

GUYANA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
NATIONAL GRADE SIX ASSESSMENT
2009
SOCIAL STUDIES
PAPER I

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.

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 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.

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

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

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.

6. REMEMBER-each answer MUST only be shown by a heavy black line on your Answer Sheet.
7. Remember only one answer must be provided for each question.
8. DO NOT TURN OVER THIS PAGE UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.

1. Which of the following countries is located in South America?

(A) Belize	(B) Ecuador
(C) Grenada	(D) Panama

2. Which one of these countries is completely surrounded by the Caribbean Sea?

(A) Jamaica	(B) Brazil
(C) Suriname	(D) Peru

3. The people in Linden are engaged mainly in

(A) bauxite mining.	(B) cattle ranching.
(C) rice farming.	(D) gold mining.

4. Most Guyanese migrate to

(A) India.	(B) England.
(C) North America.	(D) South America.

5. Which of the following is a human resource?

(A) Air	(B) Animal
(C) Carpenter	(D) Sunlight

6. The European Fort located in the Berbice River was built by the

(A) Dutch.	(B) English.
(C) French.	(D) Portugese.

7. The monument associated with slavery is the _____ Monument.

(A) Enmore Martyrs	(B) 1763
(C) Cenotaph	(D) Non-Aligned

8. Which company helped in the development of our plywood industry?

(A) Banks D.I.H	(B) Barama
(C) Omai	(D) Linmine

9 Guyana imports machinery from

(A) **Brazil.**

(B) **Barbados.**

(C) **Jamaica.**

(D) **Grenada.**

10. Which weather patterns is associated with green house gases?

(A) El Nino

(B) Global warming

(C) La Nina

(D) Tropical wind

11. A drug that is most harmful to the body is

(A) **whizz.**

(B) **cocaine.**

(C) **tylenol.**

(D) **valium.**

12. 'Look right, look left, look ~~right~~ again, and if it is clear go quickly across'. This is a safety rule for the

(A) **river.**

(B) **air.**

(C) **road.**

(D) **sea.**

13. The founder members of **CARICOM** are

(A) Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados, Jamaica.

(B) Jamaica, Barbados, Guyana, St. Lucia

(C) Trinidad and Tobago, Jamaica, Barbados, Grenada.

(D) Barbados, Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago, St. Vincent.

14. Which three **CARICOM** states are not islands?

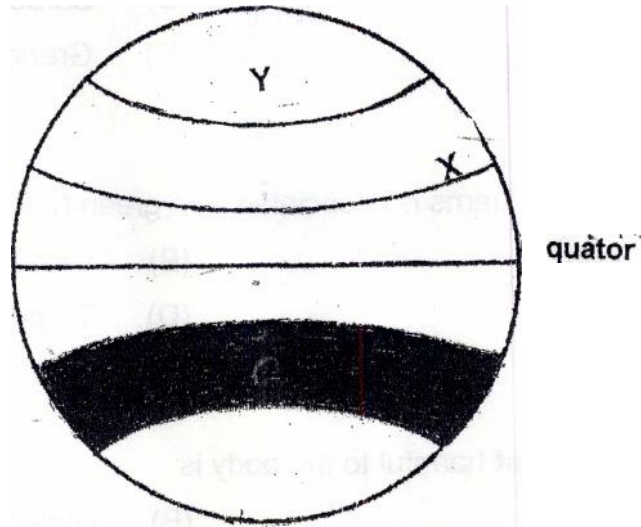
(A) Barbados, Jamaica, Antigua

(B) Belize, Guyana, Suriname

(C) Haiti, Dominica, St. Vincent

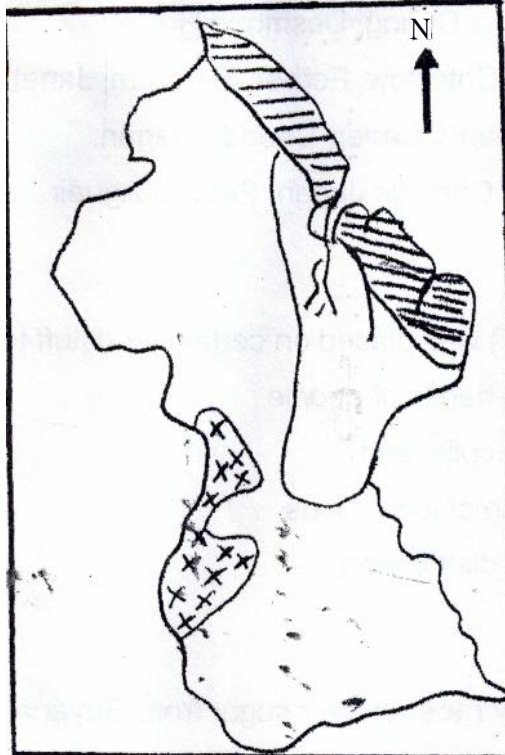
(D) St. Kitts, St. Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago

Study the diagram below, then answer questions 15 and 16.



15. The line marked X is called the
- (A) Arctic Circle. (B) Antarctic Circle.
(C) Tropic of Cancer. (D) Tropic of Capricorn.
16. Countries located in the shaded area are in the _____ Zone.
- (A) North Polar (B) South Polar
(C) North Temperate (D) South Temperate

Study the map below, then answer question 17.



17. The shaded area is important because
- (A) the soil is rich and **fertile**.
 - (B) all the towns are found **there**.
 - (C) gold mining is carried on there.
 - (D) forest reserves are located there.
18. The **main** economic activity of the area marked X X is
- (A) cattle ranching.
 - (B) rice farming.
 - (C) bauxite mining.
 - (D) balata bleeding.
19. Which of the following is **not** a fort in Guyana?
- (A) Nova Zeelandia
 - (B) Kyk-over-al
 - (C) Nassau
 - (D) Damon's Cross

20. The great leaders who sought independence for Guyana were
- (A) Janet Jagan, Arthur Chung, Desmond Hoyte.
 - (B) Hubert Nathaniel Critchlow, Forbes Burnham, Janet Jagan.
 - (C) Peter D'Aguiar, Martin Carter, Cheddie Jagan.
 - (D) Forbes Burnham, Cheddie Jagan, Peter D'Aguiar.
21. Value Added Tax (V.A.T) was placed on certain foodstuff to
- (A) control the eating habits of people.
 - (B) increase revenue collection.
 - (C) encourage the use of local foods.
 - (D) promote fair food distribution.
22. CARICOM countries buy most of their sugar from Guyana because
- (A) of, the high quality of the product.
 - (B) Guyana is the only sugar producing country.
 - (C) it is cheaper to buy the sugar from Guyana.
 - (D) of its high degree of sweetness.

Read the information below then answer question 23.

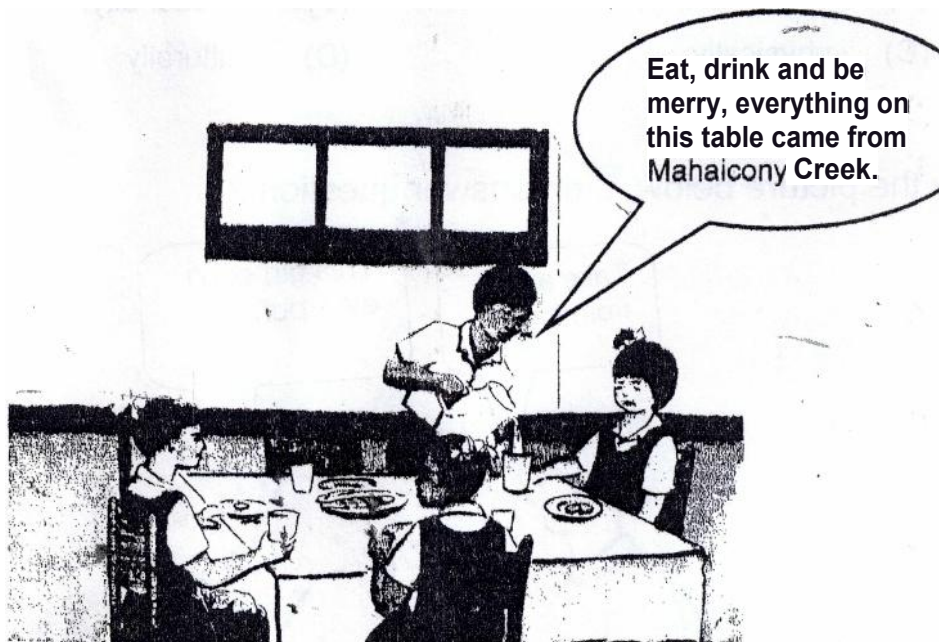
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WE OFFER THE
**BEST RATES IN
TOWN**

\$1 US = \$200 G

23. The information above would most likely be given by a
- (A) real estate agent.
 - (B) post office.
 - (C) car dealer.
 - (D) cambio dealer.

Study the picture below then answer question 24.



24. The picture best reminds us that we must
- (A) eat nutritious foods. (B) eat more foreign foods.
(C) support the local farmers. (D) drink more milk.

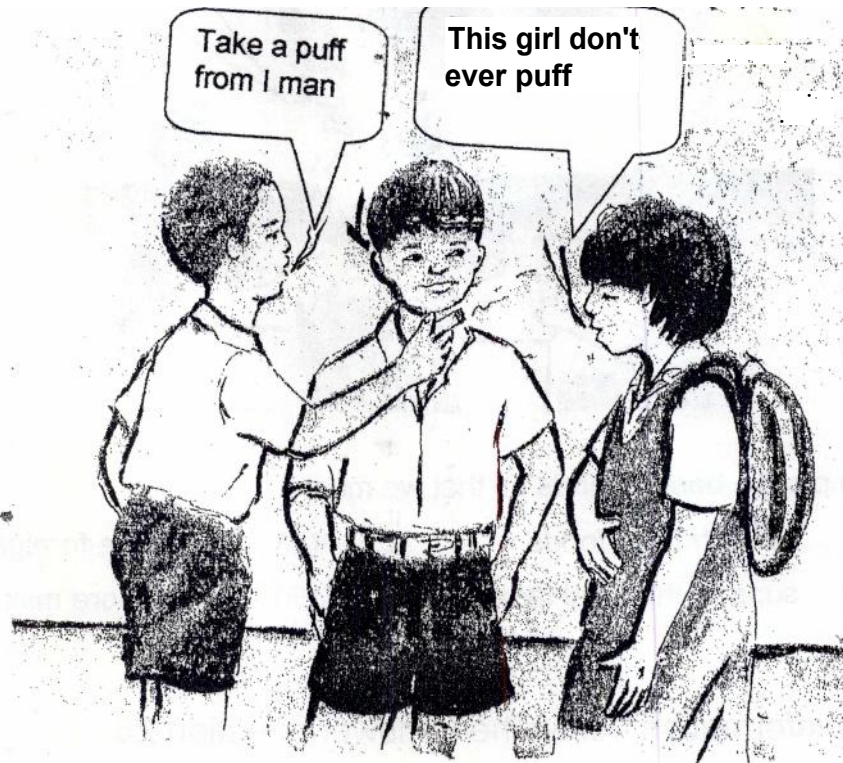
Study the information below then answer question 25.

**JUNE TOO SOON
JULY STAND BY
AUGUST LOOK OUT, IT MUST
SEPTEMBER REMEMBER
OCTOBER ALL OVER**

25. The information refers to
- (A) earthquakes. (B) floods.
(C) hurricanes. (D) volcanoes.
26. A fisherman going out to sea would not be affected by
- (A) bright sunshine. (B) heavy rainfall.
(C) high tide. (D) strong wind.

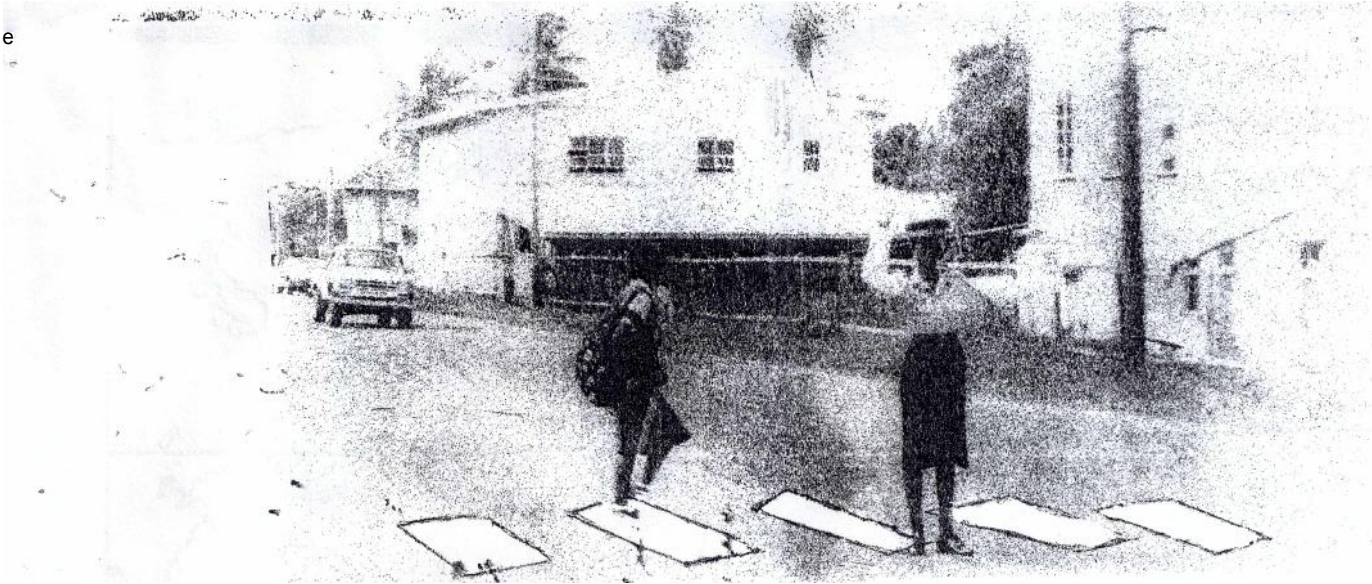
27. If Mary's parents criticize her regularly, then she would most likely be affected
- (A) economically. (B) emotionally.
(C) physically. (D) culturally.

Study the picture below, then answer question 28.



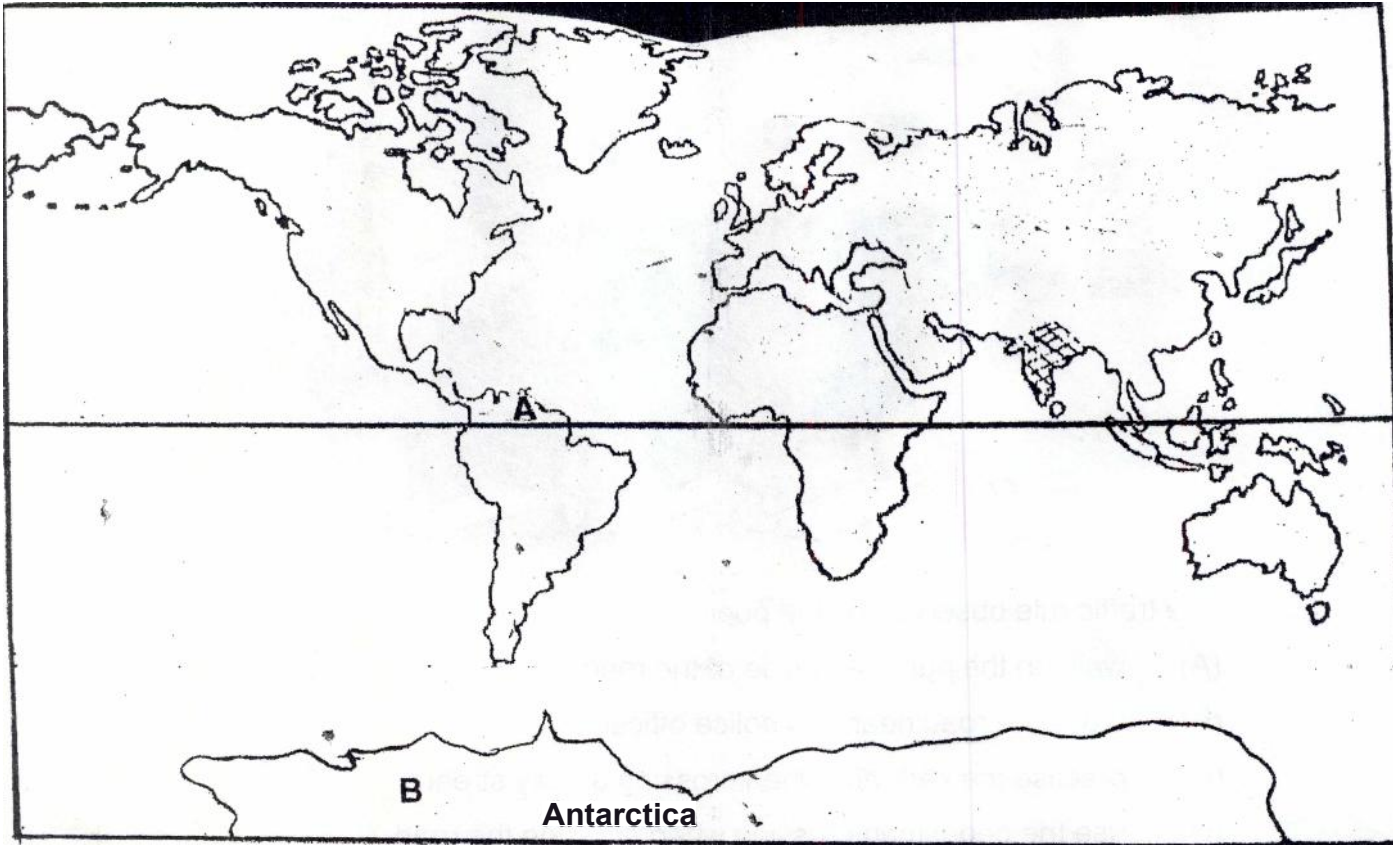
28. The best reason for the girl's refusal is because she does not
- (A) know the boy. (B) like the boy's language.
(C) like cigarettes. (D) take harmful drugs.

Study the picture below, then answer questions 29 and 30.



29. The traffic rule observed by the pupil is
- (A) walk on the right hand side of the road.
 - (B) cross the road near to a police officer.
 - (C) practise the kerb drill when crossing a busy street
 - (D) use the pedestrian crossing when crossing the road.
30. To which group of road users is the traffic police signaling?
- (A) Taxi drivers, motor cyclists and pedestrians.
 - (B) Minibus drivers, taxi drivers and school children.
 - (C) Drivers, cyclists and motor cyclists.
 - (D) Horse carts, pedestrians, school children.

Study the map of the world below then answer questions 31 and 32.



31. Countries located just north and south of the equator will experience

- i hot and warm climate.
- ii cold and humid weather.
- iii mostly rainy and dry conditions.
- iv cool and cold weather.

(A) i and ii only

(B) ii and iii only

(C) ii and iv only

(D) i and iii only

32. If a person travels from A to B, then that person will be moving from _____ weather.

(A) hot to cold

(B) cold to cold

(C) cool to warm

(D) warm to cool

The table below shows the percentage (%) of births and deaths during 1986 to 1994.

Study it, then answer question 33.

Years	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
Birth Rate	26.7	24.1	22.1	20.7	20.4	19.5	18.6	16.9	18.3
Death Rate	6.4	6.6	6.5	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.9	TI	6.8

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33. Which year had the greatest increase in population?

- (A) **1993** (B) **1991**
 (C) **1988** (D) **1986**

34. Which villages were bought by Africans?

- iii Buxton Ithaca
 Annandale iv Victoria

- (A) i ii and iii only (B) i, ii and iv only
 (C) ii, iii and iv only (D) i, iii and iv only

35. Which are possible effects of hurricanes on a country?

- i restoring marine life. ii disrupting electricity.
 iii destroying buildings. iv renewing the fertility on the soil.

- (A) i and ii only (B) ii and iii only
 (C) iii and iv only (D) i and iv only

36. Two countries to which timber is exported are

- United Kingdom ii France
 iii United States of America iv Australia

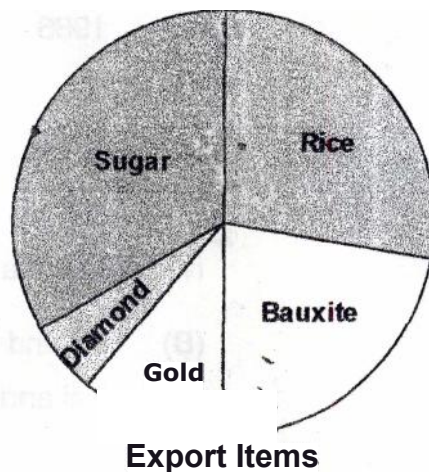
- (A) i and iii only (B) ii and iv only
 (C) iii and iv only (D) i and iv only

37. Which conditions could be caused by cigarette smoking?

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| iii | Sever coughing | ii | Lung cancer |
| | Mental disorder | iv | Skin cancer |

- (A) i and iii only (B) ii and iv only
(C) i and ii only (D) 1 and iv only

The pie chart below shows the amount of foreign exchange Guyana earns from the products exported. Study the pie chart, then answer questions 38 and 39.



38. The most foreign exchange was earned from
(A) bauxite. B) diamond
(C) rice. (D) sugar.
39. According to the pie chart, which statement is true?
(A) Rice earned more foreign exchange than bauxite.
(B) Bauxite earned the least foreign exchange.
(C) Diamond earned just as much foreign exchange as gold.
(D) Bauxite earned more foreign exchange than rice.

Study the scene below, then answer question 40.



40. Lessons to be learnt from the scene above are

- i honesty is the best policy.**
- ii do not take what belongs to someone else.**
- iii work hard to get-things you need.**
- iv never give up what you have found.**

(A) i only

(B) ii and iii only,

(C) i, and ii only

(D) iv only

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