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## Social Studies Final Exam / 7<sup>th</sup> Grade World 2015

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**Instructions:** You are permitted to use an atlas, globe and an Almanac as needed. You may not use a computer or communicate with other students during the exam.

### Geography Skills Section (10 pts. Each)

*Use an atlas, globe, and an Almanac to show me your skills...*

Determine the approximate latitude and longitude of Petropavlovsk-Kamchatskiy.

If it is 5 AM in Louisville Colorado, what time is it in Katmandu?

If it is spring in Louisville Colorado, what season is it in Madrid?

What do they call their currency (Monetary Unit) in Kazakhstan?

How many TV sets do they have per 1000 people in Croatia?

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**Instructions:** Choose the best answer for each question. You may use your Atlas only. (Each question is worth 2 pts)

#### Asia Misc.

1. What is the significance of the date - Sunday June 21st 10:39 AM Denver time?
  - a) It is the Summer Solstice in the Northern Hemisphere
  - b) The direct overhead sun will be right over the Tropic of Cancer
  - c) It will be the first day of winter in Argentina
  - d) We will experience our longest day and shortest night in North America
  - e) All of this is true - plus it's Summer Break!
2. Which mountain range separates what we call Asia from what we call Europe?
  - a) Atlas
  - b) Himalayas
  - c) Alps
  - d) Ural
  - e) Andes

3. The deepest place on Earth is an ocean trench in the Pacific which is about 36,201' deep. It is so deep that Mount Everest would be able to fit down in the bottom of it and there would still be 7,166 feet of water over the top of it! It has only been visited by humans twice. Located at about 11 N, 142 E, What is this trench called?

- a) Indonesian Trench
- b) Mariana Trench
- c) Tibetan Trench
- d) Sri Lankan Trench
- e) The Catalonian Trench

4. The highest elevation on Earth is also in Asia. At 29,035' what is the world's highest mountain?

- a) Mount Fuji
- b) Mount Blanc
- c) Mount Everest
- d) Mount Olympus
- e) K2

5. Monsoon Asia is a region with basically two seasons, a rainy season and a dry season. What is a monsoon?

- a) Heavy Snow
- b) Seasonal Winds
- c) Typhoons
- d) Seasonal Tsunamis
- e) Earthquakes

6. Which U.S. war was fought in a dry and cool mountainous climate sort of like Colorado, from about 1950 – 53 (this one never officially ended but there is a "cease fire" agreement in place)?

- a) Korean War
- b) Vietnam War
- c) Mexican War
- d) Civil War
- e) Persian Gulf War

7. Which U.S. war was fought in a hot and humid, tropical place from about 1961 to 1975? It is an area that was once called French Indochina from about 1887-1954.

- a) Korean War
- b) Vietnam War
- c) Mexican War
- d) Civil War
- e) Persian Gulf War

8. One out of every five people in the world live in this country. It is also home to the longest manmade structure in the world which is visible from space.

- a) India
- b) Japan
- c) Indonesia
- d) China
- e) Mongolia

9. Trees are even harder to come by than people in this, the world's largest landlocked Nation. It has a really high, cool, and dry climate. Genghis Khan was from here.

- a) India
- b) Japan
- c) Indonesia
- d) China
- e) Mongolia

10. In the 1990's the Taliban, a militant Islamic group seized control of this country. A Saudi born man named Osama bin Laden and his group Al Qaeda ("The Base or foundation") also a Militant Islamist group, were then permitted to operate and train here leading to the attacks on 911 in the United States.

- a) India
- b) Nepal
- c) Pakistan
- d) Afghanistan
- e) Mongolia

#### **Forms of Government**

11. After the end of WWII, a new threat to world peace emerged. This new threat led the United States into conflicts first in Korea and then in Vietnam. Which one of the following forms of government were we so concerned about?

- a) New Republics
- b) Spread of Communism
- c) Spread of Nutella
- d) Dictatorships
- e) Flying Squirrel governments

12. Rule by one individual with total control over all aspects of people's lives. An example would be North Korea.

- a) Democracy
- b) Dictatorship
- c) Monarchy
- d) Republic
- e) Socialism

13. Rule by a Royal family blood line (Kings and Queens). An example would be Thailand.

- a) Democracy
- b) Dictatorship
- c) Monarchy
- d) Republic
- e) Socialism

14. A form of government where groups of citizens are selected to represent the interests of individuals, local and state governments and the nation as a whole. An example is the USA.

- a) Democracy
- b) Dictatorship
- c) Monarchy
- d) Republic
- e) Socialism

15. A political and economic system where the government controls many aspects of people's lives to keep order, provide social services and equalize opportunities. An example would be China.

- a) Democracy
- b) Dictatorship
- c) Monarchy
- d) Republic
- e) Socialism

### World Religion Part II

16. Life involves suffering, suffering results from people desiring worldly things, suffering eventually ends with Nirvana, and that the way to Nirvana is to follow the eightfold path. These central Buddhist beliefs are known as?

- a) Wheel of carnation
- b) The Four noble truths
- c) Reincarnation
- d) Sikhism
- e) The Five K's

17. Brahma the creator, Vishnu the preserver, and Shiva the destroyer, are three of the primary gods for what polytheistic religion?

- a) Hinduism
- b) Buddhism
- c) Taoism
- d) Islam
- e) Sikhism

18. Which is the best description for "Karma"?

- a) Repeated rebirth and reincarnation
- b) Thoughts and actions now will come back to me later
- c) The Four Noble Truths
- d) The Five K's
- e) Your feelings get hurt

19. Which religion from South Asia follows a strict code of dress that includes uncut hair, a steel bracelet, a comb, special pants, and a sword that symbolizes readiness to go into battle to defend the faith?

- a) Hinduism
- b) Buddhism
- c) Sikhism
- d) Taoism
- e) Islam

20. Which religion from Asia is about harmonizing with nature and a life force that flows through all living things?

- a) Hinduism
- b) Buddhism
- c) Sikhism
- d) Taoism
- e) Islam

### South Asia

21. What famous person from India used non-violent civil disobedience to help India gain its independence from Britain?

- a) Buddha
- b) Gandhi
- c) Nelson Mandela
- d) The Dalai Lama
- e) Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

22. Which country colonized and controlled India, running it like a business, from the 1700's to the 1940's?

- a) Germany
- b) China
- c) United States
- d) Great Britain
- e) Pakistan

23. Where did Gandhi go to college in 1888? And what did he study to become?

- a) Tokyo Japan, Ninja
- b) Lhasa Tibet, Dalai Lama
- c) London England, Lawyer
- d) Hollywood California, Film Critic
- e) Selma Alabama, Civil Rights Leader

24. Which river in South Asia is the most sacred to Hindus?

- a) Indus River
- b) Ganges River
- c) Brahmaputra River
- d) Huang He River
- e) Crymea River

25. Which of the following is true about **South Asia**?

- a) It is the most densely populated area in the world
- b) There is significant loss of life from animal attacks from tigers, leopards, elephants, rhinos, and poisonous snakes.
- c) Some people there claim that there is an abominable snowman living in the mountains.
- d) These countries have agricultural economies that depend on the timing of the monsoon rains.
- e) All of these are true about South Asia.

### East Asia

26. According to rumors about North Korea - friend of Dennis Rodman, **Kim Jong-Un** seems to believe...
- a) He was voted the "Sexiest Man Alive" 2012
  - b) He has found a "Magical Unicorn Lair"
  - c) The USA and South Korea are getting ready to attack him
  - d) Someone in his own country is trying to kill him
  - e) All of this and more
27. Which of these countries would you not consider to be part of East Asia?
- a) China
  - b) Japan
  - c) North & South Korea
  - d) Mongolia
  - e) Nepal
28. What is the name of the leader who brought Communism to China?
- a) Kim Jong Un
  - b) Chairman Mao
  - c) Vladimir Lenin
  - d) Ho Chi Min
  - e) Pol Pot
29. Which of the following is probably the number one most important problem China is facing right now?
- a) Keeping its population from shrinking too fast
  - b) Getting the air and other forms of environmental pollution under control
  - c) Building enough cars for everyone
  - d) Making repairs to their broken wall
  - e) Importing more manufactured goods from the USA
30. This country has also been called the "Land of the Rising Sun". After its defeat in WWII, the nation was rebuilt with help from the United States. Today it has one of the strongest economies in the world as well as the highest Life Expectancy. Its population is expected to shrink in half in the coming decades.
- a) India
  - b) Japan
  - c) Indonesia
  - d) China
  - e) Mongolia

### South East Asia / Oceania

31. This tiny country in SE Asia is led by one of the richest people in the world, a Sultan. In this country, there are no taxes and social services are free. The great wealth comes from oil. It is currently trying to transition to strict Islamic Sharia law.
- a) Brunei
  - b) Malaysia
  - c) Singapore
  - d) Indonesia
  - e) Cambodia

32. This country has a long history of turmoil. For instance, in 1975 radical communists killed over a million people (The Killing Fields) in order to rid the country of anyone educated enough to pose a threat to the ruling group. The Khmer Rouge Communists led by Pol Pot were eventually driven out by neighboring Vietnam. On a lighter note, the country is also home to the amazing ancient ruins of Angkor Watt.

- a) Brunei
- b) Thailand
- c) Singapore
- d) Indonesia
- e) Cambodia

33. This country is the world's largest archipelago in terms of area and population. The islands are highly volcanic in nature. The country is fourth largest in population and is also the most populous Muslim nation on Earth. One of its islands, Borneo is home to the last remaining wild Orangutans.

- a) Brunei
- b) Thailand
- c) Singapore
- d) Indonesia
- e) Cambodia

34. This crowded and tiny City/ Country at the tip of the Malay Peninsula, was created for trading purposes by the British East India Company in the 1800's. Today, it is a world center of finance and trade. It has a very strict system of laws and harsh punishments that give it the distinction of having the 2nd lowest crime rate on Earth after #1 Switzerland.

- a) Brunei
- b) Thailand
- c) Singapore
- d) Indonesia
- e) Cambodia

35. This is the only country in Asia never colonized by a foreign power. Its name means "Land of the Free". They have enjoyed over 700 years of autonomous rule. The capital is Bangkok. The country is a popular tourist destination. In 2004, a powerful Tsunami struck killing thousands of people along the coast. By law, you can't leave the house without underwear on, drive shirtless or step on the money.

- a) Brunei
- b) Thailand
- c) Singapore
- d) Indonesia
- e) Cambodia

#### **Economics**

36. In the Capitalism VS Socialism assignment, which economic system offered a greater variety of products to buy?

- a) Capitalism
- b) Socialism
- c) Communism
- d) Despotism
- e) Sciuridaeocracy

37. In the Capitalism VS Socialism assignment, which economic system uses higher taxation to keep incomes more even and keep the costs of goods and services down?

- a) Capitalism
- b) Socialism
- c) Communism
- d) Despotism
- e) Sciuridaeocracy

38. Money that is used to start a business is called?

- a) Capital
- b) Inflation
- c) Supply and Demand
- d) Consumers
- e) Free Market

39. What German political philosopher suggested that the extreme unfair difference between the rich and the poor would eventually lead to a world-wide Communist Revolution?

- a) Winston Churchill
- b) Joseph Stalin
- c) F.D.R.
- d) Karl Marx
- e) Gandhi

40. Many companies here in the United States find that it is much less expensive to have things manufactured for them in other countries like China which helps to increase their profits. This “shipping jobs over-seas” is also called?

- a) Information Technology
- b) Outsourcing
- c) Comparative Advantage
- d) Global IT Revolution
- e) Cup of tea

#### **World Population**

41. In what year did the total world population finally reach one billion people for the first time?

- a) 1604
- b) 1704
- c) 1804
- d) 1904
- e) 2004

42. About how many people live on our planet right now?

- a) 7,301
- b) 73,010
- c) 730,103
- d) 7,301,038
- e) 7,301,038,609



43. Which of the following has country population size in the correct order from largest to smallest?

- a) Brazil, China, USA, India, Indonesia
- b) Indonesia, Brazil, USA, India, China
- c) USA, Brazil, India, China, Indonesia
- d) India, China, USA, Indonesia, Brazil
- e) China, India, USA, Indonesia, Brazil

44. According to the film on world population, what is more dangerous than increasing world populations? (Example: China)

- a) Decreasing population
- b) Paying more for cable
- c) Affluence (the ability to buy stuff)
- d) Increasing life expectancy
- e) The Polar Vortex

45. Why does there tend to be a “son preference” for so many cultures around the world?

- a) The males stick around to care for the old parents
- b) The males carry on the family name
- c) Families must pay a dowry to other families in order to marry the females off
- d) Males tend to earn more money in their lifetimes than females
- e) All of these are reasons for many cultures to have a son preference

#### **The Atomic Bomb**

46. Who was in charge of the Manhattan Project for the development of the first Atomic Bombs?

- a) Albert Einstein
- b) Harry Truman
- c) Nicola Tesla
- d) Edward Teller
- e) Robert Oppenheimer

47. Hiroshima and Nagasaki were targeted because....

- a) They had not yet been bombed by allied forces allowing them to better study the damage.
- b) Both cities had military installations like military bases and factories making weapons
- c) They wanted to limit as much as possible civilian casualties
- d) They wanted to bring a quick end to the war
- e) These are all reasons why Hiroshima and Nagasaki were targeted.

48. Survivors of the Atomic bombings and their families, the “**explosion-affected people**” deal with higher incidents of cancers, birth defects, and other health problems. What are these people called?

- a) Children of the Stars
- b) Hibakusha
- c) POW’s
- d) Lucky Dragons
- e) Associates

49. In a radio address (the first time the Japanese people had ever heard his voice), who told the Japanese people that “Japan would have to bear the unbearable” and surrender unconditionally?

- a) F.D.R.
- b) Winston Churchill
- c) Emperor Hirohito
- d) Harry Truman
- e) General Paul Tibbets

50. What Country detonated the largest Hydrogen bomb ever created at 57 megatons in 1953? (Tsar Bomba)

- a) USA
- b) U.S.S.R.
- c) China
- d) UK
- e) Iran

**Section Total \_\_\_\_\_ /100**

### **Short Essay Section (50)**

**Short Essay – Do a quick write about the two prompts below. Please do a neat, thoughtful and complete job for the full points.**

I) select one of our Geography lessons to talk about. Please tell me what is the most interesting or important thing you learned about this year in 7th grade world Geography? This should be something that might actually help you in your life. This is worth (25 points) so do a super job!

II) If you could travel to anywhere in the Eastern Hemisphere, where would you want to go and why? (25 points)

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