

**GUYANA -
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
NATIONAL GRADE SIX ASSESSMENT
2008**

**SOCIAL STUDIES
PAPER**

TIME: 1 hour 10 minutes

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU ATTEMPT TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS.

- 1. WRITE YOUR CANDIDATE NUMBER ON THE ANSWER SHEET AND UNDERLINE THE SUBJECT.**
2. This test contains 40 questions. You are required to answer **ALL** questions. Four responses are given for each question. The responses are **A, B, C** and **D**. Only **ONE** response is correct.
3. If you are not sure of the answer to a question, then choose the one which you think is **BEST**. On your answer sheet, draw a heavy black line through the letter you have chosen.
- 4. BE SURE THAT THE QUESTION NUMBER IN THE BOOKLET IS THE SAME AS THE ONE YOU HAVE USED ON YOUR ANSWER SHEET.**

Here is an example done for you. 

1	The capital of Guyana is	ANSWER SHEET
	(A) Georgetown. (B) Linden.	1. A B C D
	(C) New Amsterdam. (D) Rose Hall.	

A heavy black line has been drawn through the letter **A** on the answer sheet because **Georgetown**, the correct answer, is next to **A**.

5. If you make a mistake, erase the line cleanly, then draw a heavy black line through the letter next to the answer you have now chosen.

REMEMBER, each answer **MUST** only be shown by a heavy black line on your **Answer Sheet**.

- 7. DO NOT TURN OVER THIS PAGE UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.**

1. Which country imports sugar from Guyana?
(A) Brazil (B) Cuba
(C) England (D) India

2. Which Caricom member state exports petroleum products to Guyana?
(A) Barbados (B) Jamaica
(C) Antigua and Barbuda (D) Trinidad and Tobago

3. The least populated administrative region is Region
(A) 3 (B) 4
(C) (D) 8

4. Robert is leaving Guyana to live in the United States of America. He would be called a/an
(A) emigrant (B) immigrant
(C) citizen (D) resident

5. Which of the following is produced by the Barama Company?
(A) Gold (B) Bauxite
(C) Plywood (D) Stone

6. Which monument is associated with the second Sunday in November?
(A) Chateau Margot Chimney
(B) The 1763 Monument
(C) The Cenotaph
(D) Damon's Cross

Study the national symbol below, then answer questions 7 and 8.



7. Protection for the nation is represented by the

- (A) Jaguars. (B) Shield
(C) Head dress. (D) Flower

Which of the following indicates that Guyana was once ruled by a king or queen?

- (A) Helmet (B) Jaguars
(C) The National flower (D) Amerindian Head dress

9. Which gas contributes to the melting of the ice caps?

- (A) Oxygen (B) Ozone
(C) Carbon Dioxide (D) Water vapours

10. Persons travelling from Parika to Supenaam by speed boat must wear a

- (A) seat belt. (B) life bouy.
(C) safety helmet. (D) life jacket.

11. Marijuana and cocaine are referred to as _____ drugs.

- (A) legal (B) illegal
(C) prescription (D) over the counter

Read the caption below, then answer question 12.

***The footballers were summoned to the
Manager's office for wearing dirty uniforms***

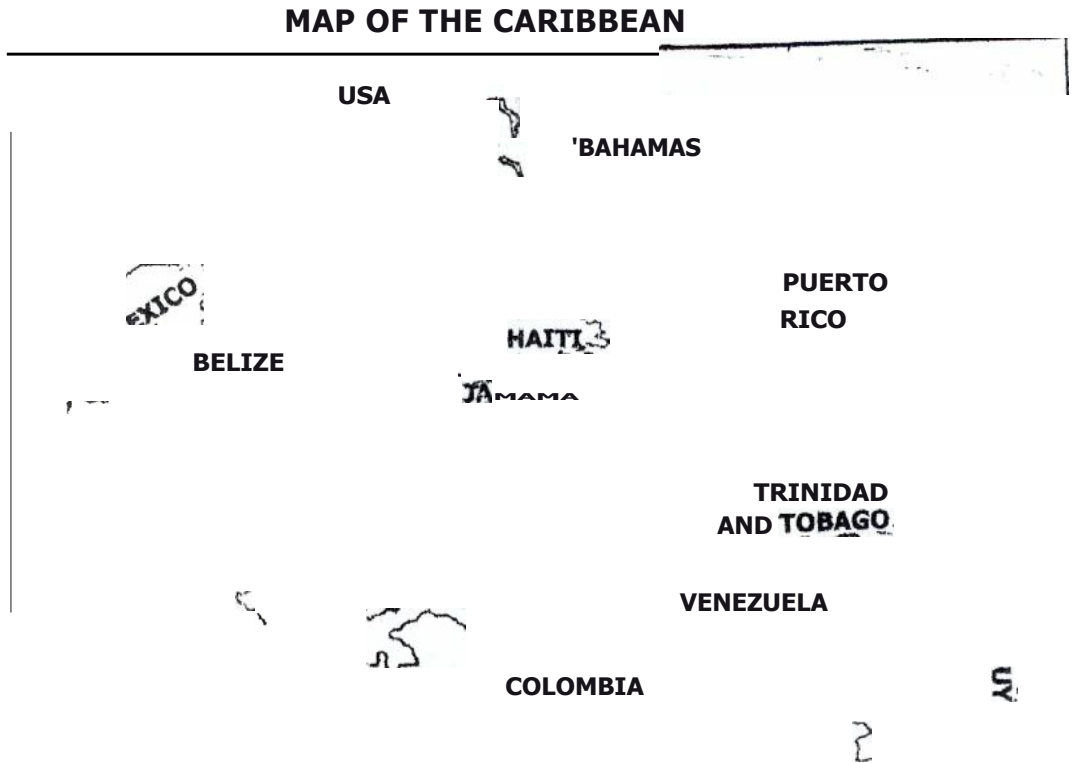
12. The caption suggests that a rule was broken by the members of a
- (A) library.
 - (B) class.
 - (C) club.
 - (D) choir.

Study the caption below, then answer question 13.

***Home Grown!
It saves us foreign exchange***

13. The caption tells us that we must
- (A) use more of what we produce.
 - (B) use less of what we produce
 - (C) grow less local products.
 - (D) buy more foreign products.
14. The Caribbean Secondary Education Certificate is written **mainly** by students who
- (A) attend the University of the West Indies.
 - (B) intend to attend North American Universities.
 - (C) are in Grade 11 in Secondary schools.
 - (D) are seeking employment as teachers and nurses.
15. Which group of villages is associated with the Amerindians?
- (A) Mahaica, Charity, Queenstown
 - (B) Kato, Orealla, Hosororo
 - (C) Cotton Tree, Bush Lot, Annai
 - (D) Santa Rosa, Ithaca, Toka

Study the map below, then answer questions 16 and 17.



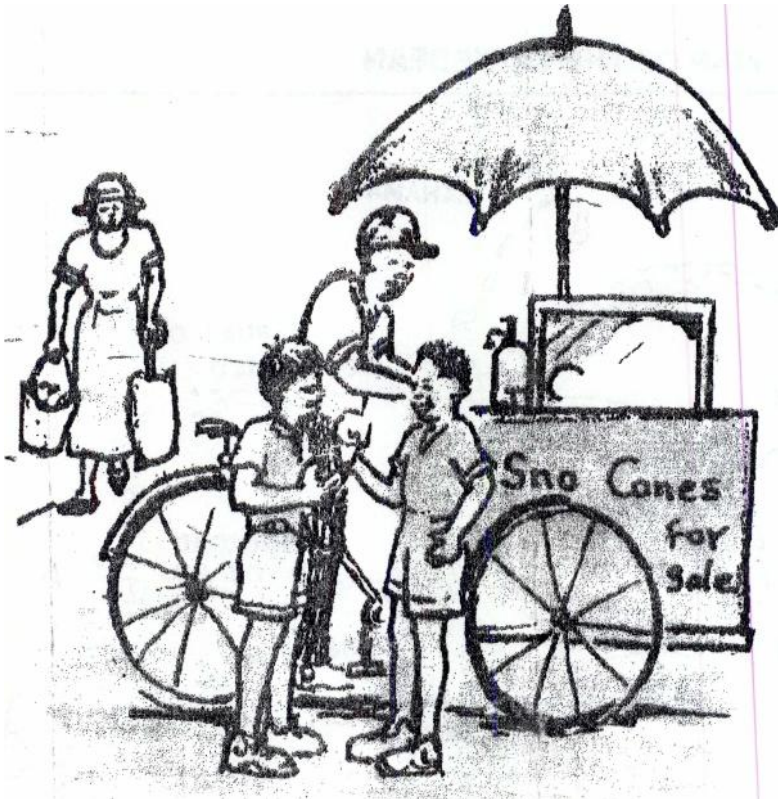
The body of water at A is the

- (A) Atlantic Ocean.
- (B) Pacific Ocean.
- (C) Bering Sea.
- (D) Caribbean Sea.

17. The body of water located at A is of economic importance to Guyana because

- (A) it can be used to provide electricity.
- (B) it provides people with a source of food.
- (C) gold and diamond are extracted from it.
- (D) it is a source for purified drinking water.

Study the picture below, then answer question 18.



18. The climatic condition in the picture is **most likely**
- (A) windy and wet. (B) rainy and windy.
(C) hot and dry. (D) humid and windy.

Use the caption below to answer question 19

Hurricane Ivan crashed through Grenada, tearing up trees, buildings and utility poles with 150 miles winds.

19. Just before the arrival of Hurricane Ivan it would have been **unwise** for residents to
- (A) move to a shelter or safe house.
(B) secure their doors and window.
(C) listen to the weather report on radio.
(D) move to an open field to avoid injuries.

Study the picture below, then answer questions 20 and 21.



20. The child is **most likely** suffering from

- | | |
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| (A) cold. | (B) measles. |
| (C) diarrhoea. | (D) chicken pox. |

21. The **best** way to administer medicine to a child is to give

- | | |
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| (A) large doses at a time. | (B) small doses at regular intervals. |
| (C) half of bottle once a day. | (D) quarter of a bottle after meals. |

Use the picture below to answer question 22.



22. The picture shows that rules are **important** in a community because they

- (A) help to create disorder and confusion.
- (B) help us to make and keep friends.
- (C) ensure that jobs are created for citizens.
- (D) help to control people's behaviour and conduct.

23. The budget **mainly** helps government to

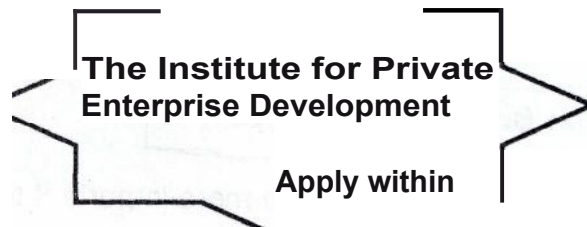
- (A) pay wages and salaries.
- (B) earn and spend money.
- (C) collect outstanding revenue.
- (D) determine the increase in wages and salaries.

24. Which group makes up the cabinet?

- (A) Chancellor and all Ministers of the government.
- (B) President and members of the Main Opposition Party.
- (C) Members of the government and the Speaker.
- (D) President and all the Ministers of the government.

25. A country which gains internal self government is responsible for its
- (A) internal and external affairs.
 - (B) internal affairs only
 - (C) external affairs only.
 - (D) foreign affairs and defence.

Study the caption below, then answer question 26.



26. The institution named in the caption is important because it provides
- (A) insurance for private businesses.
 - (B) loans to businesses at high interest rates.
 - (C) loans and technical advice to businesses.
 - (D) small loans to private businesses.
27. Which products are important to Guyana **as well as** to Jamaica?
- (A) Bauxite, sugar-cane and citrus fruits.
 - (B) Tobacco, sugar-cane and rice.**
 - (C) Gold, sugar-cane and cotton.
 - (D) Coffee, nutmeg and sugar-cane.
28. Which of the following was **not** a change after Guyana became an independent nation?
- (A) The name British Guiana was changed to Guyana
 - (B) Guyana's National symbols were used**
 - (C) The Union Jack was replaced with the Golden Arrow Head
 - (D) The president replaced the governor**

29. Government gets revenue from all of the following sources except

- (A) custom duties. (B) court fines.
(C) market fees. (D) sale of stamps

30. Which natural resource would most likely be transported by a barge?

- (A) Rice (B) Sugar
(C) Granite (D) Lumber

Study the caption below, then answer question 31.

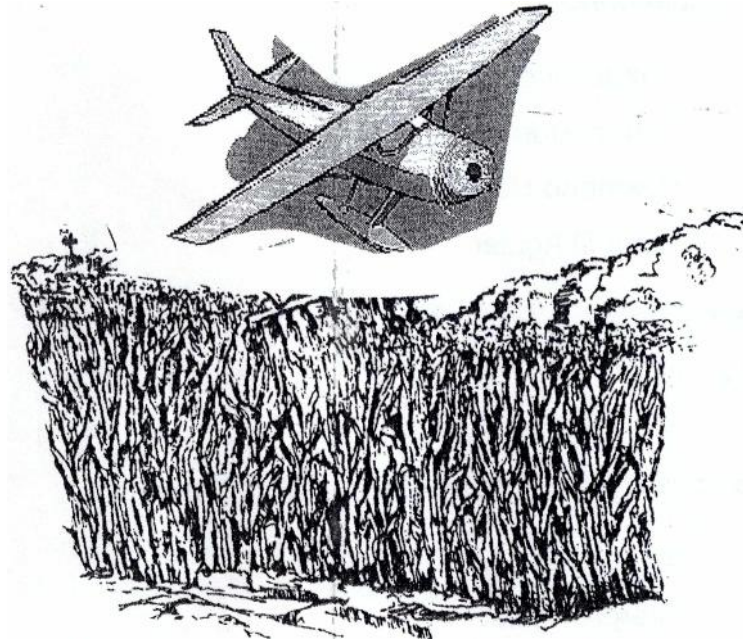
Berbice River Bridge taking shape

31. The bridge across the Berbice River would be more important to Guyana because it would

- i help Guyanese to know Guyana better.
ii promote tourism in Guyana.
iii save time and energy.
iv provide jobs for more Guyanese.
- (A) i, ii and iii only (B) ii, iii and iv only
(C) i, iii and iv (D) i, ii, iii and iv

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Study the scene below, then answer question 32.



Aerial spraying of the sugar-cane

32. The activity above can cause pollution when the insecticide falls

- i on the nearby dams.
- ii in the nearby trenches.
- iii on the sugar cane plants.
- iv on the insects in the field.

(A) i only

(B) i and ii only

(C) i, ii and iii

(D) ii, iii and iv

33. Which of the following is/are true of the gold industry in Guyana?

i Gold earns foreign exchange.

ii It provides jobs for Guyana

iii Government gets revenue from gold.

iv Gold is mined mainly in the sand and clay region.

(A) 1 only

(B) i and ii only

(C) i, ii and iii only

(D) i, ii, iii and iv

34. Which of the following persons were closely associated with the movement towards Independence?

i Cheddi Jagan

ii Forbes Burnham

iii Desmond Hoyte

iv Peter D'Aguiar

(A) i, and ii only

(B) i and iv only

(C) i, ii and iii

(D) i, ii, and iv

35. The **three important** functions of the Judiciary are to

i make laws

ii interpret laws

iii administer laws

iv punish law breakers

(A) ii and iii only

(B) iii and iv only

(C) i, iii and iv only

(D) ii, iii and iv only

36. Which of the following groups of countries are members of Caricom?

i Barbados, Jamaica and Cuba

ii Venezuela, Columbia, Mexico

iii St. Lucia, Suriname and Haiti

iv Dominica, Antigua & Barbuda and St. Vincent

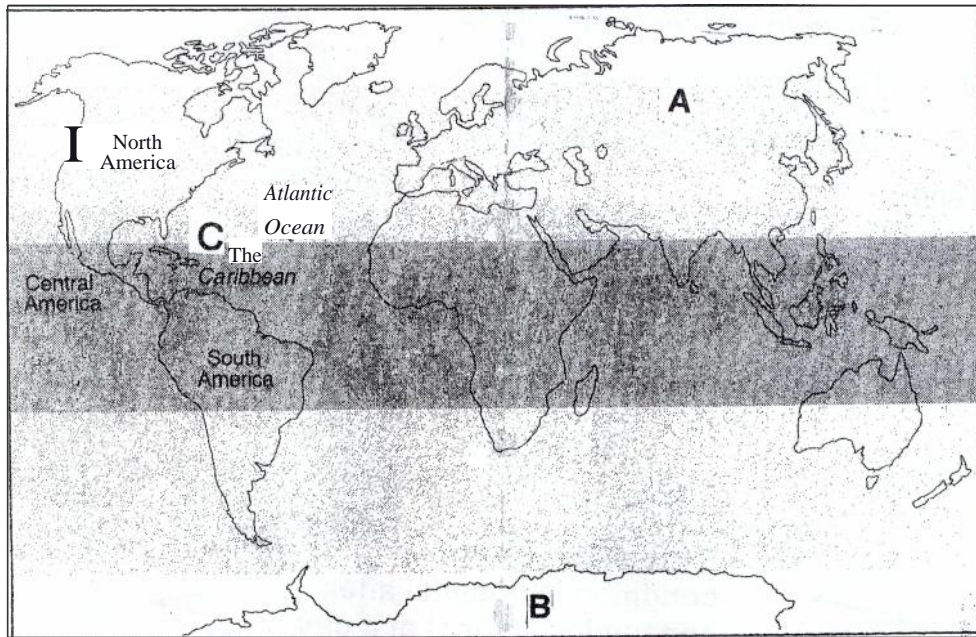
(A) i and ii

(B) ii and iii

(C) ii and iv

(D) iii and iv

Study the map of the world below, then answer questions 37 and 38.



37. Mr. Ivan and wife who live at **A** want to travel to location **C** for vacation during the month of August. What climatic conditions are they likely to experience at **C**?
- (A) Hurricanes and cyclones (B) Droughts and Floods
(C) Hurricanes and Floods (D) Cyclones and Tornadoes
38. At C, Mrs. Ivan met a group of friends who would be taking her to location **B**. The **most suitable** clothing that she should wear would be
- (A) fur-lined jacket, gloves and boots.
(B) mini-skirt, bodice and stiletto heels.
(C) short pants, vest and long boots.
(D) a pair of jeans and track boots.

39. Which of the following are reasons for the coming of the first set of Europeans to Guyana?

- i In search of gold
- ii To trade with the Amerindians
- iii To get rich very quickly
- iv To cultivate tobacco and sugarcane

(A) i and ii

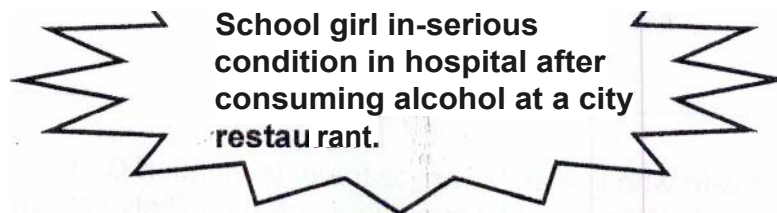
(B) ii and iii

(C) i and iii

(D) ii and iv

Use the information below to answer question 40.

News Flash!



40. What actions can be taken by the city authorities against the owner of the restaurant?

- i Suspend his licence
- ii Take him to court
- iii Order the owner to pay compensation
- iv Send him to jail for a week

(A) i and ii

(B) ii and iii

(C) iii and iv

(D) i and iv

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