

GEO 301
On-Line Quiz
Chapter 9

1. The tropical Sahel region is particularly vulnerable to drought, but its ecosystems have mechanisms to cope and recover from this stress. What term describes the ability of Sahel regions to cope through drought cycles?
 - a. retoleration
 - b. tropical swing shifts
 - c. de-persistence
 - d. desertification
 - e. resilience

2. The majority of spoken African languages descend from which language family?
 - a. Niger-Congo
 - b. Nilo-Saharan
 - c. Afro-Asiatic
 - d. European
 - e. Austronesian

3. What is the dominant religion of Sub-Saharan Africa?
 - a. Islam
 - b. Hinduism
 - c. Christianity
 - d. Voodoo
 - e. Animism

4. How do most Africans make a living?
 - a. information technology
 - b. subsistence farming and pastoralism
 - c. working for the government
 - d. working in the tourism industry
 - e. diamond mining

5. Which sector of the African economy has attracted the most investment money than any other sector?
 - a. mining
 - b. agricultural
 - c. manufacturing
 - d. financial
 - e. government

6. Which country is Africa's leading trade partner?
 - a. Russia
 - b. China
 - c. United States
 - d. Germany
 - e. India

7. Which African nation does the United States consider an economic powerhouse and critical to the stability of the continent?
 - a. Botswana
 - b. Swaziland
 - c. South Africa
 - d. Congo
 - e. Lesotho

8. In which country did a civil war lead to the genocide of Tutsi and "moderate" Hutus?
 - a. Cameroon
 - b. Nigeria
 - c. Rwanda
 - d. Chad
 - e. Ethiopia

9. Although the majority of South Africa was Black, whites had exclusive control of the political and economic systems for a long time. Who was the first Black South African president?
 - a. Haile Selassie
 - b. Joseph Kabila
 - c. Frederik de Klerk
 - d. Nelson Mandela
 - e. Joseph Kabila

10. The unnatural and human-induced change that destroys the resilience and biological potential of an arid and semi-arid ecosystem, and that has been quite common in the Sahel region for the last several decades, is called which of the following?
 - a. extinction
 - b. drought
 - c. desertification
 - d. georeferencing
 - e. famine

11. Which laws forced Blacks and other South African minorities to relocate and imposed other discriminatory practices?
 - a. Conference of Berlin
 - b. Proxy law
 - c. apartheid
 - d. Sharia
 - e. land reform

12. Which of the following is the lending of small sums to poor people to develop or expand businesses?
 - a. infrastructure-for-mineral-swap
 - b. Southern African Customs Union
 - c. export processing zones
 - d. microcredit
 - e. New Partnership for Africa's Development