



## 2.4 TRANS-SAHARAN TRADE ROUTES

### QUESTION 7

(A) The trade between the Saharan region and West Africa was always dependent on the ability to obtain salt (needed for transit of the desert and mining of gold underground) and exchange it for gold (West Africa was the Post-Classical world's largest source of gold). Nilotic peoples did not cross and settle along the Niger although there was limited trade. While exotic products from West Africa were traded for the manufactured products of the Mediterranean (cola nuts, slaves for horses, printed books, etc.) the primary trade was the salt and gold exchanges. West Africa did herd cattle as their main food production but grain crop cultivation was limited.

### QUESTION 8

(D) Islam spread to Ghana through merchants and later Muslim clerics. West African kings and elites found that conversion to Islam offered great benefits especially of advanced forms of governance and culture. Islam, written Arabic and intellectual foundations gave support to Sudanic kingship and access to trade. Muslims could influence trade but trade across the deserts was under the control of the Berber nomads. Ghana predates the rise of the Trans-Saharan trade route.



#### 4.5 MARITIME EMPIRES MAINTAINED AND DEVELOPED

##### QUESTION 13

(D) The number of major silver deposits is greatest in the Americas. This map depicts the silver trade and although the map contains no locations or dates – this is common to maps on the AP World History exam – the student should recognize that since the Americas are involved in the trade, the map has to depict a post-1500 reality. And while (A) Japan was a source of silver for Asia it is not the only source. The map does not indicate that European receipts of silver were greater than the Chinese acquisition of silver – in reality, China obtained more than 80% of all silver shipped out of the Americas. The Middle East is a minor recipient of silver as is India.

##### QUESTION 14

(A) The question asks about a NEW governmental institution. B or Chinese regulation of trade is a continuity as was D, state supported piracy (this state policy is called issuing letters of marque and reprisal and was common for England, France, the Netherlands, and even the United States). While the Chinese and Japanese did set silver exchange rates (Option C), the Europeans did not. Answer A – joint stock companies were a new invention established to facilitate trade. Using silver acquired in Europe, these states took silver to Asia to convert it into desired products.



## 5.7 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS & INNOVATIONS IN THE INDUSTRIAL AGE

### QUESTION 16

(C) The United Fruit Company was a multi-national or trans-national corporation. And corporations of this type with monopolistic tendencies were disliked by Adam Smith since they limited competition (Answer B). Consequently it is not the corporate model common to the United States and Great Britain (Answer A). And the United Fruit Company was hardly a governmental corporation (Answer D).

### QUESTION 17

(D) Trans-national corporations transfer capital and technology abroad. They rarely improve standards of living (Answer A). Answer B or the spread of imperialism is not a benefit. Monopolies rarely decrease prices but raise them (Answer C).

### QUESTION 18

(A) Bananas were a luxury good until refrigeration developed and then became an exotic food. Goods and services beyond necessities become part of the new consumerism (Answer A). The United Fruit Company had a monopoly so trade was not free (Answer B). The United Fruit Company was not a state controlled enterprise (Answer C) nor was it a return to mercantilism (Answer D).



## 7.1 SHIFTING POWER AFTER 1900

### QUESTION 1

(B) Neither C nor D works because the dates for the Spanish Flu are 1918–1920 and the Mexican Revolution is 1910–1920. Answer A predates the dates of Posada’s work. While Juarez’s presidencies did see some railroad construction, the modernization and industrialization of Diaz correspond more closely to the caption’s information.

### QUESTION 2

(D) While Posada depicted the Mexican and American elite in his work, there is nothing to suggest that the larger skeleton is American. There is no imagery suggesting the Mexican Revolution. While modernization lasted from 1876 until 1910, most Mexicans did not die as a result. Nevertheless, Diaz’s presidency and industrial modernization including electrification and rail construction were costly in human terms.



## 9.8 INSTITUTIONS DEVELOPING IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD

### QUESTION 17

(D) The word “compare” means similar and difference. Dealing with similarity only but not difference renders choices A–C unacceptable. D is the answer and accurate based on the documents.

### QUESTION 18

(B) The underlined section of the document is the UN point of view and the sentence asks what Obama felt about it. His statement contradicts what the UN says. Options A, C and D are opinions not facts. Only Option B tells you what President Obama felt with regard to what Document 1 stated.