

CLASS -7

SUBJECT- GEOGRAPHY

CH- 11

A. Choose the correct option

1. How many countries are there in Africa- 54
2. Who are the people living in north Africa – Arabs
3. What is the most spoken African language- Swahili
4. Which country has the maximum population- Mauritius
5. In which region do the pygmies live- Congo.

B. State whether the sentences are true or false .

1. The population of Africa is uniformly distributed.- false
2. Cairo has an international airport- true
3. The native communities of Africa are known for their arts and craft forms – true
4. The terrain of Africa is favourable for land transport- false
5. In the latter half of the twentieth century the African countries won freedom from colonial rules – true

C. Fill in the blanks

1. Mauritius is the most densely populated country in Africa.
2. The tutsis are known for their epic songs poetry.
3. Arabic is the language spoken in North Africa.
4. The Suez canal was built in 1869.
5. The Masais live in the Great Rift Valley region .

D. Answer the following in 1-2 sentences

1. Which region of Africa has a large population from European descent ?
→ South Africa
2. Who ruled all the countries of Africa earlier?
→ European
3. What are the European languages that are mostly spoken in Africa?
→ English and French
4. Name the sea port in Nigeria.
→ Lagos
5. Where the Indian mainly found in Africa ?
→South Africa , Uganda and Kenya.

E. Answer the following in 3-4 sentences.

1. How did the Indians come to different parts of Africa ?
→Indians were taken to Africa as labourers to work on plantations by British.
2. Why is air transport important in Africa?

→The unfavorable terrain of the continent is an obstacle for network of land and water transport.

3. Why did the European build a network of roadways and railways?

→The colonial rulers needed a good network of railways and roads to transport the minerals and agricultural products to Europe.

4. Why is inland water transport not favorable in Africa ?

→The inland water transport is not suitable due to the presence of waterfall and rugged terrain.

5. Where are the major international airports located in Africa ?

→The major airports are located in Cairo, Durban, Nairobi, Cape Town and Addis Ababa.

F. Answer the following in 8-10 sentences.

1. Write a brief note on indigenous people of Africa.

→The native people of Africa belong to tribes such as the Bushman, masai, zulu and pygmies. They are found in many countries spread across the continent. Indigenous people are known for their craft of making jewelry, fabric and baskets .

2. What do you know about the population distribution of the continent?

→Native Africans are spread across the continent

→the countries in the north have the people of Arab descent and south Africa people of European descent

→population of Africa is quite diverse and made up of people of different tribes and cultural background.

3. How did land transport develop in Africa?

→ The land transport was developed by European to transport the minerals and agricultural product. These roadways and railways link mainly the mining and agricultural areas.

4. Write what you know about the political divisions of Africa.

→ Africa is politically divided into 54 independent countries. Madagascar and various island groups.

5. Write short note on the water transport system of Africa.

→ Suez canal is important water transport system of Africa, it was constructed in 1869. Durban harbour is the largest port in Africa. The other important ports are Kenya and Lagos in Nigeria.