Nigeria People and Culture (Questions and Answer) Compile by StudentDrive.net Unit 1: Notable Ethnic Groups in Northern Nigeria 1. What is the origin of the Hausa people? A. They originated from Egypt B. They descended from the sky C. They trace their origin to a prince from Baghdad named Bayajida D. They were nomads from Futa Jalon Correct Answer: C 2. Who led the Fulani Jihad in Northern Nigeria? A. Usman Danfodiyo B. Bayajida

C. Etsu Nupe
D. Oduduwa
Correct Answer: A
3. What is the socio-political structure of the Hausa people?
A. Decentralized village governance
B. Centralized monarchy with a Sarki supported by officials
C. Egalitarian system of elders
D. Nomadic leadership with no central governance
Correct Answer: B
4. What is the religion of the Kanuri people?
A. Christianity

B. African Traditional Religion
C. Islam
D. Judaism
Correct Answer: C
5. Which ethnic group has "Etsu Nupe" as its leader?
A. Hausa
B. Kanuri
C. Fulani
D. Nupe
Correct Answer: D
Unit 2: Notable Ethnic Groups in Southern Nigeria

6. What are the three theories of Yoruba origin?
A. From Egypt, Nimrod, and Oduduwa
B. From Ghana, Songhai, and Oduduwa
C. From Baghdad, Futa Jalon, and Egypt
D. From Mecca, Sudan, and Kanem-Borno
Correct Answer: A
7. The Igbo political structure is best described as:
A. Monarchical
B. Centralized
C. Democratic
D. Segmentary

Correct Answer: D
8. Which of these ethnic groups is known for the Ife bronze artworks?
A. Igbo
B. Yoruba
C. Itsekiri
D. Bini
Correct Answer: B
9. What is the leadership title of the Bini people?
A. Oba
B. Sarki
C. Olu

D. Amanyanabo
Correct Answer: A
10. Which ethnic group claims descent from Umale-Okun (the sea god)?
A. Igbo
B. Yoruba
C. Itsekiri
D. Ijaw
Correct Answer: C
Unit 3: Cultural Zones in Nigeria
11. Which of these is NOT a major linguistic group in Nigeria?
A. Afro-Asiatic

B. Niger-Congo
C. Indo-European
D. Nilo-Saharan
Correct Answer: C
12. What is the population estimate of Nigeria as of August 2012?
A. 150 million
B. 167 million
C. 200 million
D. 120 million
Correct Answer: B
13. Which ethnic group is primarily found in the Niger-Benue confluence area?

A. Tiv
B. Hausa
C. Nupe
D. Yoruba
Correct Answer: C
14. The Ijaw are predominantly located in which zone of Nigeria?
A. Northern
B. Western
C. Eastern
D. Coastal Southern
Correct Answer: D

15. What is the dominant occupation in the Central Zone of Nigeria?
A. Fishing
B. Farming
C. Trading
D. Craftsmanship
Correct Answer: B
16. When was Nigeria amalgamated?
A. 1861
B. 1900
C. 1914
D. 1960

Correct Answer: C
17. What was the primary reason for Nigeria's amalgamation?
A. To promote religious harmony
B. To consolidate British administrative costs
C. To create a united nation-state
D. To enhance education
Correct Answer: B
18. Which kingdom existed in pre-colonial Nigeria?
A. Oyo Empire
B. Ashanti Kingdom
C. Mali Empire

D. Zulu Kingdom
Correct Answer:A
19. What year did Nigeria gain independence?
A. 1958
B. 1960
C. 1963
D. 1966
Correct Answer: B
20. What significant event happened in 1963 in Nigeria?
A. Military coup
B. Independence from Britain

C. Becoming a republic
D. Introduction of federalism
Correct Answer:C
21. What was Nigeria's main economic activity before independence?
A. Oil exploration
B. Agriculture
C. Mining
D. Tourism
Correct Answer: B
22. What is one of the major problems facing Nigeria's economy?
A. Over-reliance on agriculture

B. Poor tourism development
C. Overdependence on oil
D. Lack of waterways
Correct Answer: C
23. Which sector dominated Nigeria's GDP before the oil boom?
A. Mining
B. Technology
C. Agriculture
D. Industry
Correct Answer: C
24. What is the main goal of national development?

A. Economic stagnation
B. Corruption
C. Improved living standards
D. Isolationism
Correct Answer: C
25. Which of these is a proposed solution to Nigeria's economic challenges?
A. Increased dependence on foreign aid
B. Diversification of the economy
C. Reduction in agricultural activities
D. Devaluation of currency
Correct Answer: B

26. What are the key elements of citizenship education?
A. Trade, farming, and tourism
B. Rights, duties, and obligations
C. Corruption and nepotism
D. Leadership and thuggery
Correct Answer: B
27. Which is NOT a duty of a Nigerian citizen?
A. Obeying the law
B. Voting in elections
C. Avoiding education
D. Paying taxes

Correct Answer: C
28. What is the main cause of indecent dressing among youths?
A. Lack of clothing stores
B. Negative peer influence
C. Lack of political awareness
D. Bribery and corruption
Correct Answer: B
29. Which of these is an example of a positive attitude in citizenship?
A. Thuggery
B. Cultism
C. Participation in elections

D. Examination malpractice
Correct Answer: C
30. How can bribery and corruption be reduced in Nigeria?
A. By reducing law enforcement
B. By increasing wages and enforcing anti-corruption laws
C. By promoting indecent dressing
D. By tolerating nepotism
Correct Answer: B
31. Which is a major cause of desertification in Northern Nigeria?
A. Excessive rainfall
B. Overgrazing and deforestation

C. Urbanization
D. Industrialization
Correct Answer: B
32. What is the leading environmental problem in the Niger Delta?
A. Desert encroachment
B. Oil spillage
C. Earthquakes
D. Excessive farming
Correct Answer: B
33. Which of these is NOT a solution to environmental problems?
A. Reforestation

B. Proper waste disposal
C. Industrial pollution
D. Awareness campaigns
Correct Answer: C
34. What is one impact of erosion in Southeastern Nigeria?
A. Improved soil fertility
B. Displacement of communities
C. Industrial growth
D. Tourism attraction
Correct Answer: B
35. What does environmental education aim to achieve?

A. Preservation of cultural heritage
B. Awareness and sustainable practices
C. Increased urbanization
D. Development of oil industries
Correct Answer: B
36. Which ethnic group practices the "Pulaaku" code of behavior?
A. Hausa
B. Fulani
C. Kanuri D. Tiv
Correct Answer: B

37. What is the traditional attire of the Yoruba called?
A. Agbada
B. Babban Riga
C. Isiagu
D. Kente
Correct Answer: A
38. The Igbo-Ukwu artifacts are made using which technique?
A. Hammering
B. Lost wax casting
C. Weaving
D. Dyeing

Correct Answer:B
39. What is the primary occupation of the Ijaw people?
A. Farming
B. Fishing
C. Blacksmithing
D. Trading
Correct Answer: B
40. What is the key feature of the Hausa social structure?
A. Egalitarianism
B. Status differentiation
C. Clan-based leadership

D. Nomadic groups

Correct Answer: B

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