

4.1 HL stimulus synthesis: supported rehearsal

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

Total: 6 marks

Objective

Supported preparation: Link multiple global political challenges across researched cases; Evaluate institutions and responses through stimulus evidence. This is original rehearsal, not completion of the assessed task.

1 Key knowledge and worked examples

Use the current 2026 stimulus model. Compare mechanisms, institutions, scale and constraints across researched cases; a generic memorized example cannot substitute for stimulus evidence.

Original source / task evidence

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Separate what is stated from the interpretation.
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2 Practice

2.1 For the worked case, identify the evidence and a conclusion it can support. Explain one material limit. [3]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 New evidence shows the wider body can fund local inspectors. How does this change the institutional comparison? Give a reasoned answer, evidence or method, and a relevant qualification. [3]

Solutions

2.1 Formal authority and implementation capacity differ. Local enforcement may fail for lack of resources; wider monitoring may fail without agreement. A joint response might combine capacities, subject to legitimacy, information and funding. Authored points for identifying relevant evidence, explaining a supported inference and a material limit.

3.1 Funding could connect local mandate with implementation resources, improving feasibility. Cooperation, accountability, information and sustained financing still need review. Explain the specific mechanism changed rather than assuming the institution now guarantees success. Authored points for a relevant judgement, reason tied to the case and justified qualification or method. Accept a supported alternative.