



International Geography Championships

2026 European 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.

- Which of the following is the official language of the nation whose capital is Kyiv?
 - Ukrainian
 - German
 - Danish
 - Polish
- The island of Great Britain contains all of these countries EXCEPT which of the following?
 - England
 - Scotland
 - Wales
 - Northern Ireland
- Which of the following is the capital city of Germany?
 - Berlin
 - Cairo
 - Wellington
 - Baghdad
- Glaciers carved much of Norway's western coastline into which of the following?
 - plateaus
 - fjords
 - mesas
 - canyons
- Norway's Svalbard lies at the convergence of the northern Atlantic Ocean and what other body of water?
 - Arctic Ocean
 - Southern Sea
 - Antarctic Ocean
 - Indian Ocean
- What Baltic nation sits between Estonia and Lithuania?
 - Liechtenstein
 - Croatia
 - Belgium
 - Latvia
- Due to its widespread overseas territory, which of the following has the world's largest Exclusive Economic Zone?
 - Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - Slovenia
 - France
 - Albania
- Which of the following is NOT included in the Balkans?
 - Greece
 - Kosovo
 - North Macedonia
 - Sweden
- The Jutland peninsula and an archipelago of 406 islands form the "mainland" of what kingdom?
 - Denmark
 - Slovakia
 - Bulgaria
 - San Marino
- After Belarusians, which of the following is the second largest ethnic group in Belarus?
 - Germans
 - Russians
 - Slovaks
 - Poles
- What Swedish capital is home to Avicii Arena, the largest hemispherical building in the world?
 - Rome
 - Zagreb
 - Athens
 - Stockholm
- What river flows through Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest, and Belgrade?
 - Victoria
 - Yamuna
 - Danube
 - Yukon
- At about 3.1% of the population, which of the following is the largest specific minority group in the United Kingdom?
 - British Bangladeshi
 - British Chinese
 - Black British
 - British Indian
- Which of the following is the most populous nation in the European Union?
 - Germany
 - Switzerland
 - Lithuania
 - Bulgaria
- What river that originates in the Wicklow Mountains flows through the center of Dublin?
 - Tiber River
 - Nelson River
 - Murray River
 - River Liffey

16. The Bay of Kotor is a branch of the Adriatic Sea that forms the coastline of what nation?

- A. Montenegro
- B. Slovenia
- C. Slovakia
- D. Moldova

17. What northern province of the Netherlands has its own language?

- A. Friesland
- B. Lublin
- C. Brandenburg
- D. Brittany

18. Which of the following is the largest metropolitan area in Italy?

- A. Milan
- B. Naples
- C. Turin
- D. Palermo

19. The most widely accepted measurements of the geographic center of Europe place it just north of what capital city?

- A. Prague
- B. Chisinau
- C. Lisbon
- D. Vilnius

20. Durres, Vlore, and Shkoder are cities in what nation?

- A. Serbia
- B. Montenegro
- C. Albania
- D. Bosnia and Herzegovina

21. What Icelandic ice cap that currently covers about 8% of the nation is shrinking quickly?

- A. Perito Moreno
- B. Vatnajökull
- C. Aletsch
- D. Margerie

22. What unrecognized breakaway state of Moldova claims the land between the Dniester and Ukrainian border?

- A. Transnistria
- B. South Ossetia
- C. Abkhazia
- D. Catalonia

23. The cantons of Bern, Fribourg, and Valais name which of the following as co-official languages?

- A. German and Italian
- B. English and French
- C. Italian and Dutch
- D. French and German

24. Which of the following has the largest population of declared atheists in Europe?

- A. Czechia
- B. Portugal
- C. Romania
- D. Georgia

25. What region in central Romania is surrounded by the Carpathian and Apuseni mountains?

- A. Transylvania
- B. Aragon
- C. Tuscany
- D. Bavaria

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.

What was the population of Moldova according to their 2024 census?