



International Geography Championships

2026 African Geography Examination High School and Middle School Division

Instructions – Mark your answers on the scantron provided. Correct answers are worth 2 points. Incorrect answers are worth –1 point. Questions left blank are worth 0 points. Write the answer to your tiebreaker question in the box at the top of your scantron.

1. The most widely spoken indigenous language of Africa is which of the following?
 - A. English
 - B. Afrikaans
 - C. Spanish
 - D. Swahili
2. What Tanzanian dormant volcano is the highest mountain in Africa?
 - A. Mount Kilimanjaro
 - B. Mount Elbrus
 - C. Denali
 - D. Lhotse
3. Which of the following is the longest river in the world?
 - A. Mekong
 - B. Selenga
 - C. Yangtze
 - D. Nile
4. What nation with over 239 million people is the most populous in Africa?
 - A. Burundi
 - B. Nigeria
 - C. Djibouti
 - D. Togo
5. Which of the following is NOT true about Lesotho?
 - A. It's an enclave.
 - B. It's a constitutional monarchy.
 - C. It's located on the Sinai Peninsula.
 - D. It lies entirely above 1,000 meters in elevation.
6. What central African river is the deepest recorded river in the world?
 - A. Ob River
 - B. Colorado River
 - C. Amazon River
 - D. Congo River
7. Eswatini is the only African nation to use which of the following systems?
 - A. democratic federation
 - B. parliamentary democracy
 - C. absolute monarchy
 - D. unitary theocracy
8. Which of the following is the largest hot desert in the world?
 - A. Namib
 - B. Sahara
 - C. Atacama
 - D. Siberian
9. Tripoli serves as the capital of what North African nation?
 - A. Canary Islands
 - B. Italy
 - C. Yemen
 - D. Libya
10. Which of the following dominates the coastline of the Horn of Africa?
 - A. Somalia
 - B. Maldives
 - C. Sri Lanka
 - D. Singapore
11. What religion concentrated in Sub-Saharan Africa is the most practiced on the continent?
 - A. Buddhism
 - B. Islam
 - C. Hinduism
 - D. Christianity
12. Of these nations, which of the following is the southernmost?
 - A. Eswatini
 - B. Algeria
 - C. Niger
 - D. Guinea
13. Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, and Gabon border what body of water?
 - A. Gulf of Guinea
 - B. Bay of Bengal
 - C. Mediterranean Sea
 - D. Coral Sea
14. What organization created to foster political and economic unity is headquartered in Addis Ababa?
 - A. World Health Organization
 - B. International Criminal Court
 - C. Warsaw Pact
 - D. African Union
15. The Zulu are the largest ethnic group of what nation?
 - A. Morocco
 - B. Cabo Verde
 - C. South Africa
 - D. Uganda
16. Which of the following includes the islands of Rodrigues, Adalega, and St. Brandon?
 - A. Eritrea
 - B. Mauritius
 - C. Madagascar
 - D. Gabon

17. The region stretching from Morocco in the west to Libya in the east is known as which of the following?

- A. Southern Cone
- B. Andean States
- C. Silk Road
- D. Maghreb

18. What African Great Lake has the most biodiversity of fish in the world?

- A. Lake Malawi
- B. Lake Baikal
- C. Emerald Lake
- D. Crater Lake

19. What island nation has the highest GDP per capita in Africa?

- A. Guinea Bissau
- B. Sao Tome and Principe
- C. Mozambique
- D. Seychelles

20. All of the following are included in the Bantu language family EXCEPT?

- A. Swahili
- B. Xhosa
- C. Oromo
- D. Kalanga

21. Which of the following peoples make up 34% of the population of Ethiopia?

- A. Oromo
- B. San
- C. Fellahin
- D. Baka

22. Which of the following is NOT an official language of Equatorial Guinea?

- A. French
- B. Portuguese
- C. Spanish
- D. German

23. The Kikuyu, Ameru, Embu, and Maasai live around what peak located just north of Nairobi?

- A. Mount Bromo
- B. Ulsanbawi Peak
- C. Mount Kenya
- D. Makalu

24. The Benue River is the largest tributary of what crescent-shaped river in West Africa?

- A. Niger River
- B. Ganges River
- C. Po River
- D. Mangoky River

25. Which of the following nations has the highest infant mortality rate?

- A. Tunisia
- B. Morocco
- C. Somalia
- D. Madagascar

Tiebreaker

This question will only be scored if there is a tie for placement on the exam. **This is a required question, but there is no penalty for a wrong answer to this question.**

Write your answer legibly in the space provided on your scantron.

According to 2024 government estimates, what is the population of Niger?