



International Geography Bee

The International Geography Bee 2018-2019 Asian Qualifying Exam – Beta 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.

You have 20 Minutes to complete this Exam. If you are also taking the US History Bee Exam, you have 40 minutes in which to complete both Exams and you may do them simultaneously or one after the other.

- _____ 1) Which island forms part of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge?
A) Sardinia B) Oahu C) Iceland D) Ireland
- _____ 2) By 2025, which two cities will each have hosted the Summer Olympics three times?
A) Prague and Athens B) London and Paris C) Beijing and Taipei D) Mecca and Jerusalem
- _____ 3) Hurricanes are least likely to be found at which line of latitude in the Atlantic Ocean?
A) 20 degrees north B) Tropic of Cancer C) 60 degrees south D) 40 degrees north
- _____ 4) Which of the following countries has a land border with exactly one other country?
A) Mongolia B) South Korea C) Vietnam D) Nepal
- _____ 5) River valleys were least important to the development of ancient civilizations where?
A) Greece B) Egypt C) Mesopotamia D) China
- _____ 6) Which Russian city is a terminus of the Trans-Siberian Railroad in Asia?
A) Kaliningrad B) Murmansk C) St. Petersburg D) Vladivostok
- _____ 7) One of the longest bridges in the world was recently opened connecting which two cities?
A) New York and Boston B) Hong Kong and Macau
C) Hamburg and Copenhagen D) Singapore and Kuala Lumpur

- _____ 8) What is the only independent country in the Americas where Dutch is an official language?
A) Canada B) Surinam C) Costa Rica D) Argentina
- _____ 9) "The dingo ate my baby!" exclaimed Azaria Chamberlain after a tragic incident where?
A) Nunavut B) The Outback C) Anatolia D) The Amazon Rainforest
- _____ 10) This question was written on a flight to which airport, serving the Seoul metropolitan area?
A) Narita B) Changi C) Incheon D) Pudong
- _____ 11) Which Tennessee city is generally considered to be the center of the US country music industry?
A) Boston B) New Orleans C) Nashville D) Seattle
- _____ 12) Tarns, Moraines, and Drumlins are all geographic features associated with what?
A) Amusement parks B) Swamps C) Glaciers D) Military Bases
- _____ 13) Citizens of the USA currently need a visa to travel to which country?
A) China B) France C) Canada D) Bahamas
- _____ 14) The seafood known as ceviche, a dish of raw ocean fish, is most associated with the cuisine of what country?
A) Peru B) Hungary C) Botswana D) Paraguay
- _____ 15) On vacation this past summer, your question writer was told not to drive his rental car into the Turkish-speaking northern part of what island?
A) Oahu B) Cyprus C) Hispaniola D) Crete
- _____ 16) Which country most frequently experiences temperatures of 48 degrees Celsius?
A) South Korea B) Singapore C) UAE D) Japan
- _____ 17) Which of these countries was never part of the Soviet Union?
A) Azerbaijan B) Bhutan C) Turkmenistan D) Kazakhstan
- _____ 18) Which is the smallest Canadian province by land area?
A) Alberta B) Quebec C) British Columbia D) Prince Edward Island
- _____ 19) Which state has recently been building a high-speed railway through its Central Valley to connect two major metropolitan regions found within it?
A) Alaska B) California C) Michigan D) Nebraska
- _____ 20) If as an AFS Exchange Student, you lived with an Arabic-speaking family near the Aswan High Dam in the city of Luxor, then you would be studying where?
A) Morocco B) South Africa C) Kenya D) Egypt
- _____ 21) Which island or island group is not part of the Caribbean region?
A) Trinidad & Tobago B) Cuba C) Falkland Islands D) Jamaica
- _____ 22) The Indian city now known as Mumbai was primarily known as what during the British Empire?
A) Bombay B) Delhi C) Calcutta D) Bangalore

- _____ 23) China does not have a coastline on which of these bodies of water?
A) Black Sea B) Yellow Sea C) East China Sea D) Bohai Gulf
- _____ 24) Which African country does not constitute all or part of an archipelago?
A) Cape Verde B) Comoros C) South Africa D) Sao Tome and Principe
- _____ 25) Which of these countries has the greatest percentage of its land below sea level?
A) Austria B) The Netherlands C) Finland D) Croatia
- _____ 26) Which city is at greatest risk of damage due to typhoons?
A) Doha B) Hong Kong C) Ulan Bator D) New Delhi
- _____ 27) Which geographical feature does not help separate Europe from Asia?
A) Black Sea B) Ural Mountains C) The Bay of Biscay D) Caucasus Mountains
- _____ 28) A canal connecting the Rhine and Danube watersheds can be found in which country?
A) Sweden B) Italy C) Germany D) Ireland
- _____ 29) Which of these countries has a population that is predominantly Buddhist?
A) The Philippines B) North Korea C) Sri Lanka D) Oman
- _____ 30) A direct flight from Manila to Bangkok would pass over which of the following countries?
A) North Korea B) Vietnam C) Nepal D) Papua New Guinea
- _____ 31) Which country recently voted in a referendum to withdraw from the European Union?
A) United Kingdom B) Norway C) Romania D) Turkey
- _____ 32) Which location in China was never occupied by the Japanese in World War II?
A) Hong Kong B) Beijing C) Shanghai D) Tibet
- _____ 33) Which mountain range forms the primary continental divide of South America?
A) Llanos B) Chaco C) Pampas D) Andes
- _____ 34) Which of these is one of the ten most populous countries?
A) Estonia B) Pakistan C) Chile D) Libya
- _____ 35) In which city could you spend rupiah to go up to the top of the Petronas Towers?
A) Kuala Lumpur B) Moscow C) Beijing D) Tokyo
- _____ 36) Which of these languages is an official language in Doha and Abu Dhabi?
A) Swahili B) Hindi C) Burmese D) Arabic
- _____ 37) Ginza is an upscale neighborhood in which city, where the Tsukiji Fish Market recently closed?
A) Beijing B) Dubai C) Samarkand D) Tokyo
- _____ 38) The end of space shuttle launches had the most negative economic impact for what US region?
A) Mississippi Delta B) Hawaii C) Pacific Northwest D) Atlantic Coast of Florida
- _____ 39) The flags of Thailand and Laos share which three colors?
A) Red, white, blue B) Red, white, green C) Blue, orange, green D) Blue, red, yellow

- _____ 40) In which of these European countries is the capital city not the most populous city?
A) France B) Switzerland C) Hungary D) Belgium
- _____ 41) Which of these cities is located closest to an active volcano?
A) Abu Dhabi B) Shanghai C) Seoul D) Jakarta
- _____ 42) Which of these rivers is sacred to Hindus?
A) Mekong B) Euphrates C) Yangtze D) Ganges
- _____ 43) Which continent does not contain any of the 5 largest countries by land area?
A) Africa B) North America C) South America D) Asia
- _____ 44) Which American National Park is located in the eastern half of the USA?
A) Everglades B) Yellowstone C) Yosemite D) Zion
- _____ 45) Which European capital city lies in Scandinavia at the head of a namesake fjord?
A) London B) Rome C) Riga D) Oslo
- _____ 46) Which Middle Eastern country does not contain a coastline on the Mediterranean Sea?
A) Syria B) Israel C) Lebanon D) Iran
- _____ 47) Which countries have had to deal most directly with the shrinkage of the Aral Sea?
A) Canada & USA B) Australia & New Zealand
C) Kazakhstan & Uzbekistan D) Chad & Libya
- _____ 48) Honshu, Hokkaido, Kyushu, and Shikoku are the four largest examples of what in Japan?
A) Prefectures B) Islands C) Lakes D) Deserts
- _____ 49) An army of ancient life-size terracotta soldiers is an important tourist attraction in which Chinese city?
A) Harbin B) Chongqing C) Xi'an D) Suzhou
- _____ 50) Which West Coast American city is famous for its sourdough bread, earthquakes and cable cars?
A) Orlando B) San Francisco C) Philadelphia D) Detroit