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SAMPLE MIDTERM EXAM

Part One: The following terms are associated with which religion?

1. Karbalah

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

2. Exodus

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

3. Sola Scriptura

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

4. Ali

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

5. Moses

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

6. God

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

7. Shi'ite

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

8. Maimonides

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

9. Luther

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

10. Baal Shem Tov

- a) Judaism;
- b) Christianity;
- c) Islam;
- d) All of the above.

11. Kab'ah

- a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

12. Trinity
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

13. Shoah
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

14. Theotokos
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

15. Zion
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

16. Pope
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

17. Jerusalem
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

18. Ishmael
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

19. Filioque
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

20. Imam
a) Judaism;
c) Islam;
- b) Christianity;
d) All of the above.

Part Two: History

21. According to Jewish tradition, who was the first person Yahweh revealed his sacred name to?
- a) Moses;
c) Jacob;
- b) Isaiah;
d) Abraham.

22. The first three patriarchs of Judaism are:
a) Abraham, Moses, David; b) Abraham, Isaac, Jacob;
c) Abraham, Isaac, Moses d) None of the above.
23. In what year was the state of Israel established?
a) 1938; b) 1948;
c) 1954; d) 1967.
24. When did Umar capture Jerusalem?
a) 637 CE; b) 736 CE;
c) 664 CE; d) 702 CE.
25. To which people did the gods Ba'al and Asherah belong?
a) The Jewish people; b) Early Christians;
c) The Babylonians; d) The Canaanites;
e) None of the above.
26. Who were the first three monarchs of the Israelites?
a) Abraham, Moses, and David; b) Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob;
c) Moses, David, and Solomon; d) None of the above.
27. Mu'awiyah attempted to take the caliphate away from Ali. True or False?
28. The Nicene Creed dates from the 5th century. True or False?
29. What year was the Temple and Jerusalem destroyed by the Babylonians:
a) 587 BCE; b) 609 BCE;
c) 556 BCE; d) 425 BCE;
e) None of the above.
30. Which of the two divided Jewish kingdoms was Jerusalem the capital of?
a) Israel; b) Judah;
c) Egypt; d) Samaria.
31. Abraham, Moses, and David all made covenants with God. What is a covenant?
a) A type of bread; b) A denial;
c) A treaty; d) A place where religious people live.
32. Identify which of the following was a contributing factor to the Christian Reformation:
a) The increasing use of vernacular languages;
b) The plague;
c) The Tridentine council;
d) Galileo's proof of a heliocentric cosmos;
e) All of the above.
33. According to Christian tradition, Jesus was criticized for:

- a) Healing;
- b) Spending time with sinners and tax collectors;
- c) Breaking the Sabbath;
- d) Forgiving sins;
- e) All of the above.

34. Which of the following statements concerning the Sadducees and Pharisees is true?

- a) The Pharisees were fewer in number;
- b) The Pharisees believed in resurrection;
- c) The Sadducees accepted the idea of the Oral Torah;
- d) The Pharisees were in positions of power;
- e) All of the above.

35. The term Shi'a derives from the phrase "Shia't Ali." What does it mean?

- a) The right of Ali;
- b) The war of Ali;
- c) The party of Ali;
- d) None of the above.

36. The term "catholic" means:

- a) Proper;
- b) Universal
- c) Papal;
- d) Fashionable

37. Jerusalem became an Israelite city only when King David conquered it in order to make it Israel's capital city. True or False?

38. Eastern Orthodoxy split from Roman Catholicism formally in 1054 CE. True or False?

39. Jesus was executed while visiting Jerusalem for Christmas. True or False?

40. What is the correct progression of the following series of Jewish events?

- a) Exodus; Shabbatai Zvi's messiahship; Destruction of the temple by Romans; Exile under the Babylonians;
- b) Destruction of the temple by Romans; Exile under the Babylonians; Exodus; Shabbatai Zvi's messiahship;
- c) Exile under the Babylonians; Exodus; Shabbatai Zvi's messiahship; Destruction of the temple by Romans;
- d) None of the above.

41. Arianism made the claim:

- a) That Jesus and God were not of the "same substance";
- b) That Augustine was not a legitimate Bishop;
- c) That Mary was not "the mother of God";
- d) That the Pope was not legitimate;
- e) None of the above.

42. The term "*mitzvah*" refers to the word "commandment." True or False?

43. Who led the Jewish revolt that threw off Seleucid rule in 167 BCE?

- a) Ezra;
- b) Bar Kochba;

- c) The Maccabees; d) None of the above.
44. What is the correct order of events from Christian history?
a) Arian Controversy, Edict of Milan, Diet of Worms, Gutenberg Bible;
b) Edict of Milan, Arian Controversy, Gutenberg Bible, Diet of Worms;
c) Edict of Milan, Gutenberg Bible, Arian Controversy, Diet of Worms;
d) None of the above.
45. What is the correct order of figures from Muslim history?
a) Mu'awiyah, al-Ghazali, Abu Talib; b) Abu Talib, Mu'awiyah, al-Ghazali;
c) Abu Talib, al-Ghazali, Mu'awiyah; d) None of the above.
46. Reform Judaism started in which country?
a) Germany; b) Poland;
c) United States; d) Israel.
47. Most Shi'ites hold that there were twelve imams before the final one disappeared to return sometime in the future. True or False?
48. Choose the correct order of Christian events:
a) Conversion of Paul; Council of Chalcedon; Destruction of the Second Temple; Nicene Creed;
b) Destruction of the Second Temple; Conversion of Paul; Nicene Creed; Council of Chalcedon;
c) Conversion of Paul; Destruction of the Second Temple; Council of Chalcedon; Nicene Creed;
d) None of the above.
49. To what does the term "Iconodule" refer?
a) Those who rejected the use of icon in the Eastern Orthodox church;
b) Those who preferred Latin over Greek in the Eastern Orthodox church;
c) Those who did not believe Jesus was fully human;
d) None of the above.
50. Which empire sacked Jerusalem and destroyed the first Jewish Temple?
a) The Assyrians; b) The Babylonians;
c) The Romans; d) The Sumerians.
51. What is the immigration of the Muslim community from Mecca to Medina called?
a) Masjid; b) Hijra;
c) Muhajirun; d) Hijab.
52. During the Second World War, Jewish immigration to the United States from Europe was unrestricted. True or False?

53. Who wrote Christianity's Ninety-Five Theses?
a) Martin Luther; b) Thomas Aquinas;
c) Augustine; d) Ninety-Five priests in Rome.
54. Which is the correct progression of the following series of events in Mohammad's life:
a) Muhammad marries Khadija; Muhammad's revelation from the angel Gabriel; Muhammad goes to Yathrib; Muhammad conquers Mecca.
b) Muhammad goes to Yathrib; Muhammad's revelation from the angel Gabriel; Muhammad marries Khadija; Muhammad conquers Mecca;
c) Muhammad's revelation from the angel Gabriel; Muhammad conquers Mecca; Muhammad marries Khadija; Muhammad goes to Yathrib;
d) Muhammad marries Khadija; Muhammad flees to Yathrib; Muhammad's revelation from the angel Gabriel; Muhammad conquers Mecca.
55. Name the place of the massacre that ensued after Husayn challenged the Umayyad rule in 680 CE:
a) Siffin; b) Karbalah;
c) Badr; d) Jerusalem.
56. According to Sunnis, who is the second rightly guided Caliph?
a) Uthman; b) Abu Bakr;
c) Ali; d) Umar.
57. Narration and reports about events in Muhammad's life is found primarily in the Qur'an. True or False?
58. Who was the first king of Israel?
a) Moses; b) Constantine;
c) Saul; d) David.
59. The Christian Council of Nicea was organized to debate Luther's ideas. True or False?
60. What religious tradition did Jesus follow?
a) Jewish; b) Christian;
c) Patristic; d) Pagan.
61. The final break between Constantinople and Rome was a result of the Crusaders sacking Constantinople. True or False?
59. The letters LXX represent what?
a) The year Jesus was born; b) The Kingdom of God;
c) The Septuagint; d) None of the above.
60. According to Muslims, the term *Jahiliyya* refers to:
a) "the age of enlightenment";
b) A tax Muslim leaders imposed on non-Muslims;

- c) “the age of ignorance”;
 - d) Striving in self defense of one’s faith;
 - e) None of the above
62. The years that designate First Temple Judaism are:
- a) 1000 BCE - 960 BCE; b) 515 BCE – 70 CE;
 - c) 931 BCE - 587 BCE; d) 1962 CE – 1965 CE.
63. The two Christian terms *homoiousion* and *homoousion* are associated with which controversy?
- a) The Pelagian Controversy; b) The Sabellian Controversy;
 - c) The Nestorian Controversy; d) The Arian Controversy;
 - e) None of the above
64. According to tradition, Moses led the Israelites out of
- a) Mesopotamia; b) Edom;
 - c) Egypt; d) Syria.
65. Which Christian figures make up the Christian Trinity?
- a) Matthew, Mark, and Luke; b) Jesus, Mary, Joseph;
 - c) Father, Son, Holy Spirit; d) All of the above.
66. How many of Europe’s Jews were killed during the Holocaust?
- a) All; b) 90%;
 - c) Almost two-thirds; d) About one-third.
67. Yiddish is primarily a type of food. True or False?
68. The most recent modernization of the Roman Catholic Church took place during:
- a) The First Vatican Council; b) The Second Vatican Council;
 - c) The Second World War; d) The papacy of John Paul I.
69. The Law was delivered to Moses on:
- a) Mt. Sinai; b) Mt. Zion;
 - c) The Dead Sea; c) Mt. Hara.
70. What were the effects of the Edict of Milan?
- a) The end of persecution for Christians;
 - b) Stability throughout the Roman Emperor;
 - c) The exponential growth of Christianity;
 - d) All of the above.
71. The title “The Apostle to the Gentiles?” refers to whom?
- a) Paul of Tarsus; b) Matthew;
 - c) Jesus of Nazareth; d) Augustine.

72. The Christian term *homoiousion* means “similar substance”? True or False?
73. The end of the classical period of Islam was signaled by which group’s invasion into Islamic lands?
a) Seljuk Turks; b) The Mongols;
c) The Abbasids; d) None of the above.
74. The fourth rightly guided caliph was Umar. True or False?
75. According to Muslim tradition, Muhammad received his first revelation in a cave on Mount Sinai. True or False?
76. What is the territory most commonly associated with the Ottoman Empire?
a) Iran; b) China;
c) Egypt; d) Turkey.
77. Muslims believe that Muhammad was the “seal of the prophets.” True or False?
78. Where was the Mughal Empire mainly located?
a) Egypt;
b) Indonesia;
c) Turkey;
d) India
e) None of the above
79. The Hebrew Bible is comprised of three sections: Torah, Nevi’im, and Ketuvim. True or False?
80. When was the Battle of Badr?
a) 624; b) 700;
c) 657; d) 642.