

1. Match the lists I and II and select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- | <b>List-I</b>                       | <b>List-II</b> |
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| (1) Unicellular micro organism      | (A) Kiwi       |
| (2) Flightless bird                 | (B) Turtle     |
| (3) Inhabitant on land and in water | (C) Hookworm   |
| (4) Cylindrical and undivided body  | (D) Amoeba     |
- (a) 1-B, 2-D, 3-A, 4-C                      (b) 1-D, 2-A, 3-B, 4-C  
(c) 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D                      (d) 1-C, 2-D, 3-B, 4-A
2. Name the Rig Vedic God who is believed to be the upholder of the "Rta" or Cosmic order
- (a) Agni                                              (b) Soma  
(c) Indra                                              (d) Varuna
3. Name the Mughal queen whose name was written on all the Mughal Farmans and inscribed on the coins
- (a) Nur Jahan                                      (b) Mariam Makani  
(c) Mumtaj Mahal                                (d) None of these
4. Maharaja Ranjit Singh was the chief of
- (a) Nihang Misl                                    (b) Ramgarhia Misl  
(c) Sukerchakia Misl                            (d) Dalewalia Misl
5. What was the Jajmani system of the Mughal period?
- (a) A revenue system in which revenue of different units of land were assigned to officials in lieu of salaries.  
(b) An administrative system in which ranks in term of numbers were assigned to nobles, military commanders and other prominent people for placing them in the official hierarchy  
(c) A reciprocal system that existed in rural India between the peasantry and other occupational groups  
(d) A commercial system that developed in Urban India for facilitating commercial transactions on a large scale
6. Which of the following statements is correct?
- (a) Neither the Finance Commission nor the Planning Commission is a constitutional body  
(b) The scope of the Finance Commission is limited to a review of the revenue segment of the budget while the Planning Commission takes an overall review embracing both capital and revenue requirements of the states  
(c) No one can be a member of both the Finance Commission and the Planning Commission at the same time  
(d) There is no overlapping of work and responsibility of the Finance Commission and those of Planning Commission
7. The member of the Constituent Assembly which drafted the Constitution of India were:
- (a) nominated by the British Parliament  
(b) nominated by the Governor General  
(c) elected by the Legislative Assemblies of various provinces  
(d) elected by the Indian National Congress and Muslim League
8. Which one of the following is a feature common to both the Indian Federation and the American Federation?
- (a) A single citizenship                              (b) Three lists in the Constitution  
(c) Dual Judiciary                                      (d) A Federal Supreme Court to interpret the Constitution

9. The most important Legislative Power of the Governor is  
(a) nominating members to the State Legislature  
(b) issuing ordinances  
(c) assenting bills passed by the State Legislature  
(d) dissolving the State Legislative Assembly
10. Choose the true statement:  
In the event of declaration of constitutional emergency in a State, the President of India can:  
(a) assume to himself all the functions of the State government including the High Court  
(b) declare that the power of the State Legislature shall be exercisable under the authority of the Governor  
(c) Assume to himself all the functions of the State Government except the High Court  
(d) None of these
11. Which of the following expenditures are charged upon the Consolidated Fund of India?  
(1) Allowances of the Chariman of Lok Sabha  
(2) Expenditure relating to the raising of loans and the service and redemption of debt  
(3) Pension of the Judges of High Courts  
(4) Any sum required to satisfy the award of any arbitration tribunal  
(5) Administrative expenses of the office of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India  
(a) 2 and 5  
(b) 1, 2 and 5  
(c) 2, 3 and 4  
(d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
12. Which Article of the Constitution of India says, "No child below the age of 14 years shall be employed to work in any factory or mine or engaged in any other hazardous employment"?  
(a) Article 24  
(b) Article 45  
(c) Article 330  
(d) Article 368
13. The voltage on Overhead Electric Traction on Electrified (other than suburban) Railway Routes is  
(a) 25 kV  
(b) 12 kV  
(c) 122 kV  
(d) 1500 kV
14. The number of corridors planned for construction of Dedicated Freight Corridor Project are:  
(a) Two  
(b) Three  
(c) Four  
(d) Five
15. A passenger is traveling with luggage beyond permissible limit of free travel but within the grace limit. How much fare will be charged from the passenger for extra weight beyond free weight?  
(a) Normal luggage rate  
(b) Two times of the normal rate  
(c) Four times of the normal rate  
(d) None of these
16. Indian Railway network is divided into how many zones and operating divisions?  
(a) 16 zones and 67 divisions  
(b) 9 zones and 60 divisions  
(c) 14 zones and 60 divisions  
(d) None of these
17. Railway Recruitment Board is not located at  
(a) Chennai  
(b) Allahabad  
(c) Gorakhpur  
(d) New Delhi
18. The agency estimating the national income of India is  
(a) Reserve Bank of India  
(b) Planning Commission  
(c) Ministry of Finance  
(d) Central Statistical Organisation

19. Who had defined the poverty line on the basis of recommended nutritional requirement 2400 calories per person per day for rural poor and 2100 calories per person per day for urban areas?  
(a) Minhas (b) Dandekar  
(c) The Planning Commission (d) De-costa
20. Technically, disguised unemployment is defined as a situation in which  
(a) labour is more important factor as compared to capital  
(b) the contribution of labour, in terms of cost is less  
(c) the marginal productivity of labour is zero  
(d) the marginal productivity of capital is zero
21. Temporary tax levied to obtain additional revenue is called  
(a) Cess (b) Fee  
(c) Rate (d) Surcharge
22. In India, present trend of urbanization is due to  
(a) influence of cinema and electronic media  
(b) break up of joint family system  
(c) abolition of Zamindari system  
(d) lack of employment opportunities in rural areas
23. Indian economy is described as a  
(a) socialist economy (b) mixed economy  
(c) capitalist economy (d) None of these
24. Money is  
(a) constant in purchasing power (b) acceptable only when it has intrinsic value  
(c) the most Liquid of all assets (d) None of these
25. Who among the following have been elected as chairperson of the IS-India Business Council (USIBC) on January 23, 2008?  
(a) Indra Nooyi (b) N.R.Narayana Murthy  
(c) Ratan Tata (d) Padma Desai
26. Who won the women's singles title of the Australian Open 2008 in Melbourne on January 26, 2008?  
(a) Maria Sharapova (b) Ana Ivanovic  
(c) Martina Hingis (d) Venus William
27. As per the findings of a research study conducted by WHO and published on January 16, 2008, approximately how many civilians of Iraq lost their lives in three years from March 2003 to June 2006?  
(a) 3,51,000 (b) 1,51,000  
(c) 2,43,000 (d) 5,05,003
28. Which public sector undertaking of India is celebrating its Golden Jubilee Year, 2008?  
(a) GAIL (b) SAIL  
(c) ONGC (d) None of these
29. The process of fission is responsible for the release of energy  
(a) from the sun (b) in hydrogen bomb  
(c) in atom bomb (d) in chemical reaction
30. If a diamagnetic substance is brought near North or South pole of a bar magnet, it is:  
(a) attracted by the poles  
(b) repelled by the poles

- (c) repelled by the North poles and attracted by the South pole  
 (d) attracted by the North pole and replied by the South pole
31. A man can take pictures of those objects which are not fully visible to the eye using camera films acceptable to  
 (a) ultraviolet rays (b) sodium light  
 (c) visible light (d) infra-red rays
32. When we hear a sound, we can identify its source from  
 (a) amplitude of sound (b) intensity of sound  
 (c) wavelength of sound (d) overtones present in the sound
33. Four identical kettles with the same amount of water have bases made of different metals of the same thickness. If these kettles are placed on identical flames in an identical manner, water will boil first in the kettle the base of which is made of  
 (a) brass (b) copper  
 (c) stainless steel (d) aluminium

**ANSWER KEY**

1.	(b)	7.	(c)	13.	(b)	19.	(c)	25.	(b)	31.	(a)
2.	(d)	8.	(d)	14.	(d)	20.	(b)	26.	(a)	32.	(d)
3.	(a)	9.	(d)	15.	(a)	21.	(d)	27.	(c)	33.	(b)
4.	(c)	10.	(b)	16.	(a)	22.	(d)	28.	(b)		
5.	(c)	11.	(d)	17.	(d)	23.	(b)	29.	(c)		
6.	(b)	12.	(a)	18.	(d)	24.	(c)	30.	(a)		