

SMARTWIZ

GRADE 5 SOCIAL SCIENCE EXAM

MARKS: 50

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TIME: 1 hour

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CLASS (e.g. 4A) _____

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Instructions for Students:

- > Read all instructions carefully before beginning the exam.
- > Write your name and student ID clearly on the answer sheet/booklet.
- > Answer all questions unless otherwise stated.
- > Show all your work/calculations where applicable.
- > Write clearly and legibly.
- > Use blue or black ink only. * Do not use correction fluid/tape.
- > No electronic devices (calculators, phones, etc.) are allowed unless explicitly permitted.
- > Raise your hand if you have any questions.
- > Do not talk to other students during the exam.
- > Any form of cheating will result in disqualification.

QUESTION 1: HISTORY - Early Humans (10 MARKS)



1.1 Who were the San people? (2)

1.2 Name two tools that early humans used. (2)

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1.3 Why was the discovery of fire important to early humans? (3)

1.4 What does the word “hunter-gatherer” mean? (3)

QUESTION 2: HISTORY - The Arrival of Europeans (10 MARKS)

2.1 Which European country first sailed to South Africa in 1488? (2)

2.2 Name two reasons why Europeans came to South Africa. (4)

2.3 What was the impact of European arrival on the indigenous people? Give two effects. (4)

QUESTION 3: GEOGRAPHY - Maps and Directions (10 MARKS)



3.1 What is a map? (2)

3.2 Name three types of maps. (3)

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- _____
- _____

3.3 What does a compass rose on a map show? (2)

3.4 If you are facing north, which direction is to your right? (1)

3.5 On a map, what do symbols represent? (2)

QUESTION 4: GEOGRAPHY - Physical Features of South Africa (10 MARKS)

4.1 Name two major rivers in South Africa. (2)

4.2 What is a mountain range? Give one example in South Africa. (3)

4.3 What is the name of the highest mountain in South Africa? (1)

4.4 Why are rivers important for people? Give two reasons. (4)

QUESTION 5: HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY - Local Community and Environment (10 MARKS)

5.1 What is a community? (2)

5.2 Name two services provided by local government to communities. (2)

5.3 Why is it important to look after the environment in your community? (3)

5.4 What can you do to help keep your environment clean? Give three ways. (3)

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QUESTION 1: HISTORY - Early Humans (10 MARKS)

1.1

The San people are one of the earliest known groups of humans who lived in Southern Africa. They were hunter-gatherers. (2)

1.2

- Stone tools
 - Spears
- (2)

1.3

- Fire gave warmth
 - Fire was used to cook food
 - Fire protected them from animals
- (3)

1.4

Hunter-gatherers are people who hunted animals and gathered plants for food instead of farming. (3)

QUESTION 2: HISTORY - The Arrival of Europeans (10 MARKS)

2.1

Portugal (2)

2.2

- To find new trade routes
 - To get spices and gold
 - To claim land
 - To spread Christianity
- (Any two correct reasons, 4 marks)

2.3

- Indigenous people lost land
- There were conflicts and wars

- Introduction of new diseases
 - Changes in lifestyle and culture
- (Any two effects, 4 marks)
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QUESTION 3: GEOGRAPHY - Maps and Directions (10 MARKS)

3.1

A map is a drawing or picture that shows where places, roads, and features are located. (2)

3.2

- Physical map
 - Political map
 - Road map (Any three)
- (3)

3.3

A compass rose shows the directions (North, South, East, West) on a map. (2)

3.4

East (1)

3.5

Symbols on a map represent real things like buildings, rivers, or roads. (2)

QUESTION 4: GEOGRAPHY - Physical Features of South Africa (10 MARKS)

4.1

- Orange River
 - Limpopo River
- (2)

4.2

A mountain range is a group of connected mountains.
Example: Drakensberg Mountains (3)

4.3

Mafadi (1)

4.4

- Rivers provide water for drinking and farming.
- Rivers provide fish for food.

- Rivers can be used for transport.
 - Rivers support plants and animals.
- (Any two reasons, 4 marks)*
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QUESTION 5: HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY - Local Community and Environment (10 MARKS)

5.1

A community is a group of people who live in the same area and share resources and services. (2)

5.2

- Waste removal
 - Water supply
 - Electricity
 - Roads maintenance
- (Any two services, 2 marks)*

5.3

- To keep the environment clean and healthy
 - To protect plants and animals
 - To prevent pollution and disease
- (3)*

5.4

- Do not litter
 - Plant trees
 - Recycle waste
- (Any three, 3 marks)*
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