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Answer one out of the two questions

Question 1

Discuss main health problems in *urban communities* in low income countries compared to high income countries. You should choose *a few* diseases or health problems. Analyse how place, environment and behavioural risk factors influence the occurrence and geographical pattern of the diseases (or health problems) in urban low income versus urban high income countries.

Question 2

A strategy for a “healthy village”. The basic aim for such a strategy is to bring together various organisations, local leaders and local citizens to promote and achieve better health for all in a particular rural setting.

- a) Choose a typical city or a village in a developing *or* a developed country.
- b) Choose *two* common causes of death or morbidity / injury within this village. Argue for your choice.
- c) Discuss how the level of morbidity (injury) and mortality in your village can be reduced through relevant counter measurements such as health promotion, combat diseases and care / cure.
- d) Discuss how you can obtain information (data) for the initial situation and following up (monitoring) improvements (reduced morbidity and mortality).
- e) Give reasons for particular groups (age, sex, social status and so on) which will most likely benefit from the strategy.
- f) Discuss strengths and weaknesses of your sketched strategy to reduce morbidity /mortality and improve health.