

Middle School Geography Essentials

Geography · Answer Key · 18 Questions

1. Which imaginary line divides the Earth into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres?

- A) The Prime Meridian
- B) The Tropic of Capricorn
- C) The Equator**
- D) The International Date Line

2. What is the largest ocean on Earth by surface area?

- A) Atlantic Ocean
- B) Indian Ocean
- C) Pacific Ocean**
- D) Arctic Ocean

3. Which mountain range separates the continents of Europe and Asia?

- A) The Alps
- B) The Andes
- C) The Himalayas
- D) The Ural Mountains**

4. What is the term for a piece of land that is surrounded by water on three sides?

- A) Peninsula**
- B) Isthmus
- C) Archipelago
- D) Plateau

5. In which country would you find the Great Victoria Desert?

- A) South Africa
- B) Australia**
- C) Chile
- D) Botswana

6. Which river is the longest in the world?

- A) Amazon River
- B) Yangtze River
- C) Nile River**
- D) Mississippi River

7. What type of map projection is commonly used for navigation but distorts the size of landmasses near the poles?

- A) Gall-Peters
- B) Mercator**
- C) Robinson
- D) Winkel Tripel

8. Which layer of the Earth is located directly beneath the crust?

- A) Inner core
- B) Outer core
- C) Mantle**
- D) Lithosphere

9. What is the capital city of Canada?

- A) Toronto
- B) Vancouver
- C) Ottawa**
- D) Montreal

10. Which desert is the largest hot desert in the world?

- A) Gobi Desert
- B) Kalahari Desert
- C) Sahara Desert**
- D) Thar Desert

11. The Prime Meridian passes through which famous location?

- A) Paris, France
- B) Greenwich, England**
- C) New York City, USA
- D) Tokyo, Japan

12. Which continent is both a country and home to the Great Barrier Reef?

- A) Asia
- B) Antarctica
- C) Australia**
- D) Africa

13. What is the term for the height of a landform above sea level?

- A) Latitude
- B) Longitude
- C) Elevation**
- D) Scale

14. Which country has the largest land area in the world?

- A) China
- B) United States
- C) Canada

D) Russia

15. A 'fjord' is a geographical feature typically associated with which landscape process?

- A) Volcanic activity
- B) Glacial erosion**
- C) Tectonic plate collision
- D) River deposition

16. Which sea separates the Arabian Peninsula from Africa?

- A) Mediterranean Sea
- B) Red Sea**
- C) Black Sea
- D) Caspian Sea

17. What is the approximate percentage of the Earth's surface covered by water?

- A) 50%
- B) 71%**
- C) 85%
- D) 60%

18. The 'Ring of Fire' is a major area in the basin of which ocean where many earthquakes and volcanic eruptions occur?

- A) Indian Ocean
- B) Atlantic Ocean
- C) Pacific Ocean**
- D) Arctic Ocean