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INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

- 1) maintained a regular diplomatic contact with a European State as early as the 15th century
a) Oyo b) Benin c) Dahomey d) Asante e) Igala
- 2) in any society reflects the level of development in that culture
a) Social culture b) Mental culture c) Material culture d) Political culture e) Economic culture
- 3) The building of a cavalry force was responsible for Oyo's victory over the Southern territory of
a) Dahomey b) Ketu c) Benin d) Asante e) Borgu
- 4) was one of the indigenous African writers who had acquired the knowledge of Arabic writing
a) Ibn Batuta b) Muhammed Bello c) Al Said d) Uthman Dan Fodio
- 5) The Ama-ala played a significant role at the level in Igbo political organization
a) Family b) Extended family c) Lineage d) Village e) Clan
- 6) Uniformity of culture during the Palaeolithic period was a testimony to
a) Improved communication b) Development of speech c) Improved techniques of tools
d) Easy mobility
- 7) The coming together and the expansion of population in Igboland was enhanced primarily to provide
a) Defence b) Farm lands c) Commercial centres d) Job opportunities
- 8) was at the centre of affairs in Igbo government
a) Oliha b) Iyasere c) Aku Uka
d) Okpara e) Ofo
- 9) For extensive information on the history of Kona, we rely essentially on
a) Archaeological evidence b) Jukun chronicles c) Kano chronicles d) Zaria chronicles
e) Linguistic evidence
- 10) The study of languages have helped historians to
a) Establish stages of technological development b) Understand cultural diffusion c) Provide chronological basis in dating in place of the 'long ago' d) Provide concrete evidence of human achievements and activities
- 11) was one of the seven States known as the Hausa Bakwai
a) Gobir b) Kebbi c) Nupe d) Jukun e) Gwari f) Yauri
- 12) is part of the region that was classified as Fertile Crescent
a) Egypt b) Iraq
c) Axum d) Kush e) Ethiopia
- 13) was the first dynasty in Benin kingdom
a) Scifawa b) Igala mela c) Ogiso
d) Eweka e) Scif
- 14) in the Nile valley showed an evidence of impressive 'prehistoric' civilization
a) Fayum b) Egypt c) Tigris and Euphrates d) Fertile crescent
- 15) took the lead in commercial transactions within Hausaland and the Western Sudan
a) Zaria b) katsina c) Kano d) Sokoto e) Jenne

- 16) Before the gradual decline and the conquest of around A.D. 300, she had succeeded in setting the motion for a wider process of civilization in Africa kingdom a) Axum b) Kush c) Ethiopia d) Meroe c) Nubia
- 17) Tradition recorded that it was during the time of That Islamization gained reasonable ground in Borno Empire a) Idris Alloma b) Ali Ghaji c) Kakanfo Afonja d) Alhaji Muhammed Turc c) Alhaji Sabe
- 18) The temples in Not only bore Egyptian inscriptions, they were also dedicated to the Egyptian gods. a) Axum b) Kush c) Ethiopia d) Meroe c) Nubia
- 19) What became known as Nigeria came to be only in the year following the amalgamation of the various protectorates a) 1911 b) 1914 c) 1941 d) 1942 c) 1924
- 20) was one of the prominent rulers in Egypt a) Ezana b) Kashta c) Rameses II d) Alexander e) Lalibela
- 21) By the there had evolved a culture and language and ethnic group that could be called Hausa a) 9thc b) 10thc c) 11thc d) 12thc c) 13thc
- 22) Pharaoh's period in Egypt witnessed advances not only in literature but also in a) Astronomy b) literature c) hieroglyphics d) Calculations e) Arithmetic
- 23) Government was largely democratic at all levels as all adult males took active part in the decision making process a) Jukun b) Igbo c) Oyo d) Benin c) Kwara f) Hausaland
- 24) Under king Ezana, Axum was ranked third after among the great powers of the world a) Persia b) Rome c) Egypt d) Kush c) Ethiopia
- 25) One of the most famous rulers in Hausaland between was Muhammed Rimfa a) 1463-1499 b) 1436 - 1489 c) 1466-1499 d) 1466-1489
- 26) The famous Muslim scholar attested to Kilwa as the most beautiful and well constructed city he had ever seen a) Ibn Batuta b) Ibn Khaldun c) AlSadi d) Alkadi c) Al meghili
- 27) During the socio-political upheavals that characterized Nigeria at the beginning of 19thc, the Kakanfo Afonja rebelled against Alafin and declared himself independent in the year a) 1817 b) 1871 c) 1881 d) 1891 e) 1819
- 28) The Uzama were to What the Oyo Mesi were to Old Oyo Empire a) Oyo b) Benin c) Dahomey d) Asante c) Igala
- 29) was the symbol of Igbo's authority and the link between the dead and the living a) Aku Uka b) Okpara c) Ofo d) Aro c) Ama-Ala
- 30) The various traditions on the origin of the Igala did not suggest any connection between Igala and a) The Jukun b) Queen Amina of Zaria c) The Edo d) The Yoruba c) The Igbo
- 31) The Igala conflicting traditions did not suggest that they were related to the a) Hausa b) Jukun c) Yoruba d) Igbos c) Zaria
- 32) Today, traces of Jukun influence could be seen in a) Gobir b) Kwana c) Borno d) Zaria c) Kastina
- 33) was used in lifting water to irrigate fields a) Wheel b) Plough oxen c) Oxen d) Picks e) Microliths

- 34) Tradition suggested that Ayagba of Igalaland was a a) Jukun Prince b) Benin Prince
c) Oyo Prince d) Igbo Prince e) Hausa Prince
- 35) For our information on the growth and development of Hausa city States, we rely mostly on
a) Bayajida myths and legends b) Kano chronicle c) Archaeological evidence
d) Oral traditions
- 36) The most celebrated of all the wars Ayagba of Igalaland fought was the war against a) The
Jukun b) Queen Amina of Zaria c) The Edo d) The Yoruba
e) The Igbo
- 37) In Igbo social organization, the level was made up of a number extended families all of
whom shared common ancestry a) The family b) The extended family c) The lineage
d) The Village e) The clan
- 38), a famous Muslim scholar, attested to Kilwa as the most beautiful and well
constructed city he had ever seen a) Al kadi b) Ibn Battuta c) Al Sadi d) Al Maghili
- 39) The transformation of the Swahili trading settlements into flourishing Muslim centres could be
attributed to the arrival of commercial colonists a) Egyptians b) Swahilians
c) Romans d) Persians
- 40) To ensure privacy, houses in Hausaland are usually enclosed by either mud walls or
a) Mud fence b) Timber leather c) Timber mat d) Grass mat
- 41) West Africa (Western Sudan) is bounded in the South by.....
a) The Cameroon highlands b) The Lake Chad c) The Sahara Desert
d) The Atlantic Ocean e) Mount Kilimanjaro
- 42) The major rivers in Nigeria are..... a) Rivers Osun and Ogun b) Rivers Benue and Oni
c) Rivers Niger and Benue d) Rivers Mississippi and Niger
e) Rivers Volta and Chad
- 43) Another name or synonym for 'earth' is..... a) Planet b) Cosmos c) Africa
d) Europe and Africa e) Habitat
- 44) The world famous scholar and anthropologist who wrote the popular book titled The Primitive
Culture is: a) Enil Ludwig b) E.B. Tylor c) James Barbour d) Edwin Smith e) Idi
Amin Dada
- 45) Man is naturally composed of these two basic elements
a) The psychological and the logical b) The divine and the spiritual
c) The spiritual and the physical d) The physiological and the radical
e) The mortal and the immortal
- 46) Two prominent deserts in Africa are a) Atlantic and Pacific b) Sahara and Kalahari
c) Mesopotamia and Guinea d) The Horizontal and the Vertical
e) Egypt and Ethiopia
- 47) West Africa can be divided into two broad zones. These are
a) Western and Eastern zones b) The Equatorial and the Vertical zones
c) The Savannah and the Forest zones d) The River Basin and the Temperate zones
e) The Almagamated and the disjuncted
- 48) Some North Africa people include a) The Garuba and the Tuaregs
b) The Tuaregs and the Berbers c) The Edo and the Bambara
d) The Ashante and the Ilencs e) The Aborigines and the Tukolor
- 49) The popular confluence town in Nigeria where the two longest rivers meet is
a) Abuja b) Cotonou c) Lokoja d) Warri e) Lagos

- 50) The Mossi people are found in a) Mossi land b) Present day Republic of Upper Volta c) Bambara land d) Southern Niger e) Nile Valley
- 51) The Bariba speak a) Yoruba language b) Hausa language
c) Language of the ancestors d) Voltaic group of languages e) Kwa group of languages
- 52) The Yoruba look at Ile-ife as their ancestral home while the Fon look at as theirs a) Benin City b) Kumasi c) Tado d) Senegal e) Timbuktu
- 53) Nigeria became a Republic in the year a) 1960 b) 1861 c) 1963 d) 2001 e) 1914
- 54) The Adja people can be found in A) Modern Togo b) Present day Senegal
c) Ashante land d) Benin Republic e) Igbo land
- 55) Former name for the present Republic of Benin is a) Abomey b) Miachi c) Egun
d) Dahomey e) Niger area
- 56) State ministers in Dahomey were known as a) The turbulour ones b) Royal absolutonists
c) Abomey ministers d) Swahili agents e) Migan and Agau
- 57) The Ashante empire had its centre at a) Accra b) Tema c) Kumasi d) Cotonou
e) Ezekuele
- 58) The famous corps of female soldiers of Dahomey were known as a) Gorrillas b) Activities
c) Soldiers of fortune d) Amazon e) Dahomey female warriors
- 59) Who established the famous corps of female soldiers in Dahomey?
a) Osei Tutu b) Kwameh Nkrumah c) Agaja Trudo d) The Barbarians e) The Bureaucrats
- 60) The Ashantehene lived in a) Lagos b) Kumasi c) Accra d) Lome e) Port Novo
- 61) The spiritual symbol of the Ashante people's political existence was
a) Ashantehene's staff of office b) The Golden stool c) The spiritualists
d) Divine spirits e) The ancestors
- 62) The Yoruba, Edo, Adja and Ewe languages belong to a) Mossaic group
b) Voltaic group c) Kwa group d) Oranmiyan group e) Doltaic group
- 63) The Ghana kingdom was founded by the a) Dangomba b) Malinke c) Bambara
d) Soninke e) Islamiya
- 64) An area where a river enters the ocean through many channels is known as
a) Conference b) Delta c) Tributary d) Oasis e) Island
- 65) The largest and most populated country in West Africa is a) Ghana b) Mali c) Nigeria
d) Togo e) Niger Republic
- 66) The means of exchange in the economic transactions among peoples of West Africa before money
currency were a) Time and money b) Paper and currency c) Barter and cowries d)
Language and communication e) Hoes and cutlasses
- 67) The famous river that runs through the South central and North Africa and deposits its water in
the mediterranean sea is a) Niger b) Zambezi c) Mississippi d) Nile e) Volta
- 68) Which is the religious sect that destroyed the empire of Ghana in the 11th century?
a) Christianity b) Hinduism c) Ghanaism d) Traditional religion e) Islam
- 69) The most common medium of expression in the global world is a) Swahili
b) English c) French d) Portuguese e) German
- 70) The famous and extensive lake at the North-east of Nigeria is a) Lake Victoria b) Lake
Nyanza c) Lake Chad d) Lake Mubi e) Lake Udoza