Part I

Answer all questions in this part.

Directions (1–50): For each statement or question, record on your separate answer sheet the number of the word or expression that, of those given, best completes the statement or answers the question.

Base your answer to question 1 on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.

1 Which modification to the environment would most likely need to be made to grow cotton in the region directly south of the Aral Sea?
   (1) Terraces would need to be constructed.
   (2) Irrigation systems would need to be established.
   (3) Desalination plants would need to be built.
   (4) Floating gardens would need to be developed.

2 Historians need to determine the authenticity of a source in order to
   (1) establish its usefulness
   (2) reinforce popular opinion
   (3) demonstrate the significance of religious beliefs
   (4) determine the characteristics of propaganda

3 In a traditional economy, habits, customs, and rituals function as
   (1) territorial boundaries
   (2) incentives to change
   (3) independent theories
   (4) primary considerations in decision making

Source: From Silk to Oil: Cross-Cultural Connections Along the Silk Roads, China Institute, 2005 (adapted)
4 Which title best completes the partial outline below?

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   A. City-states depended on goods exchanged directly with Mediterranean peoples
   B. Political loyalty centered on the city-state
   C. A common enemy, Persia, threatened city-states’ autonomy

(1) Features of Gupta Empire
(2) Attributes of Indus Valley Civilizations
(3) Characteristics of Ancient Greece
(4) Traits of Ancient China

5 The Hellenistic culture, associated with the rule of Alexander the Great, developed as a result of
   (1) ethnocentrism  (3) direct democracy
   (2) cultural diffusion  (4) embargoes

6 The pyramids of ancient Mesoamerica and the aqueducts of ancient Rome demonstrate that these early civilizations
   (1) used large wooden structures for protection
   (2) practiced religious toleration
   (3) were able to prevent flooding
   (4) had advanced technology

7 One similarity between Confucianism and Christianity is that both belief systems emphasize
   (1) respecting others
   (2) praying five times a day
   (3) converting others to their teachings
   (4) making pilgrimages to holy shrines

8 Interactions between the Byzantine Empire and Kievan Russia influenced the Russians to
   (1) recognize the absolute political authority of the Pope
   (2) adopt Orthodox Christianity
   (3) call for an alliance with the Muslims
   (4) terrorize Charlemagne’s empire

9 In what way does this artifact represent the culture of the Tang dynasty?
   (1) Camels were used by traders along the Silk Roads.
   (2) Decorative ceramics were primarily imported from Japan.
   (3) Farmers used camels to plow fields in the Gobi Desert region.
   (4) Iron stirrups were developed and traded with the Mongols.

10 Throughout Japan’s early history, a major factor contributing to its ability to resist invasion was its
    (1) island location
    (2) superior military technology
    (3) alliances with neighbors on the continent
    (4) decentralized government structures
Base your answer to question 11 on the passage below and on your knowledge of social studies.

...The impact of the pandemic on Christian Europe is fairly well known since the Black Death has been the subject of considerable scholarly attention. This interest has led to a misconception of the Black Death as primarily a European phenomenon. Regrettably, the Black Death in the Orient has not attracted a comparable interest, but this neglect should not be interpreted as an indication of its lack of historical significance. The famous fourteenth-century Muslim historian, Ibn Khaldūn, who lost his parents and a number of his teachers during the Black Death in Tunis, recognized the import of the pandemic for Islamic civilization: . . .

— Michael W. Dols, Viator (adapted)

11 Which statement expresses the author’s argument regarding misconceptions related to the Black Death?

(1) Primary sources have been difficult to find.
(2) Testimonies about the Black Death are unreliable.
(3) The causes of the Black Death are not understood by historians.
(4) Historical study has focused more on one region rather than on others.

12 The influence of Greek and Roman culture on some Renaissance art is reflected in

(1) a realistic portrayal of the human body
(2) challenges made to ancient religious ideals
(3) the impact of William Shakespeare’s writing in southern Europe
(4) competition promoted between northern and southern European artists

13 Which situation was a direct result of the Protestant Reformation in western Europe?

(1) The Pope was removed as leader of the Catholic Church.
(2) The religions of the people of Europe became more diverse.
(3) Women assumed leadership in most Christian denominations.
(4) European rulers established religious freedom for their subjects.

14 Knowledge about trade wind patterns and the ability of sailors to utilize them on the Indian and Atlantic Oceans demonstrate that

(1) government monopolies affect trade
(2) geography and technology influence economic activity
(3) economic concepts dominate the study of transportation
(4) laws and customs regulate exchanges across international waters

15 The Spanish encomienda system established in the Spanish colonies of Latin America was most similar to European

(1) guild systems
(2) joint stock companies
(3) subsistence agriculture
(4) feudal land grants

16 Which statement about Louis XIV is an opinion rather than a fact?

(1) He insisted that Huguenots convert to Catholicism.
(2) He strengthened the monarchy by centralizing the government.
(3) The wars he engaged in were the least successful in the history of France.
(4) The palace he built at Versailles was part of his plan for controlling the nobles.

17 The idea that all people are born with the natural rights of life, liberty, and property is most directly associated with the writings of

(1) Baron de Montesquieu
(2) Thomas Hobbes
(3) Jacques-Bénigne Bossuet
(4) John Locke

18 What influence did the Scientific Revolution have on the Enlightenment in Europe?

(1) Natural laws were used to explain human affairs.
(2) Economic growth was slowed by the lack of useable technology.
(3) Scientific truths were used to justify absolute monarchies.
(4) The emphasis on religious doctrine led to the rejection of scientific ideas.