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## GEOGRAPHY

**2217/03**

Paper 3 Geographical Investigations

**For examination from 2020**

SPECIMEN PAPER

**1 hour 30 minutes**

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Insert (enclosed)  
Calculator  
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Ruler

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
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### INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].
- The insert contains additional resources referred to in the questions.

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1 Students in Portugal went to six sites along a local river to do a fieldwork investigation on changes in the river channel downstream. The river which they studied flows 13 km from the Sintra Hills to the Atlantic Ocean.

(a) From the alternatives below choose the correct terms to complete the following sentences.

confluence      mouth      source      tributary      valley

- A river begins at its .....
- A river enters the sea at its ..... [2]

The students investigated the following hypotheses:

**Hypothesis 1:** *The area of the cross section of the river channel increases downstream.*

**Hypothesis 2:** *Average velocity of river flow increases downstream.*

(b) The students selected six sites along the river approximately 2 kilometres apart to do their fieldwork.

(i) In pairs they measured the width of the river channel at each site using a tape measure.

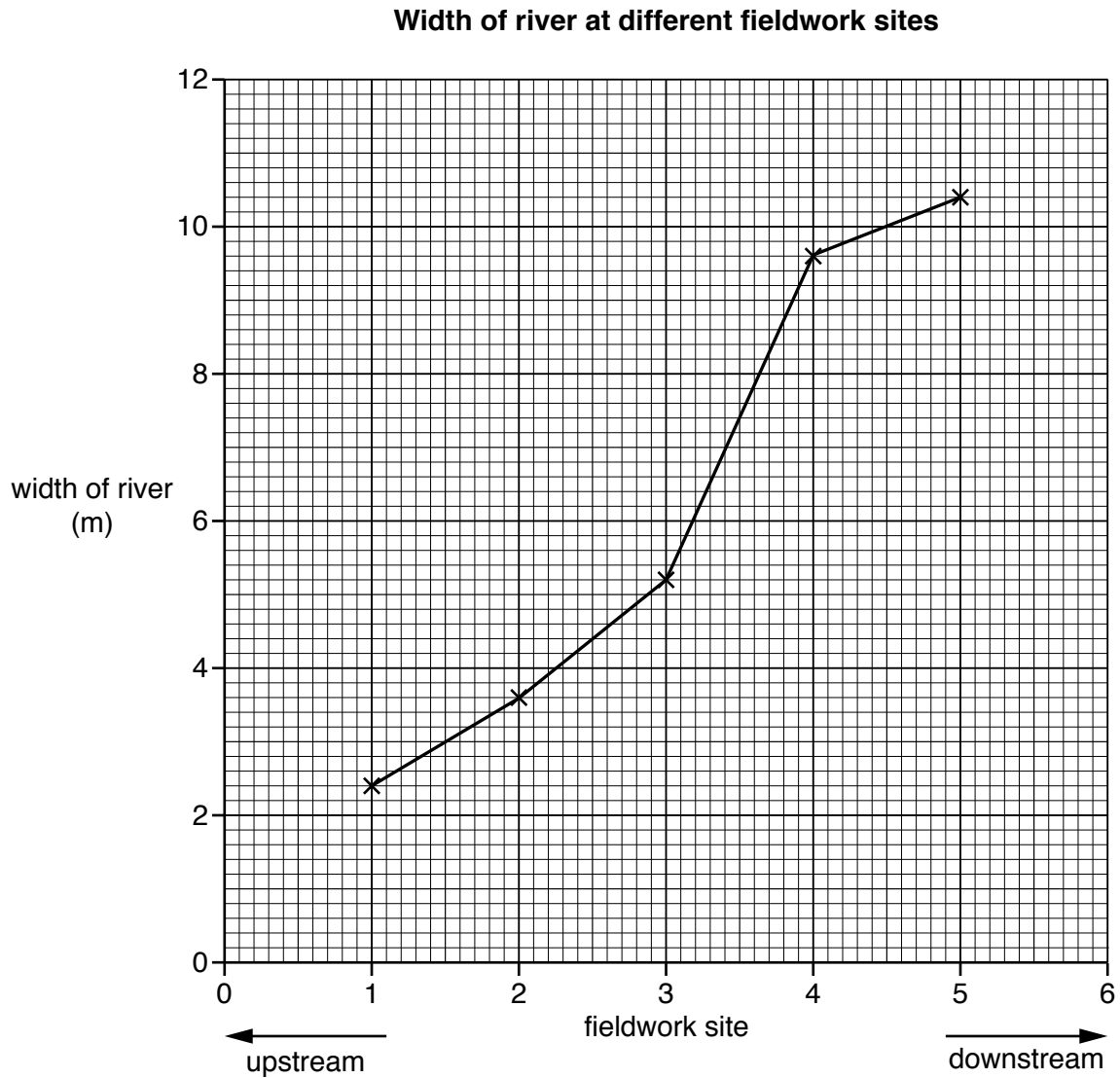
Suggest **two** things the students could have done to make sure that their results were reliable.

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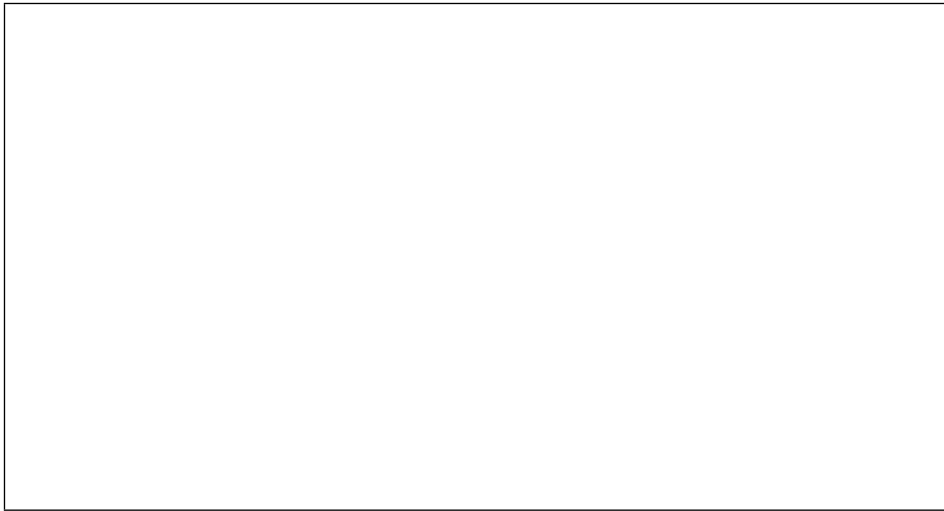
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- (ii) The results of their measurements at each site are shown in Table 1.1 (Insert). Plot the result for site 6 on Fig. 1.1 below, which shows how the width of the river channel varies downstream. [1]



**Fig. 1.1**

- (iii) Next they measured the depth of the river. In the space below draw an annotated (labelled) diagram to explain how they would do this.



[4]

- (iv) At each site the students measured the depth at five points across the channel. The results of their measurements at each site are shown in Table 1.1 (Insert). The students drew cross sections of the channel at each site. These are shown in Fig. 1.2 opposite. Use the information in Table 1.1 to complete the cross section and shade in the river channel at site 4. [3]

- (v) The method used to calculate the area of the cross section at each site is shown below. Insert the correct figures from Table 1.1 in the calculation for site 1 below.

Calculation of the area of the cross section at site 1

Area of the cross section = width of river (metres) × average depth of river (metres)

= .....

= 0.65 sq metres

[1]

- (vi) The results of the students' calculations of the area of the cross sections are shown in Table 1.2 (Insert). To what extent do the results support **Hypothesis 1: *The area of the cross section of the river channel increases downstream?*** Circle your decision below and support your decision with evidence from Table 1.2 and Fig. 1.2.

completely      partially      not at all

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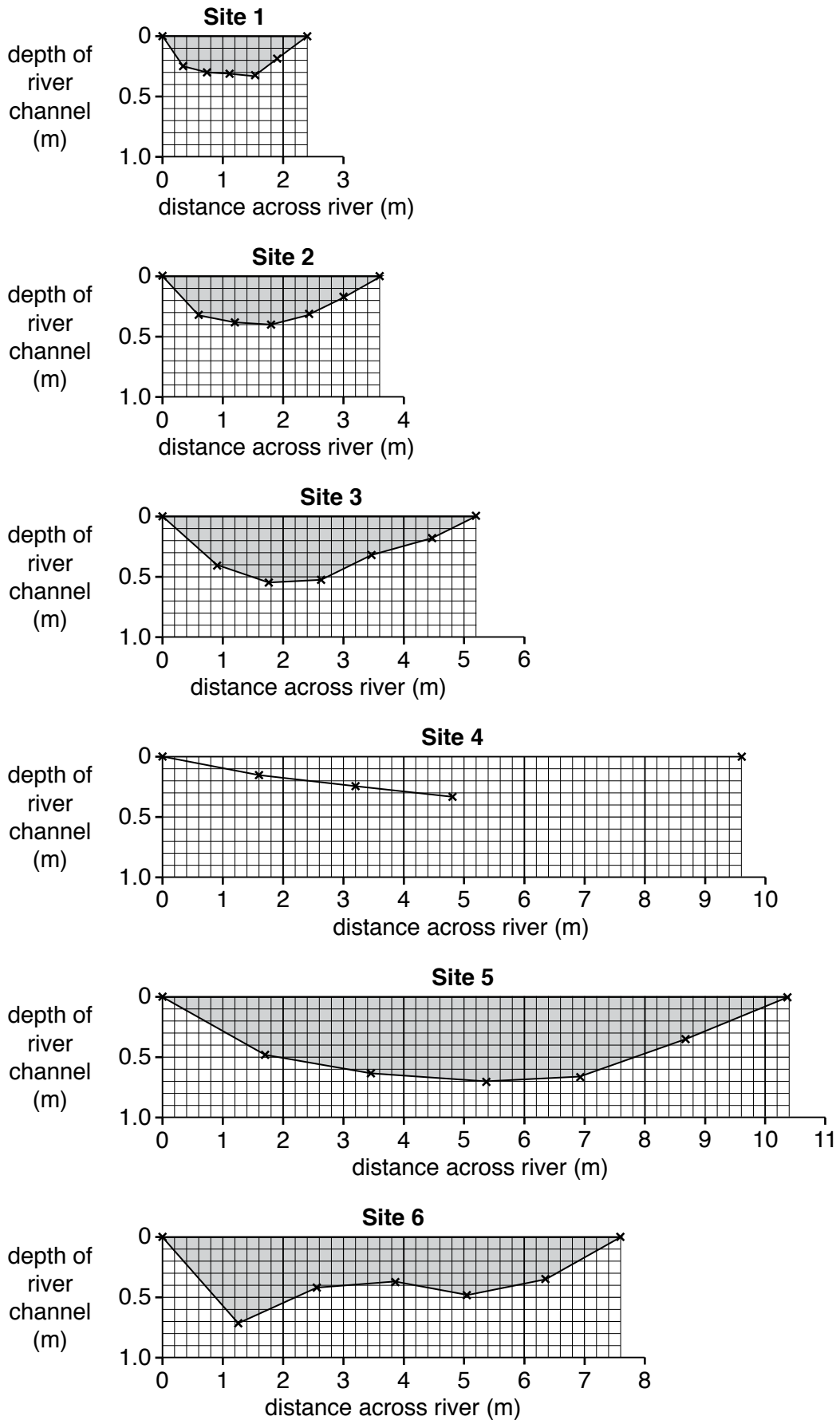
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**Cross sections of the river channel**



**Fig. 1.2**

- (c) (i) To investigate **Hypothesis 2: Average velocity of river flow increases downstream**, the students measured the velocity at each site using the equipment shown in Fig. 1.3 (Insert). Describe how they measured velocity.

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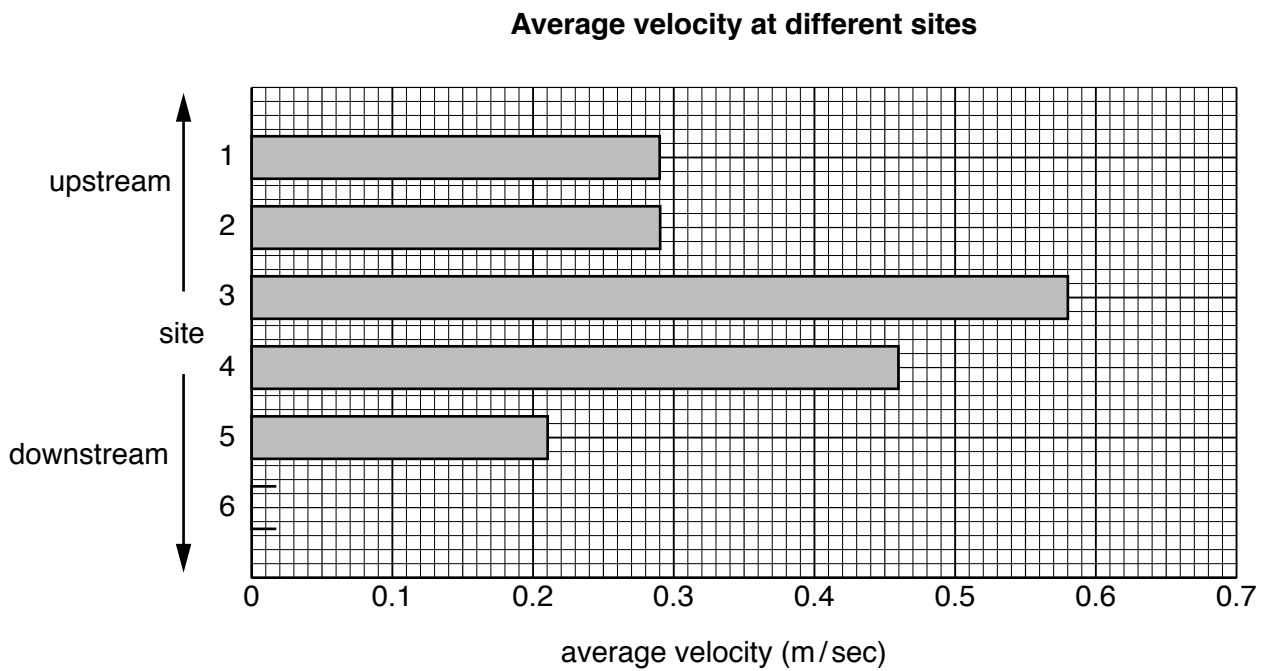
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- (ii) The students calculated the average velocity of flow at each site. Their results are shown in Table 1.2 (Insert). Plot the result for site 6 on Fig. 1.4 below.



**Fig. 1.4**

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- (iii) The students' conclusion was that their results did not support **Hypothesis 2: Average velocity of flow increases downstream**. Use evidence from Table 1.2 and Fig. 1.4 to explain why they reached this conclusion.

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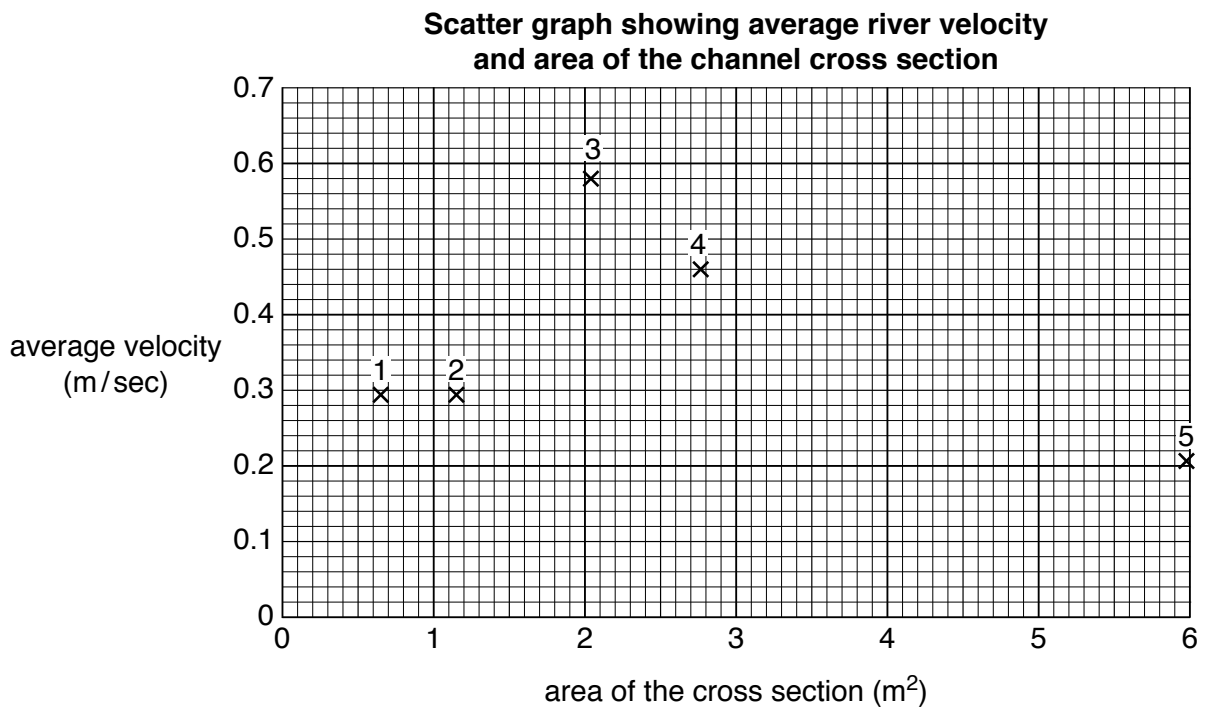
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- (d) (i) One student wondered if there was any relationship (correlation) between the area of the river channel cross section and average velocity at the six sites. These results are shown in Table 1.2 (Insert). The student plotted these results on a scatter graph, Fig. 1.5 below.

Use the data in Table 1.2 to plot the results of site 6 on Fig. 1.5 below.



**Fig. 1.5**

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- (ii) The student decided that there was a partial relationship (correlation) between the area of the river channel cross section and average velocity. Support this decision with evidence from Table 1.2 and Fig. 1.5.

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- (iii) Explain why the area of the river channel cross section may affect average velocity.

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**TURN PAGE FOR QUESTION 2**

2 Students were doing fieldwork in their local town centre. They wanted to find out how the main shopping street had changed and what people who came to shop in the town centre thought about shopping here. They tested the following hypotheses:

**Hypothesis 1:** *Shops and services on the main shopping street have changed between 1981 and 2012.*

**Hypothesis 2:** *Most people in the local area have positive opinions about shopping in the town centre.*

(a) First the students completed a land use map along the main shopping street. This map is shown in Fig. 2.1 opposite.

(i) Which **one** of the following shops or services occupies building **X** on Fig. 2.1?  
Tick your choice.

	Tick (✓)
bookshop	
clothes and shoe shop	
grocery store	
solicitor	
supermarket	

[1]

(ii) On Fig. 2.1, use the key to show a bank at building **Y**.

[1]

(iii) What type of shop or service is located 58 metres north of the church?

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(iv) Describe the distribution of houses shown on Fig. 2.1.

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(v) Identify **one** difference between the distribution of food and specialist non-food shops shown on Fig. 2.1.

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Land use map of town centre in 2012

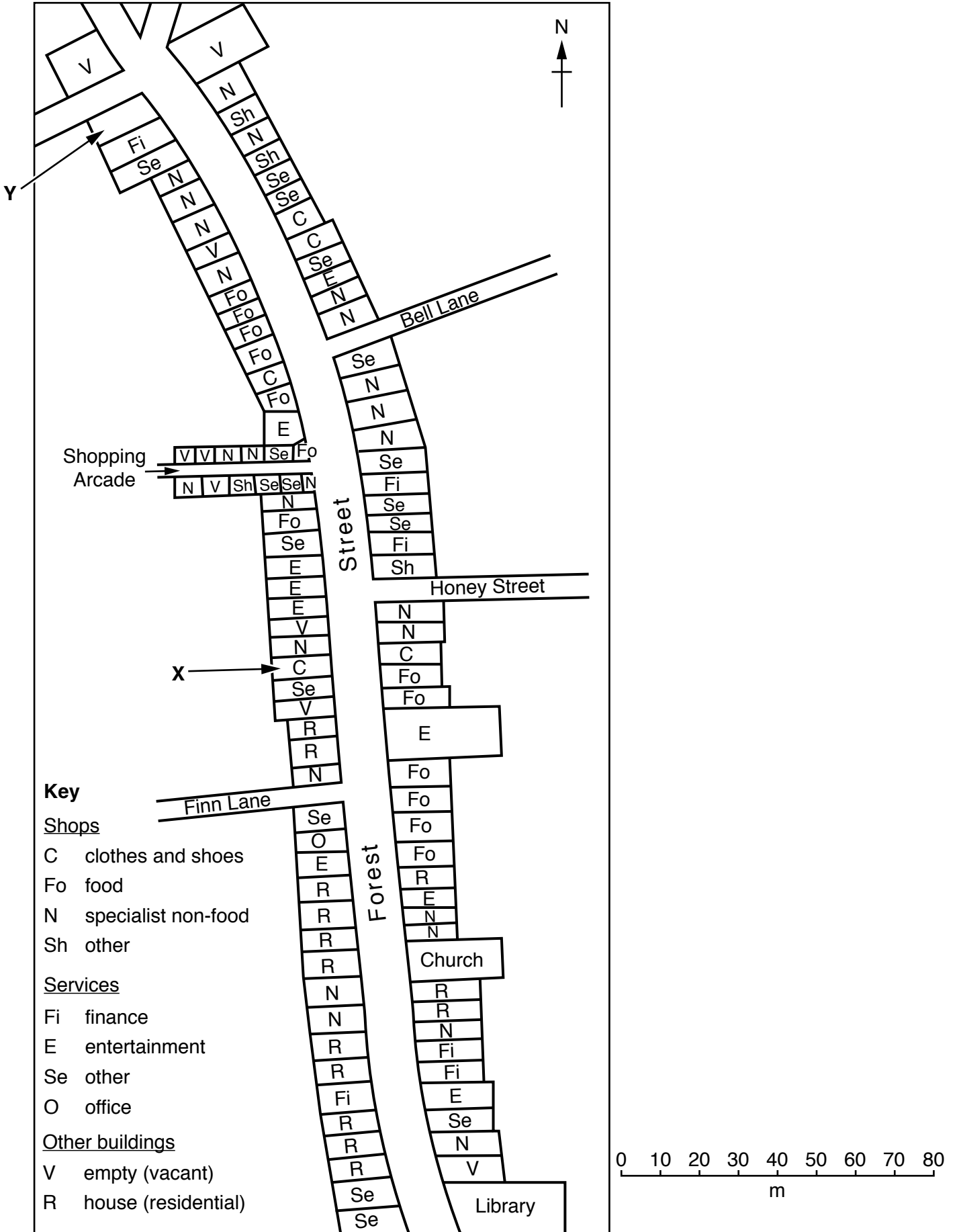


Fig. 2.1

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- (b) To compare the different shops and services in 1981 and 2012 the students produced Table 2.1 below.

**Table 2.1**

**Number of shops, services and other buildings located on the main shopping street**

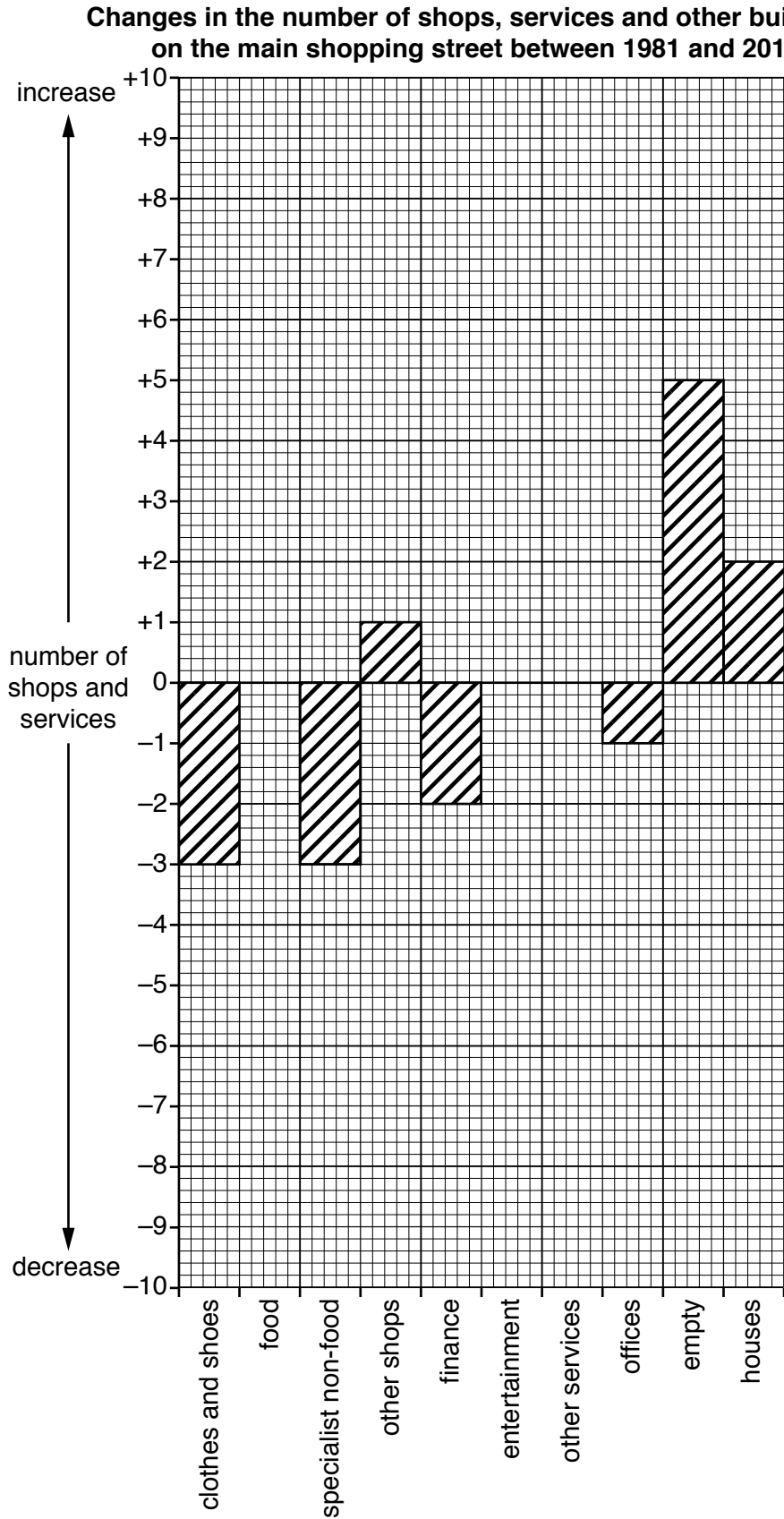
Category	1981	2012
<b>Shops</b>		
Clothes and shoes	8	5
Food	20	13
Specialist non-food (including bookshop, wool shop, chemist, mobile or cell phones, gift shop)	29	26
Other shops	3	4
<b>Services</b>		
Finance (including banks)	9	7
Entertainment (including restaurant, café, bar)	5	9
Other services (including doctor's surgery, estate agent, optician, shoe repairs, solicitor)	17	17
Office	2	1
<b>Other buildings</b>		
Empty (vacant) building	4	9
House (residential)	12	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>105</b>

- (i) The students obtained the data for 1981 from an old map of the area. Which **one** of the following is the correct description of this old map? Tick (✓) your choice.

	Tick (✓)
primary source of data	
secondary source of data	
tertiary source of data	

[1]

- (ii) The students used Table 2.1 to draw the graph, Fig. 2.2, below. Complete the graph to show the changes in the number of food shops and entertainment services.



**Fig. 2.2**

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(iii) What conclusion would the students make about **Hypothesis 1: Shops and services on the main shopping street have changed between 1981 and 2012?** Support your decision with evidence from Table 2.1 and Fig. 2.2.

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(c) To investigate **Hypothesis 2: Most people in the local area have positive opinions about shopping in the town centre,** the students used a questionnaire with people on the main shopping street. The questionnaire is shown in Fig. 2.3 (Insert).

(i) The students asked people to complete their questionnaire between 10.00 hours and 12.00 hours on a working day. The results of the age group survey are shown in Table 2.2 below.

**Table 2.2**

**Ages of people surveyed**

Age group	Number of people completing the questionnaire
under 16	0
16–30	14
31–45	11
46–60	33
over 60	42

Suggest **two** reasons why the number of people in the different age groups varied.

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(ii) How could the students have got a more even distribution of age groups to survey?

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(d) (i) Table 2.3 below shows the results of Question 1 in the questionnaire.

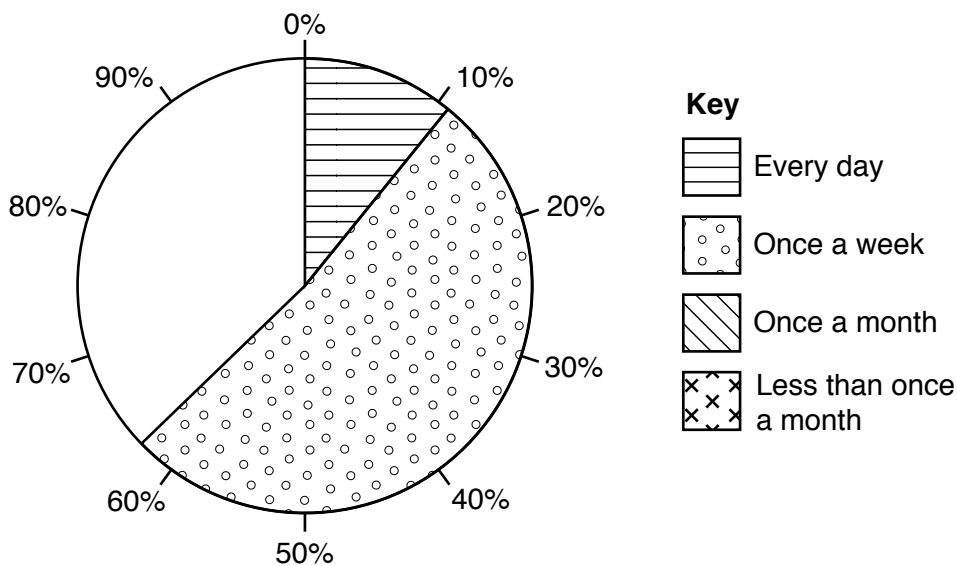
**Table 2.3**

**Results of Question 1: How often do you shop in the town centre?**

Frequency	Number of answers
Every day	11
Once a week	52
Once a month	20
Less than once a month	17

Use the results from Table 2.3 and the key below to complete the pie graph, Fig. 2.4, below.

**Results of Question 1: How often do you shop in the town centre?**



**Fig. 2.4**

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(ii) Table 6 below shows the results of Question 2 in the questionnaire.

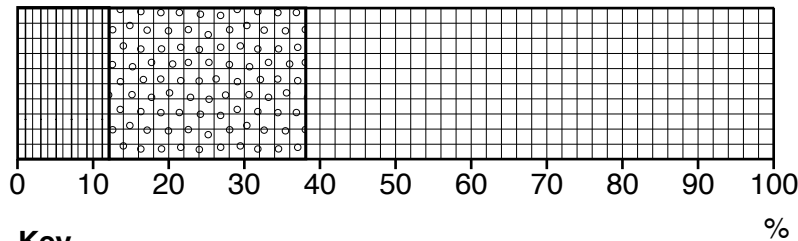
**Table 2.4**

**Results of Question 2: Where do you usually shop?**

Location	Number of answers
Town centre shops	12
Local supermarket	26
Retail park on the edge of town	40
Other town or city	22

Use the results from Table 2.4 and the key below to complete the divided bar graph, Fig. 2.5, below.

**Results of Question 2: Where do you usually shop?**



**Key**



**Fig. 2.5**

[2]

(iii) The students put the answers to Questions 3 and 4 in the questionnaire into groups. These results are shown in Table 2.5 (Insert).

Under which advantage or disadvantage in Table 2.5 would the following answers be included?

1 I often visit the shop which sells rare books and antiques.

Heading .....

2 I prefer to shop in another city where there are department stores and more shops which sell clothes and jewellery.

Heading ..... [2]



(iv) The students reached the conclusion that **Hypothesis 2: Most people in the local area have positive opinions about shopping in the town centre** was false. Support this conclusion with evidence from the results of the questionnaire.

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(e) Some students also included the question 'Where do you live?' in their questionnaire.

(i) How could they use the answers to this question to extend their fieldwork?

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(ii) Why might people object to being asked this question?

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