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1. The theory which presented the slogan, “greatest happiness of the greatest number”:
A) Idealism B) Realism
C) Materialism D) Utilitarianism

2. A pragmatic philosophical approach which regards an activity chiefly as an instrument or tool for some practical purpose:
A) Instrumentalism B) Utilitarianism
C) Materialism D) Hedonism

3. -----is the meta ethical view that moral judgments do not function as statements of fact but rather as expressions of the speaker's or writer's feelings.
A) Intuitionism B) Prescriptivism
C) Descriptivism D) Emotivism

4. Who advocated Prescriptivism through the work *The Language of Morals*?
A) R.M. Hare B) G.E. Moore
C) A.J. Ayer D) Henry Sidgwick

5. Moore argued against any attempt to define the word good in terms of some natural quality—i.e., a naturally occurring property or state, such as pleasure. This is commonly referred as::
A) Common fallacy B) Fallacy of hasty generalisation
C) Naturalistic fallacy D) Improper fallacy

6. The author of *The Logical Syntax of Language*:
A) A J. Ayer B) F.H. Bradley
C) J.S. Mill D) Roudolf Carnap

7. Withholding or limiting self-sustaining a treatment so that a person passes away quickly is known as-----euthanasia.
A) Active B) Passive
C) Voluntary D) Non-voluntary

8. What does IVF refer to?
A) Intra Venal Fertilisation B) In Virtuo Fertilisation
C) Intra Vaginal Fertilisation D) In Virtuo Fertilisation

9. Find the **wrong** pair:
A) The Principles of Mathematics - Russell
B) The Language Truth and Logic - Ayer
C) Appearance and Reality - C.L.Stevenson
D) Philosophical Investigations - Wittgenstein

10. Examine the following statements and find out whether they are true or false.

1. Environmental Ethics studies the relationship between Humans to Environment and non-human areas.
2. Rachael Carson's Silent Spring has made profound influence on development of environmental ethics.
3. Anthropocentrism is the belief that all living beings have inherent value.
4. The concept of Deep ecology was proposed by Arne Naess.

A) 1, 2, 3 are false and 4 is true
B) 1, 2, 4 are true and 3 is false
C) All statements are true
D) All statements are false

11. The name of the movement Chipko comes from the word-----, as the villagers hugged the trees and encircled them.

A) Embrace B) Protect C) Conserve D) Respect.

12. Ecosophy T is Arne Naess' personal ecosophy. What does letter T represent?

A) Terrestrial mountain hut B) Mountain hut Tevergastein
C) Mountain hut Torrential D) Mountain hut Tartagal.

13. -----is the use of cell phones or other social networking sites to harass or threaten someone.

A) Cyber hacking B) Cyber phishing
C) Cyber spoofing D) Cyber bullying

14. Arne Næss was a ----- philosopher who coined the term "deep ecology".

A) German B) Norwegian C) French D) Dutch

15. The early Vedic god who maintains cosmic and moral order and represents the sky and is the god of heavenly light:

A) Mitra B) Varuna C) Agni D) Soma

16. The early Vedic expression *gopā rtasya* refers to-----of rta.

A) Guardians B) Practisers C) Followers D) Critics

17. The conception of *Tad Ekam* was a pointer to the----conception of later Vedic thought.

A) Monotheistic B) Pantheistic
C) Polytheistic D) Monistic

18. The dialogue between Uddalaka and Svetaketu has been depicted in ----Upanisad.

A) Isa B) Chandogya C) Katha D) Kena

19. The slogan *Aham Brahmasmi* appears in ---- Upanisad.

A) Brahadaranyaka B) Kena
C) Chandogya D) Taitteriya

20. Find out the **wrong** pair from the following.

A) Goddess Aditi	-	Boundless
B) Visvakarman	-	Creator of Universe
C) Prajapati	-	Father God
D) Varuna	-	God of the earth

21. Who among the following is regarded as the founder of Carvāka school?

A) Badarayana	B) Brhaspati	C) Kapila	D) Patanjali.
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22. Which one of the following does **not** belong to Avasthatraya?

A) Svapna	B) Jagrat	C) Prajña	D) Susupti
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23. Match the following:

a. Annamya kosa	1. Mental sheath
b. Pranamaya kosa	2. Self-conscious sheath
c. Manomaya kosa	3. Life force sheath
d. Vijnanamaya kosa	4. Physical sheath

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

24. Which one of the following is a key concept of Visiṭādvaita which refers to the doctrine of internal relation of inseparability?

A) Aprathak-siddhi	B) Apravrtti
C) Apratyaksha	D) Aprasiddha

25. The concept of *Pancabhēdas* was developed by ----Vedānta.

A) Visiṭādvaita	B) Dvaita
C) Advaita	D) Dvaitādvaita

26. -----reasoning is a type of unscientific induction based on resemblances.

A) Comparative	B) Analytical
C) Analogical	D) Hypothetical

27. *"If two or more instances of the phenomenon under investigation have only one circumstance in common, the circumstance in which alone all the instances agree is the cause or effect of the given phenomenon."*
This cannon refers to which method of J.S. Mill?

A) Method of agreement
B) Method of difference
C) Joint method of agreement and difference
D) Method of residues

28. Choose the correct sequence of stages of scientific induction.

A) Observation, Verification, Hypothesis, Proof
B) Hypothesis, Observation, Verification, Proof
C) Verification, Hypothesis, Observation, Proof
D) Observation, Hypothesis, Verification, Proof

29. A truth-functional connective that means “and” represented by the symbol dot• is referred as-----.
A) Disjunction B) Conjunction
C) Combination D) Equivalence

30. A -----statement form has some true and some false substitution instances.
A) Ordinary B) Affirmative C) Contingent D) Mixed

31. Identify the rule of inference
$$\begin{array}{l} p \vee q \\ \sim p \\ \therefore q \end{array}$$

A) Modus ponens B) Modus Tollens
C) Hypothetical Syllogism D) Disjunctive syllogism

32. Explain the following expression of De Morgan’s Law
$$\text{not}(A \text{ and } B) = (\text{not } A) \text{ or } (\text{not } B)$$

A) Negation of a conjunction is the disjunction of negations.
B) Negation of disjunction is the equivalence of negations.
C) Disjunction of a negation is the conjunction of negations.
D) Disjunction of conjunction is the negation of conjunctions.

33. A person X compares two individuals on the basis of resemblances of their physical features, financial status, family background, and education. One of them have extra ordinary efficiency in management. Therefore person X concludes that other will also have the same efficiency as both of them have similarities in other areas mentioned. This type of reasoning is called -----analogy.
A) Strong B) Weak C) Unsound D) Hybrid

34. The concept of -----value has been explained in terms of the value that something has in itself or for its own sake.
A) Extrinsic B) Intrinsic C) Instrumental D) Practical

35. Name the branch of a discipline that deals with philosophical study of value.
A) Teleology B) Ontology C) Deontology D) Axiology

36. Match the following:

a. Aristotle	1. My Station and its Duties
b. Kant	2. Eudaimonia
c. Mill	3. Utilitarianism
d. Bradley	4. Deontology

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

37. Kant proposed a concept which denotes an unconditional moral obligation which is binding in all circumstances and is not dependent on a person's inclination or purpose. What is the name of this concept?
 A) Hypothetical imperative B) Categorical imperative
 C) Epistemological imperative D) Axiological imperative

38. What is the meaning of arete for Aristotle?
 A) Virtue B) Character C) Conduct D) Will

39. According to Bradley when there is a conflict of duties, one should appeal to ----- duty.
 A) Common B) Special C) Supreme D) New

40. The Suddhādvaita system was propounded by:
 A) Madhva B) Ramanuja C) Vallabha D) Nimbarka

41. According to Jainism, a particular view point or opinion is technically referred as:
 A) Naya B) Nyāya C) Nada D) Nidāna

42. Which one of the following is a **wrong** statement?
 A) According to Epiphenomenalism, mind is a byproduct of matter.
 B) Nyāya theory of causation is Asatkāryavāda.
 C) One of the sections of Sāmkhya sūtras is Kaivalyapāda.
 D) Exponent of Vaisesika system is Kanada.

43. Means of valid knowledge refers to:
 A) Pramāna B) Prameya C) Pramāta D) Prama

44. Nothing remains stationary for two moments. All thing undergo constant flux. This this conception discussed in Buddhism is:
 A) Ksanikavāda B) Anekantavāda
 C) Nairātmyavāda D) Syādvāda

45. According to Nyāya system sāmānyalaksana is a type of -----perception.
 A) Ordinary B) Extraordinary C) Sensory D) Immediate

46. According to Nyāya theory of causation, threads are the inherent cause of the cloth and clay is the inherent cause of pot. The technical name of this kind of cause is:
 A) Samavāyi kārana B) Asamavāyi kārana
 C) Nimitta kārana D) Vyabhichari Kārana

47. Match the following:
 a. Nyāya 1. Jaimini
 b. Yoga 2. Kapila
 c. Sāmkhya 3. Patanjali
 d. Mīmamsa 4. Gotama
 A) a-3, b-4, c-1, d-2 B) a-3, b-1, c-2, d-4
 C) a-4, b-3, c-1, d-2 D) a-4, b-3, c-2, d-1

48. Kumarilla admits non-apprehension as an independent Pramāna. This is called----.
A) Arthapatti B) Abhāva C) Anupalabdhi D) Anumāna

49. Dance is presented through dramatised and idealised mode of communication. It is known as-----.
A) Nātya dharmi B) Loka dharmi
C) Chitrabhinaya D) Anga-pratyanga

50. A commentary on Nātyasāstra is Abhinavabharati. Who is the author of this commentary?
A) Anandavardhana B) Bahama
C) Dandin D) Abhinava Gupta

51. If two propositions are connected by *If---then*, then the proposition is called----.
A) Categorical B) Disjunctive
C) Universal D) Hypothetical

52. Which one of the following determines a simple dilemma?
A) Conclusion will be categorical
B) Conclusion will be hypothetical
C) Minor premise affirms the antecedents
D) Minor denies the consequents

53. *Fever is caused by the anger of evil spirits.* Identify the type of hypothesis:
A) Working hypothesis B) Rival hypothesis
C) False hypothesis D) Barren hypothesis

54. A proved hypothesis is called:
A) Theory B) Conjecture C) Law D) Assertion

55. Find the fallacy in the following argument.
If it rains, the ground will be wet.
It does not rain.
Therefore the ground is not wet..

A) Fallacy of affirming the antecedent
B) Fallacy of affirming the consequent
C) Fallacy of denying the antecedent
D) Fallacy of denying the consequent.

56. Find out the fallacy in the following syllogism.
All painters are creative
All scientists are creative.
All scientists are painters.

A) Fallacy of Undistributed middle.
B) Fallacy of Illicit Major
C) Fallacy of Illicit Minor
D) Fallacy of Four Terms.

65. Which term of the Categorical syllogism is present in the minor premise and the conclusion?

A) Middle term B) Major term
C) Minor term D) Negative term.

66. Find the fallacy in the syllogism.
All roses are flowers.
No jasmines are roses.
Therefore, no jasmines are flowers.

A) Undistributed middle B) Illicit major
C) Illicit minor D) Two negative premises

67. According to Sri Aurobindo, -----is the process by which the Absolute descends and create a universe of separate forms.

A) Evolution B) Involution C) Revolution D) Resolution

68. Which one of the following is **not** a work of Tagore?

A) Valkimi Pratibha B) The Post Office
C) Gitanjali D). Savitri

69. Examine the following statements and choose the true statement:

1. Gitanjali is a great work of Rabindranath Tagore.
2. Rabindranath Tagore won the Nobel Prize for literature.
3. Rabindranath Tagore was born in Bombay.
4. Rabindranath Tagore established Santhniketan.

A) 1, 2, 3 and 4 B) 1, 2 and 4 only
C) 3 and 4 only D) 1 and 2 only

70. Teachers' Day is celebrated in India on:

A) September 11 B) October 2
C) November1 D) September 5

71. Match the following:

a. Mahatma Gandhi	1. New Humanism
b. M.N.Roy	2. Freedom from the Known
c. Jiddu Krishnamurti	3. Annihilation of Caste
d. Dr.B.R.Ambedkar	4. Trusteeship

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

72. *The Song Celestial* is a poetic version of -----by Sir Edwin Arnold.

A) Ramayana B) Bible
C) Bhagavad Gita D) Quaran

73. Pick out the **wrong** statement:

A) Radical Humanism was conceived by M.N. Roy
B) Roy was founder of Mexican Communist party
C) Roy elaborated his philosophy in his New Humanism – A Manifesto
D) Roy developed the concept of Integral Yoga

74. One of the cardinal virtues of Plato is Temperance. It refers to:

A) Self-control B) Perception C) Courage D) Foresight

75. A goldsmith made beautiful studs from gold. According to Aristotle's classification of causes, gold smith is-----cause .

A) Material B) Formal C) Efficient D) Final

76. The author of *The Monologion*:

A) St.Thomas Aquinas B) St.Anselm
C) St.Augustine D) Boethius

77. Match the following.

a. St.Thomas Aquinas	1. Form and matter
b. St. Anselm	2. Four idols
c. Francis Bacon	3. Proslogion
d. Aristotle	4. Angelic doctor

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

78. Descartes, French philosopher, coined the expression cogito ergo sum in ---- language to mean "I think, therefore I am."

A) French B) Dutch C) Latin D) Greek

79. Francis Bacon is known as the father of:

A) Empiricism B) Ideas C) Scepticism D) Idealism

80. Pantheism identifies God with-----.

A) Humans B) World C) Animals D) Spirits

81. The author of *Tractatus Theologico Politicus*:

A) Descartes B) Wittgenstein C) Hegel D) Spinoza

82. Examine the following statements and find out whether they are true or false:

1. Leibniz was a French philosopher.
2. Leibniz developed the concept of Monads.
3. Leibniz conceived the postulate of pre-established harmony.
4. Leibniz formulated tabula rasa.

A) 1, 2 & 3 are true and 4 is false
B) 3 & 4 are true and 1 & 2 are false
C) 2 & 3 are true and 1 & 4 are false
D) All statements are true.

83. Methodological ----- is the idea that there are no shared, objective standards of scientific theory appraisal..

A) Verificationism B) Theorisation
 C) Forecasting D) Incommensurability

84. Name the philosophical concept discussed by Gilbert Ryle to describe a statement in which the speaker presents a concept from one category as if it belongs to another one.

A) Category deviation B) Category mistake
 C) Category assertion D) Category negation

85. Langue and parole is a theoretical linguistic dichotomy distinguished by -----.

A) Ferdinand de Saussure B) Gilbert Ryle
 C) Derrida D) Gramsci.

86. *“The limits of my language means the limits of my world”*. Who said this?

A) Russell B) Ryle
 C) Austin D) Wittgenstein

87. Derrida says that the absence of a center or origin, everything became discourse," or a system in which pure meaning "is never absolutely present outside a system of differences". This concept is referred as-----.

A) Marginalisation B) Differentiation
 C) Decentering D) Discrimination.

88. Gramsci proposed the concept of ----- to refer to leadership or dominance of one group over another.

A) Authority B) Hegemony C) Power D) Influence

89. Althusser mentions a concept of RSA as a mechanism for ensuring that people live in a state behave according to rule of that state. What does RSA stand for?

A) Repressive State Apparatuses
 B) Rigorous State Authority
 C) Repressive State Aggression
 D) Regional State Awareness

90. Match the following:

a. Marcel	1. Phenomenological reduction
b. Husserl	2. Bad Faith
c. Nietzsche	3. Problem and mystery
d. Sartre	4. God is dead

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

91. Which one of the following is **not** a stage proposed by Kierkegaard?

A) Aesthetic B) Ethical C) Critical D) Religious

92. *Man is condemned to be free.* Who said this?
A) Marcel B) Sartre C) Nietzsche D) Heidegger

93. ----- is the preliminary step in the philosophical movement of phenomenology describing an act of suspending judgment about the natural world.
A) Bracketing B) Eliminating
C) Reversing D) Justifying

94. What is the concept of *Übermensch* in the philosophy of Nietzsche?
A) God B) Perfect person
C) Superman D) Spiritual person

95. What is *Angst* according to Heidegger?
A) Anxiety B) Freedom C) Authenticity D) Nausea

96. Berkeley held a philosophical theory that material things have no reality except as mental perceptions. Name this view.
A) Immaterialism B) Spiritualism
C) Idealism D) Mentalism

97. The distinction between relations of ideas and matters of fact is often called “Hume's -----”.
A) Pointer B) Arrow C) Knife D) Fork

98. The fundamental proposition *Esse est percipi* was formulated by:
A) Berkeley B) Hume C) Locke D) Kant

99. According to Kant, ----- are things in themselves.
A) Substances B) Objects C) Phenomena D) Noumena

100. Aesthetic ideas of Kant are seen in his -----.
A) Critique of Judgment
B) Critique of Pure Reason
C) Critique of Practical Reason
D) Ground work of the Metaphysics of Morals

101. Choose the **wrong** pair:
A) Kant - Copernican Revolution
B) Marx - Materialism
C) Hume - Scepticism
D) Berkeley - Monads

102. Match the following:
a. Karl Popper 1. Speech act theory
b. Feyeraband 2. Category mistake
c. Gilbert Ryle 3. Methodological Anarchy
d. J.L Austin 4. Falsification
A) a-4, b-3, c-1, d-2 B) a-3, b-2, c-1, d-4
C) a-4, b-3, c-2, d-1 D) a-1, b-4, c-3, d-2

103. According to Russell, ----- is the view that the world consists in a plurality of independent and discrete entities, which by coming together form facts.

A) Plurality of facts B) Logical atomism
 C) Definite descriptions D) Sense data

104. Wittgenstein argues that things which could be thought to be connected by one essential feature may in fact be connected by a series of overlapping similarities, where no one feature is common to all the things. What is this concept?

A) Linguistic connection B) Logical relations
 C) Factual relations D) Family resemblances

105. Which of the following is **not** a principle of Logical Positivism?

A) Elimination of Metaphysics B) Verifiability principle
 C) Reasoning based on faith D) Unity of scientific method

106. Choose the **wrong** statement:

A) Fredric Nietzsche was a french philosopher.
 B) J.L. Austin is the author of How to Do Things with Words.
 C) Feyeraband held anarchistic view of science and rejected the existence of universal methodological rules.
 D) Ferdinand de Saussure was a Swiss linguist, semiotician and philosopher.

107. One of the important contributions of Dr. Ambedkar was the establishment of *Mooknayak*. What was *Mooknayak*?

A) News paper B) Social organisation
 C) NGO D) School for the oppressed

108. The birth place of Sree Narayana Guru:

A) Aruvippuram B) Mannanthala
 C) Varkala D) Chempazanth

109. Chattampi Swamikal got the name because -----.

A) he was very aggressive
 B) of his assignment of the monitor of the class
 C) he threatened everyone
 D) he did not obey anyone

110. According to Dr. Radhakrishnan, intellect is finite and limited in its scope of application; while----- is the infinite totality of consciousness.

A) Sensation B) Perception C) Inference D) Intuition

111. Which one of the following does **not** belong to Milesian school of pre-Socratic Greek thought?

A) Pythagoras B) Anaximander
 C) Anaximenes D) Thales

112. The founder of Eleatic school of philosophy:

A) Heraclitus B) Anaximander
 C) Parmenides D) Anaximenes

113. The early Greek philosopher held that the world is in continuous flux. He is famous for his interesting comment that 'everything flows'. Name the philosopher.
A) Anaximander B) Heraclitus
C) Anaximenes D) Pythagoras

114. Which of the following refers to the method of Socrates?
1. Midwifery method 2. Maieutic method
3. Elenchus 4. Dialectical-method

A) 1 & 2 only B) 2 & 3 only
C) 1 & 3 only D) 1, 2, 3 & 4

115. Which of the terms are distributed in an O proposition?
A) Subject B) Predicate
C) Both subject and predicate D) Neither subject nor predicate

116. According to -----an idea is true, if it has practical consequences.
A) Idealism B) Materialism C) Pragmatism D) Realism

117. According to scientific definition, cause is an invariable, -----, antecedent.
A) Constant B) Conditional
C) Predicable D) Unconditional

118. Name the corresponding Rasa of Jugupsa.
A) Veera B) Karuna C) Adbuta D) Bibatsa

119. According to Marx there is a process whereby the worker is made to feel foreign to the products of his/her own labour.What is it called?
A) Exploitation B) Discrimination
C) Class struggle D) Alienation

120. Which one of the following refers to transient emotions?
A) *Stāyibhāvas* B) *Vibhāvas*
C) *Sancharibhāvas* D) *Anubhāvas*