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Geography

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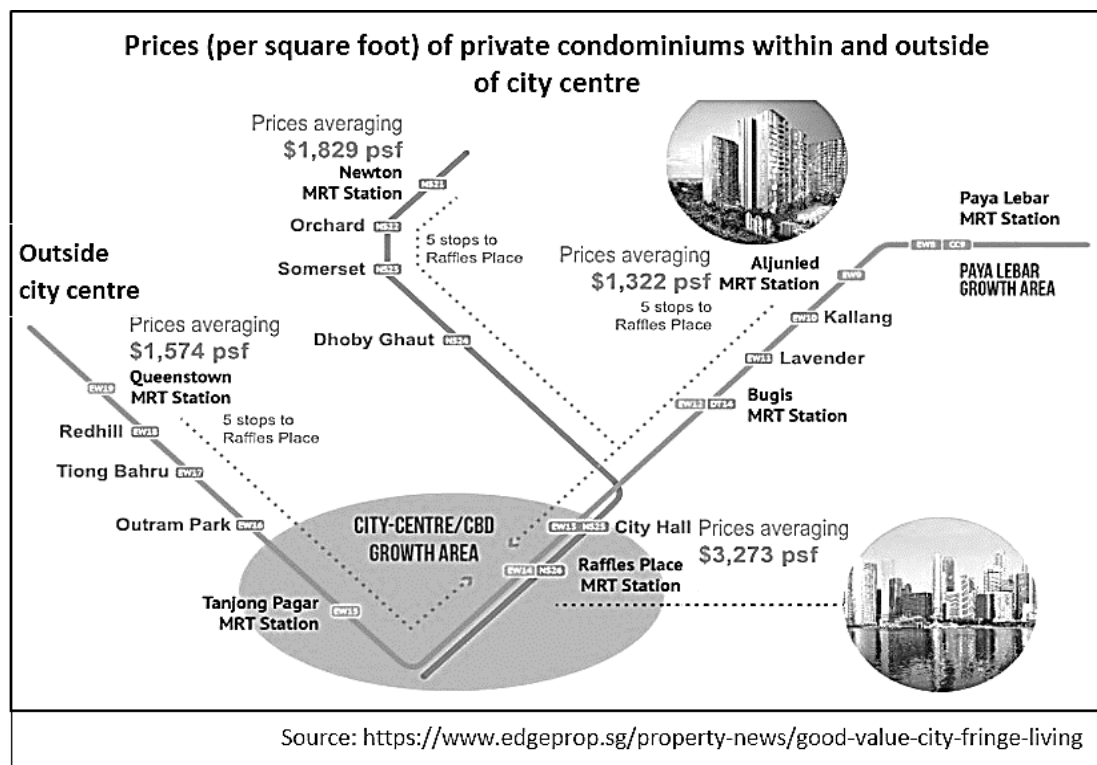


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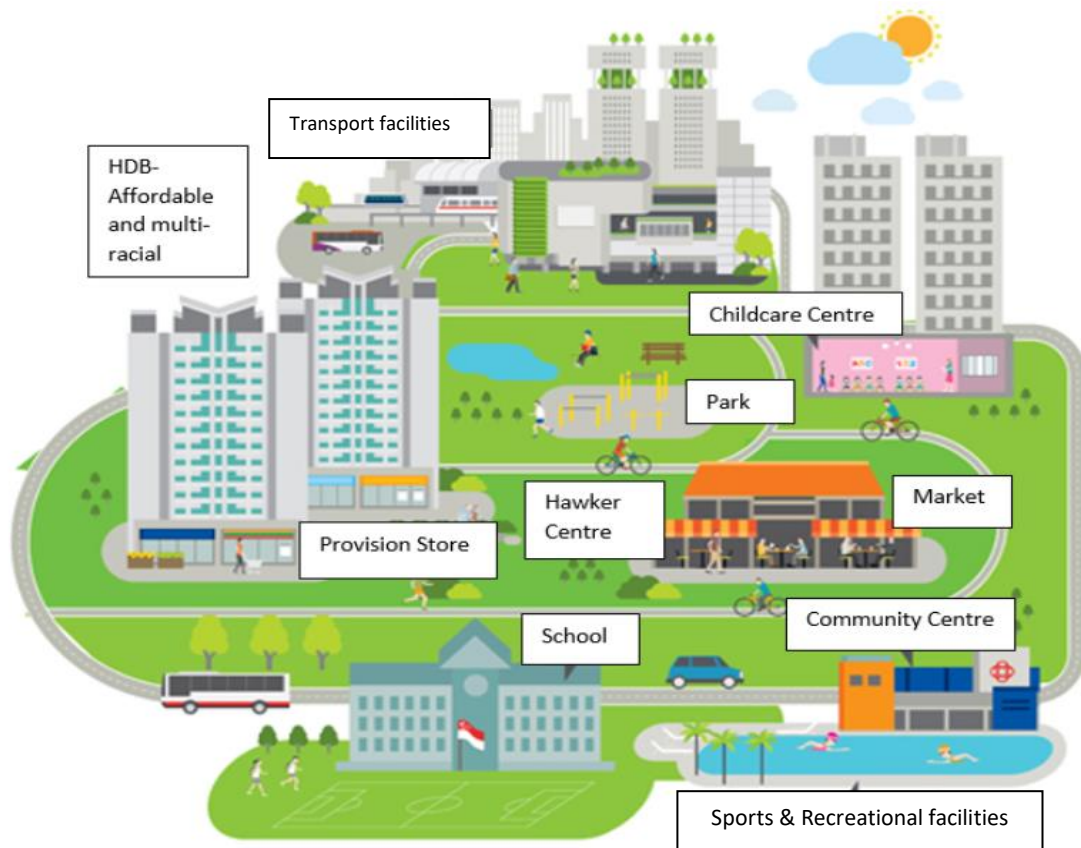


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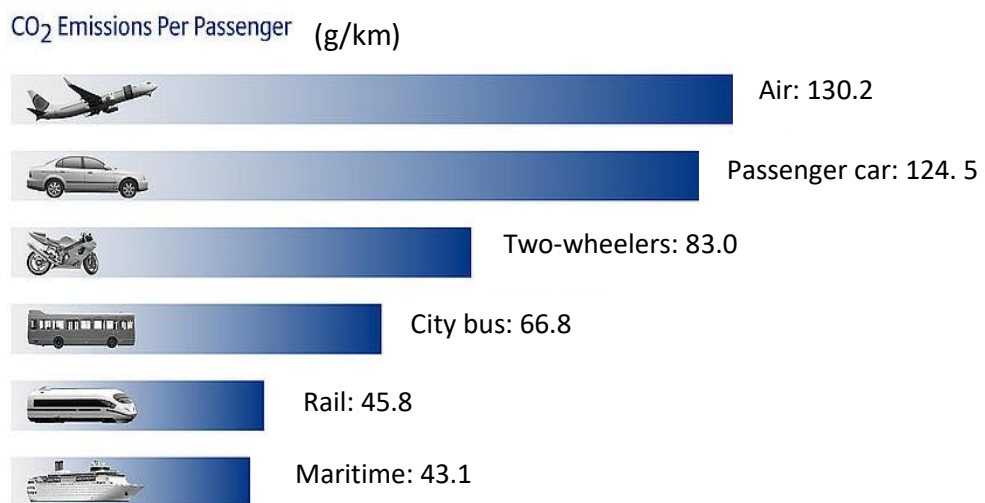


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- **Environmental threat: People living in Tondo may face the risk of river flooding and the likely loss of homes / injuries / loss of lives [OR]**
- **Environmental threat: People living in Tondo may face water / land / air pollution due to the lack of proper sanitation / lack of waste disposal facilities**
- **Social threat: People living in Tondo may face the risk of a fire outbreak due to cramp living conditions and the likely loss of homes / injuries / loss of lives [OR]**

- **Social threat: People living in Tondo may face health risks and contract infectious diseases due to cramp/overcrowding/poor living conditions**

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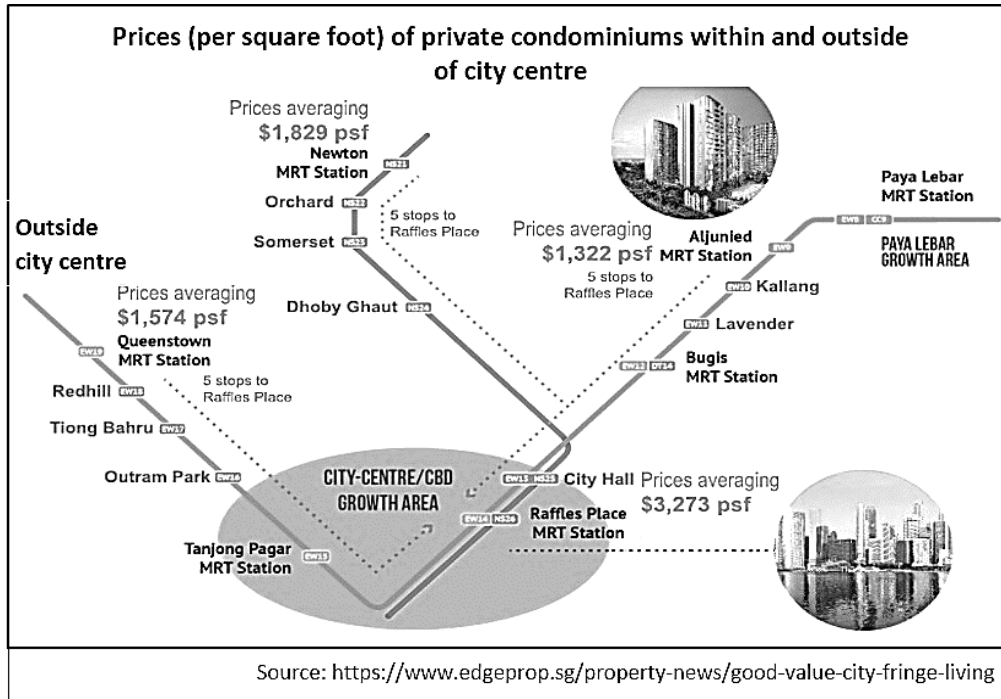


Fig. 2

- (a) Describe two characteristics of a city centre. [2]

- **High density buildings / High-rise buildings / Skyscrapers built in city centre**
- **Available and accessible transportation system and networks with multiple train lines / interchanges found in city centre**
- **High population density**
- **A range of functions (ie. administrative, commercial, industrial, education) can be found in city centre**

[Describe any of the above 2 characteristics]

- (b) Using Fig. 2, describe the relationship between property prices and the distance from the city centre. [2]

- **Property prices are lower with distance away from the city centre [1]**
- **Cite evidence using Fig 2, for example, City Hall's prices averaging at \$3,273 psf while Queenstown's prices averaging at \$1,574 psf / Newton's prices averaging at \$1,829 psf. [1]**

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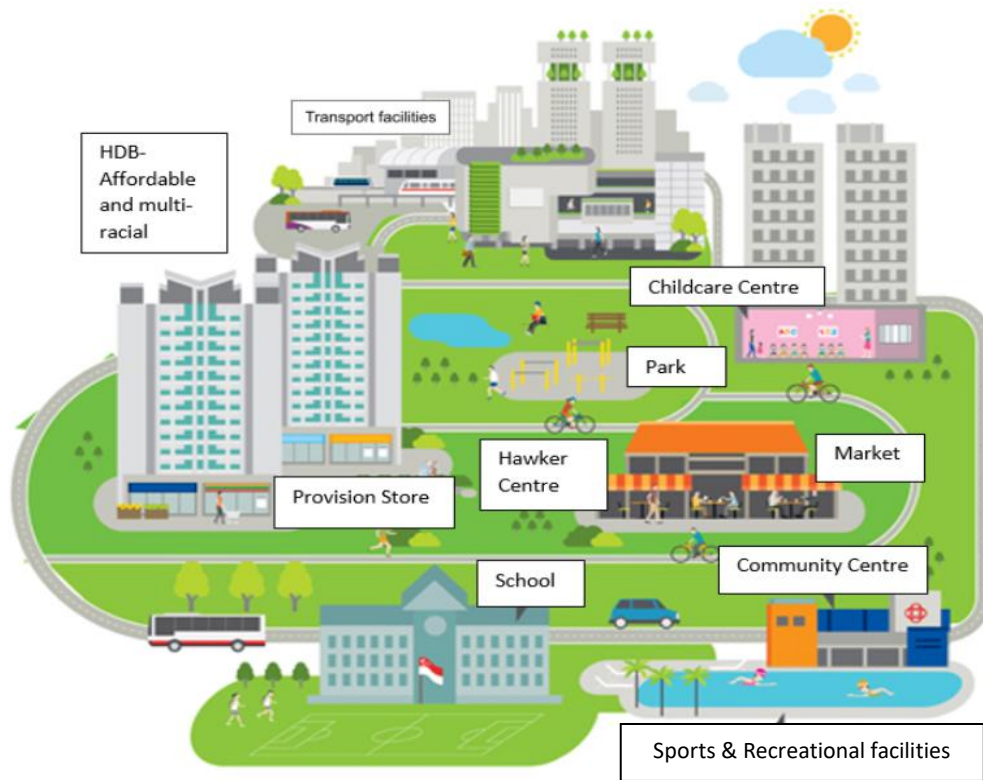


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- Transportation facilities such as the MRT and a bus interchange for travel [1]
- Amenities such as a childcare centre for young children / market and hawker centre for food / school for education / provision store for household items / community centre for social gathering and activities / sports and recreational facilities for recreational activities [1]
- Amenities such as parks and greenery for outdoor recreation / relaxation [1]

[max 2: if just lifted answers directly from Fig. 3]

- (b) Using examples, describe two ways how HDB towns cater to people of all ages and physical conditions. [4]

- Affordable and multi-racial HDB [1] to enable families to afford and stay in HDB flats and to ensure no racial enclaves are developed. [1] OR
- Nearby provision store, hawker centre and market [1] to enable people to purchase food easily [1] OR
- School [1] for families to send their children for education [1] OR
- Childcare centre to enable working parents [1] to send their children for childcare [1] OR

- Transport facilities [1], roads to allow people to travel from one place to another easily [1]/
- Park and greenery [1] for outdoor relaxation [1]/
- Community centre or sports and recreational facilities [1] for social gathering and recreational activities [1] /

****Any of 2 the above answers. Answers must show how it caters USING E.G. ACCEPT PLAUSIBLE ANSWERS.**

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- Roads
- Railways
- Walkways
- Bridges

Accept any 3 points. Each point carries 1 mark.

(b) Explain two reasons why transport systems are important in the cities. [4]

- They are important in the cities to facilitate the movement of people. [1] This enables people to commute to work because the employment opportunities are mostly concentrated in the cities while housing is found further away. [1] / It provides access to social activities and amenities that will improve people's social and emotional well-being. [1]
- They are important in the cities to facilitate the movement of goods and services. [1] It allows for the delivery of goods from where they are produced to where they are consumed. [1]

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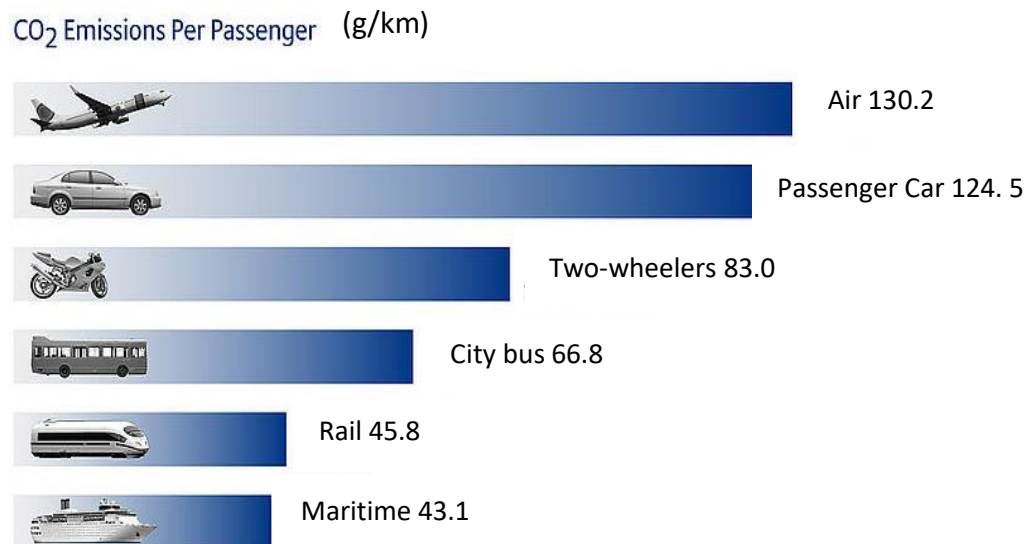


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- The highest amount of global carbon dioxide emissions of transportation is air at 130.2g/km per passenger while [1]
- The lowest global carbon dioxide emissions of transportation is maritime at 43.1g/km per passenger. [1]

(b) Explain how a traffic congestion can contribute to increased carbon footprint. [2]

- During a traffic congestion, the vehicles remain stationary or would constantly start and stop. [1] Therefore, more fuel is burnt and wasted which leads to higher carbon dioxide emissions and carbon footprint. [1]

(c) Explain two health risks of transport systems on people. [4]

- Transport systems can pose a health risk because when fuel is burnt to power transport modes, harmful air pollutants and particulate matter are released. [1] The smog and air pollution can cause respiratory problems such as breathing difficulty, asthma, eye irritation, lung infection and risk of lung cancer. [1]
- Transport systems can pose a health risk because the traffic can produce a high noise level. [1] The exposure to road and traffic noise levels can disturb sleep, reduce work performance, provoke annoyance, cause mental stress, result in hearing impairment, and even trigger heart related illnesses. [1]

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- The peak hours and price is \$2.76 at 7.30- 8.29am, and 4.00- 5.29pm. [1]
- The off-peak hours and price is \$1.38 at 6.30-6.59am, 9am-3.29pm and 6-6.29 pm. [1]

(b) Explain how congestion pricing can help to reduce road congestion. [3]

- Drivers are charged a premium when they use certain roads during specific time periods. [1]/
- This makes driving more expensive as compared to using public transport. [1]

Therefore, it reduces the number of cars on the road during peak periods hence reducing road congestion. [1]

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- One travel alternative to reduce car use is to use motorbikes for travelling within the city. [1]
 - Another travel alternative is to use the railway for travelling around the city. [1]
- (b) Evaluate the successes and limitations of the strategy to reduce traffic congestion in Jakarta.

Successes: [4]

- The railway link can accommodate a higher passenger volume of about 80000 to 1.2 million passengers daily. [1]
- The motorbikes move at a speed twice that of a car and is able to manoeuvre around traffic and smaller roads. / The railway link is faster than cars as it does not have to face congestion and traffic stops along the roads. [1]
- The risk of accidents in a railway link is lesser because there are no obstructions along the railway link. [1]

Limitations:

- The railway link infrastructure may be costly to build especially for a growing economy such as Jakarta. [1]

- The use of a railway link may increase safety risks to commuters as it may be a target for terrorism and crimes such as outrage of modesty and pickpocketing. [1]

Accept any other logical factors.

(c) Discuss with examples, two possible measures to reduce the risk of traffic accidents in Jakarta. [4]

- To reduce the risk of traffic accidents they can raise awareness and educate all users by holding road safety campaigns [1] such as the posters that are placed along the roads by the Singapore Road Safety Council to encourage users to practice good safety habits. [1]
- To reduce the risk of accidents, they can install more barrier free transport facilities with special features for the aged and disabled. [1] One example is the green man scheme that was implemented in Singapore to give the elderly 13 seconds more time when crossing the road. [1]

