



International Geography Bee

The International Geography Bee – Australia and New Zealand Division 2019-2020 Championships 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.

_____ 1) This question was written in a plane above Newfoundland and Labrador, one of the provinces of country?

- A) Canada B) Spain C) Australia D) Italy

_____ 2) Which ocean is by area the world's largest?

- A) Atlantic B) Pacific C) Indian D) Arctic

_____ 3) Which two countries are divided by a Demilitarized Zone, though the border regions on either side of that are heavily fortified?

- A) Austria & Hungary B) Peru & Brazil C) North Korea & South Korea D) Italy & France

_____ 4) Which of these deserts can be found in Mongolia and China?

- A) Sahara B) Mojave C) Gobi D) Kalahari

_____ 5) Which geographical feature can be found along the north shore of the Great Australian Bight?

- A) Great Barrier Reef B) Blue Mountains C) Cape York Peninsula D) Nullarbor Plain

_____ 6) Which country contains many of the tallest peaks in the Himalayas?

- A) Sri Lanka B) Nepal C) Thailand D) Saudi Arabia

- _____ 7) Muslims pray facing the direction of which city, the holiest in Islam?
A) Jerusalem B) Baghdad C) Rome D) Mecca
- _____ 8) Which country might you visit on a family vacation to South America?
A) Peru B) Pakistan C) Papua New Guinea D) Poland
- _____ 9) A mountain, a strait, and an island chain are all named for which explorer?
A) Abel Tasman B) James Cook C) Anthony Van Diemen D) Edmund Hillary
- _____ 10) The *Autobahn* highway system connects cities such as Frankfurt and Cologne in which country?
A) France B) Germany C) Italy D) Spain
- _____ 11) Which African country contains a coastline on both the Mediterranean and Red Sea?
A) South Africa B) Egypt C) Nigeria D) Morocco
- _____ 12) Which of these islands belongs to New Zealand and is home to one of the world's most southernmost species of parrot?
A) Hiva Oa B) Vanua Levu C) Stewart Island D) Pitcairn Island
- _____ 13) Which of these country's inhabitants predominantly speak a Romance language?
A) Spain B) Russia C) Norway D) Turkey
- _____ 14) Australian troops fought a difficult campaign in World War 2 along the Kokoda Track on what island?
A) Mindanao B) New Guinea C) Java D) Sumatra
- _____ 15) Which Caribbean island nation has been led by a communist government for over 50 years?
A) Jamaica B) Grenada C) Haiti D) Cuba
- _____ 16) Aside from Australia and New Zealand, which other Pacific island country has the Union Jack on its flag?
A) Tonga B) Samoa C) Tuvalu D) Kiribati
- _____ 17) Which city is found in Mali and is used as a byword for a remote location?
A) Cairo B) Timbuktu C) Nairobi D) Cape Town
- _____ 18) Which of these countries is considered to be part of Scandinavia?
A) Poland B) Sweden C) Ireland D) Portugal
- _____ 19) Which of these sites is located within 50 miles of Uluru and is alternatively called the Olgas?
A) Twelve Apostles B) Mt. Kosciuszko C) Great Dividing Range D) Kata Tjuta
- _____ 20) Which of these countries has a land border with exactly one other country?
A) Mexico B) USA C) Canada D) Bahamas
- _____ 21) The Everglades is a major ecosystem in the southern part of which US state?
A) California B) Texas C) Florida D) Louisiana
- _____ 22) Which city would it make the most sense to fly into for a visit to Fiordland National Park?
A) Wellington B) Dunedin C) Christchurch D) Queenstown
- _____ 23) Which of these African rivers flows into the Mediterranean Sea?
A) Congo B) Nile C) Niger D) Zambezi

- _____ 24) Which of these cities is a beach resort town in Western Australia's Kimberley region?
A) Launceston B) Alice Springs C) Kalgoorlie D) Broome
- _____ 25) The most commonly followed religion in Brazil, Mexico, and Argentina is?
A) Islam B) Buddhism C) Shinto D) Christianity
- _____ 26) Which of these Chinese cities was controlled by the United Kingdom for over one hundred years until 1997?
A) Beijing B) Shanghai C) Macau D) Hong Kong
- _____ 27) Which of these countries is a major producer of rice for the world market?
A) Thailand B) Kyrgyzstan C) Sweden D) New Zealand
- _____ 28) Which of these is the only country to have a coastline on both the Atlantic and Indian Oceans?
A) South Africa B) Morocco C) Central African Republic D) Somalia
- _____ 29) The area drained by a river and all its tributaries is collectively known as what?
A) An estuary B) An aquifer C) A watershed D) A sound
- _____ 30) Which continent has land in both the Eastern and Western Hemispheres?
A) South America B) Australia C) Antarctica D) None of these
- _____ 31) Phnom Penh and Tashkent are two capitals of what?
A) US States B) African Countries C) Canadian Provinces D) Asian Countries
- _____ 32) A flat-topped tableland surrounded by steep cliffs in the southwest USA is called what?
A) An arroyo B) A moraine C) A mesa D) A saguaro
- _____ 33) Manchuria and Tibet are regions that are parts of which Asian country?
A) India B) Nepal C) China D) Japan
- _____ 34) Suez, Erie, and Panama are names of famous what?
A) Mountains B) Canals C) Deserts D) Oceans
- _____ 35) Which of these countries could be classified as a microstate?
A) San Marino B) South Korea C) Sweden D) Senegal
- _____ 36) Which of the following places is home to over a billion people?
A) Indiana B) Indonesia C) Indianola, Mississippi D) India
- _____ 37) Where would you find Kakadu National Park and Arnhem Land?
A) Queensland B) Victoria C) Northern Territory D) Tasmania
- _____ 38) Which city can be traveled to in under four hours by plane from Auckland?
A) Port Vila B) Honolulu C) Manila D) Papeete
- _____ 39) A 2019 fire caused the spire of which of these churches to fall?
A) Sagrada Familia B) St. Peter's Basilica C) Notre-Dame de Paris D) St. Basil's
- _____ 40) Which of these countries is composed entirely of islands?
A) South Korea B) Malaysia C) Thailand D) Japan
- _____ 41) Which of these rivers in the USA is located west of the North American continental divide?
A) Delaware B) Colorado C) Mississippi D) Ohio

- _____ 42) Corazon Aquino was a woman who led which country from its capital of Manila?
A) Philippines B) Brunei C) Laos D) Vietnam
- _____ 43) Which country's name is spelled the same as the longest river of West Africa?
A) Niger B) Congo C) Nile D) Zambezi
- _____ 44) Which of these states of India is located in the south of that country?
A) Assam B) Tamil Nadu C) Himachal Pradesh D) Rajasthan
- _____ 45) Which of these cities is most likely to see over 200 centimeters of snow in a year?
A) Sapporo B) Singapore C) Taipei D) Hong Kong
- _____ 46) In which of these countries is Portuguese the primary spoken language?
A) Paraguay B) Brazil C) Mexico D) Belize
- _____ 47) Which state is home to the Derwent River?
A) New South Wales B) Victoria C) Tasmania D) Queensland
- _____ 48) Which of these countries is a member of the oil cartel known as OPEC?
A) Turkey B) Lebanon C) Israel D) Kuwait
- _____ 49) If, as an AFS exchange student, you lived with a family in Odense, within a mile of where the compiler of fairy tales, Hans Christian Anderson, was born, you'd be living in which country?
A) Denmark B) Germany C) Austria D) Romania
- _____ 50) Regions where rivers flow into, but no rivers flow out of, are known as what?
A) Endorheic basins B) Salt marshes C) Continental Divides D) Isthmuses