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1. How many types of Purohitas are described in the *Rig Veda* for Yajna (Sacrificial priests)?

(A) Four

(B) Five

(C) Six

(D) Seven

2. Which one among the following animals is **not** depicted in Sanchi Stupa's sculpture?

(A) Fish

(B) Snake

(C) Tortoise

(D) Monkey

3. Who among the following was the founder of Kardamaka line of Shaka dynasty?

(A) Chastana

(B) Rudradaman I

(C) Nahapana

(D) Jayadaman

4. How many types of land are described in *Amarakosha*?

(A) Ten

(B) Twelve

(C) Fourteen

(D) Six

5. In which language was Kalinga King Kharavela's Hathigumpha Prashasti inscribed?

(A) Prakrit

(B) Pali

(C) Sanskrit

(D) Tamil

6. Who wrote *Prakrita Prakasha*?

(A) Patanjali

(B) Panini

(C) Vararuchi

(D) Amar Singh

7. By which name were Gupta gold coins mentioned in their inscriptions?

- (A) Karshapana
- (B) Pana
- (C) Satman
- (D) Dinar

8. The content of Sandhyakar Nandi's famous book, *Ramacharit* is associated with

- (A) Ramapala of Pala dynasty
- (B) Vikramaditya VI of Chalukya dynasty
- (C) Ramachandra of Gurjara-Pratihara dynasty
- (D) Bhoj of Parmar dynasty

9. Name the first person who propounded the principle of 'Wahdat-ul-Wujud' in Sufi world.

- (A) Ibn al-Arabi
- (B) Jalaluddin Rumi
- (C) Fareed ud-Din Attar
- (D) Mansoor Hallaj

10. Name the author of the book, *Rag Vibodh*.

- (A) Somnath
- (B) Kalhana
- (C) Amir Khusrow
- (D) Sharangdev

11. Who among the following rulers constructed 'Hauz-i-Shamsi' near to Qutub Minar?

- (A) Qutubuddin Aibak
- (B) Iltutmish
- (C) Balban
- (D) Firoz Shah Tughlaq

12. Who among the following rulers started to use the 'Anna' currency?

- (A) Akbar
- (B) Jahangir
- (C) Shah Jahan
- (D) Aurangzeb

13. Who wrote *Khulasat-ut-Tawarikh*?

- (A) Sujana Rai Khatri
- (B) Shrikant
- (C) Abul Fazl
- (D) Khafi Khan

14. In which year was the Satnam Panth (Sect) founded?

- (A) 1657 AD
- (B) 1668 AD
- (C) 1672 AD
- (D) 1690 AD

15. In which year was Surendranath Banerjee terminated from Civil Services?

- (A) 1872 AD
- (B) 1874 AD
- (C) 1877 AD
- (D) 1884 AD

16. Who founded the United Patriotic Association?

- (A) Sir Sayyid Ahmad
- (B) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- (C) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- (D) Dadabhai Naoroji

17. The Tebhaga Movement was associated with

- (A) peasants
- (B) workers
- (C) Dalits
- (D) students

18. Which among the following issued 'non-Brahmin manifesto'?

- (A) Dravid Association
- (B) South Indian Liberal Federation
- (C) Satyashodhak Samaj
- (D) None of the above

19. Who was the author of *Bharat Durdasha*?

- (A) Bharatendu Harishchandra
- (B) Muhammad Hussain Azad
- (C) Khwaja Altaf Hussain
- (D) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee

20. In which year was the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act passed?

- (A) 1879 AD
- (B) 1895 AD
- (C) 1902 AD
- (D) 1905 AD

21. Who called the Preamble to the Constitution as 'India's political horoscope'?

- (A) K. M. Munshi
- (B) Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
- (C) Acharya Kripalani
- (D) Jawaharlal Nehru

22. Who called the Directive Principles of State Policy as 'charter of social and economic democracy in India'?

- (A) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (B) Dr. Rajendra Prasad
- (C) Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
- (D) None of them

23. Which of the following prerogative writs issued by the Court directs the concerned authority to do something immediately?

- (A) Certiorari
- (B) Quo warranto
- (C) Habeas corpus
- (D) Mandamus

24. Which one of the following Articles of the Indian Constitution is associated with the process of impeachment of the President of India?

- (A) Article 53
- (B) Article 58
- (C) Article 61
- (D) Article 62

25. On which bill the President of India may exercise his veto power?

- (A) Money Bill
- (B) Non-money Bill
- (C) Finance Bill
- (D) Constitutional Amendment Bill

26. Who among the following can increase the number of Judges of the Supreme Court?

- (A) The President
- (B) The Vice President
- (C) The Prime Minister
- (D) The Parliament

27. What is the maximum strength of the elected members of the Rajya Sabha?

- (A) 250
- (B) 238
- (C) 225
- (D) None of the above

28. Who among the following can create or abolish a Legislative Council in a State?

- (A) The President
- (B) The Prime Minister
- (C) The Parliament
- (D) The Chief Minister

29. Who was the first Chairman of the Backward Commission?
- (A) B. P. Mandal
 - (B) Kaka Kalelkar
 - (C) Jagjivan Ram
 - (D) K. M. Munshi
30. Who is the author of *Caste in Indian Politics*?
- (A) Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
 - (B) M. N. Srinivas
 - (C) Rajni Kothari
 - (D) M. M. Negi
31. By which of the following constitutional amendments the women got reservation in the Panchayati Raj Institutions?
- (A) 42nd
 - (B) 65th
 - (C) 73rd
 - (D) None of the above
32. What is the minimum age of a person to become the Prime Minister of India?
- (A) 25 years
 - (B) 35 years
 - (C) 50 years
 - (D) 65 years
33. Article 312 of the Indian Constitution is associated with
- (A) The President
 - (B) New All India Services
 - (C) The Supreme Court
 - (D) None of the above
34. Who heads the National Human Rights Commission of India?
- (A) The President
 - (B) The Chief Justice of India
 - (C) The Prime Minister
 - (D) The Ex. Chief Justice of India
35. Who among the following recognizes the level of political parties?
- (A) The Finance Commission
 - (B) The President
 - (C) The Election Commission
 - (D) The Supreme Court

36. Which is the first Asian nation to legalize the same sex marriage?

- (A) Taiwan
- (B) Indonesia
- (C) South Korea
- (D) Japan

37. Who is the first woman of Indian origin to become the Home Secretary of Britain?

- (A) Nikki Haley
- (B) Neomi Rao
- (C) Manisha Singh
- (D) Priti Patel

38. Which is the Oscar winning animated feature film of 2019?

- (A) *Missing Link*
- (B) *Spider-Man*
- (C) *Toy Story 4*
- (D) *I Lost My Body*

39. Who is the richest man of Europe?

- (A) Jeff Bezos
- (B) Bill Gates
- (C) Bernard Arnault
- (D) Hinduja Brothers

40. UAE has announced that Hindi will be henceforth the third official language in the country at

- (A) Abu Dhabi
- (B) Ajman
- (C) Dubai
- (D) Fujairah

41. Who certifies the Money Bill in India?

- (A) The President
- (B) The Vice President
- (C) The Speaker
- (D) The Council of Ministers

42. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Vigilance Commissioner of India?

- (A) Sharad Kapoor
- (B) Sharad Kumar
- (C) Sharad Sawhney
- (D) Sanjay Kothari

43. Which country has become the world's most competitive economy in 2019?

- (A) USA
- (B) China
- (C) Netherlands
- (D) Singapore

44. Who is the author of the book, *Gun Island*?

- (A) Arun Kumar
- (B) Yashwant Sinha
- (C) Amitav Ghosh
- (D) Githa Hariharan

45. The United States of America has abandoned the nuclear deal in 2019 with which country for participating financing and promoting terrorism?

- (A) Iraq
- (B) Iran
- (C) Syria
- (D) Afghanistan

46. Which is the India's first State to enter into Masala bond market?

- (A) Gujarat
- (B) Tamil Nadu
- (C) Kerala
- (D) Maharashtra

47. Which country's population is expected to shrink by 2.2 per cent between 2019 and 2050?

- (A) India
- (B) Russia
- (C) China
- (D) Nigeria

48. Who has won the Dan David Prize for his book for the year 2019?

- (A) Imtiaz Ahmad
- (B) Romila Thapar
- (C) S. N. Mukherji
- (D) Sanjay Subrahmanyam

49. Which rank India has got among 129 countries in Global Gender Equality Index, 2019?

- (A) 93rd
- (B) 94th
- (C) 95th
- (D) 96th

50. Which country has approved MOU with India for developing, promoting and strengthening cooperation between the judicial systems of the two countries?

- (A) Thailand
- (B) Nepal
- (C) Myanmar
- (D) Morocco

51. Who has been conferred with France's highest Civilian Award 'Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur'?

- (A) A. S. Kiran Kumar, Former Chairman, ISRO
- (B) G. Satheesh Reddy, Chairman, DRDO
- (C) K. Sivan, Chairman, ISRO
- (D) Wallace Smith Broecker, Scientist

52. Who became the first Indian to clinch a gold medal in the World Wushu Championship in October 2019?

- (A) Pravesh Kumar
- (B) Prateek Kumar
- (C) Praveen Kumar
- (D) Raunak Sadhwani

53. Which committee recommended for the first time the creation of the post of Chief of Defence Staff for the three services?

- (A) Naresh Chandra Committee
- (B) D. B. Shekatkar Committee
- (C) K. Subrahmanyam Committee
- (D) Cabinet Committee

54. Which committee / council trimmed the rate of electric vehicles to 5 percent?

- (A) Cabinet Committee
- (B) GST Council
- (C) Finance Committee
- (D) Joint Parliamentary Committee

55. How many zonal teams compete for the Championship of Duleep Trophy?

- (A) Four
- (B) Five
- (C) Six
- (D) Seven

56. Jaundice, an infectious disease, spreads through

- (A) water
- (B) air
- (C) soil
- (D) skin

57. A barometer is used for measuring

- (A) direction of wind
- (B) temperature
- (C) rainwater
- (D) atmospheric pressure

58. Biological preservative chiefly contains

- (A) ethyl alcohol
- (B) formaldehyde
- (C) ammonia
- (D) chlorine

59. The process of adding sulfur to heated rubber is known as

- (A) sulfonation
- (B) sulfuration
- (C) vulcanization
- (D) sulfation

60. Stainless steel is an alloy of iron mainly with

- (A) zinc
- (B) copper
- (C) chromium
- (D) magnesium

61. The main ingredient of biodegradable plastic is

- (A) leather
- (B) vegetable oil
- (C) sodium chloride
- (D) corn starch

62. 'Cystitis', an infection, is related to

- (A) urinary bladder
- (B) liver
- (C) lung
- (D) kidney

63. The radioactive element, used for treating hyperthyroidism, is
- (A) cobalt-60
 - (B) iodine-131
 - (C) iron-59
 - (D) gold-198
64. 'Yeast', used in making bread, is
- (A) seed
 - (B) bacteria
 - (C) plant
 - (D) fungus
65. The antifreeze used in automobiles chiefly contains
- (A) water
 - (B) acetone
 - (C) ethylene glycol
 - (D) ethyl alcohol
66. The scientists who study about weather are called as
- (A) seismologists
 - (B) anthropologists
 - (C) oncologists
 - (D) meteorologists
67. The alkaloid extracted from tobacco leaves is
- (A) caffeine
 - (B) nicotine
 - (C) morphine
 - (D) atropine
68. The blood cells, called as soldiers of the body, are
- (A) RBC
 - (B) WBC
 - (C) platelets
 - (D) plasma
69. Among the following, which is **not** a primary colour?
- (A) Blue
 - (B) Green
 - (C) Red
 - (D) Yellow
70. In endothermic reactions
- (A) heat is absorbed
 - (B) heat is evolved
 - (C) temperature is increased
 - (D) light is produced



71. The gastric juice chiefly contains

- (A) acetic acid
- (B) citric acid
- (C) hydrochloric acid
- (D) sulphuric acid

72. The blood pressure is controlled by

- (A) adrenal gland
- (B) pancreas gland
- (C) thalamus gland
- (D) thyroid gland

73. Minimum environmental pollution will be caused by

- (A) coal
- (B) diesel
- (C) hydrogen
- (D) kerosene

74. The heaviest metal among the following is

- (A) iron
- (B) mercury
- (C) nickel
- (D) osmium

75. The rusting of iron is an example of

- (A) oxidation
- (B) reduction
- (C) polymerization
- (D) galvanization

76. If the length of a wire is doubled, its resistance will become

- (A) half
- (B) nil
- (C) four times
- (D) doubled

77. Which of the following is used in ordinary pencils?

- (A) Graphite
- (B) Silicon
- (C) Lead
- (D) Charcoal

78. Heavy water is
(A) tap water
(B) lake water
(C) deuterium oxide
(D) river water
79. Non-stick cooking utensils are coated with a layer of
(A) polystyrene
(B) PVC
(C) black paint
(D) Teflon
80. Detergents used for cleaning are
(A) nitrates
(B) carbonates
(C) sulphonates
(D) bicarbonates
81. Iodine test is used to detect
(A) fat
(B) carbohydrate
(C) protein
(D) cholesterol
82. The first synthetic fibre prepared was
(A) rayon
(B) nylon
(C) terycott
(D) polyester
83. *Azadirachta indica* is the scientific name used for
(A) tulsi
(B) neem
(C) aloe vera
(D) silver oak
84. The blood group considered to be universal donor is
(A) O
(B) AB
(C) B+
(D) A
85. A common TV set remote control uses which one of the following waves?
(A) Lasers
(B) Ultrasonic waves
(C) Infrared waves
(D) Radio waves

86. The southern part of eastern coastal plain of India is known as
- Malabar Coast
 - Coromandel Coast
 - Northern Circars
 - Konkan Coast
87. Zaskar and Shyok are the tributaries of the river
- Jhelum
 - Chenab
 - Ravi
 - Indus
88. What is the main source of winter rainfall in northwest India?
- Norwesters
 - Western disturbances
 - Winter monsoon
 - Retreating monsoon
89. Simlipal National Park is located in ____ district of Odisha.
- Bhadrak
 - Cuttack
 - Sambalpur
 - Mayurbhanj
90. Which of the following pulses is **not** a Kharif crop?
- Tur
 - Urad
 - Masoor
 - Moong
91. Which of the following States is **not** counted among the leading producers of copper?
- Karnataka
 - Madhya Pradesh
 - Jharkhand
 - Rajasthan
92. Mikir Hills are located in the State of
- Tripura
 - Arunachal Pradesh
 - Meghalaya
 - Sikkim
93. Name the State in northeastern India that had largest number of Scheduled Tribe population in 2011.
- Meghalaya
 - Nagaland
 - Mizoram
 - Assam
94. What types of rural settlements are 'Dera' in Punjab, 'Dhani' in Rajasthan and 'Garhi' in Haryana?
- Segregated settlements
 - Compact settlements
 - Dispersed settlements
 - Hamleted settlements

95. Which of the following pairs is a mismatch?

Cattle Breed	State
(A) Gir	Gujarat
(B) Nagori	Rajasthan
(C) Tharparkar	Maharashtra
(D) Hallikar	Karnataka

96. In which States of India, Scheduled Caste population constitutes more than 25 percent of total population?

- (A) Punjab and Uttar Pradesh
- (B) Punjab and Himachal Pradesh
- (C) Punjab and West Bengal
- (D) Punjab and Haryana

97. Which forest type covers largest forest area in India?

- (A) Tropical wet evergreen forests
- (B) Tropical semi-evergreen forests
- (C) Tropical moist deciduous forests
- (D) Tropical dry deciduous forests

98. Which of the following pairs is a mismatch?

Multipurpose Project	State
(A) Koyna Project	Kerala
(B) Tawa Project	Madhya Pradesh
(C) Rihand Project	Uttar Pradesh
(D) Kakrapar Project	Gujarat

99. Which of the following ports of India is **not** located on the West Coast?

- (A) Jawaharlal Nehru Port
- (B) Kandla Port
- (C) New Mangalore Port
- (D) Ennore Port

100. In which State is Khambhat region located?

- (A) Goa
- (B) Gujarat
- (C) Madhya Pradesh
- (D) Rajasthan

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9	24	74	89	A
10	25	75	90	A
11	26	76	91	B
12	27	77	92	C
13	28	78	93	A
14	29	79	94	A
15	30	80	95	B
16	31	81	96	A
17	32	82	97	A
18	33	83	98	B
19	34	84	99	A
20	35	85	100	A
21	36	86	1	A
22	37	87	2	C
23	38	88	3	D
24	39	89	4	C
25	40	90	5	B
26	41	91	6	D
27	42	92	7	B
28	43	93	8	C
29	44	94	9	B
30	45	95	10	C
31	46	96	11	C
32	47	97	12	A
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35	50	100	15	C
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44	59	9	24	C
45	60	10	25	B
46	61	11	26	C
47	62	12	27	C
48	63	13	28	D
49	64	14	29	C
50	65	15	30	D
51	66	16	31	A
52	67	17	32	C
53	68	18	33	C
54	69	19	34	B
55	70	20	35	B
56	71	21	36	A
57	72	22	37	D
58	73	23	38	B
59	74	24	39	C
60	75	25	40	C
61	76	26	41	D
62	77	27	42	A
63	78	28	43	B
64	79	29	44	D
65	80	30	45	C
66	81	31	46	D
67	82	32	47	B
68	83	33	48	B
69	84	34	49	D
70	85	35	50	A
71	86	36	51	C
72	87	37	52	A
73	88	38	53	C
74	89	39	54	D
75	90	40	55	A
76	91	41	56	D
77	92	42	57	A
78	93	43	58	C
79	94	44	59	D

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82	97	47	62	B
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84	99	49	64	A
85	100	50	65	C
86	1	51	66	B
87	2	52	67	D
88	3	53	68	B
89	4	54	69	D
90	5	55	70	C
91	6	56	71	A
92	7	57	72	C
93	8	58	73	D
94	9	59	74	A
95	10	60	75	C
96	11	61	76	B
97	12	62	77	D
98	13	63	78	A
99	14	64	79	D
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