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## UACE Islamic Religious Education paper 3 - Revision questions (History of Islam)

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### Section A: Islam in East Africa

1. Examine the role of trade in Islamisation of the interior of East Africa
2. (a) Discuss the factors that contributed to the settlement of Arab Muslims along the coast of East Africa. (13 marks)  
  
(b) Analyse the challenges that Arab settlers along the coast of East Africa faced. (12 marks)
3. (a) Examine the impact of Islam on the people of East African Coast. (15 marks)  
  
(b) What were the factors that hindered the spread of Islam at the coast? (10 marks)
4. Analyse the effects of the 1888-1894 Inter-Religious wars in Uganda. (25 marks)
5. Examine the role that Tanganyika preachers played in the spread of Islam in Kenya. (25 marks)
6. To what extent were the Nyamwezi Chiefs instrumental in the spread of Islam in Tanzania? (25 marks)
7. Analyse the religious conditions at East African coast before the coming of Islam. (25 marks)
8. To what extent did the Indian Ocean trade contribute to the spread of Islam at the East African coast?
9. Analyse the activities of the Arabs that accelerated the pace of the spread of Islam at the East African coast. (25 marks)
10. Examine the impact of Islam on the people of the East African coast. (25 marks)

11. To what extent did the Somalis contribute to the spread of Islam in Kenya? (25marks)
12. Explain the ways in which Islam spread in:
  - (a) Nyamweziland (12 marks)
  - (b) Yaoland. (13marks)
13. 'The compatibility of Islam with the local religious beliefs and practices facilitated the spread of Islam at the East African coast.' Discuss.
14. Examine the role of Interior Trade routes in the spread of Islam in East Africa. (25marks)
15. To what extent was the presence of Arabs at the coast of East Africa a factor in the spread of Islam? (25marks)
16. (a) Examine the factors responsible for the spread of Islam at the cost of East Africa. (10marks)
  - (b) Describe the impact of the Arab settlement on the people of East African coast. (15marks)
17. Assess the claim that it were the Somali people who spread Islam in Northern Easter Kenya. (25 marks)
18. To what extent did trade contribute to the spread of Islam in Tanzania? (25 marks)
19. Analyse the conditions in Arabia that might have forced Arabs to migrate to East Africa. (25 marks)
20. Before the coming of Islam, the people of East Africa had their own religious beliefs and practices. Discuss.
21. (a) Examine the political organization of the people at the East African coast prior to the coming of Islam. (12 mark)
  - (b) In what ways was the political life influenced by Islam? (13 marks)
22. Account for over-stay of Islam at the Coast of East Africa before it penetrated the interior. (25marks)
23. To what extent was Chief Mumia Nambogo Muhammad responsible for the spread of Islam in Western Kenya? (25marks)
24. Examine the contribution of the following to the spread of Islam in Tanzania:

- (a) the jumbes, (12 marks)
- (b) the Akidas. (23 marks)
25. To what extent were the conditions in Arabia responsible for the coming of the Arabs to the coast of East Africa? (25marks)
26. (a) Examine the contributions of the East African coastal markets to the Islamisation process of the region. (13marks)
- (b) What were the effects of this coastal markets' trade on the community? (12marks)
27. Despite the fact that Islam reached the coast of East Africa as early as the 10<sup>th</sup> Century it only penetrated the interior in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Discuss. (25 marks)
28. (a) Justify the view that the Portuguese' presence at the East African coast was disastrous to the progress of Islam. (13marks)
- (b) In which ways did Oman's intervention reverse the situation? (12marks)
29. The defeat of Muslims in the early wars in Buganda was mainly caused by British colonialism. Discuss. (25 mark)
30. (a) Discuss the ways through which Islam was spread in Western Kenya. (13marks)
- (b) What challenges were experienced in the propagation of Islam in that region? (12marks)
31. (a) Account for the growth and development of East African coastal market. (15marks)
- (b) How did the growth and development of coastal markets contribute to the spread of Islam along the coast of East Africa. (10marks)
32. Islam in the interior owes its spread to the establishment of interior routes. Comment. (25marks)
33. One of the Islamic influences on the coast of East Africa was the emergence of the Swahili people.
- (a) Explain the origin of the Swahili people. (12marks)
- (b) Examine their contribution to the spread of Islam. (13marks)
34. (a) Examine the factors that favored the Portuguese settlement at the East African Coast. (15marks)
- (b) How did their settlement affect the already existing Muslim community? (10marks)

35. 'The means by which Islam spread in Uganda is different from the means by which it did in Kenya.' Discuss. (25marks)
36. Analyse the social-political conditions of Kenyan Muslims during the colonial period. (25marks)
37. Explain the significance of the East African coastal Market in the spread of Islam along the East African Coast. (25marks)
38. (a) Account for the establishment of interior trade routes by Arab traders. (13marks)  
(b) How did they help the spread of Islam in the interior? (1marks)
39. (a) Analyse the causes of Arab migration to the coast of East Africa. (13marks)  
(b) What factors facilitated their settlement? (12 marks)
40. (a) Discuss the factors that led to the coming of the Portuguese to East Africa. (12marks)  
(b) What impact did their coming have on the spread of Islam along the coast of East Africa? (13 marks)
41. (a) Assess the role Mutesa I played in the development of Islam in Uganda. (15marks)  
(b) Examine the limitations the spread of Islam encountered during his reign. (10marks)
42. Examine the ways in which Islam was spread in the following areas of Tanzania:
  - (a) Yaoland (07marks)
  - (b) Nyamweziland, (10marks)
  - (c) Ujiji. (08marks)
43. Discuss the coming of Islam to East Africa via Indian Ocean route.
44. Examine the role played by interior routes in the spread of Islam in East Africa.
45. To what extent was the coming of Arabs to East Africa responsible for the emergence of the Swahili culture? (25 marks)
46. "Had it not been for the coming of the Portuguese, the whole of East Africa would have been Islamized." Assess the validity of this claim. (25 marks)
47. "Political interference into Islamic affairs during and after colonial days has significantly affected the trend and progress of Islam in Uganda." Discuss. (25marks)

48. Assess the impact of colonial rule on the development of the Muslim community in Tanzania. (25marks)

### **Section B: Islam in West Africa**

1. Examine the means through which Islam spread in West Africa
2. Discuss the role played by Trans-Saharan Trade in the spread of Islam in West Africa. (25 marks)
3. Account for rapid spread of Islam in Mali during the reign of Mansa Musa. (25 marks)
4. Assess the role of Sufi Tariqahs in the spread of Islam in West Africa
5. (a) To what extent did the Macina state represent the objectives of the Jihad of Hamad Seku? (15 marks)  
  
(b) What factors led to the success of the Macina Jihad? (10marks)
6. Justify the view that British Indirect rule favoured Muslims in West Africa? (25marks)
7. Assess the contribution of the Berbers to the spread of Islam in West Africa. (25marks)
8. Analyse the contributions of Islam to the civilization of West Africa in the first three centuries of its introduction (8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Centuries AD) (25 marks)
9. to what extent did the Trans-Saharan trade contribute to the spread of Islam in West Africa? (25marks)
10. 'The reign of Mansa Musa may be described as the most successful in the history of Islam in West Africa.' Assess the validity of this view. (25marks)
11. (a) Explain the origin of the Almoravid Movement. (12marks)  
  
(b) How did this movement advance the Islamic cause in West Africa? (13 marks)
12. 'Despite the shortcomings, the 19<sup>th</sup> Century Jihads in West Africa attained their desired goal.' Discuss. (25 marks)
13. Analyse the circumstances that led to the rapid spread of Islam in West Africa. (25marks)

14. Discuss the impact of Islam on the culture of the indigenous people of West Africa. (25marks)
15. Assess the role of Trans-Sahara trade in the spread of Islam in West Africa. (25marks)
16. Askia Muhammad Toure has been described as the 'the Caliph of the Black people.' Justify this description (25marks)
17. (a) Explain the origin of the Qadiriyya Tariqah. (10marks)  
(b) Assess the effects of this Tariqah on the people of West Africa. (15marks)
18. (a) Account for the outbreak of the 19<sup>th</sup> century Jihad in Macina. (13marks)  
(b) How did Ahmed Seku rule the state of Macina after the Jihad. (12marks)
19. To what extent did Islam contribute to the establishment of the Housa state? (25marks)
20. 'Slave trade was a key factor in the spread of Islam in West Africa.' Assess the validity of this statement. (25marks)
21. (a) Discuss the challenges faced by Muslim Community in Songhai Empire during Suni Ai's reign (1464-1492).  
(b) In which ways did his successor, Askia Muhammed address the above challenges? (13 marks)
22. (a) Account for the rise of the Al-Moravid movement in West Africa. (12marks)  
(b) What challenges did this movement face in its effort to promote Islam in the region? (13marks)
23. Analyse the factors that were responsible for the success of the Sokoto Jihad. (25marks)
24. (a) Assess the contribution of Samouri Tuore to the spread of Islam in West Africa. (15marks)  
(b) Give reasons for his success in resisting the French. (10 marks)
25. The simplicity with which African culture could be accommodated by Islam contributed to the rapid spread of Islam in West Africa. Discuss. (25marks)
26. Slave trade was a double-edged sword. Whereas on one hand it contributed to the spread of Islam in West Africa, on the other it hindered its spread. Comment. (25marks)

27. Discuss the ways in which Ancient Ghana Kingdom was Islamized. (25marks)
28. (a) Account for the popularity of the Tijaniyya Brotherhood in West Africa during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. (10marks)  
(b) Explain the impact of this brotherhood on the people of West Africa. (15marks)
29. Examine the circumstances under which Al-Hajji Umar waged the Tukolor Jihad. (25marks)
30. To what extent is Samouri Toure regarded as a Muslim reformer? (25marks)
31. Examine the contribution of the Fulani to the spread of Islam to West Africa through:  
(a) Jihads, (12marks)  
(b) Reform movements. (13 marks)
32. Analyse the factors that contributed to introduction of Islam in West Africa. (25marks)
33. To what extent did Trans-Sahara trade contribute to the spread of Islam in West Africa? (25marks)
34. Examine the spread of Islam during the reign of Mansa Musa Suleiman in Mali Empire. (25marks)
35. Explain the role of the following Tariqas in the spread of Islam in West Africa:  
(a) Tijaniyya, (15marks)  
(b) Shadhiliyya. (10marks)
36. Account for the success of the Jihad led by Al-Hajji Umar. (25marks)
37. (a) Analyse the social-religious conditions of the people of West Africa before the coming of Islam. (12marks)  
(b) In what ways did Islam influence these conditions? (13marks)
38. To what extent were Jihads a factor in the Introduction of Islam in West Africa? (25marks)
39. (a) Examine the organization of the Trans –Sahara trade in West Africa. (15marks)  
(b) How did this trade contribute to the spread of Islam? (10marks)

40. Assess the role played by Mansa Musa in the spread of Islam in Mali. (25marks)
41. Explain the contribution of the Tijaniyya Tariqas to the spread and development of Islam in West Africa. (25marks)
42. Assess the contribution of hajji Umar to Islamization of the Tokolor Empire between Ad 1797 and 1864. (25marks)
43. Explain the conditions in West Africa prior to the coming of Islam.
44. Discuss the role of trade in the spread of Islam in the old Kingdom of Ghana. (25marks)
45. Assess the impact of the Shadhiliya Movement on the spread of Islam in West Africa. (25marks)
46. (a) Account for the success of Maccina Jihads in West Africa. (13marks)  
(b) Describe the administration of Maccan under Ahmad Seku. (12marks)
47. Examine efforts by some Muslim chiefs to resist colonial rule in the 19<sup>th</sup> century West Africa. (25marks)

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