

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
NATIONAL GRADE SIX ASSESSMENT
PRACTICE TEST 3
SOCIAL STUDIES

March 12, 2020

Paper 1

1 hour and 10 minutes

READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

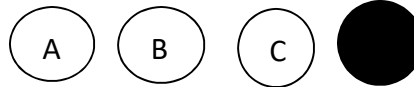
1. This test has 40 questions. You have 1 hour and 10 minutes to answer them.
2. Each question has four suggested answers: (A), (B), (C) and (D). Read each question carefully then choose the correct answer.
3. On your answer sheet, find the number that matches the question you intend to answer.
4. Shade the circle with the same letter, (A), (B), (C) or (D), that matches your answer for each question.

Sample Question

The capital of Guyana is

- (A) Linden.
- (B) Lethem.
- (C) Rose Hall.
- (D) Georgetown.

Sample Answer



The correct answer is “Georgetown”, so (D) has been shaded.

5. If you want to change your answer, erase it completely before you fill in your new choice.
6. When the supervisor tells you to begin, turn the page and work as quickly and as carefully as you can.
7. If you try a question and find that you cannot answer it, go on to the next one. You may return to that question later.

DO NOT TURN THIS PAGE UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.

1. Which of the following represents a nuclear family?
 - (A) Parents and child / children
 - (B) Children and relatives
 - (C) One parent and children
 - (D) Parents, children, aunts and grandparents

2. The names M.V. Whitby and M.V. Hesperus are associated with the
 - (A) Africans.
 - (B) Chinese.
 - (C) Portuguese.
 - (D) East Indians.

3. Which **one** of the following countries is referred to as the 'Giant of South America?'
 - (A) Brazil
 - (B) Colombia
 - (C) Venezuela
 - (D) Argentina

4. The **least** populated Natural Region is the
 - (A) Interior Savannah.
 - (B) Low Coastal Plain.
 - (C) Forested Highland Region.
 - (D) Hilly Sand and Clay Region.

5. Which one is **not** Guyana's immediate continental neighbour?
- (A) Peru
 - (B) Brazil
 - (C) Venezuela
 - (D) Suriname
6. Guyana became a Cooperative Republic on the
- (A) 5th May, 1838.
 - (B) 1st August, 1838.
 - (C) 26th May, 1966.
 - (D) 23rd February, 1970.
7. Which one of the following minerals is linked with the story of El Dorado?
- (A) Gold
 - (B) Silver
 - (C) Bauxite
 - (D) Diamond
8. The group of persons selected by the Executive President to manage the affairs of the entire country is known as the
- (A) Cabinet.
 - (B) Senators.
 - (C) Opposition.
 - (D) Councillors.

9. Which of the following illnesses is **not** as a result of air pollution?
- (A) Asthma
 - (B) Malaria
 - (C) Bronchitis
 - (D) Lung Cancer
10. John saw an old woman waiting to cross the road. What is expected of him?
- (A) Help her to cross the road
 - (B) Ignore her and go on his way
 - (C) Commend her because of her effort
 - (D) Shout on her to hurry up and cross
11. Which activity will **most likely** prevent relaxation?
- (A) Strolling in the park
 - (B) Watching a movie with friends
 - (C) Reading your favourite novel
 - (D) Hearing loud music from your neighbour
12. Cindy is a meteorologist. Which instrument will **not** be useful in performing her job?
- (A) Rain gauge
 - (B) Telescope
 - (C) Thermometer
 - (D) Anemometer

13. It is necessary to remember the work of Hubert Nathaniel Critchlow because he
- (A) encouraged workers to strike.
 - (B) opposed the colonial government.
 - (C) fought for the rights of employers.
 - (D) encouraged workers to stand up for their rights.
14. Which statement **best** suggests why Guyana uses English as its official language?
- (A) Many Englishmen still live here
 - (B) Guyana became independent in 1966
 - (C) Britain was the last country to govern Guyana
 - (D) Guyana is the only English speaking country in South America
15. There was a shortage of labourers on the plantations in Guyana after 1838 because
- (A) slaves were not allowed to have children.
 - (B) slaves were running away in large numbers.
 - (C) ex-slaves were dying in large numbers from starvation.
 - (D) slaves were emancipated and could leave the plantations.
16. Which statement is **true** of the Amerindians of Guyana? They
- (A) were bought as slaves by the Africans.
 - (B) came to Guyana in search of the Golden City.
 - (C) came to Guyana to trade with the Europeans.
 - (D) were fleeing from the harsh climate in their homeland.

17. One historical wooden building in Guyana is
- (A) Banks D.I.H.
 - (B) Bank of Guyana.
 - (C) Parliament building.
 - (D) St. George's Cathedral.

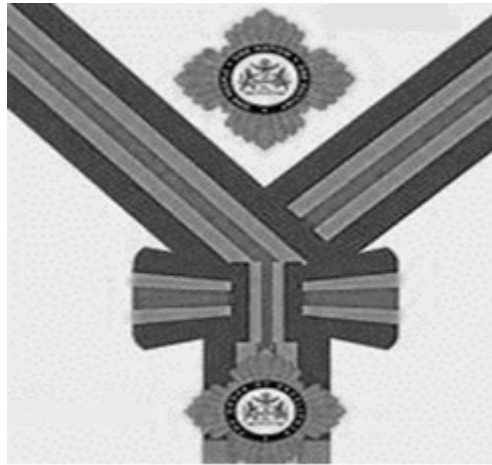
Read the caption, then answer **question 18**.

The men were found guilty and sentenced to nine years in prison.

18. Which function of government is suggested by the caption?
- (A) Judicial
 - (B) Democratic
 - (C) Executive
 - (D) Legislative
19. A cricket match involving the West Indies and Sri Lanka is being played at the Kensington Oval. In which CARICOM country is the match being played?
- (A) Jamaica
 - (B) Barbados
 - (C) Trinidad
 - (D) St Lucia

20. All of the following are holidays observed in the month of May **except**
- (A) Arrival Day
 - (B) Labour Day
 - (C) Emancipation Day
 - (D) Independence Day

Study the picture below then answer **question 21**.



21. Which one of the following persons is **most likely** to receive the award above?
- (A) Policeman
 - (B) Sportsman
 - (C) A brave citizen of a country
 - (D) Former President of a country

22. Which of the following shows the correct sequence of Guyana's political development?
- (A) Republic → Independence → Self Government → Colony
 - (B) Colony → Self Government → Independence → Republic
 - (C) Self Government → Colony → Independence → Republic
 - (D) Colony → Independence → Self Government → Republic
23. Which institutions are associated with Local Government?
- (i) Town Council
 - (ii) Auditor General's Department
 - (iii) Regional Democratic Council
 - (iv) Neighbourhood Democratic Council
- (A) i, ii and iii
 - (B) i, iii and iv
 - (C) i and iv only
 - (D) ii and iii only
24. Before the National Assembly starts the Sergeant-at-Arms places the Mace on a table in the Chamber. This informs the National Assembly that
- (A) parliament is in session.
 - (B) the Speaker is on his way.
 - (C) the president will address the Assembly.
 - (D) the Prime Minister will chair the session.

25. The **main** function of the Guyana Elections Commission is to
- (A) elect the president.
 - (B) carry out a census.
 - (C) conduct elections.
 - (D) appoint the minority leader.
26. The abuse of drugs would **most likely** result in
- (A) strong and healthy bodies.
 - (B) injury to our bodies and minds.
 - (C) people forming lasting friendships.
 - (D) students performing better in school.
27. Members of a School Co-operative Thrift Society can obtain all of the following benefits **except** that of
- (A) acquiring the habit of saving.
 - (B) purchasing consumer items cheaply.
 - (C) practising arithmetic and accounts skills.
 - (D) acquiring skills to conduct orderly meetings.

Study the information below then answer **questions 28 and 29**.

<p>Name: Michelle Smith</p> <p>Age: 8</p> <p>Medication: Children's Tylenol Oral Suspension (take 1 teaspoon every four hours after meals)</p> <p><i>Aliyah Jones</i></p>

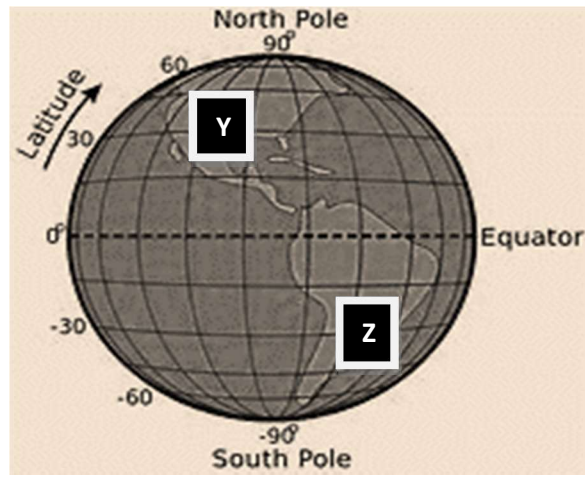
28. What is the name given to the document shown **above**?

- (A) Invoice
- (B) Prescription
- (C) Medication Sheet
- (D) Hospital statement

29. How should the patient take the medication?

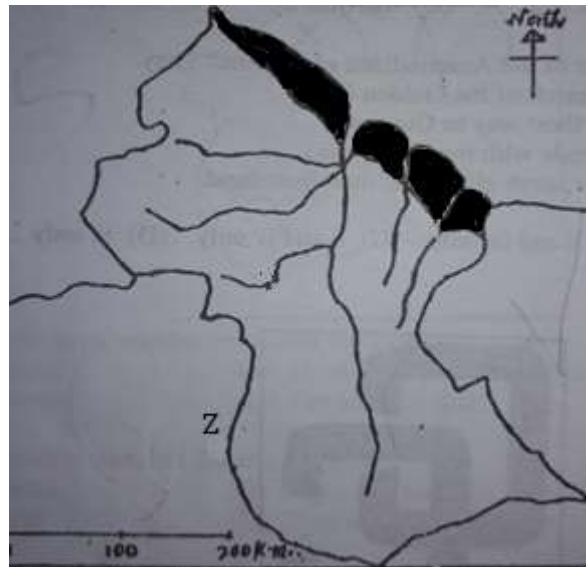
- (A) One teaspoon before meals
- (B) Two teaspoons after each meal
- (C) One teaspoon every four hours after meals
- (D) Two teaspoons three times daily before meals

Study the globe below then answer **questions 30 and 31**.



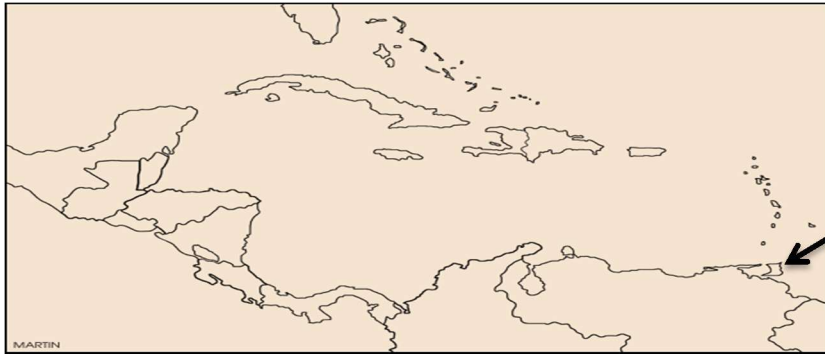
30. Which group of countries can be found in the continent labelled **Z**?
- (A) Guyana, Suriname, Venezuela
 - (B) Brazil, Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago
 - (C) Guyana, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago
 - (D) Canada, United States of America, England
31. Savita is moving from continent '**Y**' to continent '**Z**' which set of clothing will be best for her to take?
- (A) Gloves and Vest
 - (B) Sweaters and Coats
 - (C) Sweaters and Gloves
 - (D) Short pants and T-shirts

Study the Map of Guyana below then answer **questions 32 and 33**.



32. The shaded area is **most populated** because it
- (A) has valuable forest.
 - (B) is the largest natural region.
 - (C) has more educational and job opportunities.
 - (D) has several waterfalls and important mineral resources.
33. A person who is born on the **western side** of the river marked **Z** would **most likely** be a
- (A) Guyanese.
 - (B) Brazilian.
 - (C) Surinamese.
 - (D) Venezuelan.

Study the map of the Caribbean below then answer **question 34**.



34. Which airport can be found in the country as indicated by the arrow?

- (A) Piarco International Airport
- (B) Vere Bird International Airport
- (C) Norman Manley International Airport
- (D) Grantley Adams International Airport

Study the list below then answer **question 35**.

- i Value Added Tax
- ii Income Tax
- iii Corporate Surcharges
- iv Licenses

35. A suitable title for the list is

- (A) A household budget
- (B) Expenditure of a government
- (C) Sources of government revenue
- (D) Sources of revenue for a household

36. Ram's parents refuse to send him to school. Of which right is Ram being deprived?
A right to
- (A) be loved
 - (B) an identity
 - (C) an education
 - (D) be protected
37. An important reason for the conservation of forests is to
- (A) reduce oxygen in the atmosphere.
 - (B) provide places for leisure activities.
 - (C) protect the habitats of animals and plants.
 - (D) enhance our ability to use wood for construction.

Study the caption then answer **question 38**.



38. The caption above warns of the consequences of
- (A) lighting fires.
 - (B) smoking cigarettes.
 - (C) eating a lot of fried foods.
 - (D) using prescribed medication.

Study the picture below then answer **question 39**.



39. The instrument in the picture is used to
- (A) show the direction of the wind.
 - (B) measure the amount of rain fall.
 - (C) determine the amount of sunshine.
 - (D) measure the atmospheric pressure.
40. All the following are important reasons for listening to the weather report **except**
- (A) planning outdoor activities.
 - (B) planting and harvesting of crops.
 - (C) planning what to feed the animals.
 - (D) packing the appropriate weather gears.

END OF TEST

IF YOU FINISH BEFORE TIME IS CALLED, CHECK YOUR WORK ON THIS ASSESSMENT.

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Mark Scheme

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| 1. A | 21. C |
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| 4. C | 24. B |
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| 6. D | 26. B |
| 7. A | 27. B |
| 8. A | 28. B |
| 9. B | 29. C |
| 10. A | 30. A |
| 11. D | 31. D |
| 12. B | 32. C |
| 13. C | 33. D |
| 14. C | 34. A |
| 15. D | 35. C |
| 16. D | 36. C |
| 17. D | 37. C |
| 18. A | 38. B |
| 19. B | 39. A |
| 20. C | 40. C |

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TABLE OF SPECIFICATION

THEMES	ABILITIES			TOTAL
	Knowledge	Comprehension	Application	
Family	2	4	2	8
	1, 2	13, 14, 15, 16	29, 30	
Our Community	3	4	3	10
	3, 4, 5	17, 18, 19,20	31, 32, 33	
Our Nation	3	4	3	10
	6, 7, 8	21, 22, 23, 24,	34, 35, 36	
Health & Safety and Politeness	3	2	2	7
	9, 10, 11	25, 26	37, 38	
The Weather	1	2	2	5
	12	27, 28,	39, 40	
Total	12	16	12	40
	30	40	30	100