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GRADE 8

SOCIAL STUDIES

JUNE 2018

Time: 2 HOURS

PLUS 10 MINUTES FOR READING THROUGH THE PAPER

INSTRUCTIONS:

- This paper consists of **12** printed pages.
- Count them now. Inform the invigilator if there are any pages missing or extra ones.

This Exam consists of **THREE**:

Part One:	30 Multiple Choice	60 Marks
Part Two:	8 Structured questions	40 Marks

TOTAL 100 Marks

- Answer **ALL** questions in Part 1 and Part 2.
- Calculator, Mobile and extra papers are not allowed.

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PART ONE Multiple choice questions

(30 questions X 20 = 60 Marks)

Instructions: Circle the correct answer for each question.

1. The most important religions followed by African communities include
 - a. Islam
 - b. Christianity
 - c. Hinduism
 - d. All.

2. The Tuariq people speak one common language and have been living for a long period of time in
 - a. At the edges of Africa
 - b. The western parts of East Africa
 - c. At the edges of the Sahara Desert
 - d. At the corners of the Kalahari Desert.

3. The African continent occupies in an area of
 - a. 304,000,000 Km²
 - b. 30,400,000 Km²
 - c. 34,000,000 Km²
 - d. 40,000,000 Km²

4. The highest mountain peak in Ethiopia is known as
 - a. Ras Dashen
 - b. Kilimanjaro
 - c. Surad
 - d. Elgon.



5. The type of commercial farming for exportation is known as
- Traditional cultivation
 - Mixed farming
 - Plantation
 - Modern farming
6. The techniques for preventing soil erosion include:
- Over-grazing
 - Deforestation
 - Continuous cultivation
 - Crop rotation.
7. The difference between the length of the day and night is due to
- The rotation of the Earth on its Axis
 - The revolution of the Earth round the sun
 - The rotation of the Sun on its Axis
 - The revolution of the Sun round the Earth .
8. The day and night results from
- Earth's rotation on its Axis
 - Earth's revolution round the Sun
 - Earth's revolution round the moon
 - Earth's revolution round other planets.
9. The line that divides the Globe into two hemispheres(North and South) is known as
- Prime Meridian
 - Equator
 - Tropic of Cancer
 - Tropic of Capricorn.

10. When one ethnic group decides to wipe out or eliminate another ethnic group due to hatred, suspicion or revenge is known as
- Colonization
 - Massacre
 - Discrimination
 - Genocide.
11. Which of the following has the largest population in the world?
- China
 - India
 - USA
 - Brazil.
12. The rainy season for the temperate climate zone takes place during the months of
- June to August
 - September to November
 - March to May
 - December to February.
13. Which of the following is the layer of the atmosphere nearest to the Earth in which the daily weather changes take place?
- Troposphere
 - Stratosphere
 - Thermosphere
 - Ionosphere.



14. The major staple food crop in Somaliland is

- a. Rice
- b. Maize
- c. Wheat
- d. Barley.

15. Which of the following is the leading rice producing country?

- a. Burma
- b. Japan
- c. China
- d. India.

16. The first thread used by early peoples to make cloth from it was:

- a. Animal wool
- b. Cotton
- c. Silk
- d. Sisal.

17. One of the most endangered mammals that are facing extinction are estimated to

be

- a. 20%
- b. 24%
- c. 12%
- d. 14%.

18. Turtles live in the sea and come ashore only when they are

- a. taking sunshine
- b. eating
- c. mating
- d. Laying eggs.

19. Mining affects the environment because of the following

- a. It makes ugly holes in the earth
- b. It causes excessive garbage
- c. It causes high temperatures
- d. It causes deforestation

20. King Dinga Cise is the founder of the

- a. Zimbabwe kingdom
- b. Ancient Ghana
- c. Ancient Mali
- d. Ancient Songhai

21. Songhai originated from fishermen and rose

- a. During the 5th century A.D
- b. During the 7th century A.D
- c. During the 9th century A.D
- d. During the 10th century A.D.

22. If it is 6:00 A.M in Hargeisa at 45° E Meridian, what will the time be in Accra at 0°
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- a. At 7:00 A.M
- b. At 9:00 A.M
- c. At 8:00 A.M
- d. At 3:00 A.M.

23. The slave trade began in Africa

- a. In the 16th century
- b. In the 14th century
- c. In the 15th century
- d. In the 19th century.



24. The Slave Trade in which human beings were shipped from west Africa to the Americas, and then processed goods from Europe to West Africa is known as
- a. The Atlantic Triangle Trade
 - b. The Atlantic square Trade
 - c. The Atlantic Two-way Trade
 - d. The Atlantic Barter Trade.
25. The major purpose behind the 1884-85 Berlin Conference was
- a. To develop Africans
 - b. To divide Africa among Europeans
 - c. To develop Europe
 - d. To smoothen relations between Africa and Europe.
26. The major colonial power which got lion's share in colonizing Africa was
- a. France
 - b. Italy
 - c. Germany
 - d. Britain.
27. Early Egyptian civilization began in the rich delta
- a. Near River Nile
 - b. Near River Niger
 - c. Near the big lakes
 - d. Near the coasts of the Red Sea.
28. The early civilization that began in Iraq was known as
- a. Persia
 - b. Mesopotamia
 - c. Maghreb
 - d. Euphrates.



28. The earliest script in Asia was invented by

- a. Egyptians
- b. Turkish people
- c. Sumerians
- d. Persians

30. The first doctor who invented the Penicillin, an antibiotic was

- a. Alexander the Great
- b. Mussolini
- c. Adolf Hitler
- d. Alexander Fleming



PART TWO Structured questions

(40 marks)

1. Write down five features of the traditional cultivation methods. (5 marks)

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2. List down the main factors that affect on population distribution. (5 marks)

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3. Describe the major physical features of the Earth's surface. (5 marks)

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4. It is 6.00 A.M in London at 0° what will be the time in X at 45° W? (5 marks)

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5. State five climatic regions found in Africa. (5 marks)

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6. Write down five functions of the General Assembly of the United Nations Organization. (5 marks)

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7. Write down five social services which the central government carries out to meet the needs of the society (5 marks)

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8. Write down names of five organs of the African Union. (5 marks)

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