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MOCK PAPER

PSLE Social Studies — Thuto360 mock paper

Social Studies · Standard 7 · PSLE

QUESTIONS	TOTAL MARKS	TIME ALLOWED
18	**26**	**60 minutes**

Name _____

Class / school _____

Date _____

Score _____ / 26

Instructions

A Thuto360 practice paper in the style of the national examination — not an official BEC paper.

Section A is multiple choice and is marked as soon as you hand in. Section B is written: your teacher marks it, or, if you are practising on your own, you mark it yourself against the marking guide.

Multiple choice: circle the letter of the right answer. Where it says "tick every correct answer", more than one is right. Written questions: answer on the lines given; the marks for each part are in brackets. The answers are on the last page.

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Section A — multiple choice

1. Who was Botswana's second President?

- (A) Festus Mogae
- (B) Sir Seretse Khama
- (C) Sir Ketumile Masire
- (D) Mokgweetsi Masisi

2. Who became Botswana's sixth President after the 2024 general election?

- (A) Mokgweetsi Masisi
- (B) Festus Mogae
- (C) Duma Boko
- (D) Ian Khama

3. In which year was the pula introduced, replacing the South African rand?

- (A) 1976
- (B) 1966
- (C) 1996
- (D) 1986

4. Which places in Botswana are UNESCO World Heritage Sites?

Tick every correct answer.

- [A] The Okavango Delta
- [B] Tsodilo Hills
- [C] The Makgadikgadi Pans

5. Botswana's 2022 census counted about how many people?

- (A) About 24 million
- (B) About 1 million
- (C) About 240 000
- (D) About 2.4 million

6. The office that investigates complaints about unfair treatment by government departments is the…

- (A) Ombudsman
- (B) Auditor General
- (C) Attorney General
- (D) Speaker

7. Which organisation brings together the countries of Africa?

- (A) The European Union
- (B) The African Union
- (C) ASEAN
- (D) NATO

8. Which of these lines divides the Earth into northern and southern halves?

- (A) The Equator
- (B) The Greenwich Meridian
- (C) The Tropic of Capricorn
- (D) The Tropic of Cancer

9. In which year was the Bechuanaland Protectorate declared?

- (A) 1895
- (B) 1966
- (C) 1910
- (D) 1885

10. Which three dikgosi travelled to Britain in 1895 to stop their land being handed to the British South Africa Company?

- (A) Khama III, Sebele I and Bathoen I
- (B) Sechele I, Moshoeshoe and Lobengula
- (C) Seretse Khama, Tshekedi Khama and Linchwe II
- (D) Kgari, Montshiwa and Mzilikazi

11. From which town was the Bechuanaland Protectorate administered before Gaborone was built?

- (A) Francistown
- (B) Kanye
- (C) Serowe
- (D) Mafikeng (Mahikeng)

12. In which year were diamonds discovered at Orapa?

- (A) 1967
- (B) 1955
- (C) 1990
- (D) 1980

13. Where is the headquarters of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)?

- (A) Lusaka
- (B) Pretoria
- (C) Gaborone
- (D) Harare

14. What do the colours of Botswana's flag represent?

- (A) Blue for the sky only
- (B) Black for night and white for day
- (C) They have no meaning
- (D) Blue for water and rain; black and white for racial harmony

15. Which months are Botswana's main rainy season?

- (A) November to March
- (B) June to September
- (C) All year round
- (D) May to August

16. Which is Botswana's second-largest city?

- (A) Molepolole
- (B) Selebi-Phikwe
- (C) Maun
- (D) Francistown

Section B — structured questions

17. Many villages in Botswana face problems with litter and veld fires.

(a) Give two causes of veld fires. [2]

(b) Give two effects of veld fires on the community. [2]

(c) Suggest two ways your community could reduce litter. [2]

18. The kgotla is an important institution in Botswana.

(a) What is a kgotla? [1]

(b) Give two functions of the kgotla. [2]

(c) Who leads the kgotla? [1]

Answers

Check your work after you finish. Multiple-choice questions score only when every right answer is chosen.

1	C	**2**	C	**3**	A	**4**	A, B	**5**	D
6	A	**7**	B	**8**	A	**9**	D	**10**	A
11	D	**12**	A	**13**	C	**14**	D	**15**	A
16	D	**17**	See below	**18**	See below				

Marking guide for written questions

Question 17

(a) [2] Any two: careless smoking, burning rubbish, lightning, hunters' fires, cooking fires left burning (1 each)

(b) [2] Any two: loss of grazing, death of animals, damage to homes, air pollution, soil erosion (1 each)

(c) [2] Any two: bins, clean-up campaigns, recycling, fines, education (1 each)

Question 18

(a) [1] A traditional meeting place / court led by the kgosi (1)

(b) [2] Any two: settling disputes, community meetings, consultation by government, announcements, customary court (1 each)

(c) [1] The kgosi (chief) or headman (1)