



International  
Geography Bee

**The United States Geography Championships & The International Geography Bee  
2019-2020 National Qualifying Exam – F 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 two countries do the 48 contiguous United States have land borders with?  
A) Canada & Russia      B) Canada & Mexico      C) Mexico & Belize      D) Canada & Jamaica
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2) Which island was used as a prison, making escape very difficult, and is located in San Francisco Bay?  
A) Ellis Island      B) Liberty Island      C) Alcatraz Island      D) Long Island
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) Which of these countries is located on the Iberian Peninsula?  
A) Ireland      B) Portugal      C) Switzerland      D) Germany
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) In which of the following cities could you visit Big Ben and Buckingham Palace?  
A) Paris      B) London      C) Rome      D) Moscow
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) Which of the following rivers is sacred to Hindus and ultimately flows into the Bay of Bengal?  
A) Delaware      B) Rhine      C) Amazon      D) Ganges
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) Which of these countries includes a portion of the Sahara Desert?  
A) Libya      B) South Africa      C) Madagascar      D) Kenya
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7) Which of these states does NOT touch the other three at the Four Corners point in the Southwest?  
A) Utah      B) Colorado      C) New Mexico      D) Montana
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8) Which of these countries is located entirely within the Southern Hemisphere?  
A) Austria      B) Australia      C) Afghanistan      D) Andorra
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9) If, as an AFS exchange student, you lived with a host family in Nagoya and took a shinkansen, or bullet train, to visit another student in Kobe, then you would be studying where?  
A) Japan      B) China      C) North Korea      D) Bhutan
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10) Which of these states has a palmetto tree on its flag, and is also known as the Palmetto State?  
A) Texas      B) South Carolina      C) Maine      D) Illinois

- \_\_\_\_\_ 11) Which of the Great Lakes is the only one that is located entirely within the USA?  
A) Lake Ontario      B) Lake Superior      C) Lake Erie      D) Lake Michigan
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12) If you went on a hiking trip up Mount Kilimanjaro, you could stand next to a sign saying what?  
A) "Welcome to Angola!"      B) "World's only active volcano"  
C) "Africa's Highest Point"      D) "From here you can see 20 countries"
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13) Which of these countries has a capital city that lies on the world's most populous island?  
A) Thailand      B) Indonesia      C) Vietnam      D) South Korea
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14) In which ocean do the Equator and the International Date Line intersect?  
A) Atlantic      B) Arctic      C) Indian      D) Pacific
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15) Which country is home to Nunavut, a territory where many Inuit people live?  
A) USA      B) Mexico      C) Canada      D) Barbados
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16) In which of these cities could you find the site of the ancient Circus Maximus and the Coliseum?  
A) Rome      B) Madrid      C) Milan      D) Barcelona
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17) Which of these US cities features the hottest year-round climate?  
A) Chicago      B) Phoenix      C) Boston      D) Seattle
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18) In which of these countries do people primarily speak a language from the Sino-Tibetan language family?  
A) Japan      B) South Korea      C) Russia      D) China
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19) Which of these countries contains part of the Southern Cone of South America?  
A) Venezuela      B) Colombia      C) Ecuador      D) Argentina
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20) Which of these African rivers also partly names two countries in Central Africa?  
A) Nile      B) Congo      C) Zambezi      D) Orange
- \_\_\_\_\_ 21) Which of these cities is found closest to the northernmost point of the Alaskan mainland?  
A) Juneau      B) Anchorage      C) Sitka      D) Barrow
- \_\_\_\_\_ 22) In which cardinal direction would you primarily travel to go the shortest route from Dallas to Houston?  
A) North      B) South      C) East      D) West
- \_\_\_\_\_ 23) Which of these countries is considered a part of Central America?  
A) Canada      B) Guatemala      C) Brazil      D) Chile
- \_\_\_\_\_ 24) The USA has the same three colors on its flag as which European country?  
A) Germany      B) Italy      C) France      D) Belgium
- \_\_\_\_\_ 25) Which of these Asian countries possesses nuclear weapons?  
A) India      B) Nepal      C) Uzbekistan      D) Cambodia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 26) Which of these islands contains the majority of the population of the state of Hawaii?  
A) Maui      B) Oahu      C) Kauai      D) Molokai

- \_\_\_\_\_ 27) Which is the northernmost capital city among all UN member state countries?  
A) Reykjavik, Iceland B) London, United Kingdom C) Moscow, Russia D) Berlin, Germany
- \_\_\_\_\_ 28) Which of these states is located in New England?  
A) Pennsylvania B) North Carolina C) Connecticut D) Indiana
- \_\_\_\_\_ 29) Which sea bordering Iran and Russia is considered the world's largest lake?  
A) Salton Sea B) Caspian Sea C) Aral Sea D) Sea of Azov
- \_\_\_\_\_ 30) In which of these African countries is Arabic the most commonly spoken language?  
A) South Africa B) Ghana C) Egypt D) Kenya
- \_\_\_\_\_ 31) Which is the largest continent by land area in the world?  
A) North America B) Asia C) Antarctica D) Africa
- \_\_\_\_\_ 32) Which country's traditional cuisine features paella, chorizo, gazpacho, and tapas dishes?  
A) China B) Spain C) Germany D) Russia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 33) Which of these countries is known as a major oil exporter?  
A) Saudi Arabia B) Mongolia C) Liechtenstein D) Saint Lucia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 34) The Emerald Isle is a popular nickname for which island off the coast of continental Europe?  
A) Sicily B) Corsica C) Great Britain D) Ireland
- \_\_\_\_\_ 35) Which Asian country is hosting the 2020 Summer Olympics on its island of Honshu?  
A) Philippines B) Malaysia C) Japan D) Indonesia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 36) Portland is the name of the largest city by population in which two states?  
A) Iowa & Utah B) Colorado & Wyoming C) Oregon & Maine D) Nebraska & Ohio
- \_\_\_\_\_ 37) The Orinoco, Rio de la Plata, and Parana are all rivers on which continent?  
A) North America B) South America C) Europe D) Asia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 38) Regarding American politics, which of these four states is, on the whole, the most conservative?  
A) Texas B) Massachusetts C) Maryland D) New York
- \_\_\_\_\_ 39) Which of these deserts is, in part, found in the African country of Botswana?  
A) Gobi B) Mojave C) Atacama D) Kalahari
- \_\_\_\_\_ 40) Which island is closest to the Mariana Trench, the deepest part of the Pacific Ocean?  
A) Guam B) Hawaii C) Puerto Rico D) Key West
- \_\_\_\_\_ 41) Which of these Canadian cities is located in one of the Prairie Provinces?  
A) Vancouver B) Montreal C) Halifax D) Saskatoon
- \_\_\_\_\_ 42) Idaho was the leading producer of which crop in 2018 among US states?  
A) Apples B) Corn C) Wheat D) Potatoes
- \_\_\_\_\_ 43) Which historical province of the Roman Empire was located roughly where modern Romania is?  
A) Britannia B) Lusitania C) Dacia D) Aegyptus

- \_\_\_\_\_ 44) Which of these Chinese cities belonged to Portugal until 1999?  
A) Beijing                      B) Wuhan                      C) Macau                      D) Hong Kong
- \_\_\_\_\_ 45) Hurricanes are least likely to make a direct strike on which of these US states?  
A) Florida                      B) Texas                      C) North Carolina                      D) Delaware
- \_\_\_\_\_ 46) Which of these countries was not once part of the Soviet Union?  
A) Lebanon                      B) Azerbaijan                      C) Armenia                      D) Georgia
- \_\_\_\_\_ 47) Which of these slogans is found on most New Hampshire license plates?  
A) Don't Tread on Me                      B) Don't Mess with New Hampshire  
C) Live Free or Die                      D) Green Mountain State
- \_\_\_\_\_ 48) This question was written in the third largest country by population in the world in 2019, so it was written where?  
A) Russia                      B) India                      C) USA                      D) Brazil
- \_\_\_\_\_ 49) Which national capital is found farther south than the Tropic of Capricorn?  
A) Montevideo                      B) Antananarivo                      C) Port Moresby                      D) Luanda
- \_\_\_\_\_ 50) Lake Tana is the source of which African river?  
A) Blue Nile                      B) White Nile                      C) Niger                      D) Limpopo