

## ANSWER KEY

### National E-Quiz on General Studies and Current Affairs

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1. According to renowned historian Romila Thapar the reason for renunciation of the policy of conquest by Asoka was due to his:
  - a) Remorse for Kalinga war
  - b) Love for non-violence
  - c) Completion of consolidation of empire after the annexation of Kalinga and further conquest of kingdoms in the south became unnecessary
  - d) All of the above
  
2. Which of the following is NOT a source of history of the Mauryas?
  - a) *Arthashastra* by Kautilya
  - b) *Divyavadana* and *Mahavamsa*
  - c) Rock and pillar edicts
  - d) Gold coins
  
3. Which of the following dynasty of the ancient India had a central Asian characteristics?
  - a) Guptas
  - b) Satavahanas
  - c) Rashtrakutas
  - d) Kushanas
  
4. Who among the following was Shivaji's chosen friend, philosopher and guide?
  - a) Sant Namdev
  - b) Sant Tukaram
  - c) Samarth Guru Ramdas
  - d) Sant Dnyaneshwar

Green coloured options indicate correct answer.

5. Which of the following tissues are dead cell/tissues but remains functional throughout the lifecycle of higher plants?
- a) Stomata
  - b) Cambium
  - c) Xylem
  - d) Phloem
6. Select the incorrect match from the following:
- a) Nilgiri -Karnataka
  - b) Gulf of Mannar – Tali Nadu
  - c) Achanakmar – Chhattisgarh
  - d) Nokrek – Assam
7. Shaving creams contain which of the following to prevent rapid drying?
- a) Sodium lauryl sulfate
  - b) Glycerol
  - c) Carrageenan
  - d) Benzoic acid
8. The property of sound waves which determines the pitch of the sound is its:
- a) Frequency
  - b) Wavelength
  - c) Amplitude
  - d) Intensity
9. In a periscope two plane mirrors are kept:
- a) Parallel to each other
  - b) Perpendicular to each other
  - c) At an angle of 60 degree to each other
  - d) At an angle of 45 degree to each other

Green coloured options indicate correct answer.

10. Thermosetting plastics are the plastics?
- a) Which are used in the manufacturing of raincoats
  - b) Which when moulded cannot be softened by heating
  - c) Which become soft upon heating
  - d) Which are natural plastics made from cellulose
11. If the speed of light in vacuum is  $3 \times 10^8$  m/s, then the speed of light in a medium with refractive index  $\frac{1}{2}$  will be:
- a)  $3/2 \times 10^8$  m/s
  - b)  $2/3 \times 10^8$  m/s
  - c)  $1/3 \times 10^8$  m/s
  - d) None of these
12. The half-life of an isotope is 2 hours. After 8 hours the fraction of the initial quantity of the isotope left.
- a)  $1/4$
  - b)  $1/8$
  - c)  $1/16$
  - d) None of these
13. Which of the following endocrine glands is NOT found in pairs in human?
- a) Testis
  - b) Ovary
  - c) Pituitary
  - d) Adrenal
14. Which of the following statements is NOT true?
- a) Idea of Fundamental Duties has been borrowed from Russian Constitution
  - b) 73<sup>rd</sup> Amendment of 1992 is associated with the organization of village Panchayats
  - c) 74<sup>th</sup> Amendment of 1992 deals with the responsibilities Municipalities
  - d) Kolkata Municipal Corporation is the earliest civic body to be founded in India

15. Which of the following is the constituent of making drinking water bottles?
- a) Ethylene and terephthalic acid
  - b) Adipic acid
  - c) Picric acid
  - d) Hexamethelene diamine
16. Arrange the Presidents of Indian National Congress in chronological order:
- |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| I. William Wedderburn | II. Dadabhai Nauroji  |
| III. W.C Banerjee     | IV. Badruddin Tayabji |
- a) II-III-IV-I
  - b) I-II-III-IV
  - c) III-II-IV-I
  - d) None of these
17. Shimla Pact (1906) took place between:
- a) Indian National Congress and Lord Minto
  - b) Muslim League and Lord Minto
  - c) Congress and Muslim League
  - d) Muslim League and Hindu Mahasabha
18. Which of the following NOT correctly matched?
- a) Grape sugar – Glucose
  - b) Cane sugar – Sucrose
  - c) Reducing sugar – Starch
  - d) Milk sugar – Lactose
19. Provincial autonomy was guaranteed vide which of the following constitutional developments in British India?
- a) Indian Council Act of 1861
  - b) Indian Councils Act of 1909
  - c) Government of India Act, 1919
  - d) Government of India Act, 1935

Green coloured options indicate correct answer.

20. Which of the following is NOT a tool of Monetary and credit policy?
- a) Repo rate and reverse repo rate
  - b) Minimum standing facility
  - c) Cash reserve ratio
  - d) **Base rate**
21. In the 'Index of eight core industries' which of the following is given the highest weight?
- a) Petroleum
  - b) **Electricity**
  - c) Fertilizer
  - d) Iron and Steel
22. Which one of the following is NOT an example of igneous rock?
- a) Andesite
  - b) Rhyolite
  - c) **Granulite**
  - d) All of the above
23. Which one of the following river does NOT drain into black sea?
- a) Danube
  - b) Dnieper
  - c) Don
  - d) **Volga**
24. Which of the following is NOT a landuse category?
- a) Forest land
  - b) **Marginal land**
  - c) Pasture land
  - d) Barren and waste land

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25. In India, how many States/ UTs have more than 2 international boundaries?
- a) 1
  - b) 2
  - c) 3
  - d) 4
26. Among the following cities which one of the nearest to Tropic of Cancer?
- a) Delhi
  - b) Kolkata
  - c) Jodhpur
  - d) Nagpur
27. Reserve Bank has specified certain regulatory trigger points, as a part of Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) Framework. Which of the following parameters are NOT included in RBI's PCA?
- a) Capital to Risk Weighted Assets (CRAR)
  - b) Net –non Performing Assets (NPA)
  - c) Return on Assets
  - d) Rate of Interest
28. According to The Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) India is \_\_\_\_\_ among the five largest military spenders in the world in 2019.
- a) 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - b) 5<sup>th</sup>
  - c) 1<sup>st</sup>
  - d) None of the above
29. Who among the following topped *Forbes* List of the world's highest-paid athletes in 2020?
- a) Cristiano Ronaldo
  - b) Lionel Messi
  - c) Roger Federer
  - d) Novak Djokovic

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30. Which of the following new aircraft is associated with two recent crashes that killed 346 people?
- a) Boeing 737
  - b) Boeing 787
  - c) Boeing 777
  - d) Boeing 737 MAX
31. Which of the following statements is wrong?
- a) Chak-Hao is a black rice variety of Manipur
  - b) Google Pay has appointed former Axis Bank CEO Shikha Sharma as an advisor
  - c) Germany has banned Lebanon's Iran-backed Hezbollah movement from carrying out activities on its soil
  - d) Denis Goldberg was an anti-apartheid activist from USA
32. Which one of the following is the longest tributary of Ganga?
- a) Gandak
  - b) Kosi
  - c) Hooghly
  - d) Yamuna
33. Which of the following city records lowest annual rainfall?
- a) Gandhinagar
  - b) Hyderabad
  - c) Chennai
  - d) Leh
34. Who said 'Educate one man, you educate one person, but educate a woman and you educate a whole civilization'?
- a) Lokmanya Tilak
  - b) Jawaharlal Nehru
  - c) A P J Abdul Kalam
  - d) Mahatma Gandhi

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35. In which district of West Bengal active delta is observed?
- a) South 24 Parganas
  - b) Hooghly
  - c) Malda
  - d) All of the above
36. The town Rishra is known for the industry of:
- a) Cotton Textile
  - b) Jute Textile
  - c) Sugar
  - d) Automobile
37. Which one of the following is the oldest hydro power plant of India?
- a) Naptha-Jhakri
  - b) Jaldhaka
  - c) Sidrapong
  - d) None of the above
38. Bhitarkanika National Park is the home of:
- a) Indian Python
  - b) Darters
  - c) Saltwater Crocodile
  - d) All of the above
39. Which of the following animal is an ecotonal breed?
- a) Khari Camel
  - b) Kutchi Camel
  - c) Both option a and B
  - d) None of the above



40. Which of the following is the most devastating Bay of Bengal Cyclone?
- a) Amphan
  - b) Fani
  - c) Aila
  - d) Odisha Super Cyclone
41. Which of the following district was NOT a part of West Bengal during independence?
- a) West Dinajpur
  - b) Murshidabad
  - c) Purulia
  - d) None of the above
42. What was the theme of the Union Budget 2020-21?
- a) Har Nagrik Jeelega
  - b) Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikash aur Sabka Viswas
  - c) Ease of Living
  - d) Equalization of Opportunities
43. Reverse Migration of labour due to lockdown implies which type of unemployment?
- a) Voluntary Unemployment
  - b) Structural Unemployment
  - c) Involuntary Unemployment
  - d) Automotive Unemployment
44. What is the biggest source of Income for the Central Government in the Union Budget 2020-21?
- a) Borrowing and other liabilities
  - b) Income Tax
  - c) Corporate Tax
  - d) Goods and Services Tax
45. The 74<sup>th</sup> amendment of Indian constitution is concerned with which of the following?
- a) Devolution of power among the states.
  - b) Role and Responsibilities of urban self-government.
  - c) Role and Responsibilities of rural self-government.
  - d) Role and Responsibilities of both urban and rural self-government.

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46. What was the other pen name of Munshi Premchand?

- a) Prem Das
- b) Nawab Rai
- c) Hirak Lama
- d) Surmi Prasad

47. Which one of the following is NOT included in the targets of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030?

- a) Understanding disaster risk
- b) Investing in disaster reduction for resilience
- c) "Build Back Better" in recovery, rehabilitation and reconstruction
- d) None of the above

48. The strain of coronavirus that causes coronavirus disease 2019 is known as:

- a) SARS-CoV-2
- b) COVID-19
- c) Novel Corona Virus
- d) HCoV-19

49. If in a frequency distribution  $\text{Mean} < \text{Median} < \text{Mode}$ , the distribution is called:

- a) Positively skewed distribution
- b) Negatively skewed distribution
- c) Asymmetric distribution
- d) Negatively skewed and Asymmetric distribution both

50. Consider the statements on Chuni Goswami:

- I. He represented Bengal and India in Indian football
- II. He also led the team to achieve the gold medal at the 1962 Asian Games.
- III. He represented Bengal in Ranji Trophy

Choose the correct options from the codes given below:

- a) Only I & II are correct
- b) Only I & III are correct
- c) Only II & III are correct
- d) All the statements are correct

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