Tourism Revision Questions – make sure you can confidently answer all of these, using examples too. You could be asked about any of this.

How has the global tourist industry grown?

1. How has the nature of tourism changed over time? (ie how have the type of holidays people go on changed over time?)
2. Why have the type of holidays people go on changed over time?
3. What factors have changed to allow people to travel further, more often and to new and interesting places?
4. Using examples, what opportunities are there for tourists in unique tourist destinations?
5. What different types of environments do people visit when they go on holiday and why?
6. Give an example of an LEDC which is a popular tourist destination (Bahia in Brazil & Costa Rica) and explain why it attracts lots of tourists.
7. Explain why Benidorm (in Spain, an MEDC) is a popular tourist destination.
8. Using an example, explain how mass tourism has grown over time?
9. Using an example, explain how package holidays have grown over time?
10. Using an example, explain why the number of people going on short breaks away has grown over time?
11. Using an example, explain why visits to long haul (far away) destinations has grown over time?
12. Using an example, explain why the number of people taking part in ecotourism holidays has grown over time?
13. Using an example, explain why the number of people taking part in specialist holidays has grown over time?
14. Explain why the tourism industry has expanded over time (refer to social and economic factors here – e.g. greater wealth, mobility, leisure time, change in lifestyles)
15. Explain how technology (of varying types) has helped the tourism industry expand over time (refer to at least 3 different technology examples)
16. Explain how global tourism companies have grown. How and why have tourist companies got bigger?
What opportunities does the growth of the tourism industry create?

1. Why is the tourism industry so important to many parts of the world?
2. Describe the economic benefits of tourism (use an example)
3. Describe the social benefits of tourism (use an example)
4. Describe the cultural benefits of tourism (use an example)
5. Describe the environmental benefits of tourism (use and example)
6. Explain how we measure development of a country. What factors do we use?
7. How can countries vary in their level of development?
8. How can tourism be used to reduce the development gap?
9. Why is it important to use more than 1 development indicator when deciding how developed a country is?
10. How has tourism been used to help a country to develop? (use at least 1 example – e.g. Bahia, Costa Rica). Make sure you can divide the benefits into social, environmental and economic.

How does tourism create challenges and conflicts?

1. How can tourism create challenges for people and communities?
2. Describe a range of social and cultural challenges (problems) created by tourism in 2 contrasting places
3. Describe and explain the impacts of the decline in tourism in one named example.
4. Why do some countries find it difficult to use tourism as a way of developing further? Is it always the right solution to use to close the development gap?
5. Using examples, explain how different tourist activities can conflict with each other and local communities.
6. Explain the conflicts which exist within a specific tourist honeypot site.
7. What varying environmental challenges (both big and small), can tourism create?
8. What local environmental impacts can tourism development have? (use 2 contrasting examples here, ie MEDC and LEDC)
9. What global environmental impacts does increased international travel have?

How can the tourist industry promote sustainable development?

1. How can planning and management help to ensure that tourism is more sustainable?
2. Using examples, describe the different strategies which can be used to manage the impacts of tourism in a sustainable way (include an ecotourism example here)
3. What is ecotourism? How can it help to promote sustainable development in an LEDC?
4. How can management and planning be used to resolve land use conflicts? (refer to a tourist honey pot example here)
5. Using examples, explain how effective you think the different management strategies are.