



2016 - 2017 Academic Junior High Decathlon

Current Events Individual Subject Test Study Guide #2

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2017 AJHD Current Events: Quizlet Classroom Instructions

-) For access to the Quizlet.com classroom for the Current Events Individual Subject Test, go to <https://quizlet.com/> and click on the “Sign Up” tab to create your own account.
-) Once you have set up your account, click on the “continue to free Quizlet” tab (in small letters located below the “Add superpowers to your account!” banner) to access the free version of the Quizlet.com classroom.
-) Use the link below to go directly to the 2017 AJHD Current Events Individual Subject Test classroom or type in 2017 AJHD Current Events Individual Subject Test in the search field and click on the Classroom tab to locate the classroom.

<https://quizlet.com/class/3320088/>

-) Once you reach the 2017 AJHD Current Events Individual Test classroom, click on the “Request to Join” button. A message will be sent to Education Test Creators to add you to the classroom. Please note that it may take up to two days for your “Request to Join” to be approved and activated.
-) In the classroom, you will find files to access for practice. Click on the title of the file to access the information.
-) Note the icons at the top of the Quizlet page. Try out the different study aids by clicking on an icon.
 - Cards = flashcards
 - Learn = fill-in quizzes
 - Speller = pronounces word and asks for its spelling
 - Test = short-answer, multiple-choice, and true/false tests
 - Scatter = match terms to definitions
 - Race = game based on the terms
-) For help with using the Quizlet.com site, click on your username in the upper right hand corner of the home page. Click on the “Help Center” tab on the dropdown menu.

Have fun and check for updates to the classroom!

Hurricane Matthew Travels Path of Destruction through Caribbean before Approaching United States

1. Where did Hurricane Matthew first begin to form in September? _____

2. When did Hurricane Matthew reach its peak intensity? _____

3. What was Hurricane Matthew rated on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale when it reaches the island nation of Haiti? _____

4. What was the death toll on Haiti from Hurricane Matthew? _____

5. What U.S. naval ship was deployed to Haiti to assist in relief efforts?

6. When did Hurricane Matthew make landfall in the Bahamas? _____

7. According to the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale, what type of damage may be caused by a category 4 hurricane? _____

8. With the approach of Hurricane Matthew toward the United States, who urged residents of coastal states in the southeast part of the United States to heed requests of emergency personnel to evacuate low-lying areas? _____

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9. How high was the storm surge from Hurricane Matthew in Florida? _____

10. Who ordered mandatory evacuations in North Carolina? _____

11. When and where did Hurricane Matthew first make landfall in the United States?

12. How strong was Hurricane Matthew when it made landfall in the United States?

13. What caused widespread flooding in eastern North Carolina? _____

14. How many people were killed in North Carolina as a result of Hurricane Matthew?

15. Who declared a federal emergency in 35 counties in North Carolina?

16. Why do hurricanes usually form near the equator? _____

17. What is another name for a hurricane? _____

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18. What is the difference between a hurricane and a typhoon? _____

19. In what direction do tropical cyclones rotate south of the equator? _____

20. In what direction do tropical cyclones rotate north of the equator?

21. The center of a hurricane is called the _____.

22. What part of a hurricane has the heaviest rainfall and highest wind speed?

23. What is storm surge? _____

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Thai King Bhumibol Adulyadej Dies at 88

1. When did the king of Thailand, King Bhumibol Adulyadej die? _____

2. Who succeeds King Adulyadej to the throne? _____

3. For how many years did King Adulyadej reign? _____

4. What did the Thai government order its civil servants to do as a sign of mourning for the king's death? _____

5. When was King Adulyadej crowned king? _____

6. King Adulydej is survived by _____

7. What did King Adulyadej convene in 1976 as part of political reform in Thailand?

8. Where did King Adulyadej die? _____

9. Who is the prime minister of Thailand? _____

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10. What is the purpose of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations? _____

11. What name is used for King Adulyadej to signify his relation to the founder of the Chakri dynasty? _____

12. Was King Adulyadej in good health before his death? _____

North Korean Missile Reportedly Explodes Soon After Liftoff

1. What two countries reported that North Korea launched a missile on Saturday, October 15th (local time)? _____
2. According to reports, what happened to the missile? _____

3. What type of missile did North Korea test? _____

4. Why does South Korea strongly condemn the launch? _____

5. Who said, "Our commitment to the defense of our allies, including the Republic of Korea and Japan, in the face of these threats, is ironclad"? _____

6. Who is the defense minister of Japan? _____
7. How many nuclear tests has North Korea conducted? _____
8. What is one of the delivery systems used for nuclear weapons? _____
9. What is the range of a Musadan missile? _____

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10. Why are the North Korean missile tests a concern for the United States?

11. Who is deliberating additional sanctions against North Korea for conducting nuclear tests? _____

12. When did North Korea conduct its latest nuclear test? _____

13. How big was the nuclear detonation during the latest North Korean test? _____

14. In contrast, what was the explosive force of the first test of the atomic bomb?

15. What magnitude earthquake did the nuclear test on September 9th cause?

16. What country conducted the first atomic bomb test? _____

17. What is the most powerful nuclear test ever conducted? _____

18. What country conducted the test? _____

19. One megaton is equal to how many kilotons? _____

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Bob Dylan Awarded Nobel Prize in Literature

1. What did the Swedish (Nobel) Academy cite as the reason for awarding the 2016 Nobel Prize in Literature to Bob Dylan? _____

2. Why is the selection of Bob Dylan to win the Nobel Prize unusual? _____

3. Who was the last American to win the Nobel Prize in Literature before this year's prize? _____

4. What other honors have been awarded to Bob Dylan? _____

5. When and where was Bob Dylan born? _____

6. What was Bob Dylan's birth name? _____

7. Who influenced Bob Dylan's music? _____

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8. With what recording company did Bob Dylan sign his first recording contract?

9. What are the titles of some of the iconic songs Bob Dylan wrote? _____

10. For what album did Bob Dylan win his first Grammy Award?

11. Who were the members of the band, the Traveling Wilburys?

12. For what album did Bob Dylan win the 1994 Grammy Award for the Best Traditional Folk Album? _____

13. What award, considered the nation's highest award for artistic excellence, was bestowed on Bob Dylan in 1997, making him the first rock star to receive it?

14. For what pontiff did Bob Dylan play "Knockin' on Heaven's Door" during a special performance in 1997? _____

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15. What was the title of the song Bob Dylan wrote that won a Golden Globe and an Academy Award for Best Original Song in 2000? _____

16. Who directed the documentary film *No Direction Home: Bob Dylan*?

17. What did Bob Dylan exhibit at the National Gallery of Denmark? _____

18. What is the title of Bob Dylan's latest album, released in 2015?

19. Who did Bob Dylan marry in 1965? _____

20. Who is the lead singer of the rock band the Wallflowers? _____

Global Progress for Children Is Stalled by War, Holy See Tells UN

1. Who addressed the United Nations regarding the mass displacement of children?

2. What position does Archbishop Auza hold at the United Nations? _____

3. What are some of the causes of child mortality in the world? _____

4. What man-made cause has displaced large populations of children in recent years?

5. Approximately how many children have war and armed conflicts displaced?

6. What does Archbishop Auza say is a strategy used in current wars that disregard international humanitarian laws and creates large numbers of refugees?

7. By what percent has the rate of child mortality for children under the age of five been reduced? _____

8. What areas in the world have made significant progress in reducing child mortality rates? _____

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9. How many children die every day from preventable or treatable causes? _____

10. What are the causes of 50% of the deaths of children under the age of five?

11. Approximately what percentage of children lack birth records? _____

12. What are some of the major problems facing young girls? _____

13. How many unaccompanied children were detained at the U.S. – Mexican border in 2014? _____

14. What does Pope Francis cite as "modern slavery, which deprives millions of children of some fundamental rights and exposes them to serious dangers"?

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Vatican, Al-Azhar to Officially Resume Dialogue

1. To what country is the Vatican sending a delegation to set plans for a dialogue between the Holy See and the Al-Azhar Mosque and adjunct University? _____

2. Who is heading the delegation from the Vatican? _____

3. Who heads the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue's Office for Islam?

4. Who is the Bishop of Luxor, Egypt? _____

5. Along with Bishop Guixot, Msgr. Akasheh, and Bishop Ayad, who else makes up the delegation to the Al-Azhar Mosque? _____

6. Who is the current Imam of Azhar? _____

7. Why is the meeting between the Holy See and the Imam of Azhar an important step toward thawing relations between the Holy See and the Muslim World? _____

8. The Al-Azhar University is considered to be one of the best study centers for _____.

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9. Why were relations strained between the Holy See and the Al-Azhar Institution?

10. Who said, "Those who kill Muslims, and who also kill Christians, have misunderstood the texts of Islam either intentionally or by negligence"?

11. Who issued a global appeal to end terrorism? _____

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World Series 2016: Schedule Details, Format and Predictions

1. What two teams will play in the 2016 World Series? _____

2. What team has the home-field advantage for the first game of the World Series?

3. How many games must a team win to clinch the World Series? _____

4. What team did the Chicago Cubs beat to win the National League pennant?

5. What is an ERA in baseball? _____

6. What advantage do the Cleveland Indians have over the Chicago Cubs in the World Series? _____

7. What advantages do the Chicago Cubs have over the Cleveland Indians in the World Series? _____

8. Have the two clubs ever played each other in the postseason? _____

9. When is the first game of the World Series scheduled to begin?

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People in the News Worksheet #1
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Draw a line from the person to the
position he/she holds:

Nikki Haley	2016 Nobel Laureate in Literature
Bob Dylan	Crown Prince of Thailand
Bhumibol Adulyadej	Defense Minister of Japan
Vladimir Putin	Governor of North Carolina
Tomomi Inada	Prime Minister of Thailand
Maha Vajiralongkorn	Former King of Thailand
Ahmed al Tayyeb	Holy See's permanent observer at the United Nations
Prayut Chan-o-cha	President of Russia
Archbishop Bernardito Auza	Imam of al Azhar
Gary Johnson	Libertarian Party presidential candidate

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1. What team did the Chicago Cubs beat to win the National League pennant?
 - A. Toronto Blue Jays
 - B. Los Angeles Dodgers
 - C. Cleveland Indians
 - D. San Francisco Giants
 - E. Baltimore Orioles

2. What was the strength of Hurricane Matthew when the storm made landfall in Haiti?
 - A. category 1
 - B. category 2
 - C. category 3
 - D. category 4
 - E. category 5

3. On October 16th, what country attempted to launch a ballistic missile?
 - A. Japan
 - B. Iran
 - C. North Korea
 - D. United States
 - E. South Korea

4. Who is expected to succeed King Bhumibol Adulyadej onto the throne of Thailand?
 - A. Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn
 - B. Princess Ubol Ratana
 - C. Prince Phumiphon Aduldet
 - D. King Ananda
 - E. Queen Sirikit Kityakara

5. The Nobel Prize for _____ was awarded to American singer-songwriter Bob Dylan.
 - A. Science
 - B. Literature
 - C. Music
 - D. Peace
 - E. Art

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6. Who presented a report to the United Nations on behalf of the Holy See regarding the displacement and endangerment of children due to war, conflict, and poverty?
 - A. Bishop Miguel Angel Ayuso Guixot
 - B. Bishop Emmanuel Ayad
 - C. Father Jean Druel
 - D. Archbishop Bruno Musarò
 - E. Archbishop Bernardito Auza

7. What presidential candidate wants to build a wall along the U.S. – Mexico border to prevent illegal immigration?
 - A. Hillary Clinton
 - B. Donald Trump
 - C. Gary Johnson
 - D. Jill Stein
 - E. None of the above

8. What presidential candidate wants to uphold and expand the Affordable Care Act?
 - A. Hillary Clinton
 - B. Donald Trump
 - C. Gary Johnson
 - D. Both (A) and (B)
 - E. Both (A) and (C)

9. What presidential candidate wants to eliminate the federal Department of Education?
 - A. Hillary Clinton
 - B. Donald Trump
 - C. Gary Johnson
 - D. Jill Stein
 - E. All of the above

10. Who is heading the Vatican delegation to the Al-Azhar Mosque and University?
 - A. Bishop Emmanuel Ayad
 - B. Father Jean Druel
 - C. Archbishop Bruno Musarò
 - D. Bishop Miguel Angel Ayuso Guixot
 - E. Archbishop Bernardito Auza

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11. What was the first national Park established in the United States?
 - A. Yosemite
 - B. Yellowstone
 - C. Everglades
 - D. Grand Canyon
 - E. Death Valley

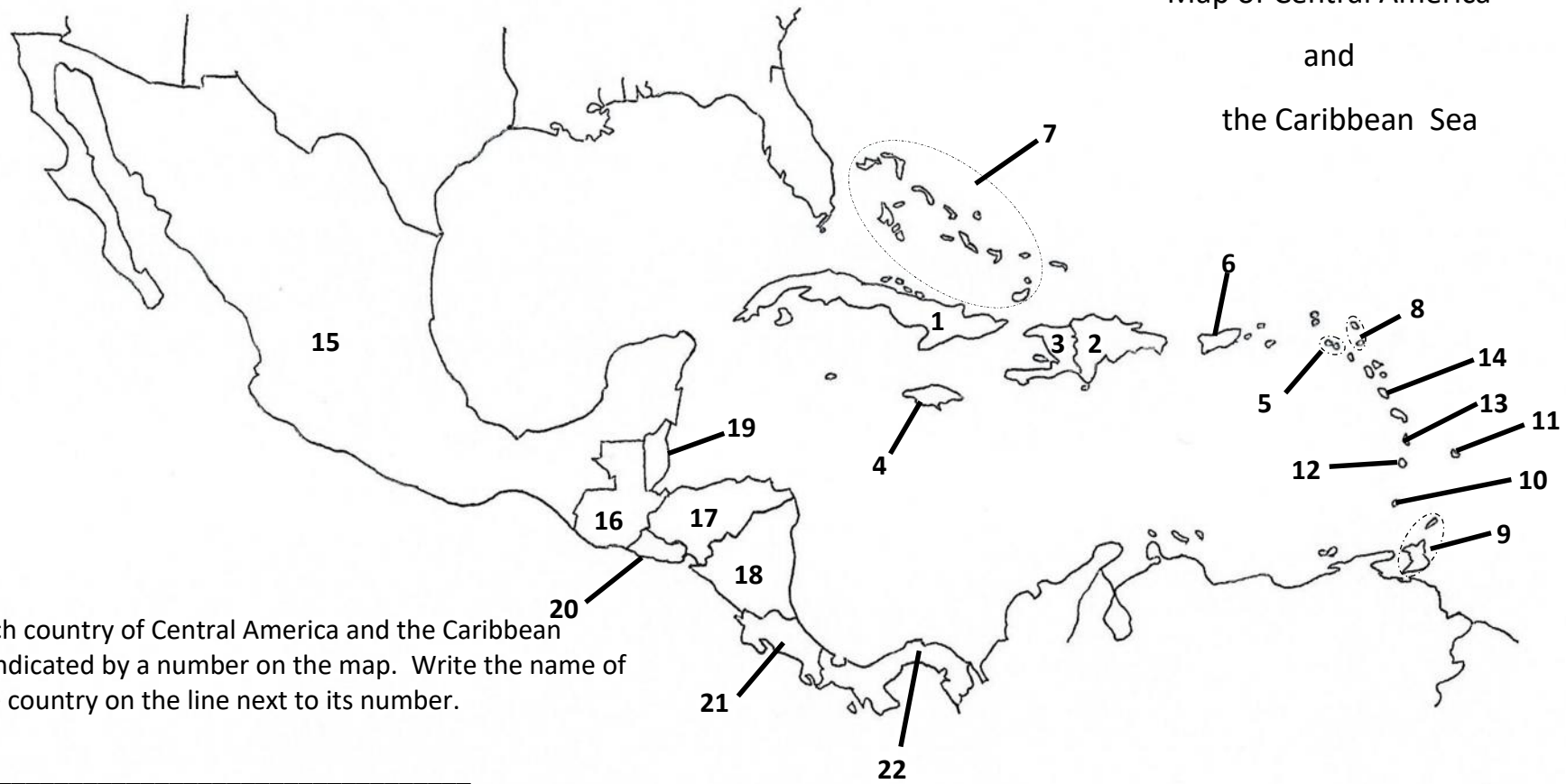
12. When was Mother Teresa of Calcutta canonized?
 - A. September 4, 2016
 - B. September 11, 2016
 - C. September 25, 2016
 - D. October 1, 2016
 - E. October 4, 2016

13. In what city in New Jersey did a commuter train crash, injuring more than 100 people?
 - A. Newark
 - B. Atlantic City
 - C. Princeton
 - D. Trenton
 - E. Hoboken

14. How many members of the House of Representatives must be present for a quorum?
 - A. 51
 - B. 100
 - C. 218
 - D. 326
 - E. 435

15. Who laid a wreath at the Pentagon to pay tribute to the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attacks?
 - A. Vice President Joe Biden
 - B. President Barack Obama
 - C. Hillary Clinton
 - D. Donald Trump
 - E. Ret. General Collin Powell

Map of Central America
and
the Caribbean Sea



Each country of Central America and the Caribbean is indicated by a number on the map. Write the name of the country on the line next to its number.

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| 2. _____ | 10. _____ | 17. _____ |
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| 6. _____ | 14. _____ | 21. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 15. _____ | 22. _____ |
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