



International Geography Bee

The International Geography Bee 2018-2019 European 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) Andorra B) Portugal C) Malta D) Germany
- _____ 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?
A) Kaliningrad B) Murmansk C) Sochi 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) Guyana B) Surinam C) Costa Rica D) Venezuela
- _____ 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) Heathrow C) Incheon D) Ataturk
- _____ 11) Which 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) US citizens 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 is not found in the Sahel region of Africa?
A) Mali B) Chad C) Namibia D) Burkina Faso
- _____ 17) Which country was not part of a larger country during the Cold War?
A) Russia B) Poland C) Slovakia D) Serbia
- _____ 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) Cayman Islands 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) Which longest river of Europe empties into the Caspian Sea?
A) Volga B) Rhine C) Danube D) Thames

- _____ 24) Which African country does not constitute all or part of an archipelago?
A) Cape Verde B) Sao Tome & Principe C) Zambia D) Comoros
- _____ 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) You can go straight through which strait from the Sea of Marmara to the Aegean Sea?
A) Gibraltar B) Dardanelles C) Bosphorus D) Magellan
- _____ 27) Which geographical feature does not help separate Europe from Asia?
A) Black Sea B) Caucasus Mountains C) Bay of Biscay D) Ural 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) Voodoo and Santeria are religious traditions that developed in which region?
A) Polynesia B) Patagonia C) Caribbean D) The Balkans
- _____ 30) An annual hot dog eating contest, a beach on the Atlantic Ocean, and a mermaid parade can all be found at which New York City location?
A) The Bronx B) Coney Island C) Central Park D) Liberty Island
- _____ 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 world's ten most populous countries ?
A) Italy B) Pakistan C) Chile D) Libya
- _____ 35) You could amass capital denominated locally in baht in which national capital?
A) Bangkok B) Moscow C) Beijing D) Tokyo
- _____ 36) Which of these languages is most widely spoken in Africa ?
A) Turkish B) Malay C) Romania D) Swahili
- _____ 37) Monte Carlo is an upscale neighborhood in which microstate?
A) Liechtenstein B) Tuvalu C) Vatican City D) Monaco
- _____ 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) Florida
- _____ 39) Which African country adopted a new national flag in 1994 after momentous social changes?
A) South Africa B) Ghana C) Tunisia D) Nigeria
- _____ 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) Dublin B) Stockholm C) Geneva D) Naples
- _____ 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 at the head of a namesake fjord?
A) London B) Helsinki C) Riga D) Oslo
- _____ 46) Which Middle Eastern country does not have a coastline on the Mediterranean Sea?
A) Syria B) Israel C) Lebanon D) Iran
- _____ 47) Which British University is not located in England?
A) Oxford B) Cambridge C) St. Andrews D) University College London
- _____ 48) Honshu, Hokkaido, Kyushu, and Shikoku are the four largest examples of what in Japan?
A) Prefectures B) Islands C) Lakes D) Deserts
- _____ 49) Bessarabia is a historical region that is now primarily part of which country?
A) Luxemburg B) Tonga C) Moldova D) Latvia
- _____ 50) Which American city is famous for its sourdough bread, earthquakes and cable cars?
A) Orlando B) San Francisco C) Philadelphia D) Detroit