

Grade 7 Social Sciences Worksheet

Assessment Task: History of colonisation South Africa

Moving frontiers

1. Match the following dates to the correct answer: A, B, C or D
 - A. 1488
 - B. 1652
 - C. 1806
 - D. 1820
- 1.1 The British settled the Eastern Cape in an organised programme. [1]
- 1.2 The British took control of the Cape from the Dutch. [1]
- 1.3 The Dutch opened their first Cape Settlement under Jan Van Riebeeck. [1]
- 1.4 Bartolomeuw Diaz, a Portuguese explorer, rounded the Cape of Good Hope. [1]
2. Match the following conflict areas (named using modern region names) with the following groups of people: A, B, C or D
 - A. British and the AmaXhosa
 - B. The Dutch and the Khoi
 - C. The Dutch and BaSotho
 - D. The AmaZulu and the Basotho
- 2.1 Central Free State (North of the Orange River) [1]
- 2.2 Western Cape (almost from the beginning of colonial settlement) [1]
- 2.3 Eastern Cape (where poor Europeans were settled in a planned programme) [1]
- 2.4 North Eastern Free State (the Mfecane) [1]
3. The major difference in attitude between the Dutch and the Khoi was based on:
 - A. religion.
 - B. the concept of land ownership.
 - C. the fact that the Dutch were farmers, the Khoi were herdsman.
 - D. the fact that the Dutch wanted a more luxurious lifestyle than the Khoi. [1]

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4. The large-scale movement of the Dutch out of the Cape Colony was caused by:
- A. Trek boers occupying land north of the Orange River.
 - B. Missionaries and hunters seeking new territories to the North.
 - C. Dutch farmers looking for a land of their own.
 - D. British plans to expand their empire northwards.
- [1]
5. The Dutch established a settlement at the Cape to:
- A. expand the Dutch empire.
 - B. provide trading ships with fresh food.
 - C. control the slave trade with East Africa.
 - D. trade with the local Khoi and San populations.
- [1]
6. Slaves were imported to the Cape from the East (India, Malaya and Indonesia) because:
- A. they did not trust African slaves to obey the Slave Law.
 - B. Eastern slaves were in greater supply and therefore cheaper.
 - C. Eastern slaves could speak Dutch, having learned it in the Dutch colonies of the east.
 - D. the Dutch East India Company banned the enslavement of the local people of the Cape.
- [1]

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Solutions

- 1.1 D – 1820
- 1.2 C – 1806
- 1.3 B – 1652
- 1.4 A – 1488

- 2.1 C
- 2.2 B
- 2.3 A
- 2.4 D

- 3. B. the concept of land ownership
- 4. C. Dutch farmers looking for a land of their own.
- 5. B. provide trading ships with fresh food.
- 6. D the Dutch East India Company banned the enslavement of the local people of the Cape.