hold ceremonies, plant new crops or harvest existing ones, travel, for their communities based on incoming shifts in weather and seasons.</p> <p>Links to ancestors: Astronomy provides Australian First Nations Peoples with links to the Dreaming and knowledge of ancestors, which is shared through oral traditions. For example, the ancestors return in the movements of individual or groups of stars, the planets and/or the dark spaces in the sky.</p> <p>Navigation: Many constellations have been used by First Nations Peoples to help with travelling distances across land and waters. The patterns of the stars represented routes of travel on the land, with each star in a constellation corresponding to specific landmarks such as waterholes, laying out a shape that can be remembered when travelling.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

Question 3

(19 marks)

- (a) Describe the background and reasons for the establishment of the organisation, business or enterprise. (4 marks)

Description	Marks
Describes the background for the establishment of the identified organisation, business or enterprise	2
Makes a generalised statement about the background for the establishment of the identified organisation, business or enterprise	1
Subtotal	2
Describes the reasons for the establishment of the identified organisation, business or enterprise	2
Makes a generalised statement regarding the reasons for the establishment of the identified organisation, business or enterprise	1
Subtotal	2
Total	4
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>The Kimberley Land Council (KLC) Background: formed in 1978 as a political land rights organisation, it has evolved to now work with Aboriginal people to secure native title recognition, conduct conservation and land management activities and develop cultural business enterprises.</p> <p>Reasons for the establishment: of the KLC was set up to ensure the protection of the region was prioritised through Native Title recognition. For more than 44 years, the KLC has worked to protect land, law, language and culture, and has succeeded in securing native title rights across roughly 97 per cent of the Kimberley.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

- (b) Explain an economic and an environmental benefit of the organisation, business or enterprise for Australian First Nations Peoples. (6 marks)

Description	Marks
For each of the economic and environmental benefits (2 x 3 marks)	
Explains a benefit of the identified organisation, business or enterprise for the relevant Australian First Nations Peoples	3
Describes a benefit of the identified organisation, business or enterprise for the relevant Australian First Nations Peoples	2
Makes a generalised statement about a benefit of the identified organisation, business or enterprise for the relevant Australian First Nations Peoples	1
Total	6
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Economic benefit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kimberley Land Council – have grown to be one of the biggest employers in the Kimberley across many towns and remote communities. Through employment opportunities and pursuing cultural enterprise development the group seeks to improve the socioeconomic outcomes of First Nations People in the Kimberley through economic empowerment. Developing and creating locally envisioned and owned economic opportunities is being worked on through building capacity and skills of people to participate in their own economy. <p>Environmental benefit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kimberley Land Council – have worked with Indigenous land managers since 1998. All environmental protection actions are informed by the cultural values of the Indigenous peoples. Benefits to the environment have been seen through programs that have seen traditional knowledge transfer from older to younger generations, fire management and biodiversity research and protection. These practices are protecting and enhancing the natural resources of the Kimberley environment. <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

- (c) Explain a benefit of the organisation, business or enterprise for the cultures and identities of Australian First Nations Peoples. (3 marks)

Description	Marks
Explains a benefit of the organisation, business or enterprise for the cultures and identities of Australian First Nations Peoples	3
Describes a benefit of the organisation, business or enterprise for the cultures and identities of Australian First Nations Peoples	2
Makes a generalised statement about a benefit of the organisation, business or enterprise for the cultures and identities of Australian First Nations Peoples	1
Total	3
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>The Kimberley Land Council’s (KLC) benefits to culture and identity can be seen in enhancing and celebrating the cultural, spiritual and social connection to Country that exists for First Nations Peoples. Through valuing the knowledge of the First Nations Peoples, cultural empowerment and strengthening identities can be seen. The KLC also works to facilitate the maintenance and promotion of Aboriginal Law and Culture, Community Health and Wellbeing, Heritage Protection, Cultural Law and Practice, Traditional Language and Cultural Expression.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

Question 3 (continued)

- (d) Compare the social benefits of the Australian First Nations Peoples organisation business or enterprise identified in parts (a), (b) and (c) with another Australian First Nations Peoples organisation, business or enterprise you have studied. Include information about their similarities and differences. (6 marks)

Description	Marks
Compares the social benefits of the two organisations, businesses or enterprises. Includes relevant information about their similarities and differences	5–6
Describes the social benefits of the two organisations, businesses or enterprises. Includes relevant information about both organisations	3–4
Makes a generalised statement about the social benefits of the two organisations, businesses or enterprises. Includes information about both organisations	1–2
Total	6
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Both the Kimberley Land Council and the Danjoo Koorliny Walking Together Project have important social benefits for the communities in which they are located. Both organisations work hard to educate the wider Australian public about cultural awareness.</p> <p>Danjoo Koorliny Walking Together Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Danjoo Koorliny Walking Together Towards 2029 and beyond has a strong focus on guiding people and organisations on their journey of cultural awareness and reconciliation. • Danjoo Koorliny is working for a change in society, including reversing the effects of systemic racism, historic injustice and intergenerational trauma. • The project also works hard to reinvigorate Aboriginal led arts and cultural events in the community, such as the ‘Shining the light; Yarning together performance which was part of the City of Perth’s Australia Day festival. <p>The Kimberley Land Council (KLC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The KLC supports the Kimberley Aboriginal people in using their cultural values to enrich the natural environment, deliver employment and training, ignite social change, support carbon abatement, and stimulate economic activities in their communities. • It provides opportunities for Aboriginal women to become rangers. The increased participation of women in ranger teams has solidified the importance of women’s cultural knowledge of plants and animals. Women rangers are also helping with the important maintenance and preservation of cultural sites. • It is also delivering social and cultural benefits in local schools through an innovative two-way science program launched in 2022, which sees rangers working with schools to bring learning on-country. <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

Question 4

(6 marks)

Discuss the contributions of Australian First Nations Peoples organisations, businesses and/or enterprises to the broader Australian society **and** the environment. Refer to relevant examples in your answer.

Description	Marks
Discusses the contributions of Australian First Nations Peoples organisations, businesses and/or enterprises to the broader Australian society and the environment. Refers to specific, relevant examples.	5–6
Explains the contributions of Australian First Nations Peoples organisations, businesses and/or enterprises to the broader Australian society and the environment. Provides some relevant examples.	3–4
Makes generalised statements about the contributions of Australian First Nations Peoples organisations, businesses and/or enterprises to the broader Australian society and the environment.	1–2
Total	6
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Australian society: The Aboriginal land and sea management ranger work delivers social, cultural and economic benefits at multiple scales. These benefits include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aboriginal ranger programs are effective and cost-effective and when rangers work on Country, they experience personal benefits, including increased skills and confidence, and better health and wellbeing. • Community members benefit directly from ranger activities, with the reassurance that Country is being cared for, and opportunities are realised for the transfer and preservation of cultural knowledge. • The broader community has greater understanding of, and respect for, traditional ecological knowledge. • Rangers and community members report that there is less violence, resulting in safer communities. <p>The ranger programs provide employment opportunities for women and networking opportunities with other ranger groups, partners and environmental managers, resulting in enhanced management efforts and the development of regional enterprise opportunities.</p> <p>Environment: Aboriginal ranger programs may provide benefits such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • biodiversity conservation • fire management • restoration of wetlands • weed control • feral animal control • care of waterways. <p>The Dugong and Marine Turtle project is an example.</p>	
Accept other relevant answers.	

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