Contemporary World

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- 1. Which of the following countries are in the Near Core?
 - a. Poland, Bangladesh and Germany
 - b. Canada, Germany and Australia
 - c. Zambia, Malaysia and Philippines
 - d. Iran, Philippines and Thailand
- 2. What are the 3 measures of globalization?
 - a. economic development, social development and political development
 - b. economic development, agricultural development and social development
 - c. agricultural development, political development and social development
 - d. social development, agricultural development, political development
- 3. Which of the following is the correct proportion of countries in the Global 500 found in the Old Core in comparison to the New Core?
 - a. 31; 469
 - b. 500; 0
 - <mark>c. 469; 31</mark>
 - d. 0; 500
- 4. Which of the following are benefits of having transnational corporations?
 - 1. Faster, more effective spread of technology
 - 2. Wealth is concentrated in countries who already possess much of the world's wealth
 - 3. Companies move factories to places where there are lax environmental standards
 - 4. Creates connections between countries
 - 5. Contributes to our standard of living
 - a. 1, 2,4 b. 2,3,5 <mark>c. 1, 4, 5</mark> d. 2, 3, 4
- 5. One who believes in government control over business and trade, along with social control is known as:
 - a. Right wing authoritarian
 - b. Left wing authoritarian
 - c. Left wing liberatarian
 - d. Centrist

6. Which of the following correctly describes the three measures of globalization?

Economic development

- 1. GDP (gross domestic product) per capita
- 2. Availability of healthcare

Social development

- 3. Rule of law
- 4. Life expectancy

Political maturity

- 5. Democracy/ electoral system
- 6. Level of education
- a. 1, 4, 6
- b. 2, 3, 5
- <mark>c. 1, 4, 5</mark>
- d. 1, 2, 4
- 7. Which of the following theories states that: the world is a self regulating living entity made up of organisms that modify their environment for survival?
 - a. Spaceship Earth Concept
 - b. Cornucopian Thesis
 - c. Limits-to-growth thesis
 - d. Gaia hypothesis
- 8. Canada is to Bangaldesh as Old Core is to:
 - a. Far periphery
 - b. Near Core
 - c. New Core
 - d. Old Core
- 9. Which of the following is not an established factor that measures a country's global involvement?
 - a. Infant mortality rate
 - b. oil consumption
 - c. GDP from Uranium production
 - d. Number of McDonald's
- 10. Which of the following is an example of sustainable development?
 - a. A ski lodge in Dubai
 - b. Envirolet Composting Toilet
 - c. The Neorest, massaging toilet
 - d. Flying/helicopter Toilet
- 11. Which of the following statements are TRUE regarding a monopolistic organization
 - a. There are many firms
 - b. It is constrained by demand
 - c. Products are differentiated by brands
 - d. Price setting is limited

- 12. In a pure command economy...
 - a. Children often follow in parents' footsteps, there is little variation in the pattern of goods produced from year to year.
 - b. Decisions about what to produce are made by business firms to consumer demand
 - Decisions about what to produce are made by the government using forecasts of future tastes for goods and services.
 - d. Decisions are made by business firms but are regulated by the government.
- 13. Which of the following types of globalization is incorrect?
 - a. cultural and geographic
 - b. political and technological
 - c. financial and economic
 - d. sociological and educational
- 14. Which of these theories is an expansionist world view?
 - a. The spaceship earth concept
 - b. Gaia Hypothesis
 - c. Cornucopia Thesis
 - d. Limits to Growth
- 15. Which of the following is not a form of globalization?
 - a. Political
 - b. Cultural
 - <mark>c. Environmental</mark>
 - d. Financial
- 16. Which of the following is not part of the ecological world view?
 - a. limited resources
 - b. industrial revolution
 - c. concern for the environment
 - d. activists raising awareness
- 17. Which company holds the highest ranking in the global 500 list?
 - a. Citigroup
 - b. Exxon
 - c. Bank of America
 - d. Royal Bank
- 18. Which of the following is not a benefit concerning transnational corporations:
 - a. Creating connections between countries
 - b. Spread of technology
 - c. Wealth is concentrated in parts of the world that are already wealthy
 - d. Lots of products at low prices.
- 19. An example of an expansionist world view is:
 - a. Spaceship Earth Concept
 - b. Cornucopian Thesis
 - c. Limits-to-growth
 - d. Gaia hypothesis

- 20. In a perfect competition market organisation:
 - a. The products are homogeneous
 - b. differentiated
 - c. Either
 - d. A single unique product
- 21. Which of the following is true:
 - a. Canada is part of the New Core
 - b. Bangladesh and Russia are part of the the New Core
 - c. Brazil and China are part of the New Core
 - d. Saudi Arabia is part of the New Core
- 22. GDP is primarily a measure of:
 - a. Social development
 - b. Economic development
 - c. Political growth
 - d. Religious conflict
- 23. Which country is part of the BRIC nations?
 - a. Bosnia
 - <mark>b. Brazil</mark>
 - c. Bangladesh
 - d. Burma
- 24. The New Core is also known as:
 - a. Underdeveloped
 - b. North
 - <mark>c. Developed</mark>
 - d. First world
- 25. Which conceptual model of the earth believes that the regulatory mechanisms are being over worked by humans?
 - a. Spaceship earth concept
 - b. GAIA HYPOTHESIS
 - c. Cornucopian Thesis
 - d. Limits-To-Growth Thesis
- 26. A Korean watching Family Guy at home is an example of what kind of globalization?
 - a. Sociological Globalization
 - b. Geographical Globalization
 - c. CULTURAL GLOBALIZATION
 - d. Technological Globalization
- 27. A third world country such as Chad, would be in which of the following:
 - a. Near Core
 - b. FAR PERIPHERY
 - c. Old Core
 - d. New Core

- 28. The following words pertain to which stage of revolution
 - 1. Gristmills
 - 2. Renewable Resources
 - 3. Coal
 - A) Hunting and Gathering
 - B) Agricultural Revolution
 - **C) INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION**
 - D) Technological Revolution
- 29. A government that privatizes companies during an economic crisis is known as:
 - a. NEO-LIBERAL
 - b. Keynesian
 - c. Progressive Thought
 - d. Communism
- 30. What is the Law of Supply? The quantity supplied will increase if prices increase, and the quantity supplied will decrease if prices decrease, ceteris paribus.
- 31. Name the 8 types of globalization. Economic, Financial, Cultural, Technological, Sociological, Ecological, Geographic, Political
- 32. True or False: Communism is on the right side of the political spectrum. FALSE
- 33. Which one of these is not a type of globalization?
 - a. Ecological
 - <mark>b. Industrial</mark>
 - c. Political
 - d. Cultural
- 34. Which one of these statements is true about the Gaia Hypothesis:
 - a. Is an expansionist model that is an alternative to the limits-to-growth thesis
 - b. Is based on computer models predicting what might happen if current growth trends continue.
 - c. Is a thesis that explains how living organisms have regulated the amount of carbon dioxide and other gases to keep temperature and precipitation at levels suitable for their survival
 - d. Regards Earth as a fragile, finite, self-contained sphere with limited resources and rapidly growing population whose life-support system is in jeopardy
- 35. All the material components of the environment taken together are called:

a. Total stock

- b. Renewable resource
- c. Non-renewable resource
- d. Capitol

- 36. Canada, Germany and Spain are part of:
 - a. Near Core
 - b. New Core
 - c. Far Periphery
 - d. Old Core
- 37. What principle is neo-colonialism based on?
 - a. Political dominance
 - b. Social dominance
 - c. Cultural dominance
 - d. Economic dominance
- 38. What belief is cornucopian thesis is based upon?
 - a. Spiritual advances will develop new resources to take the place of depleted resources.
 - b. Scientific advances will develop new resources to take the place of depleted resources.
 - Scientific and technological advances will develop new resources to take the place of depleted resources.
 - d. Political advances will develop new resources to take the place of depleted resources.
- 39. Which one of the following choices are correctly grouped?
 - a. Old Core- Canada and China
 - b. Far Periphery- Bangladesh and Zambia
 - c. New Core- Peru and Nepal
 - d. Near Core- Philippines and Malaysia
- 40. What is a negative reaction to globalization?
 - a. Demolishment of land
 - b. Ignore elder's needs
 - c. Moral Laxity
 - d. Stumbling Stone
- 41. What type of market organization is corn and soybean farming? Perfect competition
- 42. If the production cost of corn and soybean increases then the supply of corn and soybean will ______? decrease
- 43. Which of the following is NOT a form of globalization?
 - a. Technological Globalization
 - b. Cultural Globalization
 - c. Historical Globalization
 - d. Geographical Globalization
- 44. Which of the following characteristics does NOT correspond to social development?
 - a. Education
 - b. Infant mortality
 - c. Ratio of cars to people
 - d. Healthcare

- 45. Which of the following countries belong to the New Core?
 - <mark>a. Canada</mark>
 - b. Germany
 - c. Malaysia
 - d. Zambia
- 46. What is globalization?
 - a. The trend toward greater interconnectedness of the world's financial, economic, technological, political, cultural, sociological, ecological and geographical systems
 - b. To lessen the gap between the wealthy and the poor in different areas of the world
 - c. Development that meets the needs of people today without jeopardizing the ability of future generations to meet their needs.
- 47. What is land tenure?
 - a. Fertile land
 - b. Occupying property
 - c. The sale of property
- 48. What does FTAA stand for?
 - a. Financial Tax Association Agency
 - b. Foreign Trade Area Association
 - c. Free Trade Areas of the Americas
 - d. Fair Trade Areas of the Americas
- 49. What is the best example, from the following choices, that describes globalization?
 - a) Cell phones and indoor ski resorts found in Dubai.
 - b) Milk being shipped from Northern Quebec to Montreal.
 - c) Buying locally grown food.
 - d) All of the above.
- 50. Which of the following is most to the left side of the political scale?
 - a) Free market
 - b) Capitalism
 - c) Mixed Economy
 - <mark>d) Communism</mark>
- 51. The belief that as science and technology advance, new resources will be developed to replace the depleted ones, is known as:
 - a) Spaceship Earth Concept
 - b) Gaia Hypothesis
 - c) Cornucopian Thesis
 - d) Limits-to-Grow Thesis

- 52. In what ways is the world becoming more globalized?
 - a) Financially, economically, technologically, culturally, agriculturally, etc.
 - b) Economically, emotionally, geographically, financially, technologically, etc.
 - c) Culturally, ecologically, sociologically, politically, actively, etc.
 - d) Technologically, politically, culturally, ecologically, sociologically, etc.
- 53. What is a right-wing authoritarian?
 - a) No government intervention in economy, government intervention in social sectors.
 - b) Government intervention in all aspects of life (social and economic).
 - c) No government intervention in all aspects of life (social and economic).
 - d) Social and economic intervention to an extent, but not completely domination by government.
- 54. What does BRIC stand for?
 - a) Bulgaria, Russia, Indonesia, Chile.
 - b) Brazil, Russia, India, China.
 - c) Brazil, Romania, India, China.
 - d) Bulgaria, Russia, India, China.
- 55. Changes in demand are mostly related to:
 - a) Technological changes
 - b) Prices of related products
 - c) Tastes and preferences
 - d) Nature and the environment
- 56. Which of the following are types of globalization:
 - a) Cultural
 - b) Sociological
 - c) Natural
 - d) Traditional
 - e) All of the above
 - f) <mark>a) & b)</mark>
- 57. Which of the following is a characteristic belonging to Stage 4 of Economic Development?
 - a) Economy is based on subsistence agriculture
 - b) Economy becomes diversified with expansion of manufacturing and services
 - c) Agriculture changes from primarily subsistence to primarily commercial
 - d) A growing demand for additional consumer goods and services
 - e) A more effective, responsive, central government develops.

- 58. Which of the following is not related to changes in demand?
 - a. Income
 - b. Tastes and preferences
 - c. Production cost
 - d. Price of related goods
- 59. What best defines financial globalization?
 - a. Free trade
 - b. Currency and stocks
 - c. Multinational corporations
 - d. The housing market
- 60. Which country is in the New Core?

<mark>a. India</mark>

- b. Thailand
- c. Chad
- d. Great Britain
- 61. What is sustainability?
 - a. Anything that meets people's needs
 - b. James Lovelock's theory that views Earth as a self-regulating, living entity made up of organisms that modify the environment for their survival.
 - c. Development that meets the needs of people today without jeopardizing the ability of future generations to meet their needs.
 - d. The trend toward greater interconnectedness of the world's financial, economic, technological, political, cultural, sociological, ecological and geographical systems.

62. Which is NOT a method used to group countries?

- a) Developed and Underdeveloped
- b<mark>) East and West</mark>
- c) Five world
- d) Developed, Newly Industrialized and Developing
- 63. What are concession companies?
 - a) Companies that operate in several colonies.
 - b) Corporations that operate in two or more countries.
 - c) Two companies that operate together.
 - d) Companies created by an imperialist country to develop trade in its colonies.

- 64. The level of global involvement CANNOT be assessed by:
 - a) Social development
 - b) Economic development
 - <mark>c) Ecological development</mark>
 - d) Political Maturity
- 65. What are the three types of limited resources?
 - a. Natural Resources, Human Resources, Industrial Resources
 - b. Natural Resources, Capital Resources, Human Resources
 - c. Capital Resources, Industrial Resources, Environmental Resources
 - d. Human Resources, Environmental Resources, Natural Resources
- 66. Which of the following options refers to Traditional Society:
 - a) Technology used to replace human labour, surplus products, development of leisure class.
 - b) Nomadic, population split into hunters or gatherers, meet only basic needs.
 - c) Subsistence agriculture, no surplus, sedentary, everyone works (no leisure class).
 - d) Mechanized production, division of labour, workers are paid little, leisure class is distinctive.
- 67. Which of the following countries are in the Far Periphery?
 - 1. Japan
 - 2. Chad
 - 3. Pakistan
 - 4. South Korea
 - a)1&4
 - <mark>b) 2 & 3</mark>
 - c) 3 & 4
 - d) 2 only

68. Which of the following countries is not in the Old Core?

- a. Germany
- <mark>b. Poland</mark>
- c. Canada
- d. U.S.A
- 69. Which is not a characteristic of Keynesian economics?
 - a. Promote a freer market economy
 - b. Spend money on projects like highway construction
 - c. Promote taxes
 - d. Government acts as agents of social and economic change

- 70. What country is not part of the BRIC countries?
 - a. Brazil
 - b. Russia
 - c. India
 - <mark>d. Canada</mark>
- 71. What does NAFTA stand for?
 - a. North Atlantic Free Trade Agreement
 - b. North American Free Trade Agreement
 - c. Northern American Free Trade Association
 - d. Native American Free Trade Agreement
- 72. The Old Core is comprised of:
 - a) Canada, US, New Zealand.
 - b) Western Europe, India.
 - c) Germany, Poland.
 - d) Malaysia, Poland.
- 73. What is an example of authoritarianism?
 - a) Queen of England
 - <mark>b) Hitler</mark>
 - c) Harper
 - d) Bush
- 74. The law of demand is :
 - a. The quantity demanded will fall if price falls and rise if price rises, as long as other things do not change
 - b. The quantity demanded will fall if price falls and fall if price rises, as long as other things do not change
 - c. The quantity demanded will rise if price falls and rise if price rises, as long as other things do not change
 - d. The quantity demanded will rise if price falls and fall if price rises, as long as other things do not change

- 75. Changes in <u>supply</u> are NOT related to:
 - a. Number of buyers
 - b. Technology
 - c. Nature and environment
 - d. Production costs

- 76. Countries that have joined the core only in recent years refer to:
 - a. Old Core
 - <mark>b. New Core</mark>
 - c. Near Core
 - d. Far Periphery
- 77. Through evolution, living organisms have regulated the amount of carbon dioxide and other gasses to keep temperature and percipitation at levels suitable for their survival. Name this conceptual model.
 - a) Spaceship Earth Concept

<mark>b) Gaia Hypothesis</mark>

- c) Limits-to-growth thesis
- d) Cornucopian thesis
- 78. What is the new name for Multinational companies?
 - a) Global 500 Companies
 - b) WTO
 - c) BRIC
 - d) Transnational Companies

79. Russia is in what group?

- a) <mark>New core</mark>
- b) Near core
- c) Old core
- d) Far periphery