

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	Bartolomeu 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 herdsmen.
 - 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.

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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.