Trans-Saharan Trade

1. When and from where was the camel first introduced?
    a. 14th century, Asia
    b. 6th century, Africa
    c. 10th century, Italy

2. What evidence shows that the Saharan Desert was not as harsh in the ancient times as it is today?
    a. 12,000 year old Rock art
    b. 4,000 year old acrylic paintings
    c. 10,000 year old pictures

3. The Saharan Desert was, at one time very rich in animals such as:
    a. Rhinos, buffalos, hippos, and elephants
    b. Monkey, bears, and wild horses
    c. Water buffalos, lions, and bears

4. What period did the era of fertility in the Sahara coincide with?
    a. The Cold War
    b. European Ice Age
    c. Industrial Revolution

5. Many people and animals lost their lives on the way to the north due to:
    a. shortage of food, shelter, and clothing
    b. multiple attacks by wild animals
    c. heat, sandstorms, and shortage of water

6. What does the word "Sudan" mean?
    a. country of black people
    b. era of Indian tribes
    c. region of Islamic religion

7. What lies South of the Saharan Desert?
    a. heavily mountainous area
    b. tropical forest
    c. vast area of lakes

8. What commodity was an immense demand in Europe during the Middle Ages prior to the discovery of America?
    a. silver
    b. gold
    c. copper

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