

GEOGRAPHY TEST #19

1. NAME THE OLDEST CONTINUOUSLY INHABITED CITY IN THE WORLD.

ANSWER: DAMASCUS, SYRIA.

2. WHAT U.S. STATE HAS OFFICIALLY LEASED LAND (A CEMETERY AND MEMORIAL) IN PERPETUITY TO THE UK. WHY WAS IT LEASED TO THE UK?

ANSWER: ORCACOKE ISLAND, NORTH CAROLINA; LEASE GOES BACK TO WWII WHEN THE BRITISH SHIP HMT BEDFORDSHIRE, PATROLLING OFF U.S. COASTAL WATERS, WAS SUNK BY A GERMAN U-BOAT; FOUR SAILORS' BODIES WASHED ASHORE AT ORCACOKE ISLAND AND WERE LAID TO REST. LEASE WAS MADE SO THAT THESE MEN COULD REMAIN ON THEIR HOME SOIL.

3. WHERE IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST SAND ISLAND LOCATED?

ANSWER: FRASER ISLAND IS OFF EAST COAST OF AUSTRALIA; STRETCHES OVER 120 KM. NOTED FOR ITS TALL RAINFORESTS AND PERCHED LAKES.

4. NAME THE CAPITAL IN THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES-

ANSWER: RWANDA-KIGALI; GUINEA-BISSAU-BISSAU; DOMINICA-ROSEAU; MARSHALL ISLANDS-MAJURO, AND GUINEA-CONAKRY.

5. HOW MANY TIME ZONES ARE THERE IN THE WORLD? WHICH COUNTRY HAS THE MOST TIME ZONES?

ANSWER: MORE THAN 24 TIME ZONES; FRANCE HAS 12 TIME ZONES DUE TO ITS OVERSEAS TERRITORIES. U.S. AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION COME IN SECOND AT 11.

6. WHICH COUNTRY, TODAY, HAS THE MOST CHARACTERS (LETTERS AND SPACES) IN ITS COUNTRY NAME?

ANSWER: UK- THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND HAS 56 LETTERS. PRIOR TO 2013, LIBYA HAD THE HONOR OF HAVING THE MOST CHARACTERS AT 63.

7. WHERE IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU FIND THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES-:

ANSWER, COMOROS- IN INDIAN OCEAN BETWEEN MADAGASCAR & EASTERN COAST OF AFRICA NEAR MOZAMBIQUE

• SAO TOME & PRINCIPE-IN THE GULF OF GUINEA ABOUT 200 MILES WEST OF GABON, AFRICA

• TONGA-IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN, PART OF POLYNESIA, ABOUT 2000 MILES EAST OF AUSTRALIA

CAPE VERDE (CABO VERDE)- ABOUT 385 MILES OFF THE WEST COAST OF AFRICA NEAR SENEGAL

8. WHY DID MACEDONIA, A FORMER YUGOSLAVIAN COUNTRY, CHANGE ITS NAME TO THE REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA IN FEBRUARY 2019?

ANSWER: GREECE OPPOSED THE USE OF MACEDONIA WITHOUT A GEOGRAPHICAL QUALIFIER BY THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIAN COUNTRY IN 1991. GREECE CLAIMED MACEDONIA AS A GREEK HISTORICAL NAME. AS A RESULT OF THE PRESPA AGREEMENT IN 2018, MACEDONIA AGREED TO CHANGE ITS OFFICIAL COUNTRY NAME TO THE REPUBLIC OF NORTHERN MACEDONIA IN FEBRUARY 2019.

9. IN WHICH COUNTRY WOULD YOU FIND THE FOLLOWING HISTORICAL/CULTURAL SITES-

ANSWER: BWINDI IMPENETRABLE NATIONAL PARK-UGANDA; ROCK ISLANDS SOUTHERN LAGOON-PALAU; TSODILO HILLS-BOTSWANA; BRIMSTONE HILL FORTRESS NATIONAL PARK-ST. KITTS AND NEVIS; AND TIMBUKTU-MALI.

10. VULCAN POINT IS LOCATED IN THE PHILIPPINES. IT IS FAMOUS FOR WHAT?

ANSWER: VULCAN POINT IS LOCATED IN CRATER LAKE ON VOLCANO ISLAND WHICH IS LOCATED IN LAKE TAAL ON LUZON ISLAND.