

GENERAL AWARENESS QUESTIONS POSTED IN JANUARY 2018

1. The inscription on the Iron Pillar at Mehrauli in Delhi is related to –
(a) Chandragupta II (b) Chandragupta Maurya (c) Harshavardhana (d) Kanishka
2. In Physics force per unit area is known as –
(a) Energy (b) Pressure (c) Momentum (d) Moment
3. Which of these is not essential for photosynthesis?
(a) Carbon dioxide (b) Water (c) Oxygen (d) Sunlight
4. Who was the first Solicitor General of India?
(a) HN Sanyal (b) Niren De (c) Soli Sorabjee (d) CK Daphtary
5. Prathama Grameen Bank, the first RRB was sponsored by –
(a) Indian Bank (b) Syndicate Bank (c) Canara Bank (d) Bank of India
6. Pather Panchali is a novel written by –
(a) BB Bandopadhyay (b) Bankim C Chatterji (c) Satyajit Ray (d) Rabindranath Tagore
7. Which mountain range forms the conventional boundary between Europe and Asia?
(a) Alps (b) Hindukush (c) Urals (d) Prenees
8. National Judicial Academy is located in –
(a) Dehradun (b) Vadodara (c) Meerut (d) Bhopal
9. Tawi river is the tributary of –
(a) Chenab (b) Jhelum (c) Sutlej (d) Ravi
10. Pondicherry became a part of India in –
(a) 1961 (b) 1962 (c) 1963 (d) 1964
11. The famous Ranganathaswamy Temple is located in –
(a) Tiruchirapalli (b) Thanjavur (c) Kanya Kumari (d) Kanchi
12. Burzahom archaeological site is located in which State?
(a) Haryana (b) Punjab (c) Jammu & Kashmir (d) Rajasthan
13. Buddhist texts, the Tripitakas have been written in which language?

- (a) Prakrit (b) Sanskrit (c) Awadhi (d) Pali
14. Which sanctuary was once home to the migratory Siberian Crane?
- (a) Keoladeo (b) Sariska (c) Manas (d) Kaziranga
15. Which acid is produced in the muscle cells during anaerobic respiration?
- (a) Lactic acid (b) Citric acid (c) Oxalic acid (d) Folic acid
16. The instrument used for measuring the distance travelled by a vehicle is known as
- (a) Speedometer (b) Udometer (c) Anemometer (d) Odometer
17. World Water Day is observed on –
- (a) 22 February (b) 22 March (c) 22 April (d) 22 May
18. Sickle is an agricultural tool used in –
- (a) Threshing (b) Sowing (c) Harvesting (d) Seeding
19. Pulakesin II who defeated Harsha Vardhana belonged to which dynasty?
- (a) Rashtrakuta (b) Chalukya (c) Pandya (d) Chola
20. In which city were the most number of sessions of Indian National Congress held?
- (a) Mumbai (b) Lahore (c) Chennai (d) Kolkata
21. Amir Khusro was the disciple of –
- (a) Moinuddin Chisti (b) Baba Farid (c) Nizamuddin Auliya (d) Sheikh Salim Chisti
22. How many Bharat Ratna awards can be given in a year?
- (a) One (b) Two (c) Three (d) Four
23. The famous ship titanic sank in the –
- (a) Pacific Ocean (b) Atlantic Ocean (c) Arctic Ocean (d) Indian Ocean
24. Spider's web is made from –
- (a) Fat (b) Carbohydrate (c) Protein (d) Saliva
25. The smallest information parcel in a computer is known as –
- (a) Bit (b) Byte (c) Switch (d) Null
26. Total solar eclipse occurs only on –
- (a) Full moon (b) New moon (c) Half moon (d) Anytime

27. In which city is the Film and Television Institute of India located?

- (a) Pune (b) New Delhi (c) Mumbai (d) Ahmedabad

28. Krishna Raja Sagar Dam is built over the river –

- (a) Krishna (b) Kaveri (c) Kabini (d) Periyar

29. Carbon when added to steel makes it more –

- (a) Hard (b) Soft (c) Shiny (d) Dull

30. Which city was the capital of Andhra State from 1953 to 1956?

- (a) Chittoor (b) Guntur (c) Mahbubnagar (d) Kurnool

31. On which continent is the Atlas mountain range located?

- (a) Europe (b) Asia (c) Antarctica (d) Africa

32. In Physics velocity per unit of time is known as –

- (a) Angular velocity (b) Acceleration (c) Momentum (d) Speed

33. A lichen is a composite organism consisting of –

- (a) Algae & Bacteria (b) Bacteria & Virus (c) Virus & Fungi (d) Algae & Fungi

34. The number of incisors in a human being is –

- (a) Eight (b) Six (c) Four (d) Two

35. Ground water stored between layers of rock is known as –

- (a) Geyser (b) Fountain (c) Aquifer (d) Spring

36. Who discovered the process of fermentation?

- (a) Edward Jenner (b) Louis Pasteur (c) Jonas Salk (d) William Harvey

37. Which famous ruler of Delhi was defeated by Pulakesin II?

- (a) Harshavardhana (b) Prithviraj Chauhan (c) Danti Durga (d) Yashovarman

38. Which is India's first UNESCO World Heritage city?

- (a) Hyderabad (b) Lucknow (c) Ahmedabad (d) Agra

39. Who of the following was not sentenced to death?

- (a) Batukeshwar Dutt (b) Khudiram Bose (c) Sukhdev (d) Udham Singh

40. In which country did the metric system of measurement originate?

(a) Greece (b) India (c) China (d) France

41. Ayodhya was the capital of which mahajanapada?

(a) Valsa (b) Kosala (c) Avanti (d) Magadha

42. What is the instrumental error of a metre scale with 1 mm as its smallest division?

(a) 1 mm (b) 2 mm (c) 0.5 mm (d) 0.001 mm

43. Which of these is an autotroph?

(a) Cuscuta (b) Algae (c) Bacteria (d) Mushroom

44. Finger-like structures called villi are found in –

(a) Stomach (b) Oesophagus (c) Large Intestine (d) Small Intestine

45. Patanwadi is a breed of sheep found in –

(a) Rajasthan (b) Punjab (c) Gujarat (d) Uttarakhand

46. Which city was once known as Karnavati?

(a) Ahmedabad (b) Jodhpur (c) Surat (d) Indore

47. Whose verses can be found in the Adigranth, the holy book of Sikhism?

(a) Tulsidas (b) Surdas (c) Mirabai (d) Kabir

48. How many Padma Awards can be given in a year?

(a) 120 (b) 130 (c) 140 (d) 150

49. Which country made the first nuclear power plant?

(a) Russia (b) USA (c) France (d) Germany

50. Nile river empties into the –

(a) Mediterranean Sea (b) Red Sea (c) Gulf of Oman (d) Arabian Sea

51. Which of the following was known as Cape Comorin?

(a) Puducherry (b) Cochin (c) Tutukodi (d) Kanya Kumari

52. Rhea is a flightless bird endemic to which continent?

(a) Africa (b) Australia (c) South America (d) Asia

53. As per Indus Water Treaty, India is allowed to use the waters of –

(a) Sutlej (b) Indus (c) Jhelum (d) Chenab

54. Cyclotrimethylenetrinitramine is more commonly known as –
(a) TNT (b) RDX (c) Dynamite (d) Teflon
55. Who was the first President of All India Muslim League?
(a) MA Jinnah (b) Mohammad Iqbal (c) Sir Aga Khan III (d) Sir Syed Ahmed Khan
56. What was Air India earlier known as?
(a) Tata Airlines (b) British Airlines (c) Royal Airlines (d) Queen's Airlines
57. The first Buddhist council was held at –
(a) Vaisali (b) Patliputra (c) Rajgriha (d) Kashmir
58. The instrument used to measure wind speed is called –
(a) Manometer (b) Anemometer (c) Speedometer (d) Udometer
59. Who of the following accepted Din-i-ilahi, the religion founded by Akbar?
(a) Birbal (b) Tansen (c) Todarmal (d) Man Singh
60. In which month is the earth nearest to the sun?
(a) March (b) January (c) July (d) September
61. Lunar eclipse occurs only on –
(a) Full moon (b) New moon (c) Half moon (d) Anytime
62. One kilogram is equal to –
(a) 2.1 lbs (b) 2.2 lbs (c) 2.3 lbs (d) 2.4 lbs
63. Buckminsterfullerene is an allotrope of which element?
(a) Oxygen (b) Carbon (c) Platinum (d) Gold
64. To which country is the platypus endemic?
(a) Brazil (b) Greenland (c) Australia (d) Angola
65. Mahayana Buddhism came into existence during the _____ Buddhist council.
(a) First (b) Second (c) Third (d) Fourth
66. Which dynasty succeeded the Sunga dynasty?
(a) Kushan (b) Satvahana (c) Rashtrakuta (d) Kanva
67. What is the dimensional formula of area?

(a) L² (b) LB (c) ML (d) LT

68. Rhizobium, the organism found in root nodules of legumes are –

(a) Bacteria (b) Fungi (c) Lichen (d) Algae

69. Sorter's disease (or wool sorter's disease) is a form of –

(a) Malaria (b) Anthrax (c) Plague (d) Tuberculosis

70. The National Civil Defence College is located in –

(a) Jabalpur (b) Mhow (c) Nagpur (d) Dehradun

71. Which city is famous for wine production in India?

(a) Solan (b) Nashik (c) Vadodara (d) Bhopal

72. Khurram, who rebelled against the Mughal Empire was the son of –

(a) Humayun (b) Akbar (c) Jehangir (d) Shah Jahan

73. Who was the first US President to visit India?

(a) DD Eisenhower (b) John F Kennedy (c) Bill Clinton (d) Barak Obama

74. The International Date line passes through which of the following?

(a) Panama Canal (b) Gulf of Mexico (c) English Channel (d) Bering Strait

75. Who of the following gave the slogan Jai Jagat?

(a) Vinobha Bhave (b) Aurobindo Ghosh (c) Mahatma Gandhi (d) Acharya Kriplani

76. The first Jain council was held at –

(a) Vaisali (b) Patliputra (c) Vallabhi (d) Kalinga

77. Error in measurement due to the faulty calibration of an instrument is termed as –

(a) Systemic error (b) Personal error (c) External error (d) Constant error

78. Organisms which take in nutrients from dead and decaying matter are called –

(a) Autotrophs (b) Heterotrophs (c) Saprotrophs (d) Autoheterotrophs

79. Which part of the body mainly absorbs water from undigested food?

(a) Small Intestine (b) Large Intestine (c) Stomach (d) Oesophagus

80. Which river flows into the Caspean Sea?

(a) Ob (b) Volga (c) Rhine (d) Danube

81. Galapagos islands are a part of which country?

- (a) Ecuador (b) Cuba (c) Brazil (d) France

82. National School of Drama is located in –

- (a) Bhopal (b) New Delhi (c) Chandigarh (d) Shimla

83. Who was the founder of the Kushana dynasty?

- (a) Kanishka (b) Manes (c) Kadphises I (d) Huveshka

84. The study of objects at rest is known as –

- (a) Dynamics (b) Kinematics (c) Statistics (d) Statics

85. The total number of molars in the mouth of a human being is –

- (a) Six (b) Eight (c) Ten (d) Twelve

86. Leaves of which tree are mostly used by silkworm farmers?

- (a) Mulberry (b) Peepal (c) Banyan (d) Willow

87. The taste of acids is generally –

- (a) Sweet (b) Salty (c) Sour (d) Bitter

88. Which of the following diseases is not transmitted by air?

- (a) Tuberculosis (b) Malaria (c) Measles (d) Chicken Pox

89. Which city is known all over the world for its diamond cutting and polishing industry?

- (a) Surat (b) Vadodara (c) Junagarh (d) Jamnagar

90. Who wrote the book Bhavarth Ramayan?

- (a) Gyandev (b) Eknath (c) Tukaram (d) Namdev

91. Which Indian king had set up a council of 8 members called the Ashta Pradhan?

- (a) Sri Krishna Deva Raya (b) Harshavardhan (c) Prithviraj Chauhan (d) Shivaji

92. The atmospheric pressure at sea level is –

- (a) 720 mm (b) 740 mm (c) 760 mm (d) 780 mm

93. Pitchblende is a source of which element?

- (a) Thorium (b) Uranium (c) Carbon (d) Zinc

94. Who of the following was awarded the Kaiser-i-hind by the British?

(a) Mahatma Gandhi (b) Jawaharlal Nehru (c) Vallabhbhai Patel (d) Lala Lajpat Rai

95. One ounce is equal to (approximately) –

(a) 24 gms (b) 26 gms (c) 28 gms (d) 30 gms

96. Which continent has the highest number of countries?

(a) Asia (b) Europe (c) Africa (d) North America

97. Which year marked the beginning of the space age?

(a) 1954 (b) 1955 (c) 1956 (d) 1957

98. Gita Press, the world's largest publisher of Hindu religious texts is located in –

(a) Haridwar (b) Gorakhpur (c) Varanasi (d) Gaya

99. In which city is the Open Hand Monument located?

(a) Jaipur (b) Puducherry (c) Chandigarh (d) Cuttack

100. Pencillium from which an antibiotic is obtained is a type of –

(a) Bacteria (b) Virus (c) Algae (d) Fungus

101. Who among the following was the first to lead an expedition to conquer India?

(a) Alexander (b) Darius (c) Xerxes (d) Cyrus

102. LT^2 is the dimensional formula for –

(a) Velocity (b) Momentum (c) Acceleration (d) Force

103. Litmus used as an indicator for acids and bases is extracted from –

(a) Plants (b) Rocks (c) Insects (d) Lichens

104. Which of the following is a Kharif crop?

(a) Wheat (b) Gram (c) Mustard (d) Paddy

105. In which city did the game of badminton originate?

(a) Pune (b) Vadodara (c) Roorkee (d) Shimla

106. The time difference between two consecutive degrees of longitude is –

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

107. The bhajan Vaihnav jan to kene kahiye was written by –

(a) Tulsidas (b) Surdas (c) Eknath (d) Narsinh Mehta

121. The capital of Magadha under Bimbisara was –

- (a) Patliputra (b) Ayodhyay (c) Rajgriha (d) Kausambi

122. Which of the following is a vector quantity?

- (a) Speed (b) Velocity (c) Distance (d) Mass

123. Oxalic acid is found in –

- (a) Oranges (b) Coconut (c) Grapes (d) Spinach

124. Which type of soil has the highest water holding capacity?

- (a) Clayey (b) Laterite (c) Sandy (d) Loamy

125. Which of the following metals does not have the property of being sonorous?

- (a) Iron (b) Zinc (c) Sodium (d) Copper

126. Which city is known for the production of prosthetic leg for people with below-knee amputations?

- (a) Jodhpur (b) Kota (c) Jabalpur (d) Jaipur

127. Sargasso Sea is a part of –

- (a) Atlantic Ocean (b) Indian Ocean (c) Pacific Ocean (d) Arctic Ocean

128. One Mile is equal to –

- (a) 1.4 km (b) 1.5 km (c) 1.6 km (d) 1.7 km

129. In which city is the Open Hand Monument located?

- (a) Jaipur (b) Puducherry (c) Chandigarh (d) Cuttack

130. Pashmina shawls are made from wool obtained from

- (a) Sheep (b) Yak (c) Llama (d) Goat

131. Lime water is _____ in nature.

- (a) Acidic (b) Alkaline (c) Inert (d) Volatile

132. Which is the male reproductive part of a flower?

- (a) Stamen (b) Pistil (c) Stigma (d) Style

133. The great Stupa of Sanchi was built during the rule of -

- (a) Chandragupta Maurya (b) Bindusara (c) Ashoka (d) Kanishka

134. Which of the following breathes through its skin?

(a) Grasshopper (b) Earthworm (c) Sparrow (d) Cockroach

135. What is the dimensional formula for density?

(a) LT^{-2} (b) ML^{-2} (c) ML^{-3} (d) MLT

136. What is the escape velocity on the Earth?

(a) 8 km/s (b) 9.5 km/s (c) 11.2 km/s (d) 13.7 km/s

137. In which city is the winter session of Maharashtra Assembly held?

(a) Nagpur (b) Pune (c) Mumbai (d) Nashik

138. Which is the northernmost island of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands?

(a) Havelock island (b) Landfall island (c) Barren island (d) Neil island

139. Mercalli scale is used to measure –

(a) Earthquake (b) Radiation (c) Humidity (d) Rainfall

140. Silicon valley is located in which State of the United States of America?

(a) Texas (b) California (c) Florida (d) Colorado

141. Cape Agulhas is the southernmost tip of which continent?

(a) South America (b) Africa (c) Australia (d) Asia

142. How many rows does the periodic table have?

(a) Four (b) Five (c) Six (d) Seven

143. What is the percentage of oxygen in the atmosphere?

(a) 17% (b) 19% (c) 21% (d) 23%

144. Which is the longest stretch of the Golden Quadrilateral?

(a) Delhi to Kolkata (b) Chennai to Mumbai (c) Kolkata to Chennai (d) Mumbai to Delhi

145. As per Indus Water Treaty with Paksitan, India is NOT allowed to use the waters of –

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

146. Which book describes how Chandragupta and Chanakya overthrew the Nandas?

(a) Mudrarakshasa (b) Arthashastra (c) Indica (d) Buddhacharitam

147. The study of motion of objects without reference to the reason behind the motion is known as –

(a) Dynamics (b) Kinematics (c) Kinetics (d) Statics

148. The number of chromosomes in a person affected with Downs Syndrome is –

- (a) 47 (b) 45 (c) 46 (d) 48

149. Magnetic effect of an electric current was first discovered by –

- (a) Maxwell (b) Fleming (c) Oersted (d) Ohm

150. Who founded the Kashi Vidyapeeth in Varanasi in 1921?

- (a) Bhagwan Das (b) MM Malviya (c) Rabindranath Tagore (d) Mahatma Gandhi

Answers

1. a	2. b	3. c	4. d	5. b	6. a	7. c	8. d	9. a	10. b
11. a	12. c	13. d	14. a	15. a	16. d	17. b	18. c	19. b	20. d
21. c	22. d	23. b	24. c	25. a	26. b	27. a	28. b	29. a	30. d
31. d	32. b	33. d	34. a	35. c	36. b	37. a	38. c	39. a	40. d
41. b	42. c	43. b	44. d	45. c	46. a	47. d	48. a	49. a	50. a
51. d	52. c	53. a	54. b	55. c	56. a	57. c	58. b	59. a	60. b
61. a	62. b	63. b	64. c	65. d	66. d	67. a	68. a	69. b	70. c
71. b	72. c	73. a	74. d	75. a	76. b	77. a	78. c	79. b	80. b
81. a	82. b	83. c	84. d	85. d	86. a	87. c	88. b	89. a	90. b
91. d	92. c	93. b	94. a	95. c	96. c	97. d	98. b	99. c	100. d
101. b	102. c	103. d	104. d	105. a	106. a	107. a	108. c	109. b	110. d
111. b	112. a	113. b	114. a	115. d	116. c	117. a	118. d	119. b	120. c
121. c	122. b	123. d	124. a	125. c	126. d	127. a	128. c	129. c	130. d
131. b	132. a	133. d	134. b	135. c	136. c	137. a	138. b	139. a	140. b
141. b	142. d	143. c	144. c	145. d	146. a	147. b	148. a	149. c	150. a

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