

BASIC EDUCATION MOCK EXAMINATION

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*Do **not** open this booklet until you are told to do so. While you are waiting, read and observe the following instructions carefully. Write your **name** and **index number** in **ink** in the spaces provided above.*

*This booklet consists of **two** parts. Answer Paper 2 which comes first in your answer booklet and Paper 1 on the Objective Test answer sheet. Paper 2 will last **1** hour after which answer booklet will be collected. Do **not** start Paper 1 until you are told to do so. Paper 1 will last **45** minutes.*

Credit will be given for clarity of expression and orderly presentation of material.

ESSAY

[60 MARKS]

This paper consists of **three** sections; **I, II** and **III**. Answer **three** questions **only**. **One** compulsory question and **two** other questions from section **II** and **III** respectively. **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

SECTION I (COMPULSORY)

THE ENVIRONMENT

1. (a) In a certain community in Koforidua, scrap metal workers burn old electrical cables in the open to extract copper. This burning process releases thick black smoke filled with toxic chemicals into the air. Nearby residents, including children walking to school, inhale the polluted air daily. The smoky fog also settles on food items sold in nearby markets, making the pollution not only a health risk but also a food safety concern.
- Identify **three** health problems **likely** to affect people who live in this community. **[3 marks]**
 - What **three** pieces of advice will you give to scrap metal workers to help reduce air pollution? **[3 marks]**
 - Discuss **four** ways of controlling air pollution in this neighborhood. **[8 marks]**
- (b) You're a delivery driver in Accra, tasked with delivering goods from Tema to Kumasi. You have a map with a scale of 4cm representing 2km. The distance between Tema and Kumasi on the map is 8cm. Calculate how far you will drive in real life? **[6 marks]**

SECTION II

LAW, ORDER AND NATION BUILDING

Answer **one** question **only** from this section.

2. (a) The Ghana Statistical Service (GSS) conducted a population survey in the Ashanti Region, which focused on the town of Obuasi. After compiling the census results, the following age distribution was recorded:

Age Group	Population
0–15 years	80,000
16–35 years	20,000
36–59 years	40,000
60 years & above	10,000

The municipal planning officer now wants to know:

- i. the total dependent population; **[3 marks]**
- ii. the dependency ratio; **[4 marks]**
- iii. the percentage of the population in the 36–59 years age group, to help in workforce planning. **[4 marks]**

(b) Distinguish between agents and agencies of socialization. **[3 marks]**

(c) In Ghana, socializing citizens is crucial for national development. State three reasons why a nation needs to socialize its citizens. **[6 marks]**

3. (a) As a student, you join the entire school each morning to sing the national anthem, "God Bless Our Homeland Ghana." State **four** reasons why singing the national anthem is important as a patriotic citizen of Ghana. **[8 marks]**

(b) During your school's annual educational trip, you visited the Parliament House of Ghana to learn about the legislative process. Outline **four** functions of the legislature as one of the arms of government. **[4 marks]**

(c) During a civic education class, Mr. Edison Owusu explains that the Electoral Commission of Ghana (EC) is the independent body responsible for managing elections in the country. Discuss **four** roles of the Electoral Commission of Ghana. **[8 marks]**

SECTION III

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Answer **one** question **only** from this section.

4. (a) Rashidatu is a member of your school's debating club and is preparing for a debate on science and technology. Help Rashidatu distinguish between these two concepts and give an example of each. **[4 marks]**
- (b) To aid Rashidatu's preparation for the debate, explain **four** importance of science and technology that she can use as arguments. **[8 marks]**
- (c) From your perspective, discuss **four** measures that can be implemented to promote science and technology in Ghana. **[8 marks]**
5. (a) Explain marriage as a social institution? **[4 marks]**
- (b) Explain **four** purposes of getting married. **[8 marks]**
- (c) After a decade of marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Dontoh are reportedly experiencing marital issues, sparking rumours of a breakup. In your opinion, what are **four** possible reasons that may have contributed to their marital challenges? **[8 marks]**

END OF ESSAY TEST

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PAPER 1

OBJECTIVE TEST

Answer all questions on your Objective Test answer sheet.

1. Use **2B** pencil throughout.
2. On the pre-printed answer sheet, check that the following details are **correctly** printed: Your **surname** followed by **other names**, the *Subject Name*, your *Index Number*, *Centre Number* and the *Paper Code*.
3. In the boxes marked *Candidate Number*, *Centre Number* and *Paper Code*, **reshade** each of the shaded spaces.
4. An example is given below. This is for a female candidate whose name is Janet OWUSU, Her *Index Number* is **772384188** and she is writing the examination at Centre Number **77234**. She is offering **Social Studies 1** and the Paper Code is **0201**.

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OBJECTIVE ANSWER SHEET

CANDIDATE NAME: OWUSU JANET	SUBJECT NAME: SOCIAL STUDIES 1
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| 1. Use 2B pencil. Press firmly.
2. Answer question by choosing one letter and then, shade through the letter chosen like this
[A] [B] [C] [D] [E]
3. If you want to change an answer, rub out your | first mark completely.
4. If only four alternatives answers are given for each question, ignore the letter E
5. Your question paper may have fewer than 100 questions. |
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If candidate is absent shade this space.



Answer **all** questions in this section.

Each question is followed by **four** options lettered A to D. Find the **correct** option for **each** question and shade in **pencil** on your answer sheet the answer space which bears the same letter as the option you have chosen. Give **only one** answer to **each** question. An example is given below

The capital city of Ghana is

- A. Accra.
- B. Cape Coast.
- C. Kumasi.
- D. Tamale.

The correct answer is 'Accra' which is lettered **A** and therefore answer space **A** would be shaded.

[A] [B] [C] [D]

Think carefully before you shade the answer spaces: erase completely any answer you wish to change.

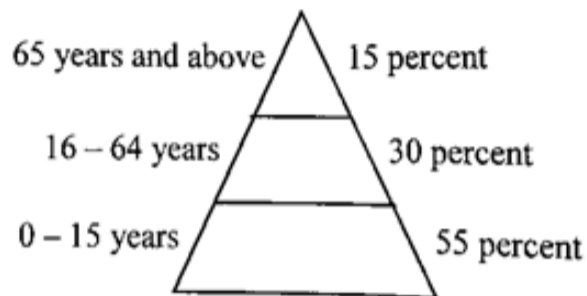
Do all rough work on this question paper. Now answer the following questions

1. Which of the following statements is true? The
 - A. social and physical environments are inter-dependent
 - B. physical environment is independent of the social environment
 - C. physical environment is never affected by the social environment
 - D. social environment is more important than the physical environment
2. If the scale of a map is 1:10,000 and the distance on the map is 20cm, then the actual distance on the ground is
 - A. 20km
 - B. 0.2km
 - C. 2km
 - D. 20,000km
3. Which of the following is a symbol of national unity in Ghana? The
 - A. National anthem
 - B. Akosombo Dam
 - C. Gye Nyame
 - D. Judiciary
4. Which of the following can constitute human rights abuse in Ghana?
 - A. Child labour
 - B. Employing an 18-year-old girl
 - C. Dropping out of school
 - D. Drug abuse
5. The instrument used in measuring the rate of evaporation is
 - A. barometer
 - B. hygrometer
 - C. anemometer
 - D. hydrometer
6. Industries must be located outside residential areas to
 - A. avoid pollution
 - B. encourage competition among firms
 - C. reduce cost of production
 - D. reduce industrial accidents
7. The Djebobo and Torogbani mountains are located in the
 - A. Gambaga escarpment
 - B. Atiwa-Atwredu ranges
 - C. Akwapim-Togo ranges
 - D. Kwahu plateau
8. Which of the following economic activities does not cause deforestation in Ghana?
 - A. Crop growing
 - B. Lumbering
 - C. Fishing
 - D. Charcoal burning
9. The most important symbol which identifies Ghana as an independent state is the
 - A. Speaker's Mace
 - B. National Flag
 - C. State Sword
 - D. Coat-of-arms
10. Which of the following diseases is caused by pollution of water bodies?
 - A. River blindness
 - B. Asthma
 - C. Cholera
 - D. Hepatitis B
11. Travelling to see and enjoy facilities and sceneries in other places is referred to as
 - A. leisure
 - B. tourism
 - C. pleasure
 - D. entertainment

12. One responsibility of the Ghanaian citizen is to
- protect the police
 - pay taxes
 - work and earn a living
 - worship freely
13. Which of the following personalities was a member of the United Gold Coast Convention?
- Kojo Botsio
 - J.B. Danquah
 - Krobo Edusei
 - K. A. Gbedemah
14. Which of the following is an effect of air pollution on ecosystems?
- Enhanced plant growth
 - Reduced biodiversity
 - Increased soil fertility
 - Improved water quality
15. One obstacle to family planning in Ghana is
- puberty rites
 - naming ceremonies
 - old age
 - religious beliefs
16. One social issue resulting from rapid population growth in Ghana is
- increased social cohesion
 - decreased housing shortages
 - higher unemployment rates
 - improved quality of life
17. The love and affection the child needs best comes from
- parents
 - teachers
 - peers
 - grandparents
18. Assuming the people below fifteen years are thirty-five percent (35%) and those above sixty years are twenty percent (20%), what does this imply?
- Dependency ratio is high
 - Population is at its optimum
 - Population is stable
 - The ratio of females to males is high
19. A spouse is either a/an
- mother or father
 - uncle or aunt
 - brother or sister
 - husband or wife
20. Which of the following is a primary method for developing human resources?
- Meditation
 - Training and education
 - Buying new technology
 - Reducing working hours
21. Parenthood starts as soon as a child is
- adopted
 - born
 - conceived
 - named
22. One reason for which people contract marriage is to
- escape from hard work
 - bear and nurture children
 - gain permanent employment
 - secure traditional inheritance
23. The process of caring for children and helping them to grow and learn is referred to as
- socialization
 - parenting
 - parenthood
 - counselling
24. When a large proportion of a country's population is under fifteen years of age, the population is described as
- old
 - young
 - declining
 - aging
25. What is the primary source of air pollution in urban areas?
- Solar panels
 - Industrial emissions
 - Wind farms
 - Hydropower plants
26. The high rate of population growth in Ghana is attributed to
- early marriage
 - food aid
 - improvement in education
 - rise in income

27. Which of the following is a renewable natural resource found in Ghana?
- Gold
 - Bauxite
 - Timber
 - Oil

Use the diagram below to answer questions 28 and 29.



28. The age distribution above shows that the country is experiencing
- a stable population
 - a decreasing population
 - an increasing population
 - an optimum
29. The total percentage of the dependent population is
- 45 percent
 - 55 percent
 - 70 percent
 - 85 percent
30. In the Ghanaian society, marriage is a union between
- only the couple
 - two families
 - two mature people
 - two people who are in love
31. Which of the following gases is a major contributor to the greenhouse effect?
- Oxygen
 - Nitrogen
 - Carbon dioxide
 - Neon
32. What is a potential benefit of smaller family sizes?
- Increased financial strain
 - More resources per child
 - Higher rates of unemployment
 - Greater household chaos
33. What natural resource is primarily extracted in the western coastal areas of Ghana?
- Bauxite
 - Oil
 - Timber
 - Cotton
34. A consequence of a broken home is
- child delinquency
 - domestic violence
 - incompatibility
 - infidelity
35. A town with abundant resources for improving quality of life but a very small population, best describes
- over-population
 - under-population
 - optimum population
 - dispersed population
36. Which energy source is most associated with acid rain?
- Solar energy
 - Biomass
 - Coal
 - Geothermal
37. How does climate change affect Ghana's population distribution?
- Promotes urbanization
 - Encourages rural living
 - Reduces migration patterns
 - Enhances rural development
38. A successful marriage depends on both partners
- being gainfully employed
 - belonging to the same clan
 - being highly religious
 - exhibiting genuine love
39. Why is it important to balance the extraction of natural resources with environmental conservation?
- To increase extraction rates
 - To ensure sustainability for future generations
 - To maximize short-term profits
 - To reduce government regulations
40. Flouting the authority of parents can result from
- constant scolding of the child
 - hereditary traits of the child
 - influence of the mass media
 - regular parental control