

AFRICA: HISTORY MAP GAME

About 2 1/2 million years ago, manlike apes lived on the grasslands of Central and East Africa. Scientists believe that these early creatures developed into modern man -- the first appearance of modern man on earth. In time, these people grew in number and moved into other parts of Africa and to other continents. This period in the history of man was known as the Stone Age. The game which follows traces important events in the story of Africa from Stone Age times to the 1800's.

Game Rules

The class will be divided into two teams.

Find number 1 on the map of Africa, and note the date. About 2 1/2 million years B.C., an event took place that is described in the following list. It took place at site 1 on the map. The teacher will announce the letter of the event that goes with number 1. Put the letter next to number 1 on the map, then look for the event in the list. The capitalized words in the sentence have been scrambled. Try to put the words in their correct order.

The first person to raise their hand will be called on. If they have correctly rearranged the words, their team gets 10 points for each capitalized word. Everyone will then copy the event in the spaces next to number 1 on the map.

There is a 10 point penalty for a wrong answer. A person on the other team will then be called on, if they want to answer.

The game continues in the same way with events 2-26.

- A: **PORTUGAL HENRY SENDS PRINCE ALONG OF EXPLORERS AFRICA COAST OF THE WEST.** The "Age of Discovery" begins.
- B: **TRADERS CITY CARTHAGE OF THE PHOENICIAN FOUND.** Romans destroy the city in 146 B.C.
- C: Dutch settle Cape Town. The white population grows in South Africa. **"AFRIKANERS" SETTLERS CALLED DUTCH ARE.**
- D: Henry **THE RIVER LENGTH TRACES STANLEY THE CONGO OF.**
- E: **CANAL THE OPENS SUEZ.**
- F: Archaeologists believe that the earliest peoples on earth **RIFT LIVED MAY IN GREAT HAVE VALLEY THE.**
- G: **KIMBERLEY, ARE SOUTH DISCOVERED AFRICA AT DIAMONDS.**
- H: The kingdoms of Kush **FOUNDED AND AKSUM ARE.**
- I: Johannes Rebmann, a missionary, **MOUNT DISCOVERS KILIMANJARO.**
- J: **AFRICA ROMAN INTO THE EMPIRE REACHES NORTH.**
- K: **THE RIVER EXPLORES JAMES OF NILE BRUCE SOURCE THE.**
- L: **SLAVES TRADERS MILLION EUROPEAN 10 TRANSPORT** to North and South America where they are sold to owners of sugar and cotton plantations.
- M: The agricultural revolution begins in Africa. Crops **ARE ANIMALS ARE DOMESTICATED PLANTED AND.**
- N: The Ghana, Mali, and **EMPIRES WEST IN SONGHAI FLOURISH AFRICA.**
- O: **MUSLIM AFRICA CONQUERS THE EMPIRE NORTH** and introduces the Islam religion.
- P: Vasco da Gama of Portugal **AND HOPE ON CAPE OF ROUNDS GOOD INDIA TO THE SAILS.**
- Q: **LAKE SPEKE VICTORIA FINDS JOHN.**

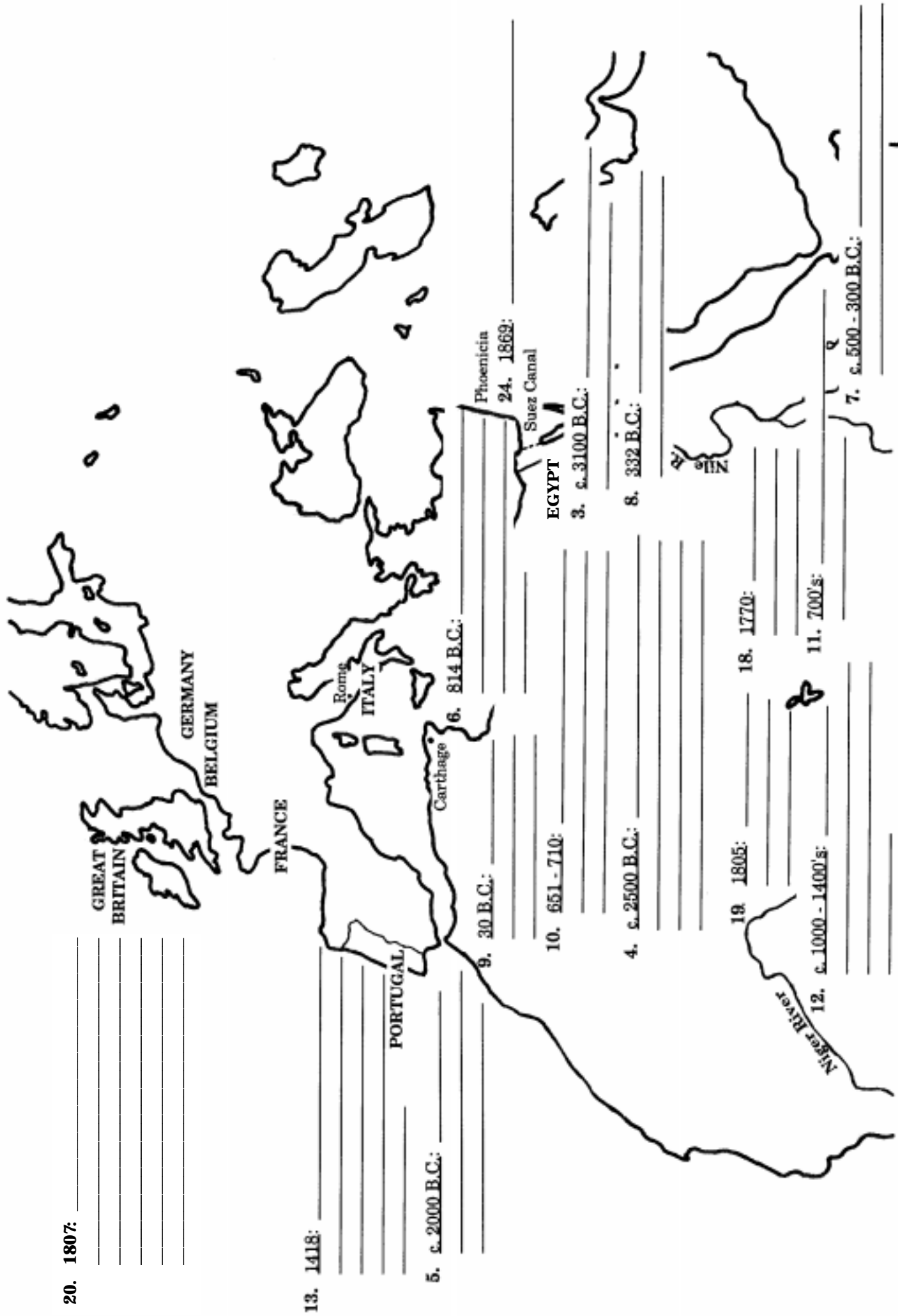
- R: **BEGINS THE INTO TURN SAHARA A DESERT TO** as Africa's climate becomes drier. Bantu farmers move south to a region of grasslands.
- S: **EGYPT THE ALEXANDER CONQUERS GREAT.**
- T: **EXPLORES PARK NIGER MUNGO RIVER THE.**
- U: Cities **IN IMPORTANT TRADE AND BECOMES GROW AFRICA SEA NORTH.**
- V: Portuguese navigator **DIAS HOPE THE CAPE BARTOLOMEU GOOD REACHES OF.**
- W: **SLAVE PASSES BRITAIN ENDING GREAT THE TRADE LAWS.** Other countries begin to take a dim view of slavery. Trade grows in peanuts, palm oil, and other products.
- X: **COLONIZE AFRICA ARABS TO EAST BEGIN.**
- Y: **FALLS LIVINGSTONE AND RIVER VICTORIA EXPLORES DAVID ZAMBEZI DISCOVERS THE** and Lake Nyasa.
- Z: Menes, **RULES THE "PHARAOH," EGYPT FIRST.**

Map Questions

- (1) ___ Pharaohs were rulers of ancient: (a) Greece (b) Rome (c) Egypt
- (2) ___ North Africa was once part of the: (a) Roman Empire (b) Muslim Empire (c) Roman Empire and Muslim Empire
- (3) ___ Kimberley, South Africa, won fame because of its: (a) diamond mines (b) gold fields (c) oil wells
- (4) ___ The European country that first established a trade route around the southern tip of Africa to India was: (a) Holland (b) Portugal (c) England
- (5) ___ Prince Henry was: (a) an explorer of the African interior (b) responsible for Portugal taking the lead in the exploration of the African coast (c) a missionary
- (6) ___ Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak, was discovered by: (a) John Speke (b) Johannes Rebmann (c) James Bruce
- (7) ___ Little was known about the interior of Africa until the: (a) 1400's (b) 1800's (c) 1900's
- (8) ___ Africans began growing crops and domesticating animals during the: (a) commercial revolution (b) industrial revolution (c) agricultural revolution
- (9) ___ The Europeans who eventually gained control of South Africa were the: (a) Portuguese (b) Dutch (c) British
- (10) ___ Ghana, Mali, and Songhai are the names of: (a) once great empires of West Africa (b) major African languages (c) important tribal religions

True or False

- (11) _____ Cities first appeared in North Africa 2,000 years ago.
- (12) _____ At one time, the Sahara was not a desert.
- (13) _____ No part of Africa has ever been ruled by foreigners.
- (14) _____ The "Age of Discovery" began when Columbus sailed to America.
- (15) _____ Alexander the Great conquered Egypt about 1700 years ago.
- (16) _____ The city of Carthage was founded by the Romans.
- (17) _____ After the slave trade ended, Europeans had no interest in Africa.
- (18) _____ Mungo Park, David Livingstone, and Henry Stanley all explored rivers of Africa.
- (19) _____ Archaeologists have proven that the first people on earth lived in the Great Rift Valley.
- (20) _____ The Panama Canal is an important man-made waterway through Egypt.



20. 1807: _____

13. 1418: _____

5. c. 2000 B.C.: _____

9. 30 B.C.: _____

6. 814 B.C.: _____

10. 651 - 710: _____

4. c. 2500 B.C.: _____

8. 332 B.C.: _____

3. c. 3100 B.C.: _____

24. 1869: _____

19. 1805: _____

18. 1770: _____

12. c. 1000 - 1400's: _____

11. 700's: _____

7. c. 500 - 300 B.C.: _____

1. c. 2 1/2 million B.C.: _____

14. 1450 - 1865: _____

2. c. 5000 B.C.: _____

17. 1652: _____

15. 1488: _____

16. 1498: _____

25. 1869: _____

26. 1876 - 1877: _____

21. 1848: _____

23. 1858: _____

22. 1855: _____

Geographical labels on the map include: Congo River, Lake Victoria, Victoria Falls, Zambezi River, Lake Nyanza, SOUTH AFRICA, Kimberley, Cape Town, Cape of Good Hope, and Mt. Kilimanjaro (indicated by a dashed line).