7 Development, industry and location – Part 1 — Answers

Answers

Work through these after you have tried the questions yourself.

7.1 The quaternary sector.
7.2 GDP per capita measures income alone and hides how it is distributed; the HDI combines income with life expectancy and education, so it reflects living standards rather than output, and a country can rank higher or lower on it than on income.
7.3 The product weighs less than the raw material it is made from, so it is cheaper to transport the finished product than the input. Locating at the raw material minimises the total transport cost.
7.4 Shared access to specialised suppliers, a pool of trained labour, or the exchange of knowledge between nearby firms — each lowers costs below what an isolated firm would pay.
7.5 It assumes every country follows the same sequence of stages, ignoring the effects of colonialism, of a country's position in the world economy, and of the fact that late developers face markets already dominated by others.