- 12.1 1 convincingly demonstrated / demonstrated convincingly
 - 2 observed earlier / earlier observed
 - 3 specifically refers / refers specifically
 - 4 is closely identified
 - 5 briefly discusses
 - 6 firmly establishes
 - 7 loosely based
 - 8 critically examine
- 12.2 Suggested answers
 - 1 hypotheses 3 causes/origins/nature 5 need
 - 2 trends/changes 4 issue/question
- 12.3 Possible answers
 - 1 interpretation, approach, solution, methodology, theory, etc.
 - 2 threat, challenge, problem, question, dilemma, danger, menace, risk, etc.
 - 3 facts, evidence, causes, issues, reasons, etc.

12.4 Suggested answers

The world is facing a looming water crisis. Disputes over allocation have <u>steadily increased</u> in the last decade, and demand has <u>grown rapidly</u>. Water is likely to generate the same degree of controversy in the 21st century as oil did in the 20th. If we take no action now, new conflicts are likely to <u>occur periodically</u> around the world. At the moment, instead of seeking solutions which <u>directly address</u> multiple needs, countries <u>focus</u> a little too <u>narrowly on</u> local issues and <u>typically opt for</u> expensive and inferior solutions. What is needed are decisions which can be <u>quickly implemented</u> and a debate which will <u>seriously consider</u> more than the short term needs of individual states.

- 12.5 1 directly address
 - 2 consider seriously / seriously consider
 - 3 steadily increasing (Although *growing rapidly* might also be possible here, it is less likely given the time period in the sentence.)
 - 4 focuses/focused narrowly / narrowly focuses/focused
 - 5 quickly implemented / implemented quickly