

KEYSTONE BRITISH SCHOOLS

JSS 3 FIRST TERM TEST — 2026/2027

SUBJECT: NIGERIAN HISTORY

Time: 1 Hour Total: 30 Marks

Name: _____ Date: _____

SECTION A: OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS (20 MARKS)

Instruction: Answer all questions. Choose the correct answer from options A–D. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Nigeria's Fourth Republic began in which year?

A. 1960 B. 1979 C. 1999 D. 2003

2. Which of the following was a major political development in 21st-century Nigeria?

A. The introduction of colonial rule B. Peaceful transfers of power between civilian governments C. The amalgamation of Nigeria D. The abolition of all political parties

3. What does the term Japa syndrome refer to?

A. The movement of people out of Nigeria in search of better opportunities B. The creation of new states C. The introduction of a new currency D. The movement of farmers into rural areas

4. Who was the first President of Nigeria's Fourth Republic?

A. Goodluck Jonathan B. Muhammadu Buhari C. Umaru Musa Yar'Adua D. Olusegun Obasanjo

5. Which Nigerian president's administration secured the Paris Club debt relief?

A. Olusegun Obasanjo B. Goodluck Jonathan C. Muhammadu Buhari D. Umaru Musa Yar'Adua

6. The Niger Delta Amnesty Programme was introduced to address problems associated with ____.

A. desertification B. militancy in the Niger Delta C. electoral registration D. cattle farming

7. What is federalism?

A. A system in which all powers belong to traditional rulers B. A system that divides constitutional powers between the central government and component units C. A system without a constitution D. A system in which the military controls all levels of government

8. How many states does Nigeria have?

A. 30 B. 36 C. 37 D. 40

9. Which of the following is an example of a matter on the Exclusive Legislative List?

A. Defence B. Local festivals C. Community customs D. Local markets

10. Which of the following is an example of a concurrent area of law-making mentioned in the lesson notes?

A. Foreign affairs B. Currency C. Education D. Defence

11. What is resource control?

A. The management and control of resources found within a region B. The abolition of state governments C. The cancellation of elections D. The appointment of traditional rulers

12. What is a constitution?

A. A collection of campaign promises B. The supreme or fundamental law of a country C. A political party's manifesto D. A list of traditional festivals

13. Which of the following is a function of a constitution?

A. To abolish the judiciary B. To define the powers and structures of government C. To prevent citizens from having rights D. To remove all laws from the country

14. Which body is responsible for organising federal and state elections in Nigeria?

A. NAFDAC B. INEC C. NNPC D. FRSC

15. What is the main responsibility of State Independent Electoral Commissions (SIECs)?

A. Conducting Local Government elections in their states B. Controlling the Nigerian Army C. Printing all Nigerian currency D. Appointing state governors

16. What does BVAS stand for?

- A. Bimodal Voter Accreditation System B. Basic Voting Arrangement Scheme C. Ballot Verification and Approval Service D. Biometric Voting Administration Section

17. What is voter apathy?

- A. The unlawful purchase of votes B. A lack of interest in participating in elections C. The registration of political parties D. The counting of ballot papers

18. Which of the following is a major national security challenge in Nigeria?

- A. Insurgency B. School examinations C. Cultural festivals D. Sporting competitions

19. What does IDP stand for in discussions about national security?

- A. Internally Displaced Person B. International Defence Programme C. Independent Development Project D. Internal Democratic Party

20. Which of the following is one way Nigeria can reduce corruption?

- A. Encouraging bribery B. Preventing public access to information C. Strengthening accountability and anti-corruption institutions D. Ignoring the misuse of public funds

SECTION B: ESSAY QUESTIONS (9 MARKS)

Instruction: Answer ANY THREE questions. Each question carries 3 marks.

- 1.** Explain three major political, economic or social developments in Nigeria in the 21st century.
- 2.** State three contributions of Olusegun Obasanjo to Nigeria during the Fourth Republic.
- 3.** Define federalism and explain two challenges of federalism in Nigeria.
- 4.** State three functions of the Nigerian Constitution.
- 5.** Explain three challenges facing elections in Nigeria and suggest ways to address them.

Participation bonus: 1 mark

Total: 30 marks