

Social Studies, 2015 EC, Grade 8 national exam

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1. Which one of the following process results in the formation of rift valley? (1)
 - A. Folding
 - B. Faulting
 - C. Earthquakes
 - D. volcanism
2. One of the following feature is created by wind action: (1)
 - A. Exfoliation
 - B. Stalagmite
 - C. Sheet erosion
 - D. Sand dune
3. Which one of the following is caused by running water? (1)
 - A. Soil erosion
 - B. Destruction of cities
 - C. Release of dangerous gases
 - D. Breaking of rocks into pieces
4. Which one of the following describes the stratosphere? (1)
 - A. It contains three-fourth of the atmospheric mass
 - B. It is the coldest part of the atmosphere
 - C. It is the layer of extreme low air density
 - D. It is the layer where ultraviolet ray is absorbed
5. What distinguishes weather from climate is that: (1)
 - A. Climate is the average weather condition of a place over long period of time
 - B. Weather is the atmospheric condition of a place for long period of time
 - C. Climate indicates daily changes in rainfall and temperature
 - D. Weather indicates what the physical environment of a place looks like
6. What is the effect of latitude on temperature? (1)
 - A. The equator gets low intense insolation
 - B. Polar areas get high intensity insolation
 - C. In spring equinox, the overhead is at the equator
 - D. December 21 represents North summer
7. If the maximum and minimum temperature of a place are 35° and 15°C , respectively what is the range of temperature? (1)
 - A. 50°C
 - B. 20°C
 - C. 15°C
 - D. 35°C
8. Which language belongs to the Cushitic language family? (1)
 - A. Guragigna
 - B. Basketto
 - C. Afarigna
 - D. Gumuz

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9. Manufacturing industries are grouped as? (1)
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| A. Tertiary economic activity | B. Secondary economic activity |
| C. Primary economic activity | D. Quaternary economic activity |
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10. In which economic activity most of the people in Developed countries are engaged? (1)
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| A. Manufacturing | B. Forestry |
| C. Mining | D. Agriculture |
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11. Which economic activity contributes the largest share of their national output in developing countries? (1)
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| A. Manufacturing | B. Agriculture |
| C. Fishery | D. Forestry |
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12. Which trade activity involves the selling of goods directly to consumers? (1)
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| A. Export trade | B. Import trade |
| C. Wholesale trade | D. Retail trade |
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13. Which one of the following dominates Ethiopia's export items? (1)
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| A. Forest products | B. Manufacturing products |
| C. Mineral products | D. Agricultural products |
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14. Which trade activity is carried out between two different countries? (1)
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| A. Domestic trade | B. Internal trade |
| C. International trade | D. Retail trade |
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15. Which economic sector contributes much to the export trade of most developing countries? (1)
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| A. Manufacturing | B. Fishery |
| C. Mining | D. Agriculture |
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16. What do we call the amount of a good that buyers are willing and able to purchase? (1)
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| A. Supply | B. Surplus |
| C. Demand | D. Stock |
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17. When the supply and demand of a product is the same, the market condition created is called? (1)
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| A. Equilibrium price | B. Excess demand |
| C. Excess supply | D. Surplus production |
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18. A market situation with uniform price and the same goods being offered is called? (1)
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| A. Moderately competitive | B. Perfect Competition |
| C. High competition | D. Imperfect competition |
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19. Which one of the following minimizes supply problem for consumers? (1)
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| A. Hoarding of products to create shortage | B. Black marketing of products |
| C. High price for products | D. Sufficient supply of products |
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20. Which one of the following is the benefit of wild animals? (1)
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| A. Illegal hunting | B. Soil conservation |
| C. Tourism industry | D. Forest conservation |

21. Which one of the following factor affects the proper utilization of soil resources? (1)

- A. Poor farming methods
B. Improved farming methods
C. Skilled farmers
D. Use of advanced technology

22. Which one of the following is unwise utilization of natural resources? (1)

- A. Wildlife protection B. Water pollution
C. Forest conservation D. Soil conservation

23. Which one of the following is a method of water conservation? (1)

- A.** Deforestation
B. Modern irrigation methods
C. Crop rotation
D. Illegal hunting

24. Which one of the following is a method of wildlife conservation? (1)

- A. Burning of forest
B. Overgrazing
C. Illegal hunting
D. Establishing parks

25. The planting of two or more crops in the same field for soil conservation is called? (1)

- A. Afforestation
B. Crop rotation
C. Strip cropping
D. Terracing

26. Which of the following countries contribute the highest volume of water to the Nile River? (1)

- A. Ethiopia
B. Sudan
C. Egypt
D. Tanzania

27. Who was the first sailor who landed to India from Portugal? (1)

- A. Christopher Columbus** **B. Ferdinand Magellan**
C. Vasco Da Gama **D. Amerigo Vespucci**

28. Which one was the achievement of Renaissance in Science? (1)

- A. Shakespeare's playwright of Romeo and Juliet
- B. Johann Gutenberg printing machine
- C. Leonardo da Vinci's paints of The Last Supper
- D. Galileo Galilei's improvement of the telescope

29. What was the cause of reformation against the Roman Catholic Church? (1)

- A. Church's abuse of Nepotism and sale of indulgences
- B. Establishment of Monastery by the church
- C. The way the Pop is appointed
- D. Protestant movement

30. Which one describes the First Industrial Revolution (1750-1879)? (1)

- A. Use of electricity and petroleum as source of power
B. Use of steam and coal as source of energy
C. Invention of newer and faster means of transportation
D. Mankind has entered the space age

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- 31.** What was the basic cause for World War II? (1)
- A. The Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand
 - B. German Invasion of France
 - C. Nationalism feeling
 - D. Treaty of Versailles
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- 32.** Which countries formed the Triple Alliance during World War I? (1)
- A. Germany, Italy and Japan
 - B. America, Russia and Britain
 - C. Britain, France and Russia
 - D. Germany, Italy and Austria-Hungary
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- 33.** What was the consequence of World War II? (1)
- A. The United State and Russia emerged as the major world power
 - B. German, Britain and France emerged as the major world power
 - C. The formation of the League of Nation to keep peace and security
 - D. Germany, Italy and Japan won the war after defeating Britain and France
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- 34.** Which country belongs to the Socialist block after World War II? (1)
- A. The United Nation of America
 - B. Britain
 - C. The Soviet Union
 - D. West Germany
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- 35.** Which countries were the first actors of slave trade in Africa? (1)
- A. Commercial elites of Africa
 - B. Portuguese and Spain
 - C. Britain and France
 - D. Caribbean Countries
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- 36.** In the Triangular slave trade route what do the European ships carry from Europe to Africa? (1)
- A. Cotton cloths and metal hardware
 - B. Sugar cane, tobacco and cotton
 - C. Slaves from Europe
 - D. Coffee and Sugar cane
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- 37.** Which country was colonized by Italy? (1)
- A. Ethiopia
 - B. South Africa
 - C. Libya
 - D. Cameroon
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- 38.** What was the consequence of colonization upon Africans? (1)
- A. Upgraded African culture
 - B. Drained wealth from the colonies
 - C. Established manufacturing industries
 - D. Educate the colonial people
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- 39.** What was the reason for the non-violent independence of West African countries? (1)
- A. Britain was the colonizer
 - B. Portuguese gave their independence
 - C. French doesn't want to fight with Africans
 - D. Absence of white settlers
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- 40.** How many countries founded the Organization of African Union? (1)
- A. By 32 African states
 - B. By 54 African states
 - C. By 53 African states
 - D. By 55 African states

41. Which African leader proposed the loose organization of African countries after independence? (1)

- A.** President Nkrumah of Ghana
- B.** President Ahmed Ben Bella of Algeria
- C.** Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia
- D.** President Samora Machel of Mozambique

42. Which one of the following was the reason for the change of the Organization of African Unity to African Union? (1)

- A. Support colonized countries to get their independence
- B. Remove Apartheid from South Africa and neighbouring countries
- C. Avoid the continent from colonization and apartheid
- D. Promoting peace, security, democracy and good governance

43. Which king of Ethiopia attempted to unify Ethiopia under one king but failed to do and died in 1868? (1)

- A. Emperor Yohannes IV
B. Emperor Tewodros II
C. Emperor Menilek II
D. Emperor Haileselassie I

44. At which battle field Emperor Tewodros II defeated Dajjach Goshu Zewude, the lord of Gojjam? (1)

- A. Battle of Ayshal
B. battle of Gorgora Bichen
C. Battle of Guramba
D. Battle of Darasge

45. During Emperor Menilek II regime, which one resisted and fought with Menilek's army? (1)

- A. Abba Jifar II of Jimma, B. Kumsa Moreda of Lega Naqamite,
C. Joti Tullu of Lega Qellam D. Kawo Tona of Walayta

46. What was the agreement reached between Emperors Yohannes IV and Menelik II on March 20, 1878 at Leche ? (1)

- A. Meniek II to pay annual tribute to emperor Yohannes IV
B. Yohannes IV to pay annual tribute to emperor Menilek II
C. Menilek II not to expand in any direction
D. Menilek II should not claim the title of king at all

47. Which was the major import item of Ethiopia in the early 19th century? (1)

- A. Ivory
B. Civet musk
C. Coffee
D. Abujedie cloth

48. Why the long distance trade of 19th century changed its direction from north to eastward? (1)

- A.** The Djibouti-Addis Ababa railway **B.** The opening of the ports of Asab
- C.** The decline of Matamma as inland port **D.** Shift of the capital to Gondar

49. During the Emperor Haileselassie Ethiopia's external relation was mainly with (1)

- A. Soviet Union
B. China
C. United State of America
D. Arabian countries

50. The cause for Egyptians conquer from 1869-1876 was (1)

- A. Khedive Ismail interest to control the head water of the Nile
- B. To colonize Ethiopia and the neighbouring countries
- C. To control the trade route along the Red sea
- D. To control the trade route along the Gulf of Aden

51. Yohannes Iv was killed by the Mahdists at the battle of : (1)