Development Dilemmas Revision Checklist

- 1. How and why do countries develop in different ways?
- A. Definitions of development vary as do attempts to measure it.

Specification extract	Explanation	Processes/Models	Case studies/examples
Examine contrasting ways of defining development, using economic criteria and broader social and political measures.			
Evaluate different ways of measuring development, including Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per capita, the Human Development Index and measurements of political freedom and corruption.			

B. There remains a large gap between the level of development of the most developed and least developed countries.

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Examine the extent of the global development gap and how this has changed over time, using a range of indicators.			
For one developing country in Sub-Saharan Africa, consider recent social, political and economic development and possible barriers to further progress.			

2. How might the development gap be closed?

A. Development strategies vary in theory.

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Use theories of development to help explain why societies develop over time, including Rostow's modernisation theory and dependency theory.			
Levels of development may vary within a country with regional differences evident, especially between an urban core and a rural periphery.			

B. Types of development vary between top-down and bottom-up strategies.

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Compare the			
characteristics of top-down			
and bottom-up strategies in			
terms of their scale, aims,			
funding and technology.			
Evaluate the impact of one			
large topdown			
project, e.g. a dam, on			
different groups of people			
in a developing country.			