

2017 USGO Map Skills Examination - Key and Marking Scheme (Elementary School)

Section 1 [9 marks]

Grading notes: Both questions in this section were point marked.

Expected answers:

1. [6 marks] coast; epicenter; Sendai and Mito [accept in either order]; less; Shizuoka
2. [3 marks] tsunami; displacement; Fukushima

Section 2 [14 marks]

Grading notes: All three questions in this section were point marked.

Expected answers:

1. [5 marks] Sahara; Arabian; Australia; Gobi and Karakum [accept in either order]
2. [4 marks] Mediterranean; mild; hot and dry [accept in either order]
3. [2 marks] Russia; tropical rainforest
4. [3 marks] F; F; T

Section 3 [10 marks]

Grading notes: Questions 1 and 2 are point marked; question 3 is level marked.

Expected answers:

1. [4 marks] Rome; Termini; Fiumicino; fiume
2. [3 marks] Trastevere; Leonardo Express; Laurentina
3. [3 marks] Take the Orange Line (Line A) to Termini Station and transfer to the Blue Line (Line B) to the Colosseo stop. [award partial credit for partial answers; reasonable changes in wording or more detailed correct descriptions acceptable]

Section 4 [10 marks]

Grading notes: Both questions in this section were point marked.

Expected answers:

1. [5 marks] Pacific Northwest; Grand Coulee; Columbia; Hoover; Colorado
2. [5 marks] Great Plains; coal; coal; oil; natural gas

Section 5 [7 marks]

Grading notes: Question 1 is point marked, question 2 is level marked.

Expected answers:

1. [5 marks] Peru and Bolivia [accept in either order]; Paraguay; Kawesqar; Chocoran
2. [2 marks] An indigenous language or autochthonous language is a language that is native to a region and spoken by indigenous people, often reduced to the status of a minority language; these languages have survived because of the relative isolation of the native speakers of these languages and preservation efforts by local communities and speakers [other reasonable answers accepted; partial credit should be awarded for any partial correct answer]