

Sub-topic	SL/HL core	HL
Trade strategies for economic growth and economic development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With reference to specific examples, evaluate each of the following as a means of achieving economic growth and economic development.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Import substitution</li> <li>b. Export promotion</li> <li>c. Trade liberalization</li> <li>d. The role of the WTO</li> <li>e. Bilateral and regional preferential trade agreements</li> <li>f. Diversification</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	

#### 4.5 The role of foreign direct investment (FDI)

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<b>Foreign direct investment and multinational corporations (MNCs)</b>		
The meaning of FDI and MNCs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe the nature of foreign direct investment (FDI) and multinational corporations (MNCs).</li> <li>• Explain the reasons why MNCs expand into economically less developed countries.</li> <li>• Describe the characteristics of economically less developed countries that attract FDI, including low cost factor inputs, a regulatory framework that favours profit repatriation and favourable tax rules.</li> </ul>	
Advantages and disadvantages of FDI for economically less developed countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluate the impact of foreign direct investment (FDI) for economically less developed countries.</li> </ul>	