

(Answer Keys) GENERAL STUDIES
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TEST BOOKLET C

1. In the Individual Satyagraha, Vinoba Bhave was chosen as the first Satyagrahi. Who was the second ?

- (a) Dr. Rajendra Prasad
- (b) Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru
- (c) C. Rajagopalachari
- (d) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel

Ans : b

2. Consider the following statements:

The Cripps proposals include the provision for

- (a) full independence for india
- (b) creation of constitution-making body.

which of the statement given above is/are correct

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : d

3. During the freedom struggle, Aruna Asaf Ali was a major women organizer of underground activity in

- (a) Civil Disobedience Movement
- (b) Non-Cooperation Movement
- (c) Quit India movement
- (d) Swadeshi Movement

Ans : c

4. With whose permission did the English set up their first factory in Surat?

- (a) Akbar
- (b) Jahangir
- (c) Shahjahan
- (d) Aurangzeb

Ans : b

5. In a dry cell (battery), which of the following are used as electrolytes?

- (a) Ammonium Chloride and Zinc Chloride
- (b) sodium Chloride and Calcium Chloride
- (c) Magnesium Chloride and Zinc Chloride
- (d) Ammonium Chloride and Calcium Chloride

Ans : a

6. Which one of the following planets has largest number of natural satellites or moons?

- (a) Jupiter

- (b) Mars
- (c) Saturn
- (d) Venus

Ans : a

(Jupiter-62)

7. Consider the following statements

- (1) Sweet orange plant is propagated by grafting technique.
- (2) Jasmine Plant is propagated by layering technique.

which of the statement given above is/are correct

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : c

8. Which one of the following types of waves are used in a night vision apparatus?

- (a) Radio Waves
- (b) Microwaves
- (c) Infra-red waves
- (d) None of the above

Ans : c

9. In the context of genetic disorders, consider the following

A women suffers from colour blindness. while her husband dose not suffer from it they have a son and a daughter .

this context which one of the following statement is most probably correct?

- (a) Both Children suffer from colour Blindness.
- (b) Daughter Suffer from colour blindness while son dose not suffer from it.
- (c) Both children do not suffer form colour blindness.
- (d) Son suffers from colour blindness while daughter dose not suffer from it .

Ans : d

10. A person travels 12 km due North, then 15 km due East, after that 15 km due west and then 18 km due south. How far is he from the starting point?

- (a) 6 km
- (b) 12 km
- (c) 33 km
- (d) 60 km

Ans : a

11. Six persons A, B, C, D, E and F are standing in a row. C and D are standing close to each other alongside E. B is standing beside A only. A is fourth from F. who are standing on the extremes?

- (a) A and F
- (b) B and D
- (c) B and F
- (d) None of the above

Ans : c

(F,C,D,E,A,B)

12. Which one of the following is used as an explosive?

- (a) Phosphorous Trichloride
- (b) Mercuric Oxide
- (c) Graphite
- (d) Nitroglycerine

Ans : d

13. Consider the following :

- 1. Camphor
- 2. Chicory
- 3. Vanilla

which of the above is/are plant product(s)?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : d

14. In the context of indian wild life the flying fox is a

- (a) Bat
- (b) Kite
- (c) Stork
- (d) Vulture

Ans : a

The Indian Flying-fox (*Pteropus giganteus*) is a species of bat in the Pteropodidae family. It is found in Bangladesh, China, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka. The Greater Indian Fruit Bat lives in mainly forests. It is a very large bat with a wing span of around 80 centimeters. It is nocturnal and feeds mainly on ripe fruits such as mangoes and bananas and nectar. This bat is gregarious and lives in colonies which can number a few hundred. Their offspring has no specific name besides 'young'. They reproduce sexually and give live birth. They have one to two young.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indian_Flying-fox

15. During which Five Year Plan was the Emergency clamped, new election took place and the Janata party was elected?

- (a) Third
- (b) Fourth
- (c) Fifth
- (d) Sixth

Ans : c

(5th Plan from 1974 to 79)

16. Where is the headquarters of Animal Welfare Board of India located?

- (a) Ahmedabad
- (b) Chennai
- (c) Hyderabad
- (d) Kolkata

Ans : b

The Animal Welfare Board of India, the first of its kind Animal welfare organization to be established by any Government in the world, was set up in 1962, in accordance with Section 4 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Acts 1960 (No.59 of 1960).

Smt. Rukmini Devi Arundale pioneered the setting up of the Board, with its Headquarters at Chennai, and guided the activities of the Board for nearly twenty years till her demise in 1986.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Animal_Welfare_Board_of_India

17. Consider the following statements regarding Indian planning:

- (1) The Second Five Year Plan emphasised on establishment of heavy industries.
- (2) the third Five-year plan introduced the concept of import substitution as a strategy for industrialisation.

which of the statement given above is / are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : c

18. Consider the following statements:

1. The National School of Drama was set up by Sangeet Natak Akademi 1959
2. The highest honour conferred by the sathiya akademi on a writer is by electing him its follow.

which of the statement given above is /are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : c

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_School_of_Drama

19. With reference to union Government consider the following statements:

- (1) The Ministries/Departments of the Government of India. are created by the prime minister on the advice of the cabinet secretary.
- (2) Each of the ministries is assigned to a minister by the president of India on the advice of the prime minister.

Which of the statement given above is /are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : b

20. A person has 4 coins each of different denomination. What is the Number of different sums of money the person can form (using or more coins at the time) ?

- (a) 16
- (b) 15
- (c) 12
- (d) 11

Ans : b

21. How many numbers lie between 300 and 500 in which, 4 comes only one time ?

- (a) 99
- (b) 100
- (c) 110
- (d) 120

Ans : a

From 300 to 399 - 18, from 400 to 500 - 81; total = $18+81=99$

22. How many letters of the English alphabet (capitals) appear same when looked at in a mirror ?

- (a) 9
- (b) 10
- (c) 11
- (d) 12

Ans : c

(A, H, I, M, O, T, U, V, W, X, Y)

23. How many three-digit numbers can be generated from 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 such that the digits are in as order?

- (a) 80
- (b) 81
- (c) 83
- (d) 84

Ans : d

24. There are four persons A,B,C,D and A has some coins. A gave half of the coins to B and 4 more beside B gave half of the coins to C and 4 more beside C gave half of the coins to D and 4 more beside . both B and D end up with same number of coins how many coins did A have originally ?

- (a) 96
- (b) 84
- (c) 72
- (d) 64

Ans : c

25. While adding the first few continuous natural numbers. a candidate missed one of the numbers and wrote the answer as 177. what was the number missed ?

- (a) 11
- (b) 12
- (c) 13
- (d) 14

Ans : c

26. Four metal rods of lengths 78 cm, 104 cm, 117 cm and 169 cm are to be cut in to parts of equal length, Each part must be as long as possible what is the maximum number of pieces that can be cut ?

- (a) 27
- (b) 36
- (c) 43
- (d) 480

Ans : b

27. In an examination, there are three subjects A, B and C student has to pass in Each subject 20% student failed in A 22% students failed in B and 16% failed in C the total number of student passing the whole examination has between?

- (a) 42% and 82%
- (b) 42% and 78%
- (c) 58% and 78%
- (d) 58% and 84%

Ans : a

28. There is a family of 6 persons A, B, C, D, E and F. there are to married couples in the family members and lawyer teacher salesmen engineer accountant is the son of B and brother of E .C, the lawyer in the daughter-in-law of A E is the unmarried engineer. A is the grandmother of F how is E related To F?

- (a) Brother
- (b) Sister
- (c) Father
- (d) cannot be established

Ans : d

29. How many times are an hour hand and a minute hand. of a clock at right angels during their motion from 01:00 pm to 10.00 p.m. ?

- (a) 9
- (b) 10
- (c) 18
- (d) 20

Ans : c

30. There are 240 balls and number of boxes. B1, B2, B3, Bn The balls are to be please in the boxes such that B1, should contain 4 balls more than B2, B2 should contain 4 balls more than B3, and so no which one of the following cannot be the possible value of n ?

- (a) 4
- (b) 5
- (c) 6
- (d) 7

Ans : d

31. In the context of Indian defence, consider the following statement:

- (1) The Shourya missile flies with a speed more than 8 Mach.
- (2) The range of Shourya missile is more than 1600 km .

which of the statement given above is/ are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : d

32. WiMAX is related to which one of the following ?

- (a) Biotechnology

- (b) space technology
- (c) Missile technology
- (d) Communication technology

Ans : d

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wimax>

33. For outstanding contribution to to which one of the following fields is Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize given ?

- (a) Literature
- (b) Performing Arts
- (c) science
- (d) social service

Ans : c

The Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar (SSB) Prizes are awarded annually by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) for notable and outstanding research, applied or fundamental, in Biological, Chemical, Earth, Atmosphere, Ocean and Planetary, Engineering, Mathematical, Medical and Physical Sciences. The purpose of the prize is to recognize outstanding Indian work in science and technology. The award is named after the founder Director of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR), Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar and is known as the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for Science and Technology.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shanti_Swarup_Bhatnagar_Prize

34. In making the saffron spice which one of the following parts of plant is used ?

- (a) Leaf
- (b) petal
- (c) Sepal
- (d) Stigma

Ans : d

35. In the year 2008, which one of the following conducted a complex scientific experiment in which sub- atomic particles were accelerated to nearly the speed of light ?

- (a) European Space Agency
- (b) European Organization for nuclear research
- (c) International atomic energy Agency
- (d) National Aeronautics and space administration

Ans : b

36. A very big refugee camp called Dadaab, recently in the news, is located in?

- (a) Ethiopia
- (b) Kenya
- (c) Somalia
- (d) Sudan

Ans : b

Dadaab is a town in northeastern Kenya approximately 100 kilometers from Kenya-Somali border. It hosts mostly-Somali refugees from Kenya's northern neighbors. Most of Dadaab's local population is made up of nomadic camel and goat herders.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dadaab>

37. Consider the following names :

- (1) Ike
- (2) Kate
- (3) Gustav

which of the above are the names of hurricanes that had occurred very recently ?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : c

Ike and Gustav - 2008, Kate -2003 and 1985

38. In the context of alternative sources of energy Ethanol as a viable bio-fuel can be obtained from?

- (a) Potato
- (b) Rice
- (c) Sugarcane
- (d) Wheat

Ans : c

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ethanol>

39. Consider the following names :

- (1) Amrita Sher-Gil
- (b) Bikash bhattacharjee
- (c) N.S. Bendre
- (d) Subodh Gupta

who of the above is / are will known as artist(s) ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 4 only
- (c) 2 , 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2 ,3 and 4 only

Ans : d

All are eminent Indian painters

40. NAMA-11(Nama-11) group of countries frequently appears in the news in the context of the affairs of which one of the following ?

- (a) Nuclear Suppliers group
- (b) World Bank
- (c) World Economic Forum
- (d) World Trade Organization

Ans : d

The NAMA-11 members are Argentina, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Brazil, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Namibia, Philippines, South Africa and Tunisia. It covers the following issues: formula, paragraph 8 flexibility; treatment of unbound tariffs; implementation period; product coverage; credit for autonomous liberalization; binding in ad valorem terms; and other issues (paragraph 6 countries; sectoral initiatives; LDCs; recently acceded members; non tariff barriers; preference erosion; and environmental goods.

41. In the latter half of the year 2008 which one of the following countries pulled out of commonwealth of Independent States?

- (a) Azerbaijan
- (b) Belarus
- (c) Georgia
- (d) Kazakhstan

Ans : c

42. Match list I with list II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists:

List I

(Persons in news)

- (A) Luisa Dias Diogo
- (B) Mwai Kibaki
- (C) Rupiah Banda
- (4) Zimbabwe

List II

(Countries they belong to)

- (1) Kenya
- (2) Mozambique
- (3) Zambia

Code:

A B C

- (a) 1 2 3
- (b) 2 1 3
- (c) 2 1 4
- (d) 1 2 4

Ans : b

43. Consider the following regions :

- (1) Eastern Himalayas
- (2) Eastern Mediterranean region
- (3) North Western Australia

which of the above is / are Biodiversity Hotspot(s)?

- (a) 1 and only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : a

A biodiversity hotspot is a biogeographic region with a significant reservoir of biodiversity that is threatened with destruction.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Biodiversity_Hotspot

44. With reference to the evolution of living organisms, which one of the following sequences is correct?

- (a) Octopus - Dolphin - Shark
- (b) Pangolin - Tortoise - Hawk
- (c) Salamander - Python - Kangaroo
- (d) Frog - Crab - Prawn

Ans : NOT SURE***

45. The Panda belongs to the same family as that of?

- (a) Bear
- (b) Cat
- (c) Dog
- (d) Rabbit

Ans : a

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Panda>

46. Among the following Presidents of India, who was also the Secretary General of non-aligned movement for some period?

- (a) Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- (b) Varahagiri Venkatagiri
- (c) Giani Zail Singh
- (d) Dr. Shanker Dayal Sharma

Ans : c

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Non-aligned_movement

47. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists:

List

(Person)

- (A) Anil Agarwal
- (B) Goutam H Singhania
- (C) Sanjay Dalmia
- (D) Venugopal Dhoot

List II

(Organization)

- (1) Gujarat Heavy Chemicals Ltd.
- (2) Raymond Ltd
- (3) Vedanta Resources
- (4) Videocon Group

Code:

A B C C

- (a) 3 1 2 4
- (b) 4 1 2 3
- (c) 3 2 1 4
- (d) 4 2 1 3

Ans : c

48. To integrate cultural leaders in to its meetings, which one of the following given "Crystal Award"?

- (A) Asia pacific Economic Cooperation
- (B) International Bank of Reconstruction and development
- (C) World health Organization
- (D) World Economic Forum

Ans : d

49. In India, which one of the following states has the largest inland saline wetland ?

- (a) Gujarat
- (b) Haryana
- (c) Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Rajasthan

Ans : d

Saline wetlands occur in locally restricted habitats such as lake shores and coastal mudflats. They are characterised by an abundance of salt, low-growing vegetation, with most plants barely emerging above the water line or are knee-high at most.

50. Consider the following statements:

- (1) MMTC Limited is India's largest international trading organization.
- (2) Neelachal ispat nigam Limited has been set up by MMTC jointly with the Government of Orissa.

which of the statement given above is / are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 Nor 2

Ans : c

51. In which one of the following states, India's Largest Private sector sea port been commissioned recently?

- (a) Andhra Pradesh

- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Kerala
- (d) Tamil nadu

Ans : a

52. Which one of the following pairs is NOT correctly matched

- (a) Japan Nikkei
- (b) Singapore Shcomp
- (c) UK FTSE
- (d) USA Nasdaq

Ans : b

53. Consider the following statements:

1. INS Sindhughosh is an aircraft carrier.
2. INS Viraat is a Submarine

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and only
- (b) 2 and only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 Nor 2

Ans : d

54. Consider the following statements:

1. The Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices recommends the minimum Support Prices for 32 crops.
2. the Union Ministry of consumer Affairs, Food and public Distribution has launched the national food Security Mission .

Which of the statements given above is / are correct ?

- (a) 1 and only
- (b) 2 and only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 Nor 2

Ans : c

55. In India, the ports are categorized as major and non-major ports. Which one of the following is a non-major port?

- (a) Kochi (Cochin)
- (b) Dahej
- (c) Paradip
- (d) New Mangalore

Ans : b

56. Among other things which one of the following was the purpose for which the Deepak Parekh Committee was constituted?

- (a) to study the correct socio- economic condition of certain minority communities
- (b) to suggest Measures for financing the development of infrastructure
- (c) to frame a policy on the production of genetically modified organisms
- (d) To suggest measures to reduce the fiscal deficit in the Union Budget

Ans : b

57. The brothers Umakant and Ramakant Gundeck are

- (a) Dhrupad vocalists
- (b) Kathak Dancers
- (c) Sarod maestros
- (d) Tabla players

Ans : a

58. Match list I with list II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists:

List I

(Famous Person)

- (A) Mandakini Amte
- (B) Neelam Mansingh Chowdhry
- (C) Romila Thapar
- (D) Vanashree Rao

List II

(Well- Known for)

- (1) Theatre direction
- (2) Social service and community leadership
- (3) Dance
- (4) History Writing

Code:

A B C D

- (a) 2 1 4 3
- (b) 2 4 1 3
- (c) 3 1 4 2

Ans : a

59. With reference to Stree Shakti Puraskar for which one of the following is "Devi Ahilya Bai Holkar Award" given?

- (a) Administrative skills
- (b) Achievements in Scientific Research
- (c) Achievements in sports and Games
- (d) Courage and valour

Ans : d

60. In which State is the Buddhist site "Tabo Monastery" located ?

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh
- (b) Himachal Pradesh
- (c) Sikkim
- (d) Uttarakhand

Ans : b

61. Which one of the following is NOT drug / pharma company ?

- (a) Chevron
- (b) Nicholas Piramal
- (c) Pfizer
- (d) Zydus cadila

Ans : a

Chevron is in field of oil and gas exploration; refining and marketing of oil, lubricants, fuels etc.

62. Who of the following is the author of the book "The Audacity of Hope"?

- (a) Al Gore
- (b) Barack Obama
- (c) Bill Clinton
- (d) Hillary Clinton

Ans : b

63. A present group of nations known as G-8 started first as G-7. Which one of the following was not one of them?

- (a) Canada
- (b) Italy
- (c) Japan
- (d) Russia

Ans : d

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/G8>

64. Consider the following statements:

1. The Baglihar Power Project had been constructed . within the parameters of the Indus Water Treaty.
2. The Project was completely built by the Union Government with loans Japan and the World Bank.

which of the statements given above is / are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 Nor 2

Ans : a

65. When Leander Paes won the "mixed doubles" at the Us Open in the year 2008, who of the following was his partner?

- (a) Ana Inanovic
- (b) Cara Black
- (c) Dinara Safina
- (d) Jelena Jankovic

Ans : b

66. In the context of Indian news in recent times, what is MCX-SX?

- (a) A kind of supercomputer
- (b) Title of Moon Impact Probe
- (c) Stock Exchange
- (d) Nuclear - Powered Seminaries

Ans : c

MCX Stock Exchange (MCX-SX) offers an India-wide electronic platform for trading in currency futures under the regulatory control of Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/MCX_Stock_Exchange

67. Which one of the following pairs is NOT correctly matched

- (a) Barbora Spotakova : Javelin throw
- (b) Pamela Jelimo : Weightlifting
- (c) Sanya Richards : Sprint
- (d) Yclena Isinbayeva : Pole Vault

Ans : b

Pamela Jelimo is a Kenyan athlete specialising in the 800 metres race.

68. India has recently landed its Moon Impact Probe on the Moon. Among the following countries, which one landed such probe on the Moon Earlier?

- (a) Australia
- (b) Canada
- (c) China
- (d) Japan

Ans : c

69. Who of the following is a football player?

- (a) Fernando Alonso
- (b) Kimi Raikkonen
- (c) Lewis Hamilton
- (d) Nicolas Anelka

Ans : d

70. Consider the following pairs:

<u>Famous Place</u>	<u>Country</u>
1. Cannes	France
2. Davos	Denmark
3. Roland Garros	The Netherlands

which of the Pairs given above is / are correctly matched ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1 , 2and 3

Ans : a

71. Among the following which one is not a Football club?

- (a) Arsenal
- (b) Aston Vilia
- (c) Chelsea
- (d) Monte Carlo

Ans : d

72. The marine animal called dugong which is vulnerable to extinction is a/an

- (a) Amphibian
- (b) Bony fish
- (c) Shark
- (d) Mammal

Ans : d

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dugong>

73. The Dul Hasti Power Station is based on which one of the following rivers?

- (a) Beas
- (b) Chenab
- (c) Ravi
- (d) Sutlej

Ans : b

74. Consider the following statements:

1. V.K. Krishna Menon Foundation is based in New Delhi.

2. The first recipient of the V.K. Krishna Menon Award is the Chief Justice of India ,K G Balakrishna

which of the statements given above is / are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 Nor 2

Ans : b

75. Which one of the following is the country's administrative capital / new federal administrative centre of Malaysia?

- (a) Kota Bharu
- (b) Kuala Terengganu
- (c) Putrajaya
- (d) Taiping

Ans : c

76. Elephant Pass, which is frequently in the news, is mentioned in the context of the affairs of which one of the following?

- (a) Bangladesh
- (b) India
- (c) Nepal
- (d) Sri Lanka

Ans : d

Elephant Pass, Northern Province, Sri Lanka is an important military base and formerly the island's largest salt field, located in the gateway of Jaffna Peninsula. It has thus regularly been the site of battles during the civil war.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elephant_Pass

77. Consider the following countries:

- (1) Brunei Darussalam
- (2) East Timor
- (3) Laos

which of the above is/are member/members of ASEAN ?

- (a) 1 Only
- (b) 2 and 3 Only
- (c) 1 and 3 Only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : c

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ASEAN>

78. Consider the following countries:

- 1. Switzerland
- 2. Malta
- 3. Bulgaria

which of the above are members of European Union ?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : b

79. Consider the following countries:

- (1) Australia
- (2) Namibia
- (3) Brazil
- (4) Chile

Through which of the above does the Tropic of Capricorn Pass ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Ans : d

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tropic_of_Capricorn

80. In the structure of planet Earth, below the mantle the core is mainly made up of which one of the following?

- (a) Aluminium
- (b) Chromium
- (c) Iron
- (d) Silicon

Ans : c

81. Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

City River

- (a) Berlin : Rhine
- (b) London : Thames
- (c) New York : Hudson
- (d) Vienna : Danube

Ans : a

82. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

List I

(Famous Temple)

- (A) Vidyashankara
- (B) Rajarani Temple
- (C) Kandariya Mahadeo Temple
- (D) Bhimesvara Temple

List II

(State)

- (1) Andhra Pradesh
- (2) Karnataka
- (3) Madhya Pradesh
- (4) Orissa

Code :

A B C D

- (a) 2 4 3 1
- (b) 2 3 4 1
- (c) 1 4 3 2
- (d) 1 3 4 2

Ans : a

83. Consider the following statements :

- (1) In the world, the tropical deserts occur along the western margins of countries within the trade wind belt.
 (2) In India, the East Himalayan region gets high rainfall from north-east winds.

which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
 (b) 2 only
 (c) Both 1 and 2
 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : a

84. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

List I

(Geographic Feature)

- (A) Great Victoria Desert
 (B) Grand Canyon
 (C) Lake Winnipeg
 (D) Southern Alps

List II

(Country)

- (1) Australia
 (2) Canada
 (3) New Zealand
 (4) USA

Code :

A B C D

- (a) 1 2 4 3
 (b) 1 4 2 3
 (c) 3 2 4 1
 (d) 3 4 2 1

Ans : b

85. Consider the following statements:

- (1) Between Census 1951 and Census 2001 the density of the population of India has increased more than three times.
 (2) Between Census 1951 and Census 2001 the annual growth rate (exponential) of the population of India has doubled

which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
 (b) 2 only
 (c) Both 1 and 2
 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : NOT SURE***

86. Which one of the following rivers dose not originate in India ?

- (a) Beas
 (b) Chenab
 (c) Ravi
 (d) Sutlej

Ans : d

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sutlej>

87. Cape Canaveral, the site from which space shuttles are launched is located on the coast of

- (a) Florida
- (b) Virginia
- (c) North Carolina
- (d) South Carolina

Ans : a

88. At which one of the following places two important rivers of india originate; while one of them flows towards north and merges with another imporant river flowing towards bay of Bengal, the one flows towards Arabian Sea ?

- (a) Amarkantak
- (b) Badrinath
- (c) Mahabaleshwar
- (d) Nasik

Ans : a

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amarkantak>

89. Who of the following scientists proved that the stars with mass less then 1.44 times the mass of the Sun, end up as White Dwarfs when they die?

- (a) Edwin Hubble
- (b) S. Chandrasekhar
- (c) Stephen Hawking
- (d) Steven Weinberg

Ans : b

Padma Vibhushan Subrahmanyam Chandrasekhar, was an Indian born American astrophysicist. He was a Nobel laureate in physics along with William Alfred Fowler for their work in the theoretical structure and evolution of stars. He was the nephew of Indian Nobel Laureate Sir C. V. Raman.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/S._Chandrasekhar

90. Which one of the following brings out the publication called "Energy Statistics" from time to time?

- (a) Central Power Research Institute
- (b) Planning Commission
- (c) Power Finance Corporation Ltd.
- (d) Central Statistical Organization

Ans : d

91. With which one of the following has the B.K. Chaturvedi Committee dealt ?

- (a) Review of centre- state relation
- (b) Review of delimitation Act
- (c) Tax reforms and measures to increase revenues
- (d) Price reforms in the oil sector

Ans : d

92. Mahamastakabhisheka, a great religious event is associated with and for who of the following?

- (a) Bahubali
- (b) Buddha
- (c) Mahavir

(d) Nataraja

Ans : a

93. Consider the following pairs:

(Tradition)	(State)
(1) Gatka, a traditional martial art	Kerala
(2) Madhubani, a traditional Painting	Bihar
(3) Singhey Khababs, Sindhu Darshan Festival	Jammu And Kashmir

which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched ?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 3 only

(c) 2 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : c

94. Match list I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists:

List I

(Famous Person)

(A) Anna Hazare

(B) Deepak Parekh

(C) GVK Reddy

(D) Harish Salve

List II

(Well-known as)

(1) Lawyer

(2) Banker

(3) Gandhian and social activist

(4) Industrialist

Code :

A B C D

(a) 1 2 4 3

(b) 1 4 2 3

(c) 3 2 4 1

(d) 3 4 2 1

Ans : c

95. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

List I

(Famous person)

(A) Amrita Sher-Gil

(B) Bhimsen Joshi

(C) Rukmini Devi Arundale

(D) Suryakant Tripathi Nirala

List II

(Well- known as)

(1) Dancer

(2) Painter

(3) Poet

(4) Singer

Code :

A B C D

(a) 2 1 4 3

(b) 2 4 1 3

(c) 3 1 4 2

(d) 3 4 1 2

Ans : b

96. With reference to the schemes launched by the union government consider the following statements:

(1) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare launched the Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana

(2) Ministry of Textiles launched the Rajiv Gandhi Shilpi Swasthya Bima Yojana

which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : b

97. Consider the following pairs :

<u>(Persons)</u>	<u>(Sport)</u>
(1) Anand Pawar	Chess
(2) Akhil Kumar	Boxing
(3) Shiv Shankar Prashad Chowrasia	Golf

which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched ?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : b

98. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

List I	List II
(Book)	(Author)
(A) In Custody	(1) Amartya Sen
(B) Sea of Poppies	(2) Amitav Ghosh
(C) The Argumentative Indian	(3) Anita Desai
(D) Unaccustomed Earth	(4) Jhumpa Lahiri

Code :

- A B C D
- (a) 4 1 2 3
- (b) 4 2 1 3
- (c) 3 2 1 4
- (d) 3 1 2 4

Ans : c

99. Among the following who are the Agaria Community ?

- (a) A traditional toddy tappers Community of Andhra Pradesh
- (b) A traditional Fishing Community of Maharashtra
- (c) A traditional silk-weaving Community of Karnataka
- (d) A traditional salt pan workers community of Gujarat

Ans : d

100. Recently, which one of the following was included in the UNESCO's World Heritage list?

- (a) Dilwara Temple
- (b) Kalka-Shimla Railway
- (c) Bhiterkanika Mangrove Area
- (d) Visakhapatnam to Araku valley Railway line

Ans : b

101. Where is the famous Virupaksha temple located?

- (a) Bhadrachalam
- (b) Chidambaram
- (c) Hampi
- (d) Srikalahasti

Ans : c

102. Other than Venezuela, which one among the following from South America is a member of OPEC?

- (a) Argentina
- (b) Brazil
- (c) Ecuador
- (d) Bolivia

Ans : c

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries is a cartel of twelve countries made up of Algeria, Angola, Ecuador, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, and Venezuela.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/OPEC>

103. Under the Administration of which one of the following is the Department of Atomic Energy?

- (a) Prime Minister's office
- (b) Cabinet Secretariat
- (c) Ministry of power
- (d) Ministry of science and technology

Ans : a

104. Consider the following pairs:

Large Bank	Country of origin
(1) ABN Amro Bank	USA
(2) Barelays Bank	UK
(3) Kookmin Bank	Japan

which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 2
- (d) 2 and 3

Ans : b

105. Which among the following has the world's largest reserves of Uranium?

- (a) Australia
- (b) Canada
- (c) Russian Federation
- (d) USA

Ans : a

106. Consider the following statements :

- (1) India does not have any deposits of Thorium.

(2) Kerala's monazite sands contain Uranium .

which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : d

107. Which one among the following South Asian countries has the highest population density ?

- (a) India
- (b) Nepal
- (c) Pakistan
- (d) Sri Lanka

Ans : a

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_countries_by_population_density

108. Consider the following statements:

- (1) The discussions in the Third Round Table Conference eventually led to the passing of the Government of India Act of 1935.
- (2) The Government of India Act of 1935 provided for the establishment of an all India federation to be based on union of the provinces of British India and the Princely States.

which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : c

109. Consider the following:

- (1) Fringe Benefit Tax
- (2) Interest Tax
- (3) Securities Transaction Tax

which of the above is/are Direct Tax/Taxes ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : d

110. In India, who is the chairman of the National Water Resources Council?

- (a) Prime Minister
- (b) Minister of Water Resources
- (c) Minister of Environment and Forests
- (d) Minister of Science and Technology

Ans : a

111. Consider the following statements:

- (1) There are no east flowing rivers in Kerala.
- (2) There are no west flowing rivers in Madhya Pradesh

which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : d

112. In collaboration with David Hare and Alexander Duff, who of the following established Hindu college at Calcutta ?

- (a) Henry Louis Vivian Derozio
- (b) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar
- (c) Keshab Chandra Sen
- (d) Raja Rammohan Roy

Ans : d

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Raja_Rammohan_Roy

113. Who of the Following Prime Ministers sent Cripps Mission to India?

- (a) James Ramsay Macdonald
- (b) Stanley Baldwin
- (c) Neville Chamberlain
- (d) Winston Churchill

Ans : d

114. Who of the following is the author of a collection of poems called "Golden Threshold" ?

- (a) Aruna Asaf Ali
- (b) Annie Bosant
- (c) Sarojini Naidu
- (d) Vijayalakshmi

Ans : c

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sarojini_Naidu

115. During the Indian Freedom Struggle, why did Rowlatt Act arouse popular indignation?

- (a) It curtailed the freedom of religion
- (b) It suppressed the Indian traditional Education
- (c) It authorized the government to imprison people with out trial
- (d) It curbed the trade Union Activities

Ans : c

116. Which one of the following began with the Dandi March?

- (a) Home Rule Movement
- (b) Non- Cooperation Movement
- (c) Civil Disobedience Movement
- (d) Quit India Movement

Ans : c

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dandi_March

117. Anekantavada is a core theory and philosophy of which one of the following ?

- (a) Buddhism
- (b) Jainism
- (c) Sikhism
- (d) Vaishnavism

Ans : b

Anekāntavāda is one of the most important and fundamental doctrines of Jainism. It refers to the principles of pluralism and multiplicity of viewpoints, the notion that truth and reality are perceived differently from diverse points of view, and that no single point of view is the complete truth.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anekantavada>

118. With which one of the following movements is the slogan "Do or die" associated ?

- (a) Swadeshi Movement
- (b) Non-Cooperation Movement
- (c) Civil Disobedience Movement
- (d) Quit India Movement

Ans : d

The Quit India Movement (Bharat Chhodo Andolan or the August Movement) was a civil disobedience movement launched in India in August 1942 in response to Mohandas Gandhi's call for immediate independence.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quit_India_Movement

119. Who of the Following founded the Ahmedabad Textile Labour Association?

- (a) Mahatma Gandhi
- (b) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
- (c) N.M. Joshi
- (d) J.N. Kripalani

Ans : NOT SURE***

120. In the context of the Indian Freedom Struggle, 16th October 1905 is well known for which one of the following reasons?

- (a) The formal proclamation of Swadeshi movement was made in Calcutta town hall.
- (b) Partition of Bengal took effect.
- (c) Dadabhai Nauroji declared that the goal of Indian national congress was Swaraj.
- (d) Lokmanya Tilak started movement in Poona.

Ans : b

121. Consider the following statements:

- 1) Infant mortality rate takes into account the death of infants within a month after death.
- 2) Infant mortality rate is the number of infant deaths in a particular year per 100 live births during that year.

Which of the following statement is/are correct

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : d

Infant mortality is defined as the number of deaths of infants (one year of age or younger) per 1000 live births.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Infant_mortality_rate

122. If a Panchayat is dissolved, elections are to be held within

- (a) 1 month
- (b) 3 months
- (c) 6 months
- (d) 1 Year

Ans : c

123. Consider the following statement:

- 1) The Governor of Punjab is concurrently the administrator of Chandigarh.
- 2) The Governor of Kerala is concurrently the administrator of Lakshadweep.

Which of the following statement is/are correct

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : a

124. Consider the following statement:

Organisation Location of Head Quarter

- 1) Asian Development Bank : Tokyo
- 2) Asia Pacific Economic Corporation : Singapore
- 3) Association of south East Asian Nation : Bangkok

Which of the above pair is/are correctly matched ?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only

Ans : b

125. With reference United Nations, consider the following statements :

- 1) The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of UN consists of 24 members state
- 2) It is elected by a 2/3rd majority of the general assembly for a three year term

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : b

ECOSOC has 54 members with a rotational three year term.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ECOSOC>

126. In which one of the following places is the Shompen tribe found?

- (a) Nilgiri Hills
- (b) Nicobar Islands
- (c) Spiti Valley
- (d) Lakshadweep Islands

Ans : b

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shompen>

127. Consider the following statements

1. The Advocate General of a State in India concerned state in India is appointed by the president of India upon the recommendation of the governor of the concerned state
2. As provided in civil procedure code, High Courts have original, appellate and advisory jurisdiction at the state level

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : b

128. In India, the first Municipal Corporation is set up in which one among the following?

- (a) Calcutta
- (b) Madras
- (c) Bombay
- (d) Delhi

Ans : b

129. With reference to Lok Adalats, Consider the following statements :

- (1) An award made by a Lok Sabha Adalat is deemed to be a decree of a civil court and no appeal lies against threto before any court.
- (2) Matrimonial/Family disputes are not covered under Lok Adalat.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : a

130. With reference to Union Government, Consider the following statement :

- 1) The Constitution of India provides that all cabinet ministers shall be compulsorily the sitting members of Lok Sabha only.
- 2) The Union cabinet secretariat operated under the direction of the ministry of Parliamentary affairs

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : d

131. Which one Constitutional Amendments states that the total number of ministers, including the prime minister, in the council of ministers shall not exceed 15% of the total number of members of House of the People?

(a) 90th

(b) 91st

(c) 92nd

(d) 93rd

Ans : b

132. Consider the following statements:

1. Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) was setup during the prime ministership of Lal Bahadur Shastri.

2. The member for CAT are drawn from both judicial and administrative streams.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 Only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : b

133. With reference to Union Government, Consider the following statements:

1) The number of Ministries at the Centre on 15th August 1947 was 18.

2) The number of Ministries at the Centre is 16.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 Only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : NOT SURE***

134. Consider the following statements:

1) The first telegraph line in India was lined between kolkata (formerly Calcutta) and Diamond Harbour.

2) The first export processing zone in India was setup in Kandla

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 Only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : c

135. Which one of the following Union Ministries implements the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety?

(a) Ministry Of Science and Technology

(b) Ministry Of Health and Family Welfare

- (c) Ministry Of Environment and Forests
- (d) Ministry Of Chemicals and Fertilizers

Ans : c

136. In a carom board game competition, m boys and n girls ($m > n > 1$) of a school participate in which every student has to play exactly one game with every other student. Out of the total game played, it was found that in 221 games one player was a boy and other player was a girl.

Consider the following statements:

- (1) The total number of students that participated in the competition is 30
- (2) The number of games of the in which both players were girls is 78.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : NOT SURE***

137. There are three cans A, B and C the capacities of A, B and C are 6 litres, 10 litres and 16 litres respectively. The can C contains 16 litres of milk. the milk has to be divided in them using these three cans only.

Consider the following statements:

- (1) It is possible to have 6 litres of milk each in can A and can B
- (2) It is possible to have 8 litres of milk each in can B and can C

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans : a

138. Consider the following pairs:

- 1) Ashok Leyland : Hinduja Group
- 2) Hindalco Industries : A.V. Birla Group
- 3) Suzion Energy : Punj lioyd Group

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : a

139. In the context of global economy, Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

- (a) JP Morgan Chase : Financial Services
- (b) Roche Holding AG : Financial Services
- (c) WL Ross & Co. : Private Equity Firm

(d) Warburg Pincus : Private Equity Firm

Ans : b

140. Consider the following houses:

- (1) Christie's
- (2) Osian's
- (3) Sotheby's

Which of the above is/are auctioneer/auctioneers

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans : d

141. In the context of CO₂ emission and Global Warming, What is the name of a market driven device under the UNFCCC that allows developing countries to get funds/incentives from the developed countries to adopt better technologies the reduce green house gas emissions?

- (a) Carbon Footprint
- (b) Carbon Credit Rating
- (c) Clean Development Mechanism
- (d) Emission Reduction Norm

Ans : b

142. The concept of carbon credit originated from which one of the following:

- (a) Earth Summit, Rio de Janeiro
- (b) Kyoto Protocol
- (c) Montreal Protocol
- (d) G-8 Summit, Heiligendamm

Ans : b

The Kyoto Protocol is a protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC or FCCC), an international environmental treaty produced at the United Nations Conference on treaty is intended to achieve "stabilization of greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a level that would prevent dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kyoto_Protocol

143. Who among the following is the founder of World Economic Forum?

- (a) Klaus Schwab
- (b) John Kenneth Galbraith
- (c) Robert Zoellick
- (d) Paul Krugman

Ans : a

144. The Security Council of UN consists of 5 permanent members, and the remaining 10 members are elected by the general assembly for a term of

- (a) 1 year
- (b) 2 years
- (c) 3 years
- (d) 5 years

Ans : b

145. From which one of the following did Kosovo declare its independence?

- (a) Bulgaria
- (b) Croatia
- (c) Macedonia
- (d) Sarbia

Ans : d

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kosovo>

146. Which one of the following pairs of countries fought wars over a region called Ogaden?

- (a) Eritea and Sudan
- (b) Ethiopia and Somalia
- (c) Kenya and Somalia
- (d) Ethiopia and Sudan

Ans : b

Ogaden is the name of a territory comprising the southeastern portion of the Somali Regional State in Ethiopia.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ogaden>

147. In the middle of the year 2008 the Parliament of which one of the following countries became the first in the world to enact a climate act by passing "the climate change accountability bill"?

- (a) Australia
- (b) Canada
- (c) Germany
- (d) Japan

Ans : b

148. Which one among the following has the highest energy?

- (a) Blue Light
- (b) Green Light
- (c) Red Light
- (d) Yellow Light

Ans : a

149. In the context of independent India's economy, which one of the following was the earliest to take place?

- (a) Nationalisation of Insurance Companies
- (b) Nationalisation of State Bank Of India
- (c) Enactment of Banking Regulation Act
- (d) Introduction Of First Five-Year Plan

Ans : c

Banking regulation act was passed in 1949

150. Consider the following pairs:

<u>Automobile Manufacturer</u>	<u>Headquarters</u>
1. BMW AG	USA
2. Daimler AG	Sweden
3. Renault SA	France

4. Volkswagen

Germany

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3
 (b) 3 and 4
 (c) 4 only
 (d) 1, 2 and 4

Ans : b

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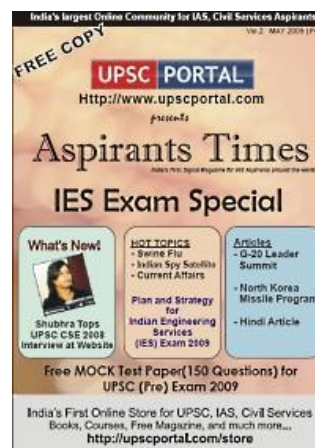
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