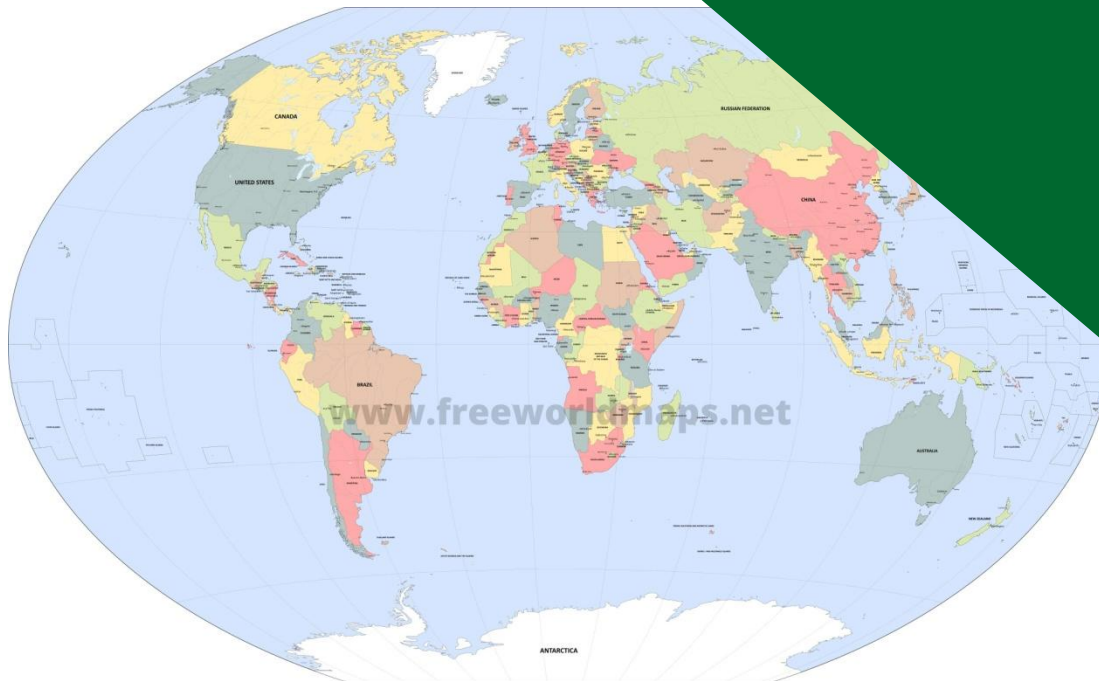


The BSCC Geography Quiz

3 May 2024



Geography Quiz



- Questions are vaguely related to Geography
- To make it easier, at least three possible answers are given for each question – all you have to do is pick the right one
- Possible answers are generally listed in alphabetical order
- There are 10 questions
- No particular order to questions this month, just a mixture of very easy, easy, simple and not hard (and maybe the odd difficult one)
- As usual, easy questions at start and progressively getting harder (in my opinion)
- Good luck.

Q1: If you fly due **East** from London, which is the first country you come to?

A: Belgium

B: Denmark

C: Netherlands

Q2: If you fly due **West** from London, where would you make landfall?

A: Maine

B: New Hampshire

C: New Foundland

Q3: Which is the largest country in Africa by **area**?

A: Algeria

B: Democratic Republic of the Congo

C: Libya

D: South Africa

Q4: After Kinshasa in DR Congo, which is the largest city in Africa by population?

A: Cairo, Egypt

B: Johannesburg, S Africa

C: Lagos, Nigeria

Q5: The **mainland** of which country crosses the most time zones?

A: China

B: Russia

C: USA

Q6: Which country has the most islands*?

A: Canada

B: Finland

C: Indonesia

D: Norway

E: Sweden

(* Landmasses permanently above water)

Q7: The Equator passes through 13 countries including Ecuador, Colombia, Brazil, Sao Tome & Principe, Gabon, Republic of the Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya, Somalia, Indonesia and Kiribati. Which one of the following does the Equator **NOT** pass through?

A: Maldives

B: Singapore

C: Uganda

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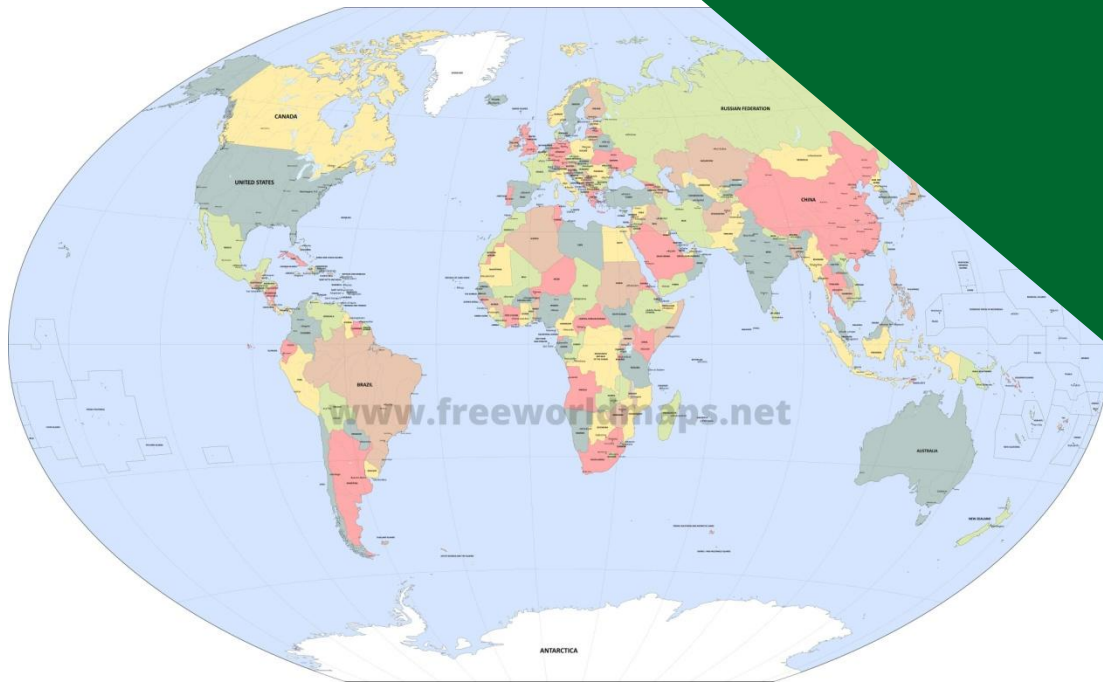
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Q9: If you fly due South from Edinburgh which is the last English county you fly over before reaching the English Channel?

A: Cornwall B: Devon C: Dorset D: Hampshire E: Sussex F: Kent

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A: Greenland (Denmark) B: Iceland C: Russia D: Svalbard (Norway)



Answers

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Answer C: The Netherlands

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Answer C: New Foundland, Canada

If you kept flying the first USA state you would reach is Alaska (The Aleutian Islands).

New York is due west of Portugal and Washington is roughly on the same latitude as Madrid.

Q3: Which is the largest country in Africa by **area**?

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Answer A: Algeria

1. *Algeria (2.382m sq. Kilometres)*
 2. *DR Congo (2.345m sq. kilometres)*
 3. *Libya (1.760m sq. kilometres)*
- South Africa is 8th (1.220m sq. Kilometres).*
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Q4: After Kinshasa in DR Congo, which is the largest city in Africa by population?

A: Cairo, Egypt

B: Johannesburg, S Africa

C: Lagos, Nigeria

Answer C: Lagos, Nigeria

1. *Kinshasa (16.3m)*
 2. *Lagos (15.3m)*
 3. *Cairo (10.1m)*
- Johannesburg is 8th with 6.1m).*

Q5: The **mainland** of which country crosses the most time zones?

A: China

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Answer :

Russia with 11.

If you include overseas territories, France would have the most time zones with 12 (13 including its claim in Antarctica). Using this method and discounting Antarctica, Russia would be tied second with USA on 11, and Australia tied fourth with the UK on 9.

Q6: Which country has the most islands*?

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(* Landmasses permanently above water)

Answer E: Sweden

1. *Sweden (267,570)*

2. *Norway (239,057)*

3. *Finland (178,947)*

4. *Canada (52,455).*

Indonesia is 6th (after USA) with 17,504.

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Answer B: Singapore

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Answer C: 2

There are only two double landlocked countries in the world: Liechtenstein and Uzbekistan.

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Answer B: Devon

Between Sidmouth and Beer.

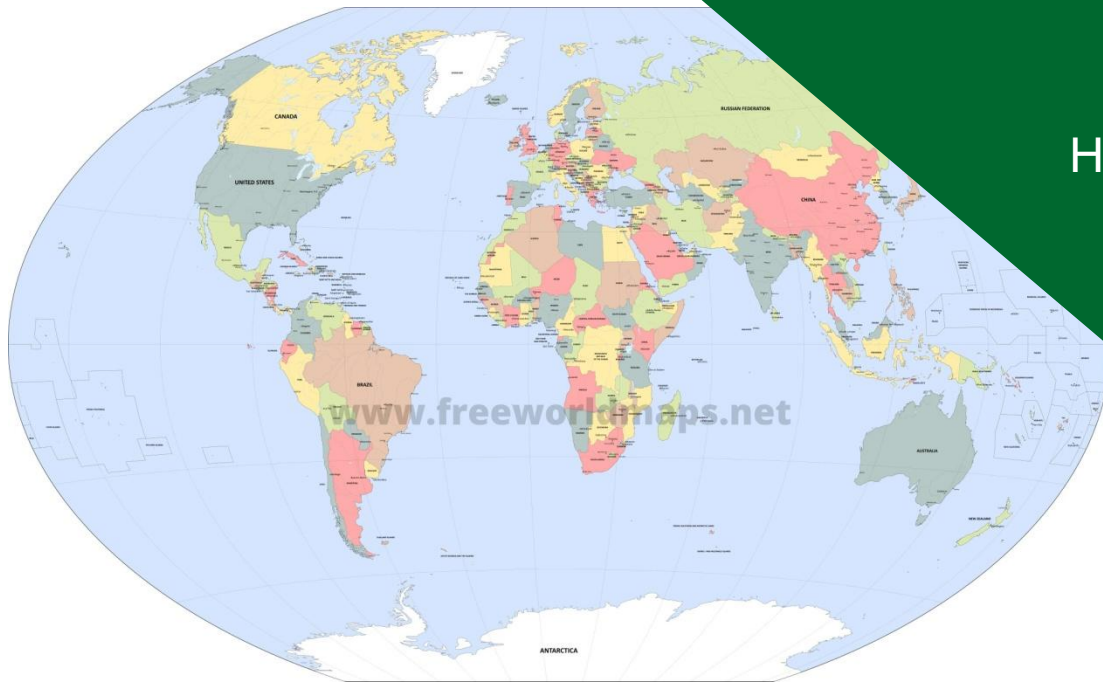
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Answer C: Russia

Greenland and Iceland are too far West and Svalbard too far East.

The most westerly point of Alaska is the Tip of Amatignak Island, Aleutian Chain, 179° 06' 31"W whilst the most easterly point of Russia is the Diomed Islands 169°01'W.



How many did you get right?