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[100 marks]

Answer all the questions.

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There are fifty questions in this paper. Each question has four options lettered A to D. Choose the correct option and shade in pencil on your answer sheet, the answer space which bears the same letter as the option you have chosen. Give only one answer to each question. An example is given below.

How many stripes does the flag of Liberia have?

- A. Eight
- B. Nine
- C. Ten
- D. Eleven

The correct answer is eleven which is lettered D, and therefore answer space D would be shaded.

[A]

[B]

[C]

[D]

Think carefully before you shade the answer spaces; erase completely any answer(s) you wish to change. Now answer all the following questions.

1. A large body of water that is surrounded by land is called a/an
 - A. cape.
 - B. lake.
 - C. river.
 - D. island.
2. The capital city of Grand Gedeh County is
 - A. Buchanan.
 - B. Fish Town.
 - C. Greenville.
 - D. Zwedru.
3. The lake that served as a base for U.S. Naval Forces during the Second World War is Lake
 - A. Shepherd.
 - B. Piso.
 - C. Jukanu.
 - D. Zontoni.
4. The Dead Island is found in
 - A. Lofa County.
 - B. Nimba County.
 - C. Grand Kru County.
 - D. Sinoe County.
5. The Providence Island was formerly called
 - A. Dozoa Island.
 - B. Dublin Island.
 - C. Balli Island.
 - D. Bushrod Island.
6. The seasons in Liberia are determined by changes in
 - A. temperature.
 - B. wind direction.
 - C. thermometer.
 - D. rainfall.
7. Liberia has a tropical climate. This means that it is
 - A. hot and cool throughout the year.
 - B. hot and humid throughout the year.
 - C. cold and cool throughout the year.
 - D. warm and cold throughout the year.
8. The process of turning latex to rubber products is an example of a
 - A. secondary activity.
 - B. primary activity.
 - C. tertiary activity.
 - D. service activity.

9. The soil type found along a river valley is called
 A. sandy soil.
 B. alluvial soil.
 C. laterite soil.
 D. clay soil.
10. Which of the following rivers runs through Gbarpolu and Grand Cape Mount Counties?
 A. Lofa River
 B. Mano River
 C. Sanquin River
 D. Du River
11. The main method used for rice farming in Liberia is
 A. commercial cultivation.
 B. crop rotation.
 C. subsistence cultivation.
 D. shifting cultivation.
12. Which of the following capitals is found in north-western Liberia?
 A. Gbarnga
 B. Voinjama
 C. Bensonville
 D. Robertsport
13. The oral history of Liberia states that the forefathers of the Kpelle people came from
 A. Mali.
 B. Ivory Coast.
 C. Guinea.
 D. Sierra Leone.
14. Which of the following capes is found in south-eastern Liberia? Cape
 A. Mesurado
 B. Mount
 C. Tileh
 D. Palmas
15. Which of the following tribes is not part of the Mende-speaking people?
 A. Vai
 B. Dei
 C. Kpelle
 D. Gbandi
16. The land on both sides of a river is called the
 A. mouth.
 B. source.
 C. tributary.
 D. bank.
17. A place in the desert where there is sufficient water to grow plants is called a/an
 A. dam.
 B. lagoon.
 C. lake.
 D. oasis.
18. The Farmington River serves as the main source of energy supply for the
 A. Liberia Agricultural Company.
 B. Salala Rubber Company.
 C. Firestone Rubber Company.
 D. Sime Darby Plantation.
19. Which of the following are not examples of citrus fruits?
 A. Tangerines
 B. Pawpaws
 C. Lemons
 D. Oranges
20. The first activity of rice farming is the
 A. brushing of the farmland.
 B. selection of the new farmland.
 C. felling of trees.
 D. burning of the farmland.
21. The movement of people and goods from one place to another is called
 A. migration.
 B. immigration.
 C. transportation.
 D. settlement.
22. Which of the following soil types is used to build houses?
 A. Swampy
 B. Laterite
 C. Sandy
 D. Humus

Turn over

23. Which of the following features is found at the north of West Africa?
 A. Kalahari Desert
 B. Namibia Desert
 C. Mohave Desert
 D. Sahara Desert
24. Which of the following countries is the largest in terms of land area?
 A. Niger
 B. Nigeria
 C. Mali
 D. Mauritania
25. The second longest river in West Africa is
 A. Senegal River.
 B. Cavalla River.
 C. Volta River.
 D. Niger River.
26. West Africa has a boundary on the southwest with the
 A. Sahara Desert.
 B. Atlantic Ocean.
 C. Arctic Ocean.
 D. Cameroon Mountain.
27. The official language spoken by the people of Guinea-Bissau is
 A. French.
 B. English.
 C. Portuguese.
 D. Arabic.
28. An area of water cut off from the sea by a bar is called a/an
 A. lagoon.
 B. island
 C. lake.
 D. peninsula.
29. When a group of mountains join together, they form a
 A. peak.
 B. chain.
 C. plateau.
 D. range.
30. The movement of people to a new place within the same country is called
 A. migration.
 B. internal migration.
 C. external migration
 D. transportation.
31. In Liberia, which of the following cities does not have a sea port?
 A. Buchanan
 B. Robertsport
 C. Greenville
 D. Harper
32. The line that divides the earth into two equal halves is called
 A. latitude.
 B. longitude.
 C. capricorn.
 D. equator.
33. Liberia has a border on the east with
 A. Guinea.
 B. Ivory Coast.
 C. Sierra Leone.
 D. Niger.
34. Which of the following ethnic groups is not part of the Kwa-speaking People?
 A. Kru
 B. Bassa
 C. Belle
 D. Gio
35. The ball-like shape that represents the physical look of the earth is called the
 A. globe.
 B. moon.
 C. sun.
 D. star.
36. The Court of Monthly Session during the colonial government was presided over by the
 A. Council.
 B. Supreme Court.
 C. Agent.
 D. Governor.

37. The Declaration of Independence was signed by eleven men from
 A. two counties.
 B. three counties
 C. four counties.
 D. five counties.
38. Which of the following men served as the secretary of the convention that gave birth to the Declaration of Independence?
 A. John S. Greenleaf
 B. Hilary Teage
 C. John Prout
 D. Jacob Prout
39. The election that brought Joseph Jenkins Roberts to power as Liberia's first president was held in
 A. October, 1847.
 B. October, 1848.
 C. October, 1857.
 D. October, 1858.
40. The first Chief Justice of the Republic of Liberia was called Honorable
 A. Gloria Musu Scott.
 B. Samuel Benedict.
 C. Dixon Brown.
 D. Stephen A. Benson.
41. The People's Redemption Council was headed by a
 A. Councilman.
 B. President.
 C. Secretary-General.
 D. Chairman.
42. The period of the first Republic lasted from
 A. 1822 to 1839.
 B. 1839 to 1847.
 C. 1847 to 1980.
 D. 1980 to 1990.
43. Which of these statements is not true about the Liberian flag? It has
 A. five white stripes.
 B. a circular blue field.
 C. six red stripes.
 D. a square blue field.
44. The eighteenth (18th) president of Liberia was
 A. Stephen A. Benson.
 B. Arthur Barclay.
 C. Edwin J. Barclay.
 D. Samuel K. Doe.
45. Which of these statements is not true about the *first* stanza of the National Anthem? It
 A. celebrates the birth of our great nation.
 B. celebrates our freedom in unity.
 C. states how in unity we will not fail.
 D. states how great the new nation would be.
46. Health care is an example of
 A. development right.
 B. participation right.
 C. protection right.
 D. survival right.
47. The legislative branch of government comprises two houses. They are the
 A. lower and middle houses.
 B. upper and middle houses.
 C. lower and lowest houses.
 D. upper and lower houses.
48. The system of government in which the leader is above the laws and customs of the country is called
 A. Dictatorship.
 B. Absolute Monarchy.
 C. Limited Monarchy.
 D. Constitutional Monarchy.

Turn over

49. Which of the following government officials are appointed by the president?
- A. Representatives
 - B. Senators
 - C. Ministers
 - D. Lawmakers
50. A national government is formed by the
- A. citizens.
 - B. president.
 - C. senators.
 - D. teachers.

END OF TEST