

**Academic WorldQuest 2014**  
**OFFICIAL QUESTIONS**

**ROUND 1 FOOD AND WATER**

1. The greatest share of the 2.6 billion people in the world who do **NOT** use improved sanitation facilities is in which region?
  - a. Middle East
  - b. Sub-Saharan Africa
  - c. North Africa
  - d. Southern Asia**
  
2. Of the food the world produces, how much is never consumed?
  - a. 1/8
  - b. 1/4
  - c. 1/3**
  - d. 1/2
  
3. What is defined as “a state in which the physical function of an individual is impaired to the point where he or she can no longer maintain natural bodily capacities such as growth, pregnancy, lactation, learning abilities, physical work and resisting and recovering from disease”?
  - a. Stunting
  - b. Malnutrition**
  - c. Undernourishment
  - d. Wasting
  
4. Which is the first developing region to reach the hunger reduction target ahead of the 2015 Millennium Goal?
  - a. South-eastern Asia**
  - b. North Africa
  - c. Sub-Saharan Africa
  - d. Middle East
  
5. The vast majority of the world’s fresh water is in
  - a. lakes.
  - b. ground water aquifers.
  - c. glaciers, ice caps and permanent snow.**
  - d. man-made reservoirs.

6. In which country have rising sea levels from climate change forced a number of “environmental refugees” inland, causing pressures on food supplies?
- Italy
  - Bangladesh**
  - Vietnam
  - Bermuda
7. Poor people usually cannot afford nutritious food, leaving them weak and often sick, which in turn limits their earning capacity. This situation describes the
- poverty trap.**
  - common plight of farmers.
  - hunger dividend.
  - consequences of droughts.
8. The World Food Programme has a *Food for Assets* project which pays hungry farmers with food. For poor farmers, the aim is to enable them to
- buy tractors and weather monitoring equipment.
  - build irrigation systems and boost production.**
  - expand their families and thus the number of farm laborers.
  - repay their debts.
9. Among the top ten leading causes of death through disease in developing countries are diet deficiencies in which of these micronutrients?
- Zinc**
  - Vitamin C
  - Magnesium
  - Potassium
10. As an example of the linkage between climate change and violence, several commentators point to the scarce water and lack of fertile land in
- Anbar Province in Iraq.
  - Helmand Province in Afghanistan.
  - Borno State in Nigeria
  - Darfur region in Sudan.**

## ROUND 2 HUMAN TRAFFICKING

11. According to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, of what three elements does trafficking consist?

- a. **The Act, The Means, The Purpose**
- b. Prosecution, Protection, and Prevention
- c. Coercion, Kidnapping, Forced labor
- d. Coercion, Transport, Exploitation

12. What is a Victim-Centered Approach?

- a. **Places equal value on the identification and stabilization of victims as well as the investigation and prosecution of traffickers**
- b. Places total value on the identification and stabilization of victims
- c. Places total value on the investigation and prosecution of traffickers
- d. Connects victims to community-based groups to provide medical, mental health, legal assistance, case management and other services.

13. Why does the demand for human trafficking thrive?

- a. High profit/high risk
- b. High profit/high supply
- c. Low profit/low risk
- d. **High profit/low risk**

14. In March 2013, Polaris Project launched a texting shortcode to help victims of human trafficking find safety. In their first year, how many cases of human trafficking did they learn of through this new text code?

- a. **155**
- b. 215
- c. 175
- d. 250

15. According to a United Nations conservative estimate, how many victims of human trafficking are there at any one time?

- a. 500,000
- b. 1 million
- c. 1.5 million
- d. **2.5 million**

16. Some states in the United States have passed laws compelling multinational companies conducting business in that state to publicize their efforts to eradicate slavery and human trafficking from their supply chains. In 2010, which state passed a Transparency in Supply Chains Act?
- a. Texas
  - b. New York
  - c. California**
  - d. Florida
17. Which of the following is an example of a **myth** about human trafficking and forced labor?
- a. Human trafficking exists in every country, including the United States.
  - b. Human trafficking and human smuggling are the same.**
  - c. Human trafficking victims can be any age, race, gender or nationality.
  - d. Victims of forced labor can be found in legitimate labor industries such as hotels.
18. United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime's strategic approach to combating trafficking in persons and the smuggling of migrants is founded in the full and effective implementation of the Protocols, and can be best understood as having three interdependent and complementary components. Which of the following is **NOT** one of these components?
- a. Implementation of national laws**
  - b. Strengthening partnerships
  - c. Promotion of the United Nations Protocols
  - d. Research and awareness
19. Many foreign-born victims do not have legal status in the United States, and this is a powerful way the trafficker controls victims. Immigration relief is a critical tool because it provides a way for victims to feel secure and stabilize their status in the United States. A short term immigration relief that allows a potential witness to remain in the United States during an investigation is known as what?
- a. T Visa
  - b. U Visa
  - c. Continued Presence**
  - d. Nonimmigrant status
20. What is the average profile of a trafficking victim?
- a. Male and female, under 18
  - b. Female, illegal immigrant
  - c. No consistent profile**
  - d. Male, illegal immigrant

### ROUND 3 RUSSIA/ EURASIA

21. Who is the Russian Chief of State?

- a. **Vladimir Putin**
- b. Dmitriy Medvedev
- c. Mikhail Gorbachev
- d. Petro Poroshenko

22. What was the founding purpose of NATO?

- a. To confront global threats
- b. To fight terrorism
- c. To spread democracy
- d. **To provide a bulwark against Soviet aggression**

23. When did the Cold War end?

- a. 1933
- b. 1962
- c. 1989
- d. **1991**

24. Both Russia and Ukraine trace their roots back to the First Slavic State, Kievan Rus. This medieval empire was founded by the

- a. **Vikings.**
- b. Mongols.
- c. Cossacks.
- d. Persians.

25. When did the United States first recognize the Soviet Union?

- a. **1933**
- b. 1962
- c. 1989
- d. 1991

26. What did the Clinton Administration want to do with NATO once the Soviet Union fell?

- a. Shut down NATO
- b. Limit NATO
- c. **Expand NATO**
- d. Invite Russia to join NATO

27. Between 2002 and 2008 Russian disposable income tripled and the economy greatly improved because of the

- a. return of control to the Communist Party.
- b. increases in the price of oil.**
- c. sale of arms to jihadist terrorists throughout the world.
- d. expansion of civil liberties and free market policies.

28. The Russia-Georgia conflict in 2008 showed that the Russian military

- a. still had world-class defense capabilities.
- b. was in need of sweeping reforms.**
- c. was totally reliant on nuclear weapons.
- d. by initiating attacks on Georgian villages in South Ossetia, was a threat to its neighbors.

29. When did NATO first invoke its collective defensive provision?

- a. During the Russian/Ukraine conflict
- b. During the Cuban missile crisis
- c. Following the Russian invasion of Georgia
- d. Following the September 11 attacks**

30. Crimea had been ruled by Russia for centuries before Russian leader Khrushchev signed it away to Ukraine in 1974. Many Russians believe he did this because he

- a. secretly received a large estate on the Crimean coast for his family.
- b. wanted to retire in Crimea and insulate himself from Russian prosecution for corruption.
- c. was born in Ukraine.
- d. was drunk.**

## ROUND 4 YOUTH, JOBS AND SOCIAL UNREST

31. In developing regions, regional youth unemployment rates vary greatly. In what regions were the youth unemployment rates the highest?
- Middle East and North Africa**
  - Latin America and the Caribbean
  - East Asia and South Asia
  - Central and South-Eastern Europe
32. The Global Youth Wellbeing Index includes a set of 40 indicators across six connected domains of young people's lives that together give a comprehensive account of their quality of life. In which domain do countries perform best?
- Information and communications technology
  - Health**
  - Education
  - Economic opportunity
33. Millennials in the United States agree with older adults when it comes to their views about what?
- Legalization of marijuana
  - Big business and the role of government**
  - Political parties
  - The future
34. In 2013 global youth unemployment was estimated to stand at 73.4 million, an increase of how much since 2007?
- 5 million
  - 2.5 million
  - 3.5 million**
  - 2 million
35. According to the Global Youth Wellbeing Index, which countries have the highest and lowest levels of youth wellbeing, respectively?
- United States, Ghana
  - United Kingdom, Nigeria
  - Japan, India
  - Australia, Nigeria**
36. When youth migrate, they tend to improve both their own financial situation and the economic circumstances of their families through the income they earn and the remittances they send home. According to recent estimates, which country receives the largest amounts of remittance?
- India**
  - Philippines
  - Nigeria
  - Mexico

37. Two-thirds of recent bachelor degree recipients in the United States have outstanding student loans. What is the average debt amount?
- a. \$10,000
  - b. \$18,000
  - c. \$27,000**
  - d. \$34,000
38. According to the latest United Nations estimates, there are 232 million international migrants worldwide. What percentage of these migrants are under the age of 29?
- a. 25%
  - b. 20%
  - c. 10%
  - d. 30%**
39. Relative to its all-around performance, the United States youth wellbeing score on health is low, for what reasons?
- a. High levels of smoking and drug and alcohol abuse
  - b. Low levels of exercise and healthy eating habits and high levels of smoking
  - c. Low levels of education, stress, and access to health services
  - d. High levels of stress, self-harm, and smoking**
40. The reasons for youth migration vary. What is the increasingly distinctive factor of young women migrating from developing Asian nations to developed Asian nations in the region?
- a. Pursuing higher education
  - b. Getting married**
  - c. Securing employment
  - d. Seeking adventure

## ROUND 5 CURRENT EVENTS

41. Who is the newly elected President of Afghanistan?

- a. Abdullah Abdullah
- b. Hamid Karzai
- c. Ashraf Ghani**
- d. Burhannudin Rabbani

42. In early fall of 2014, protesters initially gathered in Hong Kong to criticize which move by the Chinese government?

- a. Beijing's control over Hong Kong's candidates in the local elections**
- b. Restriction of imports in and out of the port of Hong Kong
- c. Announcement of reallocated funds from the city
- d. Their installation of a new administration

43. In November, Russia announced a plan to have long-range bombers patrol the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean. Its Defense Minister explained the action as a

- a. desire to protect Cuba against American threats.
- b. response to growing international resentment towards Russia over Ukraine.**
- c. concern over Mexican drug cartels operating in Russia.
- d. demonstration of Russia's world power status.

44. A famed musician, while recovering from a motorcycle accident, recorded with his band more than 100 songs in the basement of a house in Woodstock, NY. Known as the "The Basement Tapes," they were recently released in their entirety. The musician was

- a. Billy Joel.
- b. John Lennon.
- c. Bob Dylan.**
- d. Johnny Cash.

45. Recently a spacecraft landed on a comet after a ten-year voyage, 310 million miles from earth. Which space agency conducted this mission?

- a. NASA
- b. Russian
- c. European**
- d. German

46. When President Obama recently met with Myanmar Opposition Leader Aung San Suu Kyi, he criticized a proposed new Myanmar constitution that would ban her from running for the presidency next year because
- a. she will be over the prescribed age limit.
  - b. her two sons are British.**
  - c. women will be ineligible for the presidency.
  - d. she is a Christian.
47. In September 2014, the number of people voluntarily quitting their jobs in the United States reached its highest level since April 2008. Federal Reserve Chairwoman Janet Yellen believed this economic indicator showed that
- a. another recession is coming.
  - b. worker confidence in the economy is growing.**
  - c. the rate of retirements is increasing.
  - d. the economy is overloaded with uninteresting jobs.
48. Dilma Rousseff was recently elected to a second term as President of what country?
- a. Venezuela
  - b. Poland
  - c. Brazil**
  - d. New Zealand
49. When it was discovered that she had not met the academic requirements, the first lady of what country was asked to return her doctorate degree?
- a. Nigeria
  - b. Canada
  - c. Japan
  - d. Zimbabwe**
50. The Ebola virus' sudden outbreak occurred in what region of Africa?
- a. East Africa
  - b. West Africa**
  - c. North Africa
  - d. South Africa