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| **IGCSE - Physical & Human Factors Influencing Population Density** |



**Task 1** - Complete the blank spaces below by choosing from the correct sentences in the key word box on the next page.

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| **Physical Factors** | **High Density** | **Low Density** |
| **Relief (shape & height of land)** |  |  |
| **Resources**  |  |  |
| **Climate**  |  |  |

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| **Human Factors** | **High Density** | **Low Density** |
| **Political**  |  |  |
| **Social**  |  |  |
| **Economic** |  |  |

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| Other groups of people who might prefer to be isolated e.g. Siberia. | High land that is mountainous e.g. Himalayas | Areas with extreme climates of hot and cold tend to be sparsely populated e.g. the Sahara Desert |
| Unstable countries tend to have lower population densities as people migrate e.g. Afghanistan. | Areas with few resources tend to be sparsely populated e.g. The Gobi desert | Groups of people want to live close to each other for security e.g. east coast of the USA.  |
| Low land which is flat e.g. Ganges Valley in India | Countries with stable governments tend to have a high population density e.g. Singapore | Good job opportunities encourage high population densities, particularly in large cities in MEDCs and LEDCs around the world e.g. Sydney.  |
| Areas with temperate climates tend to be densely populated as there is enough rain and heat to grow crops e.g. France | Limited job opportunities cause some areas to be sparsely populated e.g. Amazon Rainforest | Areas rich in resources (e.g. coal, oil, wood, fishing etc.) tend to densely populated e.g. east coast of China.  |



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| **Task 2** - There were several places mentioned in the activity above. Add a number to each information box in the table above. Please locate the 12 places mentioned on the map above and add either a small text text box and arrow to show the number or annotate on with your laptop pen.  |

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