

GK Questions Set 1

1. Externality theory is the basic theory of the following branch of Economics—

- (A) Macro Economics (B) Environomics
(C) Fiscal Economics (D) International Economics

Ans : (D)

2. Diamonds are priced higher than water because—

- (A) consumers do not buy them at lower prices.
(B) they are sold by selected firms with monopolistic powers.
(C) their marginal utility to buyers is higher than that of water.
(D) their total utility to buyers is higher than that of wafer.

Ans : (C)

3. Transboundary pollution (or) Acid rain is caused by—

- (A) Nitrogen oxide and sulphur dioxide
(B) Carbon monoxide
(C) Carbon dioxide
(D) Hydrocarbon

Ans : (A)

4. “Functional Finance” is associated with—

- (A) Abba ‘P’ Lerner (B) Adolph Wogner
(C) Adam Smith (D) Adams

Ans : (A)

5. Of the following land uses, which is restricted to Special Economic Zones?

- (A) Information Technology Companies
(B) Educational Institutions
(C) Free Trade Centres
(D) Marketing Centres

Ans : (C)

6. Who amongst the following has been appointed as the new coach of the Indian Cricket team for a period of two years?

- (A) Stuart Law (B) Allan Border
(C) Gary Kirsten (D) Duncan Fletcher

Ans : (D)

7. Which of the following does not have an influence over the climate in India ?

- (A) Monsoons (B) Ocean currents
(C) Nearness to equator (D) Presence of Indian Ocean

Ans : (B)

8. K. Balachander, who was awarded the prestigious Dada Saheb Phalke Award-2010, is basically a/an—

- (A) Actor (B) Director
(C) Photographer (D) Music Director

Ans : (B)

9. Banks and other financial institutions in India are required to maintain a certain amount of liquid assets like cash, precious metals and other short term securities as a reserve all the time. In Banking World this is known as—

- (A) CRR (B) Fixed Asset
(C) SLR (D) PLR

Ans : (A)

10. Wet, tropical deciduous forests are found in which region of India ?

- (A) Central India (B) Deccan Plateau
(C) The Siwaliks (D) None of these

Ans : (C)

11. Which one of the following is not a clause of World Trade Organisation ?

- (A) Most favoured nation treatment
(B) Lowering trade barriers with negotiations
(C) Providing financial support to the countries having deficit balance of payments
(D) Discouraging unfair trade practices such as anti-dumping and export subsidies

Ans : (C)

12. Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) relate to—

- (A) the World Bank
(B) the Reserve Bank of India.
(C) the World Trade Organisation.
(D) the International Monetary Fund.

Ans : (D)

13. Which one of the following is not a landlocked country in Africa ?

- (A) Botswana (B) Zambia
(C) Lesotho (D) Nigeria

Ans : (D)

14. The imaginary line on the Earth’s surface that closely follows the 180° Meridian is—

- (A) Prime Meridian (B) Equator
(C) International Date Line (D) Tropic of Cancer

Ans : (C)

15. The country that shares longest border with India is—

- (A) China (B) Bangladesh
(C) Nepal (D) Pakistan

Ans : (B)

16. The first President to sail in a submarine in India was—

- (A) K. R. Narayanan (B) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
(C) V.V. Giri (D) N. Sanjeeva Reddy

Ans : (B)

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

17. Cooking vessels have wooden or bakelite handles because—

- (A) wood and bakelite are bad conductors of heat
- (B) the handle must be strong
- (C) the handle should be attractive
- (D) None of the above

Ans : (A)

18. “Deshbandhu” is the title of—

- (A) B. R. Ambedkar
- (B) C. R. Das
- (C) B. C. Pal
- (D) Rabindranath Tagore

Ans : (B)

19. The Indian folk dance “Cheraw” is also known as the—

- (A) Bamboo dance of Mizoram.
- (B) Batukamma dance of Andhra Pradesh
- (C) Bihu dance of Assam.
- (D) Garba dance of Gujarat.

Ans : (A)

20. In which of the following States, is the child-sex ratio the lowest as per the 2011 Census ?

- (A) Haryana
- (B) Punjab
- (C) Chhattisgarh
- (D) Bihar

Ans : (A)

21. Enriched uranium used in a nuclear reactor is—

- (A) uranium free of all impurities
- (B) uranium treated with radiation

(C) uranium alloyed with aluminium

(D) uranium with a high percentage of a particular isotope

Ans : (D)

22. In a refrigerator; cooling is produced by—

- (A) the ice which deposits in the freezer
- (B) the sudden expansion of a compressed gas
- (C) the evaporation of a volatile liquid
- (D) None of these

Ans : (C)

23. The first woman to conquer Mount Everest twice is—

- (A) Surja Lata Devi
- (B) Jyoti Randhawa
- (C) Santosh Yadav
- (D) Suma Shirur

Ans : (C)

24. Which one of the following iron and steel works in India is not under public sector ?

- (A) Bokaro
- (B) Jamshedpur
- (C) Bhilai
- (D) Durgapur

Ans : (B)

25. Which Indian hockey player has a road named after him in Germany ?

- (A) Dhyan Chand
- (B) Zafar Iqbal
- (C) Roop Singh
- (D) Dhanraj Pillai

Ans : (C)

GK Questions Set 2

1. Who among the following enjoys the rank of Cabinet Minister in Union Cabinet?
(A) Deputy Chairman of Planning Commission
(B) Judge of Supreme Court
(C) Secretary to Government of India
(D) Political Advisor to PM
Ans : (A)
2. Who gave the title of 'Mahamana' to Madan Mohan Malaviya ?
(A) Bal Gangadhar Tilak (B) Dadabhai Nauroji
(C) Gopal Krishna Gokhale (D) Mahatma Gandhi
Ans : (D)
3. The vacancy of the office of the President must be filled within—
(A) 3 months (B) 6 months
(C) 12 months (D) 1 month
Ans : (B)
4. In which part of the Indian Constitution, the Fundamental Duties are enshrined?
(A) IV (B) IV-A
(C) IV-B (D) V
Ans : (B)
5. Who described the Government of India Act, 1935 as a new charter of bondage?
(A) B. R. Ambedkar (B) Mahatma Gandhi
(C) Rajendra Prasad (D) Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru
Ans : (D)
6. Union Cabinet passed a Rs. 7000 crore project to cleanup which of the following rivers in India ?
(A) Narmada (B) Ravi
(C) Ganga (D) Chambal
Ans : (C)
7. As per estimates of the Planning Commission of India the target growth rate of 12th Five-Year Plan is set to
(A) 7 to 8% (B) 8.0% to 8.5%
(C) 9% to 9.5% (D) 10 to 10.5%
Ans : (C)
8. Cudappah ranges lie between—
(A) Godavari and Jamshedpur
(B) Palar and Kauveri
(C) Godavari and Palkonda range
(D) Satpura and Mohadeo-Maikal range
Ans : (C)
9. Which of the following schemes is not launched by the Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India ?
(A) National Old Age Pension Scheme
(B) National Maternity Benefit Scheme
(C) National Family Benefit Scheme
(D) Mid-Day Meal Scheme
Ans : (D)
10. Where you are likely to find an embedded operating system ?
(A) on a desktop operating system
(B) on a networked PC
(C) on a network server
(D) on a PDA
Ans : (D)
11. The distance between two consecutive longitudes (91°E and 92° E) at the Poles is—
(A) 0 km (B) 18 km
(C) 25 km (D) 111 km
Ans : (A)
12. Lack of atmosphere around the Moon is due to—
(A) low escape velocity of air molecule and low gravitational attraction.
(B) high escape velocity of air molecule and low gravitational attraction.
(C) low gravitational attraction only.
(D) high escape velocity of air molecule only.
Ans : (C)
13. Which of the following factors cause(s) ocean currents?
(A) Varying density of sea water
(B) Varying temperature
(C) Winds
(D) All of these
Ans : (D)
14. In the context of their formation, which of the following types of rocks is the most ancient?
(A) Igneous (B) Metamorphic
(C) Plutonic (D) Sedimentary
Ans : (A)
15. Two identical piano wires have same fundamental frequency when kept under the same tension. What will happen if tension of one of the wires is slightly increased and both the wires are made to vibrate simultaneously ?
(A) Noise (B) Beats
(C) Resonance (D) Non-linear effects
Ans : (B)
16. Kaziranga National Park is situated in—

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

(A) Odisha
(C) Rajasthan
Ans : (D)

(B) Gujarat
(D) Assam

17. Who is the author of the book 'If Cricket is Religion, Sachin is God' ?

(A) Vijai Santhanam (B) Shyam Balasubramaniam
(C) Both (A) and (B) (D) None of the above
Ans : (C)

18. Which of the following statements is not correct about Sunder Lal Bahuguna?

(A) He is an eminent environmentalist
(B) He was awarded Padma Bhushan in 2009
(C) He started the 'Chipko Movement' to create awareness of deforestation
(D) He was elected to Lok Sabha from Uttarkashi in Uttarakhand
Ans : (D)

19. The three countries, in serial order, who won the highest number of Gold medals in the Beijing Olympics Games were—

(A) China, USA, Russia
(B) China, USA, Germany
(C) China, Germany, Australia
(D) China, Germany, USA
Ans : (A)

20. The first woman from India to be conferred the Sainthood by Pope Benedict XVI is—

(A) Sister Desouza (B) Sister Madorana
(C) Sister Alphonsa (D) Sister Nirmala
Ans : (C)

21. What is the name of the first research station established by India in the Antarctica—

(A) Dakshin Gangotri (B) Maitri
(C) Agnihotri (D) Aryabhata
Ans : (A)

22. Who among the following was awarded Padma Vibhushan in 2011 for his exceptional and distinguished service in the field of trade and industry?

(A) Azim Premji (B) Ratan Tata
(C) S. Gopalakrishnan (D) Mecca Rafeeqe Ahmed
Ans : (A)

23. The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council are—


(A) China, France, Russia, UK and U.S.A.
(B) China, Canada, France, U.S.A. and Germany
(C) China, Germany, Russia, UK and U.S.A.
(D) China, Germany, U.S.A., UK and Canada
Ans : (A)

24. Which of the following States has the largest gap in male and female literacy as per 2011 Census (provisional data)?

(A) Uttar Pradesh (B) Madhya Pradesh
(C) Rajasthan (D) Kerala
Ans : (C)

25. Demand for labour is—

(A) Composite demand (B) Competitive demand
(C) Derived demand (D) Joint demand
Ans : (C)


We Shine Academy™

GK Questions Set 3

1. Who was the Viceroy at the time of Quit India Movement?
 (A) Lord Irwin (B) Lord Mountbatten
 (C) Lord Wavell (D) Lord Linlithgow
 Ans : (D)
2. Who was the other Congress leader who joined with Motilal Nehru to start the Swaraj Party in 1923 ?
 (A) G. K. Gokhale (B) B. G. Tilak
 (C) Chittaranjan Das (D) M. K. Gandhi
 Ans : (C)
3. What is the first sermon of Buddha called as ?
 (A) Mahaparinirvansutta
 (B) Brahmajalasutta
 (C) Dhammachakkapabattanasutta
 (D) Kachchayanagottasutta
 Ans : (C)
4. From which of the following banks did Madan Mohan Malaviya take loans for financing "The Hindustan Times" ?
 (A) State Bank of India (B) Punjab National Bank
 (C) Bank of Maharashtra (D) Bank of Baroda
 Ans : (B)
5. Who wrote the book "Why Socialism" ?
 (A) Jayaprakash Narayan (B) Mahatma Gandhi
 (C) Acharya Narendra Dev (D) M .N. Roy
 Ans : (A)
6. An online discussion group that allows direct "live" communication is known as—
 (A) Webcrawler (B) chat group
 (C) regional service provider (D) hyperlink
 Ans : (B)
7. Which of the following is a program that uses a variety of different approaches to identify and eliminate spam ?
 (A) Directory search
 (B) Anti-spam program
 (C) Web server
 (D) Web storefront creation package
 Ans : (B)
8. Connection or link to other documents or Web Pages that contain related information is called—
 (A) dial-up (B) electronic commerce
 (C) hyperlink (D) e-cash
 Ans : (C)
9. Which of the following is a programming language for creating special programs like applets ?
 (A) Java (B) cable
 (C) domain name (D) Net
 Ans : (A)
10. The system unit—
 (A) coordinates input and output devices
 (B) is the container that houses electronic components
 (C) is a combination of hardware and software
 (D) controls and manipulates data
 Ans : (C)
11. Which of the following was used as a chemical weapon in the First World War?
 (A) Mustard gas (B) Water gas
 (C) Hydrogen cyanide (D) Carbon monoxide
 Ans : (A)
12. The basis of European Union began with the signing of—
 (A) Maastricht Treaty (B) Treaty of Paris
 (C) Treaty of Rome (D) Treaty of Lisbon
 Ans : (A)
13. National income ignores—
 (A) sales of a firm. (B) salary of employees.
 (C) exports of the IT sector. (D) sale of land.
 Ans : (D)
14. What are G. arboreum, G. herbaceum, G. hirsutum and G. barbadense, whose all the four species are cultivated in India ? (G = Gossypium)
 (A) Species of wool (B) Species of cotton
 (C) Species of silk (D) Species of jute
 Ans : (B)
15. The soil formed by wind dust in and around hot deserts is called—
 (A) silty soil (B) loamy soil
 (C) sandy soil (D) loess soil
 Ans : (D)
16. Who was chosen unanimously as the President of India ?
 (A) K. R. Narayanan (B) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
 (C) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan (D) Neelam Sanjiva Reddy
 Ans : (D)
17. The Constitution of India was passed by the Constituent Assembly on—
 (A) 26th November, 1949 (B) 26th January, 1949
 (C) 17th October, 1949 (D) 14th November, 1949
 Ans : (A)
18. The power to decide an election petition is vested in the—
 (A) High Court (B) Election Commission

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

(C) Parliament

(D) Supreme Court

Ans : (A)

19. The 1857 Mutiny failed mainly because—

(A) of lack of planning and leadership

(B) it was premature

(C) the British got French support

(D) the British numbered more.

Ans : (A)

20. The Story of 'My Experiments with Truth' is the autobiography of—

(A) Bal Gangadhar Tilak

(B) Mahatma Gandhi

(C) Lala Lajpat Rai

(D) Gopal Krishna Gokhale

Ans : (B)

21. In India, National Income estimates are prepared by—

(A) National Development Council

(B) Central Statistical Organisation

(C) National Sample Survey Organisation

(D) Planning Commission

Ans : (B)

22. Employment in Agriculture comes under—

(A) Services Sector

(B) Semi-organised Sector

(C) Organised Sector

(D) Unorganised Sector

Ans : (D)

23. Which of the following methods is effective in controlling Balance of Payments (BoP)?

(A) Abolition of Export Duties

(B) Tourism Development

(C) Devaluation

(D) Foreign Direct Investment

Ans : (C)

24. Provisions relating to Panchayati Raj can be found in which Schedule of the Indian Constitution ?

(A) 10

(B) 11

(C) 7

(D) 9

Ans : (B)

25. The first battle of Panipat took place in the year—

(A) 1527 A.D.

(B) 1528 A.D.

(C) 1525 A.D.

(D) 1526 A.D.

Ans : (D)



We Shine Academy™

GK Questions Set 4

1. Multi-purpose river valley projects are the “New temples of modern India”.
The above statement is made by—
(A) Jawaharlal Nehru (B) Motilal Nehru
(C) Mahatma Gandhi (D) Rajiv Gandhi
Ans : (A)
2. Where are the Todas found?
(A) Madhya Pradesh (B) Tamil Nadu
(C) Rajasthan (D) Arunachal Pradesh
Ans : (B)
3. The eastward continuation of the Brazil current is called—
(A) North Atlantic drift (B) South Atlantic drift
(C) Counter Equatorial drift (D) West Atlantic drift
Ans : (B)
4. Which of the following is an endemic species?
(A) Nicobar pigeon (B) Horn bill
(C) Indian Rhino (D) Pink-head duck
Ans : (A)
5. The natural disaster in which carbon-dioxide suddenly erupts from a deep lake water is known as—
(A) Liminic (B) Lacaustrine
(C) Fluvial (D) Glacial
Ans : (A)
6. System software—
(A) allows the user to diagnose and troubleshoot the device
(B) is a programming language
(C) is part of a productivity suite
(D) helps the computer manage internal resources
Ans : (D)
7. Computer and communication technologies, such as communication links to the Internet that provide help and understanding to the end user is known as—
(A) presentation file (B) information technology
(C) program (D) worksheet file
Ans : (B)
8. Which of the following is contained on chips connected to the system board and is a holding area for data instructions and information ?
(processed data waiting to be output to secondary storage)—
(A) program (B) mouse
(C) Internet (D) memory
Ans : (D)
10. Microsoft’s Messenger allows users to—
(A) to bypass a browser to surf the Web
(B) create a blog
(C) communicate via direct live communication
(D) identify and eliminate spam
Ans : (C)
11. Portable computer, also known as laptop computer, weighing between 4 and 10 pounds is called—
(A) general-purpose application
(B) Internet
(C) scanner
(D) notebook computer
Ans : (D)
12. Logically, what does a continually rising air pressure indicate ?
(A) Advent of unsettled and cloudy weather
(B) Advent of a cyclone
(C) Fine and settled weather
(D) Fine and unsettled weather
Ans : (C)
13. The TEAM-9 initiative is a techno-economic cooperation venture between India and eight countries of—
(A) West Africa (B) East Africa
(C) North Africa (D) Central Africa
Ans : (A)
14. Which one of the following is the type of the Comoros Islands which lie in the Indian Ocean between Northern Madagascar and the African Coast ?
(A) Volcanic (B) Glacial eroded
(C) Eolian deposited (D) Folded
Ans : (A)
15. If news is broadcast from London at 10:30 AM, at what time it will be heard at Baghdad (45° E) ?
(A) 7:30 AM (B) 9:00 AM
(C) 1:30 PM (D) 12:00 Noon
Ans : (C)
16. The site of Harappa is located on the bank of river—
(A) Saraswati (B) Indus
(C) Beas (D) Ravi
Ans : (D)
17. The basic characteristic of a capitalistic economy is—
(A) absence of monopoly
(B) large-scale production in primary industries
(C) full employment
(D) the private ownership of the means of production
Ans : (D)

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

18. Which one of the following taxes is not a direct tax?

- (A) Sales tax (B) Estate duty
(C) Gift tax (D) Wealth tax

Ans : (A)

19. UNDP prepares–

- (A) Human Development Index
(B) Standard of Living Index
(C) Index Number of Price Level
(D) Physical Quality Index

Ans : (A)

20. Fiscal policy refers to–

- (A) Government borrowings from abroad
(B) Sharing of its revenue by Central Government with States
(C) Sale and purchase of securities by RBI
(D) Government taxes, expenditure and borrowings

Ans : (D)

21. Who is the ex-officio Chairman of Rajya Sabha ?

- (A) Leader of Opposition
(B) Minister of Parliamentary Affairs
(C) President
(D) Vice-President

Ans : (D)

22. According to the Constitution, which Fund will be under the control of the President of India?

- (A) Contingency Fund of India
(B) Public Provident Fund
(C) Consolidated Fund of India
(D) State's Consolidated Fund of India

Ans : (A)

23. Who is chosen by the members of Rajya Sabha ?

- (A) President (B) Vice-President
(C) Chairperson (D) Deputy Chairman

Ans : (D)

24. The boundary line between India and China is called–

- (A) McMahon Line (B) Red Line
(C) Radcliffe Line (D) Durand Line

Ans : (A)

25. 95% of world's diamond reserves are found in–

- (A) Ghana (B) Kimberley
(C) Johannesburg (D) Zambia

Ans : (B)



We Shine Academy™

GK Questions Set 5

1. Blood group was discovered by–

- (A) Alexander Fleming (B) William Harvey
(C) Landsteiner (D) Pavlov

Ans : (C)

2. Pick out the correct match–

- (A) Egg yolk – Protein and Fat
(B) Fleshy food – Calcium and Protein
(C) Fish – Starch and Vitamin
(D) Milk – Fibre and Mineral

Ans : (A)

3. Blood is a–

- (A) reproductive tissue (B) connective tissue
(C) epithelial tissue (D) muscular tissue

Ans : (B)

4. DPT vaccine is administered to prevent diseases like–

- (A) Diphtheria, Pertussis and Typhoid
(B) Diphtheria, Pertussis and Tetanus
(C) Dengue, Pertussis and Typhoid
(D) Dengue, Polio and Tetanus

Ans : (B)

5. The disease that has been eradicated from the world is–

- (A) Smallpox (B) Leprosy
(C) Poliomyelitis (D) Chickenpox

Ans : (A)

6. The main circuit-board of the system unit is the–

- (A) computer program (B) control unit
(C) motherboard (D) RAM

Ans : (C)

7. Which of the following is billionth of a second?

- (A) Gigabyte (B) Terabyte
(C) Nanosecond (D) Microsecond

Ans : (C)

8. Online Marketing is the function of which of the following ?

- (A) Purchase Section
(B) Production Department
(C) I.T. Department
(D) A collective function of all staff

Ans : (D)

9. Customisation is useful for–

- (A) Designing customer specific products
(B) Call centres
(C) Publicity
(D) Motivating the staff

Ans : (A)

10. The key challenge to market-driven strategy is–

- (A) Selling maximum products
(B) Employing maximum DSAs
(C) Delivering superior value to customers
(D) Being rigid to changes

Ans : (C)

11. The famous tombs of the seven Qutub Shahi rulers are located close to which of the following forts?

- (A) Red Fort in Delhi
(B) Agra Fort in Agra
(C) Golconda Fort in Hyderabad
(D) Gwalior Fort in Gwalior

Ans : (C)

12. Which one of the following principles was not propagated by the Theosophical Society ?

- (A) Belief in Karma and Rebirth
(B) Belief in Universal Brotherhood and Humanity
(C) Belief in Vedantic Philosophy
(D) Belief in the Eradication of Untouchability

Ans : (D)

13. Which one of the following statements is correct ?

- (A) The Revolt of 1857 was not supported by the Nizam of Hyderabad
(B) Dinabandhu Mitra was the author of the book, Unhappy India
(C) The Sindhis of Gwalior gave shelter to the Rani of Jhansi
(D) Mangal Pandey led the Sepoys March to Delhi

Ans : (A)

14. Who among the following Governors-General formed the Triple Alliance against Tipu Sultan ?

- (A) Warren Hastings (B) Lord Cornwallis
(C) Lord Wellesley (D) Lord William Bentinck

Ans : (B)

15. The local time at a place is 6 A.M. when the G.M.T. is 3 A.M. What is the longitude of that place ?

- (A) 45 degrees E (B) 45 degrees W
(C) 120 degrees E (D) 120 degrees W

Ans : (A)

15. Public opinion gets an authoritative expression in a democracy through–

- (A) Pressure groups (B) Public meetings
(C) Newspapers (D) Parliament

Ans : (D)

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

16. Which one of the following is not a determining factor of a country's foreign policy ?

- (A) Cultural conditions (B) Religious conditions
(C) National interests (D) Interdependence

Ans : (D)

17. What is the expansion of the term WAN in computer terminology?

- (A) Wide Area Network
(B) Wide Angle Network
(C) Word Application Network
(D) Word Application Node

Ans : (A)

18. Tides in the sea have stored in them—

- (A) Gravitational potential energy
(B) A combination of all the three forms of energy
(C) Hydraulic energy
(D) Kinetic energy

Ans : (D)

19. Delivery of developed foetus is scientifically called as—

- (A) Abortion (B) Ovulation
(C) Parturition (D) Oviposition

Ans : (C)

20. Thyroxine hormone is secreted by—

- (A) Adrenal gland (B) Testes
(C) Pituitary gland (D) Thyroid gland

Ans : (D)

21. The most dangerous consequence of excessive deforestation is—

- (A) destruction of wild animal habitats
(B) soil erosion
(C) loss of forest wealth
(D) loss of many valuable plants

Ans : (B)

22. “Green house effect” means—

- (A) Trapping of solar energy due to atmospheric carbon dioxide
(B) Prevention of ultra-violet radiations by ozone layer
(C) Pollution in houses in tropical region
(D) None of these

Ans : (A)

23. The most stable eco-system is—

- (A) Desert (B) Ocean
(C) Forest (D) Mountain

Ans : (B)

24. An ideal example of sustainable resource is—

- (A) Afforestation (B) Farming
(C) Reforestation (D) Agroforestation

Ans : (D)

25. What is the recent source of pollution of underground water?

- (A) Thermal Power Stations (B) Biogas Plants
(C) Sewage (D) Landfills

Ans : (D)

GK Questions Set 6

1. In dicots the pollen-grains possess–

- (A) one germ pore
- (B) two germ pores
- (C) three germ pores
- (D) four germ pores

Ans : (C)

2. 'Farad' is the unit of–

- (A) Conductance
- (B) Capacitance
- (C) Inductance
- (D) Resistance

Ans : (B)

3. Steel is more elastic than rubber because it–

- (A) is harder than rubber
- (B) requires larger deforming force
- (C) is never deformed
- (D) is deformed very easily

Ans : (B)

4. Communication satellites are used to–

- (A) transmit communication signal only
- (B) receive communication signal only
- (C) receive and redirect communication signal
- (D) provide information of natural resources only

Ans : (C)

5. What type of information system would be recognised by digital circuits ?

- (A) Hexadecimal system
- (B) Binary system
- (C) Both hexadecimal and binary system
- (D) Only Roman system

Ans : (B)

6. Effective Selling Skills depends on–

- (A) Size of the sales teams
- (B) Age of the sales teams
- (C) Peer strength
- (D) Knowledge level of the sales team

Ans : (C)

7. Generation of sales leads can be improved by–

- (A) Being very talkative
- (B) Increasing personal and professional contacts
- (C) Being passive
- (D) Engaging Recovery Agents

Ans : (B)

8. A Market Plan is–

- (A) Performance Appraisal of marketing staff
- (B) Company Prospectus
- (C) Documented marketing strategies
- (D) Business targets

Ans : (C)

9. Marketing channels mean–

- (A) Delivery objects
- (B) Sales targets
- (C) Delivery outlets
- (D) Delivery boys

Ans : (C)

10. Social Marketing means–

- (A) Share market prices
- (B) Marketing by the entire society
- (C) Internet Marketing
- (D) Marketing for a social cause

Ans : (D)

11. The Constitution of India is republican because it–

- (A) provides for an elected Parliament.
- (B) provides for adult franchise.
- (C) contains a bill of rights.
- (D) has no hereditary elements.

Ans : (D)

12. For determination of the age of which of the following is 'carbon-dating' method used?

- (A) Fossils
- (B) Rocks
- (C) Trees
- (D) A and B above

Ans : (A)

13. Which of the following statements is correct with regard to Yudh Abhyas ?

- (A) It is an Indian military 'war game' with regard to Pakistan
- (B) It is an Indian military exercise with Oman
- (C) It is an Indian military exercise with Bhutan
- (D) It is an Indian military exercise with the US

Ans : (D)

14. Which one of the following statements is correct with regard to the C-5M Super Galaxy?

- (A) It is a large military helicopter
- (B) It is a large military transport aircraft
- (C) It is a galaxy of stars very close to the Sun
- (D) It is a US fighter aircraft to be completed in 2014

Ans : (B)

15. Which one of the following companies received Golden Peacock Environment Management Award for the year 2011 ?

- (A) BCCL
- (B) NTPC
- (C) SAIL
- (D) TISCO

Ans : (C)

16. The digestive juice which has no enzyme is–

- (A) Intestinal juice
- (B) Gastric Juice
- (C) Bile
- (D) Saliva

Ans : (C)

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

17. An essential feature of seed germination is the presence of—
(A) Light (B) Temperature
(C) Minerals (D) Water
Ans : (D)
18. Plants that grow on stones and rocks are—
(A) Psammophytes (B) Lithophytes
(C) Halophytes (D) Aerophytes
Ans : (B)
19. Who among the following made the Ganapari festival very popular in Maharashtra ?
(A) Mahadev Ranade (B) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
(C) Gopal Krishna Gokhale (D) Annie Besant
Ans : (B)
20. The Mughal ruler who built the Buland, Darwaza was—
(A) Humayun (B) Bahadur Shah
(C) Akbar (D) Babur
Ans : (C)
21. The Indian Prime Minister who died in Tashkent was—
(A) Lal Bahadur Shastri (B) P. V. Narasimha Rao
(C) Jawaharlal Nehru (D) Indira Gandhi
Ans : (A)
22. What was the name of the Samaj founded by Raja Rammohan Roy ?
(A) Brahmo Samaj (B) Satya Samaj
(C) Prarthana Samaj (D) Arya Samaj
Ans : (A)
23. The man who led the Mutiny in Bihar was—
(A) Ranjit Singh (B) Pratap Singh
(C) Amar Singh (D) Kunwar Singh
Ans : (D)
24. During whose reign did Hiuen Tsang visit Kanchipuram (the capital of Pallavas) ?
(A) Mahendra Varma II (B) Narasimha Varman I
(C) Mahendra Varma (D) Rajasimha
Ans : (B)
25. The Suez Canal connects the Mediterranean Sea with the—
(A) Caspian Sea (B) Persian Gulf
(C) Red Sea (D) Black Sea
Ans : (C)

GK Questions Set 7

1. Which of the following is an impact printer?
 (A) Daisy wheel printer (B) Ink-jet printer
 (C) Bubble-jet printer (D) Laser printer
 Ans : (A)
2. Identify the odd term amongst the following group—
 (A) Coaxial cable (B) Optical fibre
 (C) Twisted pair wire (D) Microwaves
 Ans : (D)
3. Soil profile refers to arrangement within a soil of—
 (A) its vertical layers (B) its inclined layers
 (C) its horizontal layers (D) group of soil grains
 Ans : (C)
4. The percentage of nitrogen present in ammonia sulphate is—
 (A) 18% (B) 21%
 (C) 25% (D) 30.5%
 Ans : (B)
5. Ethanol containing 5% water is known as— (A)
 Absolute alcohol (B) Dilute alcohol (C)
 Power alcohol (D) Rectified spirit
 Ans : (D)
6. Service Marketing is the same as—
 (A) Internet Marketing (B) Telemarketing
 (C) Internal Marketing (D) Relationship Marketing
 Ans : (D)
7. Market-driven strategies include—
 (A) identifying problems
 (B) Planning marketing tactics of peers
 (C) Positioning the organisation and its brands in the market place
 (D) Internal marketing
 Ans : (C)
8. Innovation in marketing is same as—
 (A) Motivation (B) Perspiration
 (C) Aspiration (D) Creativity
 Ans : (D)
9. Personal Loans can be canvassed among—
 (A) Salaried persons (B) Pensioners
 (C) Foreign Nationals (D) NRI customers
 Ans : (A)
10. Which of the following countries conferred its Highest State Honour on Late Mrs. Indira Gandhi for her contribution in its 'Liberation war' ?
 (A) South Sudan (B) Bangladesh
 (C) Bhutan (D) Slovakia
 Ans : (B)
11. In which one of the following Latin American countries, a woman has for the first time won the presidential elections for the second term ?
 (A) Brazil (B) Venezuela
 (C) Uruguay (D) Argentina
 Ans : (D)
12. Which one of the following famous events is being held in Jaipur, Rajasthan in January every year since 2006 ?
 (A) Gangaur Festival (B) Jaipur Literature Festival
 (C) Elephant Festival Jaipur (D) None of these
 Ans : (B)
13. The minor planets revolving between the orbits of Jupiter and Mars are called—
 (A) Asteroids (B) Comets
 (C) Meteors (D) Novas
 Ans : (A)
14. Which of the following world famous events is/are held to mark the Onam festivities in Kerala?
 (A) Snake Boat race (B) Bull race
 (C) Cock fights (D) All these
 Ans : (A)
15. The best colours for a Sun umbrella will be—
 (A) black on top and red on inside.
 (B) black on top and white on inside.
 (C) red on top and black on inside.
 (D) white on top and black on inside.
 Ans : (D)
16. Diarchy in the provinces was introduced through the—
 (A) Government of India Act, 1919
 (B) Government of India Act, 1935
 (C) Indian Councils Act, 1861
 (D) Indian Councils Act, 1892
 Ans : (A)
17. Which of the following is the world's largest desert?
 (A) The Great Australian Desert
 (B) Arabian Desert
 (C) Gobi
 (D) Sahara
 Ans : (D)
18. The rate of erosion in a stream is lowest where—
 (A) the river joins the sea (B) depth is greater

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

(C) breadth is greater

Ans : (A)

(D) velocity is more

19. The name 'Sahyadri' is related to—

(A) A rain-bearing wind

(B) Himalayan Peak

(C) Western Ghats

(D) Cyclone hazards

Ans : (C)

20. People die in an atmosphere of carbon dioxide because—

(A) of want of oxygen

(B) of suffocation

(C) it is a poisonous gas

(D) it destroys tissues

Ans : (A)

21. Doddabetta Peak is located in the—

(A) Anaimalai

(B) Mahendragiri

(C) Nilgiris

(D) Shevaroyis

Ans : (C)

22. 'Genes' are made up of—

(A) Only RNA

(B) Only DNA

(C) DNA, RNA and Protein

Ans : (B)

(D) DNA and RNA

23. The Lotus plants have no root hairs because—

(A) the conducting tissue is not well-developed in roots.

(B) it can store water in the stem.

(C) the roots are adventitious.

(D) it need not absorb water by roots.

Ans : (D)

24. The organism living at the bottom of water mass is called—

(A) Benthos

(B) Plankton

(C) Nekton

(D) Neuston

Ans : (A)

25. Light energy is converted to chemical energy during the process of—

(A) photosynthesis.

(B) fat metabolism.

(C) transpiration.

(D) respiration.

Ans : (A)



We Shine Academy™

GK Questions Set 8

1. The hormone used as an oral contraceptive is–

- (A) Aldosterone (B) Cortisone
(C) Progesterone (D) Testosterone

Ans : (C)

2. Expand the term IPCC–

- (A) International Pollution Control Council
(B) International Panel of Climate Control
(C) Interim Panel of Climate Change
(D) Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

Ans : (D)

3. The “One Straw Revolution” was written by–

- (A) Masanobu Fukuoka (B) Richael Carlson
(C) M. S. Swaminathan (D) Norman Borlaug

Ans : (A)

4. Acceptable “Noise Pollution Level” in India ranges between–

- (A) 10 - 15 dec (B) 16 - 35 dec
(C) 40 - 45 dec (D) 70 - 100 dec

Ans : (C)

5. Endosulfan spray on cashew crop resulted in the pollution to the tune of tragedy in–

- (A) Tamil Nadu (B) Kerala
(C) Andhra Pradesh (D) Karnataka

Ans : (B)

6. Which of the following Muslim rulers remained in the captivity of his son?

- (A) Akbar (B) Aurangzeb
(C) Shahjahan (D) Jahangir

Ans : (C)

7. Interest payable on savings bank accounts is–

- (A) not regulated by RBI.
(B) regulated by State Governments.
(C) regulated by Central Government.
(D) regulated by RBI.

Ans : (D)

8. Cochin and Visakhapatnam sea ports of India are situated on the–

- (A) East and West Coasts, respectively
(B) East Coast
(C) West Coast
(D) West and East Coasts, respectively

Ans : (D)

9. What is the main advantage of transplantation method of sowing rice?

(A) It helps in early harvesting

(B) The draining of water from the field before harvesting is made easy

(C) It is helpful in achieving an economical use of water and a higher yield of grain

(D) This method ensures maximum utilisation of land

Ans : (C)

10. Accounts are allowed to be operated by cheques in respect of–

- (A) Both Savings bank accounts and fixed deposit accounts
(B) Savings bank accounts and current accounts
(C) Both Savings bank accounts and loan accounts.
(D) Both Savings bank accounts and cash accounts only.

Ans : (B)

11. Before X-ray examination (coloured X-ray) of the stomach, patients are given suitable salt of barium because–

(A) barium salts are white in colour and this helps stomach to appear clearly.

(B) barium is a good absorber of X-rays and helps stomach to appear clearly.

(C) barium salts are easily available.

(D) barium allows X-rays to pass through the stomach.

Ans : (B)

12. The elements of a group in the periodic table–

(A) have similar chemical properties.

(B) have consecutive atomic numbers.

(C) are isobars.

(D) are isotopes.

Ans : (A)

13. Which one of the following polymers is used for making bulletproof material ?

(A) Polyvinyl chloride

(B) Polystyrene

(C) Polyethylene

(D) Polyamide

Ans : (C)

14. The pH of human blood is normally around–

(A) 4.5–5.5

(B) 5.5–6.5

(C) 7.5–8.0

(D) 8.5–9.0

Ans : (C)

15. The pH of fresh groundwater slightly decreases upon exposure to air because–

(A) carbon dioxide from air is dissolved in the water.

(B) oxygen from air is dissolved in the water.

(C) the dissolved carbon dioxide of the groundwater escapes into air.

(D) the dissolved oxygen of the groundwater escapes into air.

Ans : (A)

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

16. Which of the following acts as photosensitizer during photosynthesis ?

- (A) Chlorophyll (B) Chlorine
(C) Oxygen (D) Nitrogen

Ans : (A)

17. What happens when bleaching powder is left exposed to air ?

- (A) It gradually loses its oxygen
(B) It gradually loses its chlorine
(C) It turns dark brown in colour
(D) It turns yellow in colour

Ans : (B)

18. Arsenic pollution leads to—

- (A) Dyslexia (B) Allergy
(C) White foot disease (D) Black foot disease

Ans : (B)

19. Which one of the following does not contribute to pollution ?

- (A) Hydroelectric Power Plant
(B) Atomic Power Plant
(C) Thermal Power Plant
(D) Nuclear Power Plant

Ans : (A)

20. Which of the following are the two major components of dry air (by volume) ?

- (A) Nitrogen and Ammonia
(B) Oxygen and Carbon dioxide
(C) Nitrogen and Oxygen
(D) Oxygen and Argon

Ans : (C)

21. Each chromosome in the nucleus of a cell consists of—

- (A) two chromatids only.
(B) two centromeres only.
(C) two centromeres attached to a chromatid.
(D) two chromatids attached to a centromere.

Ans : (D)

22. White blood cells are produced in the—

- (A) Tongue
(B) Thyroid gland and suprarenal gland
(C) Bone marrow and lymph glands
(D) Ductless glands

Ans : (C)

23. Find the odd one—

- (A) Limestone (B) Slaked iron
(C) Marble (D) Chalk

Ans : (B)

24. A basic instruction that can be interpreted by computer generally has—

- (A) an operation and an address
(B) an instruction register and an address
(C) a decoder and an accumulator
(D) None of the above

Ans : (A)

25. Software needs to be protected against—

- (A) fire, flood, lightning and rock slides
(B) unauthorised access
(C) worms and viruses
(D) Both (B) and (C)

Ans : (D)

GK Questions Set 9

1. Aung San Suu Kyi is a native to—
 (A) Tibet (B) China (C) Myanmar (D) Arunachal Pradesh
 Ans : (C)
2. India and Japan inked two agreements during November 2012 to enable Tokyo to import from India—
 (A) Leather goods (B) Rare earth minerals
 (C) Basmati type rice (D) Rubber-based products
 Ans : (B)
3. Non Resident Indians (NRI) Day is marked on—
 (A) January 7 (B) January 9
 (C) January 17 (D) January 19
 Ans : (B)
4. “Whether I earned your vote or not, I have listened to you, I have learned from you. You have made me a better President”, was said by—
 (A) Pranab Mukherjee (B) Barack Obama
 (C) George Bush (D) APJ Abdul Kalam
 Ans : (B)
5. First Hindu-American to enter in the US House of Representative as senator is—
 (A) Tulsi Gabbard (B) Sunita Williams
 (C) Jyoti Sengupta (D) Ami Bera
 Ans : (A)
6. Yingluck Shinawatra the first woman Prime Minister of—
 (A) Myanmar (B) South Korea
 (C) North Korea (D) Thailand
 Ans : (D)
7. Which of the following is correct statement ?
 (A) Normally no interest is paid on current deposit accounts.
 (B) Interest is paid on current accounts at the same rate as term deposit accounts.
 (C) The rate of interest on current account and savings account are the same.
 (D) No interest is paid on any deposit by the bank.
 Ans : (A)
8. The Lokayukta of which of the following States had submitted a report on illegal mining of iron ore in the State?
 (A) Andhra Pradesh (B) Tamil Nadu
 (C) Karnataka (D) Odisha
 Ans : (C)
9. Some of the rock-cut temples, known as the seven pagodas, were built by the—
 (A) Pallavas (B) Cholas
 (C) Rashtrakutas (D) None of these
 Ans : (A)
10. Fixed deposits and recurring deposits are—
 (A) repayable after an agreed period.
 (B) repayable on demand.
 (C) not repayable.
 (D) repayable after death of depositors.
 Ans : (A)
11. Who won the Wimbledon 2011 men’s singles title ?
 (A) Novak Djokovic (B) Roger Federer
 (C) Rafael Nadal (D) Andy Roddick
 Ans : (A)
12. Which among the following countries has decided to give a grant of US \$1 billion for the reconstruction of the Nalanda University?
 (A) USA (B) China
 (C) UK (D) Japan
 Ans : (B)
13. Which one of the following is the fastest Indian Supercomputer developed by ISRO ?
 (A) Aakash-A1 (B) Saga-220
 (C) Jaguar-Cray (D) Tianhe-1A
 Ans : (B)
14. In February 2011, which of the following countries has elected Mr. Thein Sein, a military general- turned-civilian leader, as its first President ?
 (A) Malaysia (B) Costa Rica
 (C) Thailand (D) Myanmar
 Ans : (D)
15. Which one of the following vitamins is necessary for blood clotting?
 (A) Vitamin A (B) Vitamin D
 (C) Vitamin K (D) Vitamin C
 Ans : (C)
16. Tactile hair is found in the body of—
 (A) Reptiles (B) Birds
 (C) Insects (D) Mammals
 Ans : (D)
17. The source of energy in the Sun is—
 (A) radioactivity (B) electrical energy
 (C) nuclear fission (D) nuclear fusion
 Ans : (D)
18. Which one of the following materials is used as controller

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

in a nuclear reactor power generator–

- (A) Graphite (B) Heavy water
(C) Cadmium (D) Beryllium

Ans : (C)

19. Banking of curves on road or railway track is done to provide–

- (A) gravitational force (B) angular velocity
(C) centripetal force (D) centrifugal force

Ans : (C)

20. is type of application software used for communication.

- (A) Database (B) Image editing
(C) FIP (D) Word processing

Ans : (C)

21. Alta Vista is a/an–

- (A) browser (B) search engine
(C) application (D) software

Ans : (B)

22. The international awards given by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences located in Beverly Hills, Cali-

fornia (USA) for excellence in the field of cinema are popularly known as–

- (A) IIFA Awards (B) Oscars
(C) BAFTA Awards (D) Grammys

Ans : (B)

23. The material used for safety from nuclear radiation is–

- (A) Gold (B) Lead
(C) Copper (D) Platinum

Ans : (B)

24. The filament of the electric bulb is generally made of tungsten because–

- (A) its melting point is low.
(B) its temperature coefficient of resistance is high.
(C) its resistivity is low.
(D) its melting point is high.

Ans : (D)

25. The apex organisation for marketing cooperative societies at national level is–

- (A) NCCF (B) NCD
(C) FCI (D) NAFED

Ans : (D)



We Shine Academy™

GK Questions Set 10

1. Who was not a politician?

- (A) H. N. Bahuguna (B) I. K. Gujral
(C) S. L. Bahuguna (D) J. Jayalalithaa

Ans : (C)

2. The WISE Prize-2012, also known as the “Nobel Prize for Education”, was conferred by the WISE Summit in Doha on–

- (A) Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam
(B) Dr. Madhav Chavan
(C) Dr. Yash Pal
(D) Dr. M. S. Swaminathan

Ans : (B)

3. The most powerful woman in business in India as rated by the “Fortune” for the year 2012 is–

- (A) Chanda Kochhar (B) Prabha Parameswaran
(C) Debjani Ghosh (D) Anjali Bansal

Ans : (A)

4. Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development-2012 was awarded to–

- (A) Tereza Fajksova (B) Sunita Williams
(C) Chanda Kochhar (D) Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

Ans : (D)

5. Hypothermia occurs due to loss of excessive heat from body due to sudden low body temperature in–

- (A) Snakes (B) Frogs
(C) Human beings (D) Lizards

Ans : (C)

6. Which of the following is not a Millennium Goal set by the UNO?

- (A) Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
(B) Reduce child mortality
(C) Ensure environmental sustainability
(D) Combat terrorism and bring people in main stream of society

Ans : (D)

7. Neap tides are caused by the gravitational pull of the–

- (A) Moon only
(B) Sun only
(C) Moon and the Sun in the same direction
(D) Moon and the Sun in opposite directions

Ans : (D)

8. Who amongst the following was impeached in England for acts committed as Governor-General of India?

- (A) Wellesley (B) Warren Hastings
(C) Cornwallis (D) Cavendish Bentinck

Ans : (B)

9. Japan won the women’s Football World Cup 2011 by defeating–

- (A) England (B) Germany
(C) Argentina (D) USA

Ans : (D)

10. Which of the following states became the first state in the country to launch RBI’s e-payment system for commercial tax payers?

- (A) Andhra Pradesh (B) Kerala
(C) Gujarat (D) Karnataka

Ans : (D)

11. All of the following rivers flow into or join the Ganges on its left side, except–

- (A) Gomti (B) Son
(C) Gandak (D) Kosi

Ans : (B)

12. Which of the following rivers does not originate in Indian territory?

- (A) Brahmaputra (B) Mahanadi
(C) Ravi (D) None of these

Ans : (A)

13. The phenomenon called ‘Equinox’ is due to the–

- (A) rotation of the Earth on its own axis
(B) revolution of the Earth on its inclined axis
(C) oblate spheroid shape of the Earth
(D) gravitational pull of the planet

Ans : (B)

14. Which of the following statements is not correct ?

- (A) The average height of the Western Ghats goes on decreasing towards the south
(B) A part of the Indus basin is shared by Punjab and Haryana
(C) The Indus and the Ganga Brahmaputra river systems together form the great plains of northern India
(D) The Himadri range lies south of the Himachal range

Ans : (A)

15. With regard to the powers of the Rajya Sabha, which one of the following statements is not correct ?

- (A) A Money Bill cannot be introduced in the Rajya Sabha
(B) The Rajya Sabha has no power either to reject or amend a Money Bill
(C) The Rajya Sabha cannot discuss the Annual Financial Statement.
(D) The Rajya Sabha has no power to vote on the Demands for Grants

Ans : (C)

General Knowledge Questions and Answers

16. A floppy disk is–

- (A) used as the primary memory in computer systems
- (B) made up of magnetic material
- (C) a semiconductor random-access memory
- (D) an EPROM

Ans : (B)

17. MDI stands for–

- (A) Multiple Design Interaction
- (B) Multiple Document Interaction
- (C) Multiple Document Interface
- (D) Multiple Design Interface

Ans : (C)

18. Find the odd one out–

- (A) FCI – Financial assistance to commercial institutions
- (B) EXIM Bank – Financing of export-import trade
- (C) IDBI – Industrial Finance
- (D) SIDBI – Financial assistance to small industries

Ans : (A)

19. The Twelfth Five-Year Plan will be operative for the period–

- (A) 2012 – 2017
- (B) 2013 – 2018
- (C) 2010 – 2015
- (D) 2011 – 2016

Ans : (A)

20. The State with largest gap in male and female literacy is–

- (A) Rajasthan
- (B) Kerala
- (C) Uttar Pradesh
- (D) Madhya Pradesh

Ans : (A)

21. ‘God helps those who help themselves’. Who said these words?

- (A) Algernon Sidney
- (B) Nelson Mandela
- (C) Swami Vivekanand
- (D) Andre Maurois

Ans : (A)

22. Mother Teresa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in–

- (A) 1976
- (B) 1979
- (C) 1969
- (D) 1971

Ans : (B)

23. As per 2011 Census results, the density of population in India is–

- (A) 362
- (B) 382
- (C) 325
- (D) 345

Ans : (B)

24. India’s Space Rocket Launching Centre is in–

- (A) Sriharikota
- (B) Port Blair
- (C) Wheeler Island
- (D) Hassan

Ans : (A)

25. Who has been sworn in as the Union Railway Minister after the resignation of Dinesh Trivedi ?

- (A) Muket Rai
- (B) Prasano Dev Barua
- (C) Mukul Roy
- (D) Harihar Banerji

Ans : (C)