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NIMS- QUIZ ON UAE FOR GRADES 6-12

ACADEMIC YEAR 2014-2015

IMPORTANT FACTS ON U.A.E

1. U.A.E stands for - United Arab Emirates
2. Capital of U.A.E - Abu Dhabi
3. The President of the U.A.E. - H.H. Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan (Ruler of Abu Dhabi)
4. Prime Minister of U.A.E - H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum
5. The number of Emirates in U.A.E- Seven
6. Arabic name for the U.A.E Federation -Dawlat al Imarat of Arabiyyah Al Muttahidah
7. Ruler of Seven Emirates:
 - a. Abu Dhabi – H.H Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan
 - b. Dubai – H.H Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Muktuom
 - c. Sharjah – H.H. Sheikh Dr Sultan Bin Mohammed Al Qassimi
 - d. Ajman – H.H. Sheikh Humaid Bin Rashid Al Nuaimi
 - e. Umm Al-Quwain – H.H. Sheikh Saud Bin Rashid Al Mualla
 - f. Ras Al Khaimah – H.H. Sheikh Saud Bin Saqr Al Qassimi
 - g. Fujairah – H.H. Sheikh Hamad Bin Mohammed Al Sharqi
8. The official religion of the U.A.E - Islam
9. The Holy book of Muslims - Quran
10. Holy month of fasting - Ramadan
11. The garden city of the U.A.E - Al Ain
12. The pearl of the Gulf - Dubai
13. The U.A.E National Day - 2nd December
14. Official language - Arabic
15. The ship of the desert - Camel
16. The wonder tree of the desert - Date Palm
17. The National bird - Majestic Falcon
18. National tree - Ghaf
19. National animal - Arabian Oryx
20. National Flower - Tribulus Omanense
21. Two important festival - Eid Ul Fitr, Eid Al Adha

- 22. Father of the Nation (U.A.E) - H.H. Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan (First President of the U.A.E)
- 23. U.A.E Federation formed on - 2nd December 1971
- 24. Ras Al Khaimah Joined in - February 1972
- 25. Largest Emirate - Abu Dhabi
- 26. Largest City - Dubai
- 27. The currency of U.A.E - Dirham
- 28. Calling code of the U.A.E - +971
- 29. Internet TLD - .ae
- 30. The world's tallest man made building - Burj Khalifa
- 31. Literacy rate - 78 %
- 32. Life expectancy - 77 years
- 33. National Anthem - IshyBilady (long Live My Nation)
 - a. Lyrics Written By - Aref Al Sheikh Abdullah Al Hassan
 - b. Music - Mohammed Abdel Wahab
- 34. G.D.P (Per capita) - \$ 29,700 (2013)
- 35. Population in 2013 - 9 million (13% Emirati, 87 % Foreigners)
- 36. Crude oil - 8th largest producer
- 37. Natural gas - 18th largest producer
- 38. Air Ports:
 - a. Abu Dhabi International Airport
 - b. Dubai International Airport
 - c. Sharjah International Airport
 - d. Al Maktoum International Airport (DWC) Jabel Ali, Dubai
 - e. Ras Al Khaimah International Airport
 - f. Fujairah International Airport
 - g. Al Ain International Airport
- 39. Airlines:
 - a. Emirate Airlines - U.A.E.'s flag carrier
 - b. Etihad Airlines - U.A.E's National carrier
 - c. Air Arabia - U.A.E's low cost carrier
 - d. Fly Dubai - U.A.E's Budget Airline
 - e. Rotana Jet - Local airline

40. Important sea ports:

- a. Port Zayed, Abu Dhabi
- b. Port Rashid, Dubai
- c. Port Khalid, Sharjah
- d. Port Jebel Ali, Dubai

41. Important Parks:

- a. Al Khalideyyah Public garden, Abu Dhabi
- b. Creekside Park, BurDubai
- c. Safa Park, Dubai
- d. Jumeirah Beach Park, Dubai
- e. Zabeel Park, Dubai
- f. Al Mamzar Park, Dubai
- g. Maushrif Park, Al Khawanij – Dubai

42. Important Museums:

- a. Dubai Museum
- b. Al Ain Museum
- c. Fujairah Museum
- d. Ras Al Khaimah Museum
- e. Sharjah Museum
- f. Ajman Museum

43. The smallest emirate - Ajman.

44. A man-made lake in UAE - Lake Zakhera

45. First Arab Woman to reach the North Pole - Elham Al Qasimi.

46. Life expectancy - 77 years.

47. It has been called "The world's only 7 star Hotel"

and is the third tallest hotel in the world - Burj Al Arab.

48. The world's largest shopping mall - The Dubai Mall .

49. The world's largest choreographed fountain - The Dubai Fountain.

50. Dubai metro was ceremonially inaugurated

on which date - 09/09/2009 {09:09:09 pm}.

51. The first oilfields discovered in the UAE - at Ras Sadr in 1950,

52. Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC). Founded on 26 May 1981

53. **Sheikh Zayed** Bin Sultan Al Nahyan **passed away** on the 19th of Ramadan 1425H (2nd of November 2004)

54. Member countries of GCC - Islamic Monarchies of

Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates.

55. Secretaries General of GCC:-

Tenure	Name	Country
26 May 1981 – April 1993	Abdullah Bishara	Kuwait
April 1993 – April 1996	Fahim bin Sultan Al Qasimi ¹	United Arab Emirates
April 1996 – 31 March 2002	Jamil Ibrahim Hejailan	Saudi Arabia
1 April 2002 – 31 March 2011	Abdul Rahman bin Hamad Al Attiyah	Qatar
1 April 2011 – present	Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani	Bahrain

56. UAE's sheikhs were a British protectorate from 1820 until 1971, when they became the United Arab Emirates.

57. The largest pre-Islamic site on the Persian Gulf coast: - Al Dour located roughly where the town of **Umm Al Quwain** is now.

58. Al-Dour was an **important trading port** from about 200 BC to 200 AD.

59. **UAE University**, the **first** comprehensive national **university** in the Emirates, was established in Al Ain by Sheikh Zayed, founder of the **UAE**, in 1976.

60. Colours of the UAE National Flag stand for:- Green means fertility; white, neutrality; red, unity; and black is the colour of Prophet Mohammed's flag.

GOVERNMENT

- Type of political system/Government – Federal, Presidential

U.A.E. Federation – Supreme Council consisting of rulers of each Emirate, a Council of Ministers and a semi appointed Federal Council with an advisory role. Each emirate is still governed by its own ruler, with its own local government and courts.

Some state Ministries:

Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Islamic Affairs and Endowments (Waqfs) and Ministry of Social Affairs and labour.

Coat of Arms: The emblem of U.A.E was adopted in 1973 and is composed of golden falcon holding onto a red parchment depicting the name of the country of Kufic script. On the falcon's chest is a disc representing national flag surrounded by seven stars (seven emirates).

- The country is located between 22 to 22.5⁰ N Latitude and 51 to 56.51⁰ E longitude.
- The area of the U.A.E is about 84,000 square kms.
- Hormuz strait is the link between the Gulf of Oman and the Arabian Gulf.
- Two valleys - Siji valley and Ham Valley
- Three Islands - Das, Delma, Abu Musa
- Three oases - Al Ain, Liwa, Al Dhaid
- Two plains - Al Thaid, Digdaga
- Two Salinas - Salina of Mutti, Salina of Al Sura
- Two creeks - Khor Khuwair, Khor Kalba
- Two gulf - Arabian Gulf and Gulf of Oman
- Highest point of U.A.E - JabalYibir (1527 mtrs)

Emirates of Sharjah:

- Arabic name: Imarat al Shariqa/Ash Shariqah
- Area: - 2,600 km² (1,003 mi²)
- Population:- over 800,000 (2008).
- The emirate of Sharjah comprises the city of Sharjah (the seat of the emirate), and other minor towns and enclaves such as Kalba, Dibba Al-Hisn and Khor Fakkan.
- The emirate is a constitutional monarchy of the Al Qasimi dynasty.
- It has been ruled by Sultan bin Mohamed Al-Qasimi since 1972.
- Known as UNESCO's Cultural Capital of Arab World (Awarded in 1998)

FEDERAL MINISTRIES

Ministry of Defence

The Minister: H.H. Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum (also Vice President and Prime Minister)

Ministry of Finance

The Minister: Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum

The Minister of State for Financial Affairs: Obaid Humaid Al Tayer

Ministry of Interior

The Minister: Lt General Sheikh Saif bin Zayed Al Nahyan (also Deputy Prime Minister)

Ministry of Presidential Affairs

The Minister: Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan (also Deputy Prime Minister)

Ministry of Education

The Minister: Humaid Mohammed Obeid al Qattami

Ministry for Foreign Affairs

Foreign Minister: Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan

The Minister of State: Dr Mohammed Anwar Gargash

Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research

The Minister: Sheikh Hamdan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan

Ministry of Public Works

The Minister: Dr Abdullah bin Mohammed Balhaif Al Nuaimi

Ministry of Economy

The Minister: Sultan bin Saeed Al Mansouri

Ministry of Justice

The Minister: DrHadeef bin Jua'an Al Dhaheri

Ministry of Energy

The Minister: Suhail bin Mohammed FarajFaris Al Mazrouei

Ministry of Labour

The Minister: Saqr Ghobash Saeed Ghobash

Ministry for Cabinet Affairs

The Minister: Mohammed Abdullah Al Gargawi

Ministry of Social Affairs

The Minister: Mariam Mohammed Khalfan Al Roumi

Ministry of State for FNC AffairsThe Minister of State: Dr Anwar Mohammed Gargash

Ministry of International Cooperation and Development

The Minister: Sheikha Lubna Al Qasimi

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