



International Geography Bee

The United States Geography Olympiad & The International Geography Bee 2017-2018 National Qualifying Exam – H 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 these cities has the highest mean temperatures in January?
A. Boston B. Miami C. St. Louis D. Bismarck
- ____ 2. Lake Champlain lies between Vermont and which other Northeastern US state?
A. Delaware B. New Hampshire C. Wisconsin D. New York
- ____ 3. A physical geographer would be least likely to focus their studies on which of the following?
A. Geomorphology B. Oceanography C. Linguistics D. Climatology
- ____ 4. The Yangtze River ends in a delta near Shanghai in which country?
A. Israel B. Mexico C. France D. China
- ____ 5. What is the major religion of Slovenia and the countries it borders, such as Italy?
A. Shintoism B. Hinduism C. Islam D. Christianity
- ____ 6. San Marino shares which official language with the country that surrounds it?
A. French B. Italian C. Chinese D. Greek
- ____ 7. This question was written in the Pocono Mountains in which US state, not far from Scranton?
A. Kentucky B. Montana C. Florida D. Pennsylvania
- ____ 8. Which of the following words is not associated with caves?
A. Spelunking B. Stalactite C. Stalagmite D. Irrigation

- ____ 9. Which lake is located in the northern reaches of Canada?
A. Great Bear B. Tanganyika C. Baikal D. Vostok
- ____ 10. What language is not considered to be one of the six official languages of the United Nations?
A. Arabic B. Spanish C. Russian D. Finnish
- ____ 11. France colonized Vietnam. The United Kingdom colonized India. Which European country did not colonize any African or Asian countries?
A. Belgium B. Poland C. Portugal D. Italy
- ____ 12. Which of these countries has the highest Gross Domestic Product (GDP)?
A. Lesotho B. Niger C. South Africa D. Chad
- ____ 13. Rising sea levels are of least concern in which of the following cities?
A. Amsterdam B. New York City C. Kansas City D. Singapore
- ____ 14. A swimmer once successfully swam to Florida from which of these countries?
A. St. Lucia B. Jamaica C. Dominican Republic D. Cuba
- ____ 15. If you were studying as an AFS exchange student in Ankara or Istanbul, you could send a postcard from which country, which is considered to be on two continents?
A. Germany B. Madagascar C. South Africa D. Turkey
- ____ 16. Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines are most at risk from which of the following natural disasters?
A. Earthquakes B. Hurricanes C. Avalanches D. Blizzards
- ____ 17. Residents of the "Centennial" state live in cities like Boulder, Aurora, and Pueblo in which state?
A. Colorado B. Florida C. Tennessee D. New Hampshire
- ____ 18. Sapporo, on the island of Hokkaido, hosted the 1972 Winter Olympics in which country?
A. Hong Kong B. Bhutan C. Japan D. North Korea
- ____ 19. Which of the following countries is located the farthest from Vatican City?
A. Albania B. Iceland C. Austria D. France
- ____ 20. Ernest Hemingway described the annual Running of the Bulls in Pamplona in which country?
A. Colombia B. Germany C. Spain D. Slovakia
- ____ 21. The Coast Mountains are in the westernmost Canadian province, which is:
A. Greenland B. British Columbia C. Oregon D. Quebec
- ____ 22. Based on its geographic location from north to south, what state is missing from this list: North Dakota, South Dakota, _____, Kansas
A. Iowa B. Missouri C. Nebraska D. Oklahoma

