



International Geography Bee

The International Geography Bee 2018-2019 Asian Qualifying Exam – Alpha Set Version

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Instructions: Print the Correct Answer in the space provided or leave it blank. Write Neatly!!! Correct answers are worth 2 points. Incorrect answers are -1 point. Questions left blank are worth 0 points.

- _____ 1) Which country is found completely south of the Tropic of Capricorn?
A) Russia B) Saudi Arabia C) Indonesia D) New Zealand
- _____ 2) What Italian island was invaded by the USA and the UK in 1943 after success in the North African campaign?
A) Hispaniola B) Sicily C) Cyprus D) Hokkaido
- _____ 3) What Brazilian city hosted the 2016 Summer Olympics and is famous for its Carnival celebrations?
A) New Orleans B) Rio de Janeiro C) Sydney D) Port of Spain
- _____ 4) Which peninsula lies to the east of the Sea of Okhotsk and is bounded on the east by the Pacific Ocean?
A) Jutland B) Crimea C) Kamchatka D) Iberian
- _____ 5) Which of these countries has a majority Shiite Muslim population?
A) Sweden B) Iran C) India D) China
- _____ 6) Which is the third largest continent by land area?
A) Asia B) Europe C) North America D) Australia
- _____ 7) If you got an invitation to George Clooney's swanky villa in Italy, what lake would you head to?
A) Lake Zürich B) Lake Michigan C) Lake Como D) Loch Ness
- _____ 8) A backpacking trip around Africa would not potentially visit what region?
A) The Serengeti B) The Sahara C) The Kalahari D) The Baltic States

- _____ 9) Which of these countries is a member of the NATO military alliance?
 A) Belarus B) Spain C) Bolivia D) North Korea
- _____ 10) Muhammad Ali fought a boxing match called the Thrilla in Manila in which country?
 A) Japan B) South Korea C) China D) Philippines
- _____ 11) Which island lies off the south coast of South Korea and is a popular vacation spot?
 A) Elba B) Crete C) Sardinia D) Jeju
- _____ 12) Which of these countries is not a major exporter of timber?
 A) Russia B) Canada C) Indonesia D) Libya
- _____ 13) Which country's flag is also found on the flags of Australia and New Zealand?
 A) United Kingdom B) United States C) Russia D) North Korea
- _____ 14) Thhhiss quesstttion wassss writttten durrrring heavvvy turbullence onn a flighhhtt nearrrr Nova Scotia, one of the....?
 A) Constituent countries of the United Kingdom B) Maritime provinces of Canada
 C) Federated States of Micronesia D) United States of America
- _____ 15) Which "stan" country was never once part of the Soviet Union?
 A) Turkmenistan B) Kazakhstan C) Uzbekistan D) Pakistan
- _____ 16) The Western Wall & the Dome of the Rock Mosque are important religious sites in what city?
 A) Mecca B) Jerusalem C) Damascus D) Istanbul
- _____ 17) You might die of dysentery in which computer game as you journey as a pioneer settler to a state on the West Coast of the USA?
 A) Oregon Trail B) Texas Trail C) Ohio Trail D) Florida Trail
- _____ 18) Which of these four Asian countries is the least densely populated?
 A) Mongolia B) Thailand C) South Korea D) Japan
- _____ 19) Your question writer's friend was recently invited to a wedding in Burkina Faso, a country on which continent?
 A) Antarctica B) Africa C) Asia D) North America
- _____ 20) If as an AFS exchange student you spent time in the country where you were studying swimming in both the Caribbean Sea and Pacific Ocean, then you might be studying where?
 A) Costa Rica B) Belize C) El Salvador D) Venezuela
- _____ 21) Which city in Scotland is home to a famous golf course, and is where Prince William studied?
 A) Cambridge B) Cardiff C) Liverpool D) St. Andrew's
- _____ 22) Among these four US cities, which faces the greatest threat from rising sea levels due to global warming?
 A) St. Louis B) Denver C) Miami D) Dallas
- _____ 23) Which of these languages has the greatest number of speakers?
 A) Uzbek B) Bengali C) Hmong D) Assamese
- _____ 24) In which borough of New York City would you find Central Park and the UN Headquarters?
 A) Queens B) Brooklyn C) Manhattan D) Bronx

- _____ 25) Which of these four bodies of water has the highest average salinity?
 A) Lake Baikal B) Dead Sea C) Amazon River D) Chesapeake Bay
- _____ 26) Which of these four biomes has the highest biodiversity?
 A) Rain forests B) Cold deserts C) Tundra D) Great Plains
- _____ 27) Lake Vostok is...?
 A) The largest in Siberia B) Home to 2000+ migratory bird species
 C) Found under the Antarctic ice cap D) The lake on which Moscow & Kiev both lie
- _____ 28) Which state of Mexico does not border the United States of America?
 A) Tamaulipas B) Chihuahua C) Sonora D) Yucatán
- _____ 29) Which country will become the smallest by land area to ever host the FIFA World Cup of soccer (or Football, in British English) in 2022?
 A) Russia B) Qatar C) France D) Germany
- _____ 30) Which poorest country on the Arabian Peninsula is currently the site of a protracted civil war?
 A) Turkey B) Yemen C) Oman D) UAE
- _____ 31) Which city in China lies near the mouth of the Yangtze River?
 A) Beijing B) Shenzhen C) Wuhan D) Shanghai
- _____ 32) Which of these countries controlled the city of Macau prior to China taking it back in 1999?
 A) Portugal B) Denmark C) France D) United Kingdom
- _____ 33) In the movie, *Dumb and Dumber*, Jim Carrey's character stupidly tries to flirt with an Austrian woman by saying "Put another shrimp on the Barbie!" What should he have said instead?
 A) I hear Prague is lovely this time of year! B) I'd like to visit your home in the Pyrenees!
 C) You probably think I'm being a Buda-pest! D) Are you from Styria, Tyrol, or Carinthia?
- _____ 34) Cinder cone, composite, and shield are the three main types of what geographic feature?
 A) Peninsulas B) Ocean currents C) Glaciers D) Volcanoes
- _____ 35) Feta cheese, souvlaki (meat on skewers), and dolmades (stuffed grape leaves) are all part of the cuisine of which country?
 A) Norway B) Japan C) Brazil D) Greece
- _____ 36) Which British Columbia city and 2010 Winter Olympic host city has the warmest climate in winter of any large city in Canada?
 A) Calgary B) Vancouver C) Montreal D) Winnipeg
- _____ 37) A course on Balkan History would discuss which of these countries the most?
 A) Bulgaria B) Belgium C) Belarus D) Burundi
- _____ 38) Which of these islands is shared by Malaysia, Brunei, and Indonesia?
 A) Hokkaido B) New Guinea C) Sumatra D) Borneo
- _____ 39) Which of these landmarks could you encounter on a tour of Northern India?
 A) Brandenburg Gate B) Taj Mahal C) Piccadilly Circus D) Angkor Wat

- _____ 40) The One Belt, One Road initiative is a foreign aid and development program that was started by which country?
A) China B) USA C) India D) Uzbekistan
- _____ 41) In what mountain range was the Incan Empire centered?
A) Rockies B) Himalayas C) Andes D) Appalachians
- _____ 42) Where on earth can one find the spot with coordinates 0 degrees latitude, 0 degrees longitude?
A) In the Mediterranean Sea B) In the Atlantic Ocean off West Africa
C) In the Pacific Ocean, south of Hawaii D) The North Pole
- _____ 43) A yellow fever inoculation is most recommended before travel to what country?
A) Chile B) Cameroon C) Ireland D) Malta
- _____ 44) Which country is not considered to be both in Europe and Asia?
A) Turkey B) Russia C) Kazakhstan D) Bangladesh
- _____ 45) Which of these four cities has many 1950's era Chevrolet cars still running due in part to the lack of an ability to purchase new cars or spare parts from the USA due to an embargo?
A) Havana B) Ottawa C) Pretoria D) Cairo
- _____ 46) What is the only river in the world on which four national capital cities are located?
A) Thames B) Danube C) Mekong D) Euphrates
- _____ 47) In 2018, a missionary was killed trying to contact a primitive tribe on which island?
A) North Sentinel B) Spitsbergen C) Santorini D) Isle of Man
- _____ 48) Which of these states of India is located in the far southern part of the country and across the Palk Strait from Sri Lanka?
A) Tamil Nadu B) West Bengal C) Gujarat D) Jammu and Kashmir
- _____ 49) Which river of Asiatic Russia does not flow into the Arctic Ocean?
A) Ob B) Yenisei C) Amur D) Lena
- _____ 50) Which of these Chinese cities is located in Manchuria?
A) Lhasa B) Harbin C) Shenzhen D) Shanghai