Rational Recreation Sample Questions Mark Scheme – be sure to close the gap with your missing knowledge!

**Since the 19th century, how and why did the Church develop leisure opportunities for the British public? *(4 marks)***

**Why**

1. Social control / occupy peoples time in acceptable activities

2. Wanted to improve morals of working classes

3. Improve health

4. Tried to make church attractive /recruitment

**How**

5. Encouraged rational /civilised activities

6. Allowed Sunday school clubs / teams e.g. Everton

7. Boys Brigade / Scouts / Guides

8. Provided facilities e.g. church halls / fields

9. YMCA developed volleyball and basketball

10. Encouraged link between Christianity . military . physical / muscular Christianity

11. Clergy / vicars etc took an active role

12. Services put on for ramblers/ cyclists

**Why were the majority of sports rationalised in the 19th century? *(4 marks)***

1. Society becoming more civilised/manners/less violent;

2. Middle class were in control of society’s values/social control of working

classes;

3. Industrialisation - need for disciplined workforce;

4. Era of social reform/philanthropists;

5. Mass of population needed entertaining;

6. Lack of space meant no room for old popular recreations;

7. Administration needed as more clubs/national governing bodies.

*4 marks*

**Why was participation in sport by the working class delayed compared with participation by the middle and upper classes in the 19th century? *(3 marks)***

1. Little leisure time/had to wait for leisure time e.g. Wednesday half day/little disposable

income;

2. No facilities of their own/little public provision;

3. Traditional activities lost in urban areas (eg mob football)/legislation/banning;

4. Lack of space for mass of population;

5. No schooling until 1870/then only drill/no sport or recreation focus;

6. Poor health of population/little energy;

7. NGBs/administration was controlled by upper/middle classes. *3 marks*

**Why did local authorities in the 19th century begin to provide recreational and sporting facilities for their local communities? *(4 marks)***

*4 marks for 4 of:*

1. Improve health and fitness of working classes

2. Social reform/social justice/improve lot of working classes/civic

responsibility/equality/use of increased leisure time

3. Prestige of local area

4. Social control/keep people out of trouble/ away from pubs

5. Increased productivity

6. Civilising of society/rational recreation encouraged/middle class values

7. Raised moral of community/spirit