1) Which of the following North American cities does NOT have the majority of its population on an island or a series of islands?
   a) Montreal
   b) Honolulu
   c) Vancouver
   d) New York City

2) A bird watching trip to the taiga biome could yield which of the following sightings?
   a) Pine Grosbeaks huddling to keep warm in spruce trees
   b) A Crested Mynah singing its mating call in date palms
   c) The Dusky Seaside Sparrow elusively darting through the sawgrass
   d) The Standard-winged Nightjar flying at night in Northern Ghana

3) What is one thing NOT true about BOTH Oklahoma and West Virginia?
   a) Resource extraction is an important part of their economy.
   b) They both have panhandle regions
   c) Their capitals are their largest cities.
   d) They both border six states

4) Which country is one of the countries you would pass through traveling in a straight line west to east from Lagos, Nigeria to Juba, South Sudan?
   a) Cameroon
   b) Uganda
   c) Sudan
   d) Gabon

5) Guayaquil and Callao are ports along what body of water?
   a) Rio de la Plata
   b) Pacific Ocean
   c) Mediterranean Sea
   d) Caribbean Sea

6) Which of the following is not an Australian state or territorial capital?
   a) Perth
   b) Brisbane
   c) Hobart
   d) Alice Springs
7) Which of the following Chinese cities is NOT coastal?
   a) Dalian  
   b) Qingdao  
   c) Beijing  
   d) Tianjin

8) Which of the following UK sites is not in England?
   a) Giant’s Causeway  
   b) Stonehenge  
   c) Hadrian’s Wall  
   d) Buckingham Palace

9) If you wanted to hit the disco in Ibiza, you’d be partying in what archipelago?
   a) Malta  
   b) Canary Islands  
   c) Madeira Islands  
   d) Balearic Islands

10) UPS’ American hub is what city, across the Ohio River from Jeffersonville, Indiana and also the
hometown of Muhammad Ali?
    a) Memphis, Tennessee  
    b) Bloomington, Indiana  
    c) Louisville, Kentucky  
    d) Cincinnati, Ohio

11) Dwight Eisenhower is credited for the creation of what important feature of America’s geography?
    a) Interstate highway system  
    b) Hoover Dam  
    c) Amtrak  
    d) National park system

12) Which of the following mountain ranges is located at a plate boundary?
    a) Appalachians  
    b) Himalayas  
    c) Urals  
    d) Caucasus

13) Diwali, the Festival of Lights, is most closely associated with what country?
    a) India  
    b) Canada  
    c) Israel  
    d) Ethiopia
14) What is the term for the process by which oceanic crust is pushed under continental crust?
   a) Subversion
   b) Seafloor discomposition
   c) Subduction
   d) Downcasting

15) Which of the following is NOT the name of a disputed area in the Caucasus region?
   a) Abkhazia
   b) Transdnistria
   c) South Ossetia
   d) Nagorno-Karabakh

16) Which of the following figures is closest to the population of the United States?
   a) 270 million
   b) 310 million
   c) 390 million
   d) 440 million

17) Mosul, Kirkuk, and Karbala are cities in what country?
   a) Syria
   b) Israel
   c) Afghanistan
   d) Iraq

18) The country of Singapore was a colony of what country?
   a) Portugal
   b) The Netherlands
   c) France
   d) United Kingdom

19) Which of the following river systems is the longest?
   a) Congo
   b) Orange
   c) Zambezi
   d) Niger

20) Which Latin American country, saw a rare, Southern Hemisphere hurricane make landfall several years ago in its Santa Catarina state?
   a) Venezuela
   b) Brazil
   c) Argentina
   d) Paraguay
21) What is the term that refers to the three European nations north of France and west of Germany that uses letters from each of their names?
   a) Switzgiumstein  
   b) Holdenaus  
   c) Benelux  
   d) Swednorlands

22) Ras Dashen, located north of Lake Tana, is the highest peak in what landlocked east African country?
   a) Ethiopia  
   b) Malawí  
   c) Somalia  
   d) South Sudan

23) What precious stone gives its name to third-longest river system in China?
   a) Diamond  
   b) Ruby  
   c) Pearl  
   d) Opal

24) Which island is the world’s most linguistically diverse, with over 15% of the world’s spoken languages?
   a) Madagascar  
   b) New Guinea  
   c) Sri Lanka  
   d) Rhode Island

25) Which of the following African countries has Islam as its predominant religion?
   a) Cameroon  
   b) Zimbabwe  
   c) Kenya  
   d) Sudan

26) The Coriolis Effect is created by what phenomena?
   a) Earth’s revolution around the sun  
   b) Sailnity of the ocean  
   c) Humidity of the atmosphere  
   d) Spin of the earth

27) Most common world map projections are of what geometric type?
   a) Cylindrical  
   b) Conic  
   c) Azimuthal  
   d) All types are equally common
28) Pamplona, Lourdes, and Toulouse all cities near what mountain range?
   a) Pennine Alps
   b) Apennines
   c) Pyrenees
   d) Carpathians

29) Which of the following rivers is spanned by a bridge featuring the humblebragging slogan “Trenton makes, the world takes”?
   a) Pennsylvania
   b) Schuylkill
   c) Hudson
   d) Delaware

30) Which of the following is not an independent, sovereign country?
   a) Anguilla
   b) Antigua and Barbuda
   c) Dominica
   d) St. Lucia

31) The Great Enclosure is an Iron Age ruin of a palace in the “Great” complex that shares its name with what country?
   a) Lesotho
   b) Zimbabwe
   c) Nigeria
   d) Central African Republic

32) What is the name of the desert that dominates southern Israel?
   a) Rub’ al Khali
   b) Negev
   c) Nubian
   d) Karakum

33) For what or whom was America named?
   a) From the French “à mer,” meaning “to sea”
   b) Rough translation from the Powhatan word for “place of the succotash-eaters”
   c) Amerigo Vespucci, an Italian explorer
   d) Iamriga, the Latvian goddess of cities
34) If you wanted to visit the ABBA museum and wear a wreath on St. Lucia’s Day as an AFS exchange student, you should apply to study in which country?
   a) Norway
   b) Denmark
   c) Sweden
   d) Iceland

35) Which of the following mountains is not part of the Andes?
   a) Huascaran
   b) Chimborazo
   c) Aconcagua
   d) Popocatepetl

36) Which of the following capital cities is not on an island?
   a) Mbabane
   b) Antananarivo
   c) Praia
   d) Malabo

37) Black Canyon of the Gunnison, Great Sand Dunes, and Mesa Verde are three of the four national parks in what state?
   a) Colorado
   b) California
   c) Florida
   d) Texas

38) In November 2013, Typhoon Haiyan, also known as Typhoon Yolanda, took over 6,200 lives in what country, where the island of Leyte was devastated?
   a) Cambodia
   b) The Philippines
   c) India
   d) Indonesia

39) The 1805 Battle of Trafalgar took place near Cadiz off the coast of what country?
   a) Algeria
   b) Italy
   c) Portugal
   d) Spain
40) What is the name of the body of water that separates Madagascar from the mainland?
   a) da Gama Passage
   b) Zuba River
   c) Tanzania Strait
   d) Mozambique Channel

41) In which city can you go skiing indoors and get your picture taken with a flock of confused, imported penguins?
   a) Baghdad
   b) Dubai
   c) Kabul
   d) Tuscaloosa

42) In which of the following countries would you have the hardest time attending a Grand Slam tennis event?
   a) China
   b) United Kingdom
   c) Australia
   d) France

43) The RCMP might need to respond to a lost hiker on Mount Logan in which country?
   a) Canada
   b) Australia
   c) The United Kingdom
   d) Ireland

44) Which of the following countries existed as an independent state with the same name in 1985?
   a) Belarus
   b) Slovakia
   c) Romania
   d) Croatia

45) Back Bay, the “T”, and the North End are all features of what American city?
   a) Philadelphia, PA
   b) Chicago, IL
   c) Boston, MA
   d) Richmond, VA
46) The naval force of what landlocked country is based on Lake Titicaca?
   a) Guyana  
   b) Paraguay  
   c) Bolivia  
   d) Peru

47) *Shinkansen* is the name of what transportation innovation?
   a) Taiwan’s toll road system  
   b) Japan’s bullet train  
   c) Osaka’s new airport  
   d) Hiroshima’s container port

48) What are the name for the six shallow, rocky stretches of the Nile River in Egypt and Sudan?
   a) wadis  
   b) cataracts  
   c) falldowns  
   d) simbels

49) Tikal was?
   a) A historic site, featuring a stepped pyramid temple, in the northern part of Guatemala  
   b) A pre-Columbian Aztec tickling ritual, inflicted prior to cannibalism  
   c) A thin wafer of barley, eaten by the priestesses of Demeter in ancient Greece  
   d) The lost, thirteenth month of the French Revolutionary calendar recently rediscovered in a musty, Parisian archive while Dan Brown was researching his next lamentable book

50) Lithuania is planning on joining what economic group in 2015, a group to which the United Kingdom is notably not a member?
   a) NATO  
   b) European Coal and Steel Community  
   c) European Union  
   d) Eurozone