

## AP Human Geography Mini-Test 1

### Multiple-Choice Questions

1. Human geography is best defined as the study of
  - (A) where and why human activities take place.
  - (B) where and why natural forces occur as they do.
  - (C) populations and birth rates.
  - (D) human conflicts.
  - (E) Earth's effects on humans.
  
2. Overpopulation in a country occurs when
  - (A) total population reaches 10 billion.
  - (B) there is more of one sex than the other.
  - (C) the country's population outgrows its carrying capacity.
  - (D) the country imports food.
  - (E) large parts of a country are desert.
  
3. The state borders drawn by the U.S. government over what used to be Native American lands are examples of
  - (A) subsequent borders.
  - (B) superimposed borders.
  - (C) antecedent borders.
  - (D) natural borders.
  - (E) relict borders.
  
4. Religions that attempt to attract all people to their beliefs are known as
  - (A) ethnic religions.
  - (B) universalizing religions.
  - (C) monotheistic religions.
  - (D) polytheistic religions.
  - (E) syncretic religions.
  
5. The simplest component of a culture is a
  - (A) culture trait.
  - (B) culture complex.
  - (C) culture system.
  - (D) cultural diffusion.
  - (E) cultural identity.
  
6. Which of the following is NOT a centripetal force?
  - (A) Religious variation
  - (B) National anthem
  - (C) Common heritage
  - (D) Common language
  - (E) Schools

7. A geographer studying the northern Canadian Inuit culture's intricate river navigation routes is best described as analyzing
- (A) demography.
  - (B) cultural ecology.
  - (C) linguistics.
  - (D) territorial morphology.
  - (E) boundary classification.



Map of Slovakia

8. Which of the following morphological classifications best describes Slovakia, shown in the map above?
- (A) Fragmented
  - (B) Compact
  - (C) Elongated
  - (D) Prorupt
  - (E) Perforated

9. Country X's demographic transition is depicted in the following table:

Year	CBR	CDR
1975	45	12
1980	46	13
1985	40	12
1990	35	11

Based on this information, which stage of the demographic transition model best fits Country X in 1990?

- (A) Stage 1
  - (B) Stage 2
  - (C) Stage 3
  - (D) Stage 4
  - (E) Stage 5
10. In its application to the European Union, which state faced criticisms by some of its opponents for not being "European enough" to gain admission to the EU?

- (A) Italy
  - (B) Russia
  - (C) Turkey
  - (D) England
  - (E) Iceland
11. Which of the following is NOT a variable in the subglobal population accounting equation?
- (A) Number of births during the interval of measurement
  - (B) Number of deaths during the interval of measurement
  - (C) Number of people moving into the region during the interval of measurement
  - (D) Number of people moving out of the region during the interval of measurement
  - (E) Number of children predicted to be born to a woman
12. Which of the following is a forward capital?
- (A) Paris, France
  - (B) Mumbai, India
  - (C) Rome, Italy
  - (D) Putrajaya, Malaysia
  - (E) Sydney, Australia
13. Which of the following measurements would give a demographer the closest prediction of reproductive behavior in a fecund woman in a country?
- (A) Crude birth rate
  - (B) Rate of natural increase
  - (C) Infant mortality rate
  - (D) Total fertility rate
  - (E) Life expectancy



14. The above image comes from Beijing, China, and is of a Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant that bought out and replaced a local family's restaurant. Some might argue this is an example of
- (A) language replacement.
  - (B) creolized language.
  - (C) cultural imperialism.
  - (D) ethnic enclave.
  - (E) ghettoization.



(Photo by: Aubrey Stoll)

15. The holy site shown in the picture above exists in Amritsar, India. With which religion is this site primarily associated?
 

(A) Islam	(D) Sikhism
(B) Hinduism	(E) Buddhism
(C) Eastern Orthodox Christianity	
  
16. The Berlin Wall today would represent a(n)
 

(A) subsequent boundary.	(D) natural boundary.
(B) relict boundary.	(E) superimposed boundary.
(C) antecedent boundary.	
  
17. Which of the following types of maps would be most useful for demonstrating varying levels of oceanic elevation?
 

(A) Dot density	(D) Proportional symbol
(B) Isoline topographic	(E) Azimuthal
(C) Cartogram	
  
18. In which of the following countries is life expectancy projected to drop the most due to pandemic disease?
 

(A) Luxembourg	(D) Japan
(B) Namibia	(E) Mongolia
(C) Russia	
  
19. Margaret embarked on her move to California. En route to San Diego from her home of Louisville, Kentucky, she stopped in Santa Fe, New Mexico. While in Santa Fe, she fell in love with the city and decided to stay there. In Margaret's migration, Santa Fe represents a(n)
 

(A) intervening opportunity.	(C) remittance.
(B) intervening obstacle.	(D) push factor.

- (E) pandemic.
20. In the 1800s, Czar Peter the Great of Russia returned to Russia from his travels in Europe and taught his people Western-style dance. This diffusion of Western-style dance to Russia is most closely an example of
- (A) cultural convergence. (D) cultural isolation.  
(B) sequent occupancy. (E) assimilation.  
(C) folk culture.
21. Verbal, representative fraction, and graphic are all forms of
- (A) maps.  
(B) scales.  
(C) geographic themes.  
(D) cardinal directions.  
(E) intermediate directions.
22. In 1990 Iraq invaded Kuwait, in part over an oil resource that Iraq and Kuwait both claimed fell within their national boundaries. This type of boundary dispute is classified as
- (A) locational. (D) operational.  
(B) definitional. (E) subsequent.  
(C) allocational.
23. To try to reduce the calls for revolutionary secession from Canada, the Canadian parliament has given Nunavut regions more autonomy, or local control. This situation best represents the geographic concept of
- (A) exclave. (D) gerrymandering.  
(B) buffer state. (E) devolution.  
(C) ministate.
24. If two cities are three inches apart on a map with a scale of 1:60,200, how far apart are they on the surface of the earth?
- (A) 2.85 miles (D) 100 miles  
(B) 4 miles (E) 250 miles  
(C) 6 miles
25. The number of people under the age of 15 plus the number of people above the age of 64 divided by the number of the people aged 15 through 64 is defined as
- (A) carrying capacity. (B) primary economic sector.

- (C) dependency ratio. (E) infrastructure.  
(D) age-sex pyramid.
26. A banking company wanted to open a new branch in the New York City area. In order to study the region, the bank used a map to analyze potential locations. The map the bank's leadership used in its decision-making process showed a layer of regional data displaying per capita income; another layer displaying the frequency of bank deposits made; and another layer showing the average value of the deposited amount. With this map, the banking company was able to choose the optimum location for its new branch. All of the following are tools that the bank (or its geographic team) most likely used to create and display this layered map of geographic data EXCEPT
- (A) GPS. (D) desalination.  
(B) GIS. (E) satellite imagery.  
(C) remote sensing.
27. Karl Marx would most likely have agreed with which of the following statements?
- (A) Overpopulation results from exponential population growth and arithmetic growth of food supply.  
(B) The unequal distribution of resources creates surplus population.  
(C) Overpopulation is a direct result of not having enough subsistence farmers in an economy.  
(D) Surplus population is impossible.  
(E) Death rates must exceed birth rates.
28. If it is 2 p.m. in your city and it is 12 p.m. in Greenwich, England, what is your city's approximate longitude?
- (A) 15 degrees west (D) 30 degrees east  
(B) 15 degrees east (E) 30 degrees west  
(C) 45 degrees west
29. Which of the following significantly weakened the strength of Mackinder's geopolitical heartland theory?
- (A) Ascendancy of the United States' international influence after World War II  
(B) Existence of a pivot area  
(C) Growth of Soviet power in Eastern Europe  
(D) Influence of Eurasia in world affairs  
(E) Rise of Nazi Germany
30. In approximately  $365\frac{1}{4}$  days, the earth completes

- (A) one revolution.
  - (B) one rotation.
  - (C) one solstice.
  - (D) one leap year.
  - (E) one eclipse.
31. Which of the following strategies was identified by the 2004 United Nations International Conference on Population and Development as the most powerful approach for reducing the global population growth rate?
- (A) Increasing the amount of exports to less-developed countries
  - (B) Retracting anticontraception laws throughout conservative countries
  - (C) Reducing hunger throughout the world
  - (D) Empowering the socioeconomic status of women in less-developed countries
  - (E) Enforcing demographic growth rate targets in specific countries through coalition building
32. Which of the following best represents a possibilist interpretation of human activity?
- (A) Shanghai developed into a world city because of its navigable rivers.
  - (B) Lesoto's economy has not developed to be globally competitive because of its lack of water access.
  - (C) Minnesota's people are usually quieter than Florida's because of the harsher weather people endure in Minnesota.
  - (D) Germany's success in gaining land early in World War II was linked to its use of coal deposits in the Ruhr region, which facilitated a more powerful military.
  - (E) Civilization was born in arable areas because fertile land created human innovation beyond nomadic lifestyles.
33. Which of the following correctly sequences Sino-Tibetan languages from largest to smallest in terms of the number of native speakers?
- (A) Mandarin, Cantonese, Wu, Hakka (Kejia), Min
  - (B) Cantonese, Wu, Mandarin, Min, Hakka (Kejia)
  - (C) Hakka (Kejia), Mandarin, Wu, Cantonese, Min
  - (D) Mandarin, Wu, Cantonese, Min, Hakka (Kejia)
  - (E) Mandarin, Min, Cantonese, Hakka (Kejia), Wu
34. Which of the following is an absolute location?
- (A) the equator
  - (B) Madrid
  - (C) 123 1st Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55555
  - (D) 22 degrees east

(E) 8 miles southwest of Phoenix

35. Which of the following has the coarsest level of data aggregation?

- (A) Analysis of Asian birthrates
- (B) Analysis of desk placement in a classroom
- (C) Analysis of gender ratios in Kentucky
- (D) Analysis of literacy rates in Afghanistan
- (E) Analysis of copyright violations in Germany

36. Which of the following most accurately matches the country to its territorial shape?

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| (A) Russia: fragmented    | (D) Philippines: elongated |
| (B) Poland: compact       | (E) Chile: protruded       |
| (C) Singapore: perforated |                            |

37. Europe and Asia are primarily divided along the line that extends along the

- (A) Alps, Black Sea, and Indian Ocean.
- (B) Himalayas and Indian Ocean.
- (C) Ural Mountains, Black Sea, and Caspian Sea.
- (D) Transylvanian Alps and Danube River.
- (E) Volga River and Dinaric Alps.