



International
Geography Bee

**The United States Geography Championships & The International Geography Bee
2019-2020 National Qualifying Exam – E Set Version**

NAME: _____ GRADE: _____ (e.g. 5th, 6th, 7th, etc.)

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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 the following is not part of the United Kingdom?
A) Scotland B) England C) Wales D) Belgium
- _____ 2) The USA's tallest mountain, Denali, is found in Alaska, and used to be named for which president?
A) Bill Clinton B) Millard Fillmore C) William McKinley D) Barack Obama
- _____ 3) What is the most commonly spoken native language in the Canadian province of Quebec?
A) Spanish B) French C) Italian D) Chinese
- _____ 4) Which of these states is where bayous and Cajun Country are found near the city of Lafayette?
A) Hawaii B) Louisiana C) South Dakota D) Delaware
- _____ 5) Which of these cities is found in Northern Italy and was recently awarded the rights to host the 2026 Winter Olympics?
A) Milan B) Montreal C) Moscow D) Mumbai
- _____ 6) Which of these countries has a flag featuring an eagle holding a snake in the middle?
A) Canada B) Mexico C) Japan D) China
- _____ 7) Which ocean is by area the world's largest?
A) Atlantic B) Pacific C) Indian D) Arctic
- _____ 8) In what cardinal direction would you primarily travel to go from Anchorage to Honolulu?
A) North B) South C) East D) West
- _____ 9) Which of these cities would be most likely to be impacted by lake effect snow?
A) Cleveland B) Dallas C) Charlotte D) Tampa
- _____ 10) In which African country would you find the Great Pyramid of Giza and the nearby Sphinx?
A) South Africa B) Morocco C) Gabon D) Egypt

- _____ 11) Which of these deserts can be found in Mongolia and China?
A) Sahara B) Mojave C) Gobi D) Kalahari
- _____ 12) In which of these countries could you swim in both the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea?
A) Canada B) Argentina C) Costa Rica D) Cuba
- _____ 13) Which of these US states has the largest population of any state?
A) California B) Pennsylvania C) Virginia D) Nebraska
- _____ 14) Which of the following pairs of two oceans does Australia border?
A) Arctic and Atlantic B) Pacific and Atlantic C) Arctic and Pacific D) Indian and Pacific
- _____ 15) In which country can you visit the Eiffel Tower and the Louvre Museum?
A) Russia B) Spain C) Italy D) France
- _____ 16) The Incan Civilization prospered during the late 15th century on which continent?
A) South America B) Europe C) Asia D) Africa
- _____ 17) Which of these cities is farthest away from New York City?
A) Dayton, OH B) Dover, DE C) Denver, CO D) Detroit, MI
- _____ 18) South Africa completely surrounds which of these other African countries?
A) Kenya B) Nigeria C) Algeria D) Lesotho
- _____ 19) During the Civil War, which of these states was not part of the Confederate States of America?
A) North Carolina B) Mississippi C) Georgia D) Michigan
- _____ 20) Which European river is the only one in the world to flow through four national capitals?
A) Thames B) Seine C) Tiber D) Danube
- _____ 21) Muslims pray facing the direction of which city, the holiest in Islam?
A) Jerusalem B) Mecca C) Rome D) Baghdad
- _____ 22) The Prime Meridian is also the same as which line of longitude?
A) 180 degrees B) 90 degrees East C) 90 degrees West D) 0 degrees
- _____ 23) Which of these countries is separated from mainland Africa by the Mozambique Channel?
A) Ghana B) Madagascar C) Angola D) Cape Verde
- _____ 24) Which of these countries was once part of the Soviet Union?
A) Iran B) Pakistan C) India D) Kazakhstan
- _____ 25) Which of these US cities is home to a major naval base?
A) Las Vegas B) San Diego C) Minneapolis D) Oklahoma City
- _____ 26) Provence, Brittany, and Normandy are three regions you could visit on a trip to which country?
A) Spain B) France C) Bulgaria D) Sweden
- _____ 27) Which of these Chinese cities was controlled by the United Kingdom for over one hundred years until 1997?
A) Beijing B) Shanghai C) Hong Kong D) Macau

- _____ 28) The highest mountains in the world are found in which mountain range?
A) Appalachians B) Alps C) Ozarks D) Himalayas
- _____ 29) Which of these US cities is nicknamed the Mile High City due to its elevation?
A) Denver B) Seattle C) Omaha D) El Paso
- _____ 30) Which of these countries is a major producer of rice for the world market?
A) Kyrgyzstan B) Thailand C) Sweden D) New Zealand
- _____ 31) In which of these African countries could you go on safari in Serengeti National Park?
A) South Africa B) Tanzania C) Morocco D) Libya
- _____ 32) Piranhas are native to which of the following river basins?
A) Mississippi B) Amazon C) Rhine D) Yangtze
- _____ 33) By land area, what is the second-largest American state?
A) Alaska B) Colorado C) Arizona D) Texas
- _____ 34) Manchuria and Tibet are historical regions that are parts of which Asian country?
A) India B) Nepal C) China D) Japan
- _____ 35) Switzerland and Austria completely surround which tiny European country?
A) Monaco B) Vatican City C) Liechtenstein D) Andorra
- _____ 36) This question was written in Bergen County in which most densely populated US state?
A) Connecticut B) New Jersey C) California D) Delaware
- _____ 37) To travel the shortest way from Chicago to Tokyo by airplane, you would fly over which state?
A) California B) Tennessee C) Alaska D) Oregon
- _____ 38) Denmark and Equatorial Guinea share what odd geographic distinction?
A) They are both doubly landlocked (i.e. both are surrounded by landlocked countries).
B) Their national capitals are not on a continental mainland, but the majority of their landmass is.
C) They are the only countries in the world to have land below sea level.
D) They are the only two countries in the world where women outlive men on average.
- _____ 39) Which river serves as part as the border between the USA and Mexico?
A) Arkansas River B) Ohio River C) Missouri River D) Rio Grande
- _____ 40) Which of these states sees more tornadoes each year on average than the other three?
A) Vermont B) Utah C) Oklahoma D) Hawaii
- _____ 41) Which of these countries is not a member state of the European Union?
A) Russia B) Germany C) Italy D) France
- _____ 42) Which of these is the largest island by area in the USA?
A) Key West B) Hawaii (the Big Island) C) Maui D) Nantucket
- _____ 43) Which Canadian province is home to the major cities of Calgary and Edmonton?
A) Ontario B) Nova Scotia C) New Brunswick D) Alberta

- _____ 44) Nelson Mandela helped end the apartheid era of racial discrimination in which country?
A) South Africa B) Angola C) Ghana D) Ethiopia
- _____ 45) Aotearoa is the Maori name for which country?
A) Tonga B) Vanuatu C) Australia D) New Zealand
- _____ 46) Venezuela is a member of which of these organizations, which is a multinational oil cartel?
A) OPEC B) ASEAN C) Arab League D) African Union
- _____ 47) Which of these countries consists entirely of islands in the Pacific Ocean?
A) Seychelles B) Tuvalu C) Maldives D) Comoros
- _____ 48) Which of these states of India is located in the south of that country?
A) Assam B) Himachal Pradesh C) Tamil Nadu D) Rajasthan
- _____ 49) If, as an AFS exchange student, you were living with a family near the Hofbräuhaus in a city that was the third largest by population in its country, you would be studying where?
A) Munich B) Hamburg C) Düsseldorf D) Vienna
- _____ 50) Which of these countries has the highest population of the Uyghur ethnic group?
A) China B) Saudi Arabia C) Pakistan D) Philippines