GLAT SOCIAL STUDIES 2008 STRUCTURED QUESTIONS

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6. PROTECTING OUR MARINE RESOURCES

Look at the picture and read the passage, then answer questions (a) and (b). Use your knowledge to answer questions (c), (d) and (e) about Protecting Our Marine Resources.

CORAL REEFS IN THE BAHAMAS

Our coral reefs are among the world's most beautiful. They are an important natural resource. A coral reef is a living community of many tiny organisms called **polyps**. Reefs form in warm, clear sea water. Because coral needs sunlight, reefs are only found in shallow waters.

A reef is a very special environment, which provides shelter, feeding and breeding grounds for many fish and marine plants and animals. Reefs also help to protect beaches and coasts from erosion by waves. But a reef is a very delicate environment that is easily destroyed by even a small change in conditions. A coral reef is built up over many hundreds of years. But in just a few days or months, people can destroy a coral reef forever.

Primary Social Studies and Tourism Education for The Bahamas, Book 6.

a). List TWO reasons why coral reefs are important to marine animals. **[2]**

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b). Name ONE way in which coral reefs can be damaged. **[1]**

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c). Aragonite is a very fine limestone sand that can be found in saltwater.

On which island was Aragonite mined in The Bahamas? **[1]**

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d). Name TWO products that are manufactured using aragonite. **[2]**

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e). *'It is important to protect our marine resources.'*

Do you agree with this statement? Explain THREE reasons to support your answer. **[4]**

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