



International Geography Bee

The United States Geography Olympiad & The International Geography Bee 2017-2018 National Qualifying Exam – G 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. Pike's Peak, Aspen, and Vail, are all popular tourist attractions located in which state?
A. Colorado B. Connecticut C. Indiana D. Florida

_____ 2. Which of the following states does not border the Gulf of Mexico?
A. Louisiana B. Alabama C. Mississippi D. Arkansas

_____ 3. Machu Picchu, an Incan landmark, is located near Cusco in which country?
A. Peru B. Mexico C. Iran D. Libya

_____ 4. If as an AFS exchange student, you could be assigned to a school that instructed in French, German, or Italian, then you'd be studying in which country?
A. Colombia B. Switzerland C. Sweden D. Turkey

_____ 5. Acadia National Park, the oldest national park east of the Mississippi River, is located near Bar Harbor in which state?
A. California B. Maine C. West Virginia D. Alaska

_____ 6. What US state is the leader in maple syrup production?
A. Vermont B. Kansas C. Nevada D. South Carolina

_____ 7. What are the two landlocked countries in South America?
A. Venezuela and Colombia B. Peru and Chile
C. Ecuador and Suriname D. Bolivia and Paraguay

- _____ 8. What large island located off the east coast of Africa is famous for its lemurs?
A. New Guinea B. Mozambique C. Madagascar D. Sri Lanka
- _____ 9. This question was written in which state capital, whose name means Red Stick in French?
A. Frankfort B. New Orleans C. Baton Rouge D. Montpellier
- _____ 10. What city is located on the Seine River and includes the tourist attractions of the Louvre Museum and the Arc de Triomphe?
A. Rome B. Paris C. London D. Madrid
- _____ 11. The Sierra Madre Occidental and the Sierra Madre Oriental are mountain ranges located in which Spanish-speaking country?
A. Mexico B. Canada C. Brazil D. Haiti
- _____ 12. Which body of water is located the farthest north?
A. Bay of Bengal B. Red Sea C. Caribbean Sea D. Hudson Bay
- _____ 13. Trade between China and Southeast Asia is conducted along which river?
A. Nile B. Volga C. Rhine D. Mekong
- _____ 14. Which country, located next to Serbia, is not considered to be a European microstate?
A. Montenegro B. Monaco C. Andorra D. Liechtenstein
- _____ 15. A cartographer can mark the Parthenon, a very famous example of Greek architecture, on a map of what city?
A. Oslo B. Naples C. Athens D. Reykjavik
- _____ 16. The Galapagos Islands, visited by Charles Darwin and containing giant tortoises, belong to which South American country?
A. Madagascar B. Portugal C. Ecuador D. Suriname
- _____ 17. Mohenjo-Daro, an important archaeological site, is located along the Indus River in which country?
A. Pakistan B. Egypt C. Yemen D. Turkey
- _____ 18. Which of these cities has the fewest native Chinese speakers among its residents?
A. Beijing B. Shanghai C. Manila D. Tianjin
- _____ 19. The classic movie *Casablanca* was set in what is now which country?
A. North Korea B. Qatar C. Burkina Faso D. Morocco
- _____ 20. Which of the following provinces is considered to be one of the Prairie Provinces of Canada?
A. Newfoundland B. Manitoba C. Quebec D. Prince Edward Island
- _____ 21. People can spend yen in Yokohama, a crucial port in which country?
A. Russia B. Japan C. Italy D. Vietnam

- _____22. What country was criticized for not doing enough to eradicate the Zika virus before hosting the Summer Olympics in Rio in 2016?
A. Chile B. Brazil C. Costa Rica D. Peru
- _____23. Greenwich Mean Time is based off of a location in the capital of which country, which lies on the Prime Meridian?
A. Canada B. United States C. Australia D. United Kingdom
- _____24. Which of the following is not an independent country?
A. Romania B. Gibraltar C. Nicaragua D. Tajikistan
- _____25. Which country is located nearest to the United States?
A. Marshall Islands B. Bahamas C. Panama D. Liberia
- _____26. The San Andreas Fault lies in which state, which also suffered terrible wildfires in late 2017?
A. Kentucky B. Kansas C. Wyoming D. California
- _____27. Which of the following is not located in the Andes Mountains, the longest continental mountain range in the world?
A. Bolivia B. Uruguay C. Peru D. Ecuador
- _____28. Which of the following islands is very cold and sparsely inhabited?
A. Baffin B. Corsica C. Sardinia D. Cyprus
- _____29. Barcelona, with the Picasso Museum and the Sagrada Familia church, is located in which region in Spain, which recently has seen civil unrest due to an independence movement?
A. Catalonia B. Normandy C. Piedmont D. Bavaria
- _____30. The study of which of the following is not considered to be a branch of physical geography?
A. Glaciers B. Islands C. Religions D. Mountains
- _____31. Latitude and longitude are given in what unit?
A. Centimeters B. Inches C. Degrees D. Area
- _____32. Wellington lies on the Cook Strait at the southern end of North Island in what country?
A. Australia B. New Zealand C. Cuba D. Ireland
- _____33. Which of the following countries has the smallest population?
A. South Korea B. Ghana C. Malaysia D. Mauritius
- _____34. Which city would be the farthest for the British Royal Family to travel to from London?
A. Nottingham B. Melbourne C. Liverpool D. Glasgow
- _____35. Which of the following is a sports team based in Ohio?
A. Dayton Dodgers B. Cleveland Cavaliers C. Green Bay Packers D. Detroit Lions
- _____36. Which food is not typically served in Mexican restaurants?
A. Fajitas B. Tacos C. Enchiladas D. Döner Kebabs

- _____37. What city was devastated by flooding from Hurricane Harvey in August 2017?
A. El Paso B. Houston C. Phoenix D. New Orleans
- _____38. The Black Hills and Mount Rushmore are popular attractions located in which state?
A. Wisconsin B. Nebraska C. Kansas D. South Dakota
- _____39. Which city's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, the busiest in the world, had a massive power outage in December 2017?
A. Fort Worth B. Atlanta C. Orlando D. Las Vegas
- _____40. The largest lake in Africa was named after which British queen?
A. Martha B. Maria C. Susanna D. Victoria
- _____41. What country, completely surrounded by Italy, has a capital city with the same name?
A. San Marino B. Liechtenstein C. Andorra D. Azerbaijan
- _____42. A flight from Point Barrow to Kodiak Island would span the length of which US state?
A. Florida B. Hawaii C. Alaska D. Maine
- _____43. The Gullah people speak a language that is a mixture of English and African words. Most Gullah people live off the coast of which two states?
A. Maryland & Virginia B. Oregon & Washington
C. Georgia & South Carolina D. Louisiana & Texas
- _____44. The American flag does not fly over which place, which was badly affected by Hurricane Maria in 2017?
A. Northern Mariana Islands B. Dominica C. Guam D. Puerto Rico
- _____45. Peking duck is a dish native to which country?
A. United Kingdom B. Bangladesh C. China D. South Korea
- _____46. Saint Basil's Cathedral is located near the Kremlin in which city?
A. Vladivostok B. Helsinki C. Copenhagen D. Moscow
- _____47. Which of the following is an important global banking center in the Caribbean?
A. Polynesia B. Cayman Islands C. Channel Islands D. Aleutian Islands
- _____48. Mountaineers who wanted to climb all Seven Summits would have to travel to which place to explore Vinson Massif?
A. Canada B. Antarctica C. Siberia D. India
- _____49. Porto, famous for its wine, is the second largest city in which country on the Iberian peninsula?
A. Libya B. Croatia C. Austria D. Portugal
- _____50. What state is not a major center of coal mining?
A. Hawaii B. West Virginia C. Wyoming D. Illinois