## **SOCSCI** SECTION EXAM 03

## SECTION II: THE ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY OF WATER, PP. 39-54



- 1. Which of the following crops did NOT grow in the drained East Anglian lands?
  - a. flax
  - b. oilseeds
  - c. hemp
  - d. oats
  - e. maize
- 2. Which event precipitated German efforts to "tame" their landscape?
  - a. the St. Mary Magdalene's flood
  - b. the eruption of Mount Etna
  - c. the famine of 1708
  - d. the declaration of the Kingdom of Prussia
  - e. the end of the Thirty Years' War
- 3. James Watt is MOST associated with the
  - a. steam engine
  - b. telegraph
  - c. cotton gin
  - d. locomotive
  - e. photograph
- 4. From which mountains does Los Angeles water come?
  - a. Cascades
  - b. Sawtooths
  - c. California Coast Range
  - d. Olympics
  - e. Sierra Nevadas
- 5. Historian John McNeill links the damming of the Piave to
  - a. Italy's turn to Fascism
  - b. the Italian colonization of North Africa
  - c. the creation of Italian pasta
  - d. Europe's adoption of steam power
  - e. the sinking of Venice
- 6. Which of the following water projects was NOT part of the LMEST?
  - a. China's Grand Canal
  - b. the Panama Canal
  - c. the Kiel Canal
  - d. the Aswan Damn
  - e. the Suez Canal

- 7. Which of the following examples BEST supports the Wittfogel Thesis?
  - a. the contemporary salinization of Egypt's land
  - b. the Soviet decision to abandon its plans to rereroute rivers
  - c. the consequences of diverting inflow into saline lakes
  - d. the refusal of Bedouins to follow modern laws
  - e. the creation of Pakistani national identity
- 8. Pedalogical characteristics are those relating to
  - a. tree rings
  - b. soil
  - c. pollen
  - d. salt water
  - e. marine animals
- 9. Which region did the General Draining Act target?
  - a. Lincoln
  - b. Cent
  - c. Oxford
  - d. Essex
  - e. East Anglia
- 10. How many more people lived in London than Amsterdam in 1600 CE?
  - a. 80,000
  - b. 120,000
  - c. 100,000
  - d. 140,000
  - e. 60,000
- 11. Why did medieval London build aqueducts?
  - a. Local water supplies were over polluted.
  - b. The city council wanted to attract immigrants.
  - c. The standing army required large amounts of water.
  - d. City administrators believed water would ward off disease.
  - e. Water was needed to power large mills.
- 12. How was the New River similar to older Roman aqueducts?
  - a. It used the same viaduct architecture.
  - b. It included an extensive underground pipe system.
  - c. It had multiple channels for drainage.
  - d. It relied on gravity for its functioning.
  - e. It was built with terracotta.

- 13. Which action did laws expressly forbid people did perform in the New River?
  - a. collect drinking water
  - b. clean clothing
  - c. power water mills
  - d. draw water for washing
  - e. row a boat
- 14. Who played the key role in the reengineering of German hydrology?
  - a. Wilhelm II
  - b. Rudolf
  - c. Fredrick the Great
  - d. Henry
  - e. Otto IV
- 15. Why did German hydrological engineering require a formalized approach?
  - a. Local engineers were using antiquated techniques.
  - b. Large investments were needed to fund the biggest projects.
  - c. Earlier attempts shifted floodwater to other areas.
  - Initial approaches caused widespread environmental destruction.
  - e. Uncoordinated projects introduced invasive species.
- 16. What caused the "Great Stink" in London?
  - a. polluted waters
  - b. ironworks facilities
  - c. pig slaughterhouses
  - d. coal-burning plants
  - e. open-air sewers
- 17. Which danger did German laborers face during waterwork construction?
  - a. starvation
  - b. flooding
  - c. wildlife attacks
  - d. dangerous machinery
  - e. malaria
- 18. How did German hydrological engineering affect the environment?
  - a. It collapsed the local riverbanks.
  - b. It eliminated some parasitic species.
  - c. It increased the risk of landslides.
  - d. It introduced peat into the ecosystem.
  - e. It destroyed complex ecosystems.

- 19. Which movement responded to the changes brought by German hydrological engineering?
  - a. Romanticism
  - b. Neoclassicism
  - c. imperialism
  - d. modernism
  - e. Impressionism
- 20. The term "Industrial Revolution" typically refers to the
  - a. adoption of mechanized labor
  - b. invention of the hydroelectric dam
  - c. rise of constitutional government
  - d. end of ungulate-based agriculture
  - e. rise of corporations
- 21. Why is the term "LMEST" preferable to the term "Industrial Revolution" in describing energy consumption?
  - a. Energy sources transitioned gradually rather than suddenly.
  - b. Energy consumption was directed towards agriculture rather than machines.
  - c. Energy consumption resulted in political rather than economic changes.
  - d. Energy consumption primarily came from agriculture rather than industry.
  - e. Energy was produced through human-based practices rather than by machines.
- 22. By approximately which percentage did water usage increase between 1700 and 1800 CE?
  - a. 140%
  - b. 100%
  - c. 160%
  - d. 120%
  - e. 80%
- 23. Which of the following conclusions do global water usage patterns between 1700 and 2000 CE BEST support?
  - a. The percentage of water used for agriculture increased after 1970.
  - b. Agricultural water consumption was highest during the early modern period.
  - c. Municipal water consumption did not drive large changes to water consumption.
  - d. The majority of total water consumption was driven by industrial purposes after 1900.
  - e. Total water withdrawals have stagnated since 1990.
- 24. The Owens Dry lake is located near
  - a. Las Vegas
  - b. Phoenix
  - c. Dallas
  - d. Los Angeles
  - e. Tucson

- 25. MOST water consumption in 1700 CE was used for
  - a. public sanitation
  - b. laundry
  - c. industrial purposes
  - d. irrigation
  - e. livestock maintenance
- 26. Where was the FIRST hydroelectric dam constructed?
  - a. Wisconsin
  - b. Minnesota
  - c. California
  - d. Illinois
  - e. New York
- 27. Italy turned to hydroelectric power to
  - a. address its lack of fossil fuels
  - b. mass manufacture textiles
  - c. drain disease-ridden marshes
  - d. bolster the fascist state
  - e. power new ironworks
- 28. Which river provided a transportation conduit for Venice?
  - a. Piave River
  - b. Tiber River
  - c. Oglio River
  - d. Arno River
  - e. Po River
- 29. How did the dam on the Piave River impact it?
  - a. Textile waste polluted the river.
  - b. The upstream portion of the river rose by several feet.
  - c. The river was divided into numerous channels.
  - d. The riverbanks collapsed.
  - e. The river current decreased.
- 30. Which outcome was the result of the adoption of hydroelectric dams in Italy?
  - a. The government established the first environmental bureau.
  - b. The government passed a logging ban for trees close to the impacted rivers.
  - c. The government industrialized the wine industry.
  - d. The government removed limits on iron production.
  - e. The government passed an import ban on agricultural products.

- 31. Industrialists identified the Merrimack River as a good location for
  - a. aqueduct infrastructure
  - b. textile mills
  - c. irrigation canals
  - d. ironworks
  - e. oil rigs
- 32. Industrial processes created new demand for
  - a. pepper
  - b. iron
  - c. copper
  - d. silk
  - e. rubber
- 33. Why were cholera outbreaks common near the Merrimack River?
  - a. The population dumped sewage into the river.
  - Many mosquitos bred in swamps near the river.
  - c. An open oil well contaminated the water source.
  - d. The factories spread slaughterhouse remains into the river.
  - e. The population consumed contaminated fish.
- 34. Which canal connects the Mediterranean Sea with the Indian Ocean?
  - a. Erie Canal
  - b. Kiel Canal
  - c. Grand Canal
  - d. Panama Canal
  - e. Suez Canal
- 35. Muhammad Ali's agricultural plans focused on
  - a. silk
  - b. indigo
  - c. bananas
  - d. cotton
  - e. pepper
- 36. Which country financed the construction of the second Aswan Dam?
  - a. Spain
  - b. Soviet Union
  - c. France
  - d. United States
  - e. United Kingdom
- 37. How did the Aswan Dam affect the quality of Egyptian soils?
  - a. It removed the possibility of soil salinization.
  - b. It removed nutrients from the soil.
  - c. It dumped low-quality silt on the riverbank.
  - d. It introduced new invasive plant species.
  - e. It mixed in sand from the desert.

- 38. What caused schistosomiasis outbreaks in Egypt during the contemporary period?
  - a. Irrigation canals became breeding grounds for disease-carrying organisms.
  - b. Soil nitrates caused algae blooms that spread the disease.
  - Textile runoff contaminated water wells.
  - d. Crop increases attracted wild predators with the disease.
  - e. Human waste polluted fresh water sources.
- 39. What percentage of Egyptian food is currently imported?
  - a. 15%
  - b. 17%
  - c. 13%
  - d. 11%
  - e. 19%
- 40. Which city was based around the Indus River?
  - a. Harappa
  - b. Jerusalem
  - c. Thebes
  - d. Uruk
  - e. Babylon
- 41. How did Pakistan address soil salinization?
  - a. They switched to ungulate-based practices.
  - b. They built tubewells.
  - c. They grew different crops.
  - d. They placed limits on agricultural production.
  - e. They dammed the local river.
- 42. Before the British arrival, Punjabi identity was
  - a. linked to their religion
  - b. based on kinship
  - c. centered on a national identity
  - d. rooted in their nomadic traditions
  - e. linked to their agricultural practices
- 43. Which dam is the world's largest?
  - a. Daniel Johnson Dam
  - b. Aswan Dam
  - c. Hoover Dam
  - d. Three Gorges Dam
  - e. Zeva Dam
- 44. Which historian considers the period from 1935 to 1955 to be the "big dam era"?
  - a. John McNeill
  - b. Karl Wittfogel
  - c. Johann Herder
  - d. Martin Melosi
  - e. Jared Diamond

- 45. The Chinese government sponsored the Three Gorges Dam project to
  - a. eliminate their dependency on foreign oil
  - b. become the world's largest producer of rice
  - c. drain the Yellow River
  - d. begin large-scale infrastructure in the desert
  - e. demonstrate control over social affairs
- 46. What is the output of a typical coal-burning plant in the United States?
  - a. 800 megawatts
  - b. 700 megawatts
  - c. 400 megawatts
  - d. 500 megawatts
  - e. 600 megawatts
- 47. How did the Three Gorges Dam affect the upstream portion of the river?
  - a. It eliminated certain native species.
  - b. It drained the local marshland.
  - c. It caused increased landslides.
  - d. It provided land for displaced residents downstream.
  - e. It embedded the soil with more nutrients.
- 48. Which civilization developed an extensive system of pastoralism?
  - a. Umayyad
  - b. Hun
  - c. Rome
  - d. Mongol
  - e. Mughal
- 49. Which nomadic tribe view their herds as an expendable resource?
  - a. Mongol
  - b. Pokot
  - c. Bedouin
  - d. Tuareg
  - e. Maasai
- 50. The Neolithic Revolution arose as humans widely adopted
  - a. agriculture
  - b. polytheism
  - c. despotism
  - d. seafaring
  - e. nomadism