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Chapter 12 - Test on Introduction to Africa

Part 1 – Multiple Choice (10 pts.) Read the following statements carefully. Select and circle the **most correct** choice from among the choices provided.

1. In terms of geographical size, which statement **best** describes the continent of Africa?
 - A. the world's largest continent
 - B. only the continent of Europe is larger
 - C. only the continent of Asia is larger than Africa
 - D. the smallest continent in the world

2. How many independent nations make up the continent of Africa?
 - A. 20
 - B. 33
 - C. 43
 - D. 53

3. Which word **best** describes Africa's population?
 - A. similar
 - B. Arabic
 - C. colonial
 - D. diverse

4. Name the human-made waterway that connects the Mediterranean Sea to the Red Sea.
 - A. Strait of Gibraltar
 - B. Suez Canal
 - C. Bosphorus Strait
 - D. Panama Canal

5. All of the following countries are island nations of Africa **EXCEPT**?
 - A. Madagascar
 - B. Sao Tome & Principe
 - C. Comoros
 - D. Mozambique

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6. Name the line of latitude that nearly divides Africa in half.
- A. Tropic of Capricorn
 - B. Tropic of Cancer
 - C. Equator
 - D. Arctic Circle
7. Africa is bordered by all of the following oceans **EXCEPT**?
- A. Pacific Ocean
 - B. Southern Ocean
 - C. Atlantic Ocean
 - D. Indian Ocean
8. Which word or phrase **best** describes Africa's population growth?
- A. decreasing
 - B. increasing at an alarming rate
 - C. stagnant
 - D. stabilizing
9. Which African desert is considered the **largest** desert in the world?
- A. Libyan
 - B. Nubian
 - C. Sahara
 - D. Kalahari
10. Which phrase **best** describes the languages spoken in Africa?
- A. more than 2000 languages and tribal dialects are spoken
 - B. limited to Arabic, English and French
 - C. Less than 60 languages
 - D. Each independent country has its own language.

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Part 2 – Fill-in-the-Blanks (10 Pts.) Use the words from the word box to fill in the blanks with the correct answer for each statement. **Two choices in the word box will not be used.** Note: Cross off words in the word box that you have used.

Word Box

Strait of Gibraltar	Congo River	Lac Assal
Serengeti	Congo Basin	Lake Tanganyika
Lake Victoria	Mount Kilimanjaro	Nile River
Atlas Mountains	Lake Nasser	Sahel

1. The world's **longest** river is the _____.
2. Africa's **largest** freshwater lake is _____.
3. A plain **most famous** for its wildlife is the _____.
4. The dormant volcano and Africa's **highest** elevation is _____.
5. Africa's **lowest** elevation is _____.
6. The river that ranks **second** in the world to the Amazon River in volume of water that is carried is the _____.
7. A water passageway from the Atlantic Ocean to the Mediterranean Sea is the _____.
8. The location of the world's **second largest** rainforest is the _____.
9. A dry grassland area following the southern border of the Great Sahara Desert is known as the _____.
10. Created by the construction of the Aswan High Dam on the Nile River, one of the world's **largest** human-made reservoirs is _____.