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SUBJECT AREA TEST (SAT) B.A HISTORY EDUCATION MATURE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, NOV. 2024

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Instruction: This paper is made of 50 Multiple-choice Items. Attempt **all** Items for 100marks. Answer all questions in this section. Each question carries equal mark.

- 1. History as a subject refers to
 - A. The study of the past over a period of time
 - B. The study of the past, present and future
 - C. A prediction of the future through the past
 - D. The elimination of the past to give way to the future
- 2. In nation-building, the study of history
 - A. Ensures voting rights of all citizens
 - B. Encourages hostility and disunity
 - C. Promotes the use of foreign language
 - D. Promotes national consciousness
- 3. Having an in-depth knowledge of one's national history makes one
 - A. Law-abiding
 - B. Hardworking
 - C. Patriotic
 - D. Honest
- 4. The main source of information for the study of the period before the advent of writing is
 - A. Archaeology
 - B. Linguistics
 - C. Serology
 - D. Ethnobotany
- 5. Written accounts provided by people who were living witnesses to the events as they unfolded are known as
 - A. Primary Sources
 - B. Archaeological Sources
 - C. Secondary Sources
 - D. Documentary Sources

- The observation of festivals and other cultures of a people to discern their history comes under
 - A. Oral tradition
 - B. Ethnomusicology
 - C. Art forms
 - D. Ethnography
- 7. The study of past people and cultures through their material remains the function of
 - A. Archaeology
 - B. Numismatics
 - C. Oral tradition
 - D. Ethnobotany
- 8. The Hamitic hypothesis places emphasis mainly on
 - A. Inferiority of the black race
 - B. Inferiority of the white race
 - C. Inferiority of evolution
 - D. Inferiority of African history
- 9. The most important article of the Trans-Saharan Trade, which strengthened the military system of most West African states, was the
 - A. Horse
 - B. Giraffe
 - C. Camel
 - D. Elephant
- 10. Which of these early civilisations developed in the Northeast of Africa?
 - A. Mali
 - B. Kongo
 - C. Mwenemutapa
 - D. Egypt

- 11. Which of the following was NOT a reason for the rise of the trans-Saharan trade?
 - A. Introduction of Islam to North Africa
 - B. The conquest of Africa by Europe
 - C. Reduction of trading activities in Europe
 - D. The contributions made by Islam
- 12. Which one of these articles of the Trans-Saharan trade was from North Africa?
 - A. Gold
 - B. Salt
 - C. Kola nut
 - D. Ivory
- 13. The social effect of the trans-Saharan trade included all the following EXCEPT.
 - A. Development of urban centres
 - B. Spread of Islam
 - C. Influx of foreign merchants and professional traders
 - D. Wearing of clothes and ornaments
- 14. Some West African rulers whose empires grew along the trans-Saharan trade routes enriched themselves through
 - A. Toll collection
 - B. Armed robbery
 - C. Sale of arms
 - D. Slave raiding
- 15. Muslim scholars in the courts of western Sudanese kings were to
 - A. Help in the training of soldiers
 - B. Control the trade routes
 - C. Determine the choice of rulers
 - D. Keep historical records
- 16. The introduction of Islam into West Africa began with the
 - A. Conquest of North Africa by the Arabs
 - B. Defeat and occupation of North Africa by the Romans
 - C. Coming of Arabs to the coast of West Africa
 - D. Making of pilgrimages to Mecca by some West African rulers

- 17. In pre-colonial times, the vassal states often broke away whenever the empire became
 - A. Militarily weak
 - B. Politically strong
 - C. Culturally weak
 - D. Economically strong
- 18. The empire that was established in nearly the same place after the collapse of the empire of Ghana was
 - A. Mali
 - B. Kenya
 - C. Southern Ghana
 - D. Morocco
- 19. The most famous king of the Mali Empire was known as
 - A. Ibn Battuta
 - B. Mansa Musa
 - C. King Ali
 - D. King Mohammed
- 20. The African leader who led a pilgrimage of about 8,000 people to Mecca and exposed Europeans and Arabs to West African civilisation was
 - A. King Ali
 - B. Ibn Battuta
 - C. Mansa Musa
 - D. King Mohammed
- 21. The King of ancient Ghana preserved his power by maintaining a large army and collecting taxes.
 - A. True
 - B. False
- 22. Which century did Europeans arrive on the Gold Coast of Ghana?
 - A. 16th Century
 - B. 14th Century
 - C. 15th Century
 - D. 13th Century
- 23. The European forts and castles along the coast of West Africa were built to serve all the following EXCEPT.
 - A. Warehouse for goods
 - B. Accommodation
 - C. Protection against rivals in trade
 - D. Tourist attraction

- 24. The exchange of commodities and slaves between Africa, Europe and the Americas across the sea was known as the
 - A. Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade
 - B. The East Indian Slave Trade
 - C. The Red Sea Slave Trade
 - D. The Atlantic Slave Trade
- 25. Slaves were obtained through one of the following ways
 - A. Persuasion
 - B. Evangelism
 - C. Raids
 - D. Donation
- 26. Which of the following was NOT an impact of the trans-Atlantic Slave trade?
 - A. Decline in the development of African art and craft
 - B. Increased African warfare
 - C. Enrichment of Europe and European port cities
 - D. Depopulation of European cities
- 27. The ancestral home of the Mole-Dagbani was in
 - A. Mandeland
 - B. Hausaland
 - C. Lake Chad region
 - D. Upper Nile Basin
- 28. The introduction of Southeast Asian food crops into Africa facilitated the southward and eastward movement of the
 - A. Abyssinians
 - B. Berber
 - C. Bantu
 - D. Egyptians
- 29. The first European country to experience a modern revolution was
 - A. Britain
 - B. Holland
 - C. France
 - D. Italy
- 30. The first empire to emerge in West African Sudan was
- A. Kanem Bornu
- B. Ghana
- C. Songhai
- D. Mali

- 31. The British explorers studied the sociopolitical and economic conditions of West African states to
 - A. Enable them to set up industries
 - B. Enable them to establish trading stations
 - C. Make them more friendly with the Africans
 - D. Make the African rulers more submissive
- 32. West Africa was called "the white man's grave" because
 - A. White men dug their own graves there
 - B. Of harsh climate and diseases
 - C. Graves of white men were many there
 - D. African rulers killed many white men
- 33. The Atlantic slave trade in West Africa was started by the
 - A. French
 - B. Germans
 - C. Portuguese
 - D. Americans
- 34. Which of the following statements is true about the suppression of the trans-Atlantic slave trade?
 - A. The work of literature changed people's attitude toward it
 - B. Suppression was made through payment of compensation
 - C. Slaves were now regarded as more human
 - D. The Industrial Revolution promoted the trade
- 35. The country that led the abolition of the trans-Atlantic slave trade was
 - A. Germany
 - B. Portugal
 - C. France
 - D. Britain
- 36. Which of the following countries was Chosen by Britain as a resettlement centre for freed slaves?
 - A. Sierra Leone
 - B. Liberia
 - C. The Gambia
 - D. Nigeria

- 37. During the Trans -Atlantic slave trade, slaves bought were mainly kept at the coast to
 - A. Receive immunisation
 - B. Await shipment to foreign countries
 - C. Eat and enjoy fresh fruits
 - D. Bathe and wash their clothes
- 38. Christianity was introduced into West Africa in the fifteenth century by the
 - A. Spaniards
 - B. British
 - C. Germans
 - D. Portuguese
- 39. Some Christian missionaries in West Africa paid more attention to commerce than evangelism because
 - A. Their resources were limited
 - B. They wanted to spread job opportunities
 - C. The local chiefs were not easily converted
 - D. They were involved in the slave trade
- 40. One important effect of the activities of Christian missionaries in West Africa was the
 - A. Promotion of industrialisation
 - B. Categorisation of the people according to their ethnicity
 - C. Conversion of the people to Christianity
 - D. Provision of travelling opportunities for the people.
- 41. The two most important factors which hindered early Christian missionary activity in West Africa were the inadequate number of priests and
 - A. Harsh climate
 - B. Political environment
 - C. Inadequate financial support
 - D. Inadequate fertile land

- 42. The establishment of schools helped the missionaries to
 - A. Penetrate the hinterlands in West Africa
 - B. Break the language barrier in evangelism
 - C. Build confidence in the people
 - D. Promote the West African culture
- 43. Most West Africans were conquered by European nations in the war of resistance because they
 - A. Were agitating for the independence of their chiefdoms
 - B. Used European mercenaries in their wars
 - C. Lacked enough resources to sustain a prolonged war
 - D. Formed alliance with the missionaries
- 44. The European leader who summoned the Berlin conference was
 - A. King Leopold II
 - B. Otto von Bismarck
 - C. Napoleon Bonaparte
 - D. Jules Ferry
- 45. The Berlin Conference of 1884-85 was necessitated by the
 - A. Bitter rivalry among the European nations
 - B. Imperial ambition of some West African rulers
 - C. Need to put an end to the internal wars among the West African people
 - D. Need to promote industrial development in West Africa
- 46. Which of the following European nations did not take part in the scramble for and partition of Africa?
 - A. Britain
 - B. Portugal
 - C. Austria
 - D. France

- 47. Africans fought several wars against the European powers in order to
 - A. Show their military tactics to the world
 - B. Prevent their territories from being colonised
 - C. Maintain the positions of their rulers
 - D. Expose educated Africans to the colonial government
- 48. Which of the following countries was not a former colony of Britain?
 - A. Ghana
 - B. Liberia
 - C. Nigeria
 - D. The Gambia

- 49. Which of the following ethnic groups claim their origins within Ghana?
 - A. Akans
 - B. Dagomba
 - C. Ewe
 - D. Guans
- 50. Which of the following precolonial kingdoms was NOT in the Savannah Zone of Ghana?
 - A. Dagomba
 - B. Denkyira
 - C. Mampursi
 - D. Gonja