



# International Geography Bee

## The International Geography Bee – European Division 2019-2020 Championships 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.**

You have 20 Minutes to complete this Exam.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1) Which of the following countries was not part of a larger country during the Cold War?  
A) Belarus                      B) Slovakia                      C) Lithuania                      D) Hungary
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2) The islands of Hawaii include which of the following Pacific islands?  
A) Maui                      B) Saipan                      C) Bora Bora                      D) Yap
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) Which of these places is found in the United Kingdom?  
A) Provence                      B) Andalusia                      C) Tuscany                      D) Wales
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) Which of these countries is not an archipelago?  
A) Maldives                      B) Comoros                      C) Seychelles                      D) Belarus
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) The Klondike Gold Rush took place in the northwestern part of which country?  
A) Iceland                      B) Canada                      C) South Africa                      D) Ireland
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) While his route is uncertain, it's safe to say Marco Polo never saw which of these deserts?  
A) Lut                      B) Gobi                      C) Taklamakan                      D) Atacama
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7) What is the largest country in the world by population not to have a permanent seat on the UN Security Council?  
A) India                      B) China                      C) Indonesia                      D) Brazil
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8) Which of these African countries is not part of the Nile River's watershed?  
A) Egypt                      B) Libya                      C) Sudan                      D) Angola

- \_\_\_\_\_ 9) Which of these countries has the most ethnically homogenous population?  
A) Russia                      B) North Korea                      C) Malaysia                      D) Singapore
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10) Which of these countries has a population that is majority Catholic?  
A) The Netherlands                      B) Greece  
C) United Kingdom                      D) Poland
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11) An outbreak of saltwater crocodile attacks has recently afflicted the population of which country?  
A) Paraguay                      B) Malawi                      C) Timor-Leste                      D) Kyrgyzstan
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12) Which capital city was recently renamed Nursultan in honor of a recent Kazakh politician?  
A) Astana                      B) Tashkent                      C) Beijing                      D) Islamabad
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13) Which country only has land borders with Norway and Finland?  
A) Latvia                      B) Sweden                      C) Iceland                      D) Denmark
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14) Asia has no coastline on which of the following oceans?  
A) Atlantic                      B) Pacific                      C) Indian                      D) Arctic
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15) "Visit Russia while Putin is president? Nyet!" said a traveler who thus clearly had no interest in visiting which of the following peninsulas?  
A) Chukchi                      B) Jutland                      C) Iberian                      D) Balkan
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16) When it is 7pm in London, what time is it in Berlin?  
A) 7am                      B) 5pm                      C) 8pm                      D) 6pm
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17) Evo Morales was deposed in 2019 from being president of which landlocked South American nation with a capital at La Paz?  
A) Uruguay                      B) Ecuador                      C) Argentina                      D) Bolivia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18) Which of these countries is found in the Sahel region of Africa?  
A) Morocco                      B) Mali                      C) Malawi                      D) Mozambique
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19) The Lusophone Commonwealth includes Mozambique, Brazil, and other former colonies of what country?  
A) Spain                      B) Portugal                      C) Italy                      D) Sweden
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20) Which of these countries is located in what is known as Indochina?  
A) Cambodia                      B) Pakistan                      C) Bhutan                      D) Mongolia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 21) Which of these Chinese cities is located closest to Hong Kong?  
A) Shenzhen                      B) Harbin                      C) Shanghai                      D) Beijing
- \_\_\_\_\_ 22) Which of these US states is considered to be part of New England?  
A) Tennessee                      B) Alabama                      C) Arkansas                      D) Massachusetts
- \_\_\_\_\_ 23) Which archipelago, which now belongs to Ecuador, did Charles Darwin visit while doing research that became important to his theory of evolution?  
A) Tahiti                      B) Bahamas  
C) Azores                      D) Galapagos
- \_\_\_\_\_ 24) Land in which of these modern-day countries was never conquered by Alexander the Great?  
A) Egypt                      B) Turkey                      C) Afghanistan                      D) Spain



- \_\_\_\_\_ 41) Which of these Mediterranean islands is a part of France?  
A) Sardinia                      B) Corsica                      C) Ibiza                      D) Crete
- \_\_\_\_\_ 42) The Sakha Republic is by area the largest subnational governing region in the world, and is located in?  
A) The Russian Far East                      B) Antarctica  
C) Northern Canada                      D) Sub-Saharan Africa
- \_\_\_\_\_ 43) There are neighborhoods all known by what name in London, New York City, and Hong Kong?  
A) Kowloon                      B) Chinatown                      C) Knightsbridge                      D) Soho
- \_\_\_\_\_ 44) Which of these countries is partly located in the Caucasus Mountains?  
A) Bhutan                      B) South Korea                      C) Turkmenistan                      D) Georgia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 45) *The Economist* has projected which country to have the highest GDP growth rate in 2020 due to new production from offshore oil fields?  
A) Nepal                      B) Guyana                      C) Bahamas                      D) Uzbekistan
- \_\_\_\_\_ 46) Piranhas can naturally be found in which of the following river basins?  
A) Amazon                      B) Mississippi                      C) Nile                      D) Yangtze
- \_\_\_\_\_ 47) Oktoberfest is an annual celebration that is celebrated in which capital of Bavaria?  
A) Leipzig                      B) Stuttgart                      C) Munich                      D) Lübeck
- \_\_\_\_\_ 48) *Mersey Beat* was the name of a short-lived newspaper about the music scene in which British city from which the Beatles came?  
A) Newcastle                      B) London                      C) Liverpool                      D) Edinburgh
- \_\_\_\_\_ 49) A commercial flight from New York to Hong Kong might pass directly over which region?  
A) Tasmania                      B) Patagonia                      C) Greenland                      D) Cuba
- \_\_\_\_\_ 50) Which of these rivers flows through Bratislava?  
A) Tiber                      B) Elbe                      C) Rhine                      D) Danube