



General Knowledge – Grade 5

Welcome to your Conquesta Olympiad. When you have decided which of the answers is correct, scratch out the letter in the matching square on your answer sheet. Example:- If the answer to question 4 is c, then scratch out the letter c in the square containing c next to the number 4 (see example 1 below). If you've made a mistake and b should have been the answer, neatly cross out the mistake and then scratch out b (see example 2 below).

Example 1:- 4. a b ~~c~~ d

Example 2:- 4. a ~~b~~ ~~c~~ d

1. **Who was known as the 'Lady of the Lamp'?**
(a) Perla Gibson. (b) Helen Keller. (c) Marie Curie. (d) Florence Nightingale.
2. **Why was she given this name?**
(a) She used a battery torch for her rounds. (b) She carried a candle.
(c) She carried a small lamp for her rounds. (d) She used an electric lamp.
3. **What has a kicktail and four wheels?**
(a) Roller skates. (b) A skateboard. (c) A quad bike. (d) A side car.
4. **A dumbbell is a**
(a) piece of equipment in weight training. (b) door knob.
(c) doorbell mechanism. (d) dummy to show clothes in a shop.
5. **What is a barracuda?**
(a) Reptile. (b) Fish. (c) Insect. (d) Butterfly.
6. **What animals will you find in a paddock?** (a) Chickens. (b) Sheep. (c) Ducks. (d) Horses.
7. **What animal is referred to as the 'King of the Jungle'?** (a) Cheetah. (b) Elephant. (c) Lion. (d) Leopard.
8. **What is the term given for the food-making process of a plant?**
(a) Photosensitivity. (b) Photo stimulation. (c) Photo steno scope. (d) Photosynthesis.
9. **During the above process, what gas is a by-product?** (a) Oxygen. (b) Nitrogen. (c) Carbon dioxide. (d) Sulphur.
10. **What word refers to the green leaves of a tree?** (a) Cabbage. (b) Foliage. (c) Garbage. (d) Salvage.
11. **Which of these is the largest wild cat in the world?**
(a) Cheetah. (b) Lion. (c) Leopard. (d) Tiger.
12. **How many continents are there?** (a) 5 (b) 6 (c) 7 (d) 9



Match the nicknames in (a) – (d) with four South African cities at questions 13 – 16.

(a) Mother City. (b) City of Gold. (c) The Windy City. (d) Sleepy Hollow.

13. **Pietermaritzburg.** | 14. **Polokwane.** | 15. **Johannesburg.** | 16. **Cape Town.**
17. **The Comrades Marathon is run between**
(a) Durban and Pietermaritzburg. (b) Durban and Howick.
(c) Pietermaritzburg and Hillcrest. (d) Camperdown and Durban.
18. **The above marathon is a/an** (a) quadrennial event. (b) annual event. (c) biannual event. (d) biennial event.
19. **An ultramarathon covers a distance of** (a) 42 km. (b) more than 42 km. (c) 21 km. (d) 15 km.
20. **What do we call a flat shape with 8 straight sides?** (a) Pentagon. (b) Heptagon. (c) Nonagon. (d) Octagon.
21. **What road sign has an octagon shape?** (a) Yield. (b) Stop. (c) Speed hump ahead. (d) No overtaking.
22. **How many faces does a triangular prism have?** (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6
23. **What do we call the line that touches the circumference of a circle at one point, but does not enter the circle's interior?** (a) Radius. (b) Tangent. (c) Diameter. (d) Chord.

