

SMARTWIZ

GRADE 7 SOCIAL SCIENCE EXAM

MARKS: 75

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TIME: 1 hour 30 minutes

SCHOOL _____

CLASS (e.g. 4A) _____

SURNAME _____

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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.

This test consists of 6 pages, excluding the cover page.

SECTION A: GEOGRAPHY (40 MARKS)

Topic: Natural Resources and Sustainable Use

1. Look at the picture of a forest below:



1.1 Name TWO natural resources found in this forest.

1. _____
2. _____ (2)

1.2 Why are forests important to humans and animals?

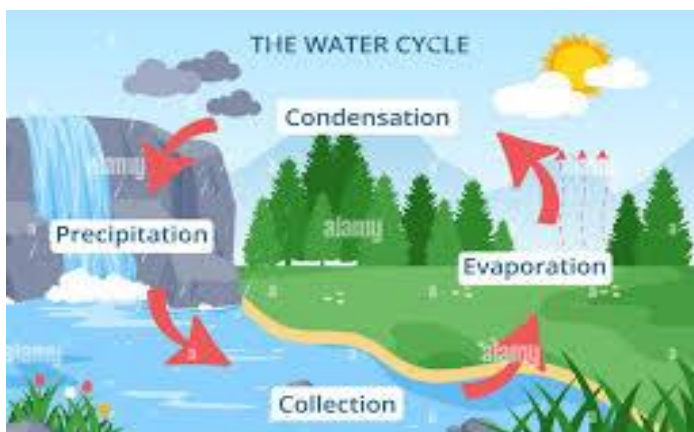
_____ (2)

1.3 Suggest TWO ways people can protect forests from being destroyed.

1. _____
2. _____ (2)

2. Water Resources

Study the diagram showing the water cycle:



2.1 Name the process when water turns into vapour and rises into the sky.

_____ (1)

2.2 What happens during condensation?

_____ (2)

2.3 Why is the water cycle important for life on Earth?

_____ (2)

3. Farming Types

3.1 Name the farming type shown in the picture below: 🐄 🌾



_____ (1)

3.2 List TWO crops or animals commonly found in commercial farming.

1. _____
2. _____ (2)

3.3 What is subsistence farming?

_____ (2)

4. Map Skills



4.1 Which river is shown on the map?
_____ (1)

4.2 Name the desert located to the west of the Nile River.
_____ (1)

4.3 Why is the Nile River important to people living in that region?

_____ (2)



SECTION B: HISTORY (35 MARKS)

Topic: Early Civilizations in Africa

1. Ancient Egypt

1.1 Name ONE famous monument built by the Ancient Egyptians.
_____ (1)

1.2 What was the main purpose of the pyramids?
_____ (2)

1.3 Describe the role of the Pharaoh in Ancient Egypt.

_____ (2)

2. Great Zimbabwe



2.1 Where is Great Zimbabwe located?

_____ (1)

2.2 What materials were used to build Great Zimbabwe?

_____ (1)

2.3 Name TWO goods that Great Zimbabwe traded with other regions.

1. _____

2. _____ (2)

3. African Kingdoms

3.1 What was the importance of gold in African kingdoms like Mali and Ghana?

_____ (2)


3.2 Name ONE famous ruler of Mali.

_____ (1)

3.3 Describe how trade helped these kingdoms grow.

_____ (2)

4. Source-Based Question

 (Source: “The people of Great Zimbabwe were skilled builders and traders who controlled a large part of the trade routes.”)

4.1 According to the source, what were two skills of the people of Great Zimbabwe?

1. _____

2. _____ (2)

4.2 Why do you think controlling trade routes was important?

_____ (2)

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SECTION A: GEOGRAPHY (40 MARKS)

- 1.1 Any TWO natural resources from the forest such as: trees, water, animals, air (2)
 - 1.2 Forests provide oxygen, homes for animals, wood for building, food, and help regulate climate (2)
 - 1.3 Possible answers: planting more trees, preventing illegal logging, controlled cutting, educating people, creating protected areas (2)
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- 2.1 Evaporation (1)
 - 2.2 Water vapour cools down and changes into water droplets forming clouds (condensation) (2)
 - 2.3 The water cycle moves water around the Earth, supports plants and animals, replenishes water sources, and keeps the environment healthy (2)
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- 3.1 Commercial farming (1)
 - 3.2 Examples: maize, wheat, cattle, sheep, poultry (2)
 - 3.3 Subsistence farming is when farmers grow food mainly to feed their own families, not for sale (2)
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- 4.1 Nile River (1)
 - 4.2 Sahara Desert (1)
 - 4.3 The Nile provides water for drinking, farming, fishing, transportation, and supports life in a dry region (2)
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SECTION B: HISTORY (35 MARKS)

- 1.1 Pyramid(s) (1)
 - 1.2 Pyramids were built as tombs for pharaohs (2)
 - 1.3 Pharaoh was the king and religious leader who ruled over Egypt and was considered a god on Earth (2)
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- 2.1 Zimbabwe (1)
 - 2.2 Stone (granite) (1)
 - 2.3 Gold, ivory, cattle, pottery (any TWO) (2)
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- 3.1 Gold was valuable for trade and helped kingdoms become wealthy and powerful (2)
- 3.2 Mansa Musa (1)
- 3.3 Trade brought wealth, new ideas, and connected kingdoms to other regions (2)

4.1 Skilled builders and skilled traders (2)

4.2 Controlling trade routes meant wealth and power from taxing and trading goods (2)

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