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LITERATURE AND LANGUAGE

- 1) The author of "India Wins Freedom" is -----.
- a) Maulana Abul Kalam Azad c) Indira Gandhi
b) Mohan Rakesh d) Jawaharlal Nehru
- 2) "Man & Superman" is written by -----.
- a) George Orwell c) George Bernard Shaw
b) James .H.Jones d) Kuldeep Nayyar
- 3) Who wrote "Freedom at Midnight"?
- a) E.M.Foster c) C.P.Snow
b) Harry crews d) Lary Collins and Dominique Gaspiere
- 4) The epic named "Mahabharata" was written by -----.
- a) Devanand c) Acahry Tulsi
b) Maharishi Ved Vyas d) Mohan Rakesh
- 5) "Lewis Carrol" is the writer of -----.
- a) Alice in Wonderland c) A Childhood
b) Bad Blood d) A Dangerous Place
- 6) "Adventures of Sherlock Holmes" is written by -----.
- a) Lewis Fischer c) Arthur Conan Doyle
b) Karl Marc d) Edward Gibbon
- 7) "Discovery of India" is written by -----.
- a) Abdul Fazal c) Mahatma Gandhi
b) Charan Singh d) Jawaharlal Nehru
- 8) Jonathan Swift is the author of -----.
- a) The Guide c) Gulliver's Travels
b) Canterbury Tales d) Candles and Roses
- 9) "Paradise lost" was written by -----.
- a) John Milton c) John Bunyan
b) Rudyard Kipling d) Hitler

10) Leo Tolstoy is the writer of -----.

- a) Valley of Silence
- b) War and Peace
- c) Roses in December
- d) Small is Beautiful

11) The religious book of “parsi” is -----.

- a) Guru Granth Shaib
- b) The Upanishads
- c) The Bible
- d) Zend Avesta

12) A Well known character in the “ Arabian Nights” in possession of the magic ring and lamp is -----.

- a) Adam
- b) Alice
- c) Aladdin
- d) Ariel

13) A Character in “The Merchant Of Venice” written by Shakespeare, whom Shylock asks to give a pound of flesh is -----.

- a) Antonio
- b) Brutus Mercus
- c) Clare
- d) Don Juan

14) A poor Orphan boy and hero of Charles Dicken’s novel “Of The Same Name” is -----.

- a) Aladdin
- b) Gora
- c) Macbeth
- d) Oliver Twist

15) Who said, 'Eureka! Eureka! :

- a) Aristotle
- b) Archimedes
- c) Winston Churchill
- d) Issac Newton

16) who said, 'Hate the sinner, love the sinner':

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- b) Subhash Chandra Bose
- c) Mahatma Gandhi
- d) Lal Bahadur Shastri

17) Which sentence is grammatically correct :

- a) Twenty minutes is left
- b) One minute are left
- c) Twenty minutes are left
- d) One minutes is left

18) Which is an ‘Abstract Noun’:

- a) Laughing
- b) Happily
- c) Happy
- d) Laughter

Books and Authors

1. Name the author of the famous book 'Apple Cart'.
 - a) Aldous Huxley
 - b) George Barnard Shaw
 - c) Sir Richard Burton
 - d) V.S. Naipaul
2. Who authored the book 'Between Hope and History'?
 - a) Kuldip Nayar
 - b) Charles Berlitz
 - c) Bill Clinton
 - d) David Halbarstam
3. Peter Parker is the original name of which fictional Superhero?
 - a) Phantom
 - b) Batman
 - c) Superman
 - d) Spiderman
4. The book 'Beyond the Last Blue Mountain' written by R.M. Lala is the biography of which industrialist?
 - a) G.D. Birla
 - b) Jamnalal Bajaj
 - c) Dhirubhai Ambani
 - d) J.R.D. Tata
5. Which co-founder of Infosys, wrote the book 'Imagining India: Ideas for the new century'?
 - a) N.R. Narayan Murthy
 - b) N.S. Raghavan
 - c) Nandan Nilekani
 - d) Kris Gopalakrishnan
6. 'Panchatantra' a collection of moral stories in Sanskrit, was authored by?
 - a) Somadeva
 - b) Kautilya
 - c) Narayan Pandit
 - d) Vishnu Sharma
7. 'Dreams from My Father' and 'The Audacity of Hope' are books authored by which American President?
 - a) Bill Clinton
 - b) Barack Obama
 - c) George W. Bush
 - d) Ronald Reagan
8. 'Akbarnama' a biographical account of the Mughal Ruler Akbar, was authored by:
 - a) Abul Fazl
 - b) Faizi
 - c) Birbal
 - d) Abdul Rahim Khan-i-Khana
9. Which freedom fighter highlighted the drain of India's wealth to Britain in his book 'Poverty and Un-British Rule in India' in 1901?
 - a) Dinshaw Edulji Wacha
 - b) Dadabhai Naoroji
 - c) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
 - d) Womesh Chandra Banerjee
10. Which IT entrepreneur authored the book 'Business at the speed of thought'?
 - a) Larry Ellison
 - b) Michael Dell
 - c) Bill Gates
 - d) Sergey Brin
11. Who created the fictional character Harry Potter?
 - a) Ruskin Bond
 - b) Enid Blyton
 - c) R.K. Narayan
 - d) J.K. Rowling
12. The books 'My Music, My Life' and 'Raga Mala' are the autobiographies of which music maestro?
 - a) Zakir Hussain
 - b) Amjad Ali Khan
 - c) Pt. Shiv Kumar Sharma
 - d) Pt. Ravi Shankar
13. In The Mahabharat, who killed Bhishma's son Ghatotkacha?
 - a) Karna
 - c) Aswathama

- b) Dronacharya
14. What is called the earliest existing grammar of Sanskrit written by Panini?
a) Patanjali
b) Ashtadhyayi
c) Rajatarangini
d) Shalya
15. Who authored the book 'India wins Freedom'?
a) Jawaharlal Nehru
b) Subhash Chandra Bose
c) Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad
d) C. Rajagopalachari
16. Which one of the following is a book written by Karl Marx?
a) Ignited Minds
b) Das Capital
c) Confidential Clerk
d) Ends and Means
17. 'Razmnama' is the Persian translation of which Indian epic?
a) Ramayana
b) Raghuvamsha
c) Mahabharat
d) Kumarasambhava
18. 'Struggle for Existence' is the autobiography of which Indian women leader?
a) Mayawati
b) J. Jayalalitha
c) Mamta Banerjee
d) Sushma Swaraj
19. 'Zend Avesta' is the holy book of which religion?
a) Zoroastrianism
b) Islam
c) Judaism
d) Buddhism
20. Which among the following is a book written by Sharat Chandra Chatterjee?
a) Gora
b) Gitanjali
c) Davdas
d) Godan
21. Who authored the book 'A Brief History of Time'?
a) Pearl S. Buck
b) Stephen Hawking
c) Deepak Chopra
d) Bill Gates
22. Who introduced the word 'Robot' for artificial workers in his science fiction play R.U.R in 1921?
a) George Orwell
b) Karel Capek
c) Daniel Defoe
d) Rudyard Kipling
23. Who authored the book 'Indica'?
a) Faxian
b) Al Biruni
c) Megasthenese
d) Huen Trang
24. 'Mein Kampf' (My Struggle) is the autobiography of which dictator?
a) Joseph Stalin
b) Pol Pot
c) Edi Amin
d) Adolf Hitler
25. The novel 'Q&A' on which 8 Oscar award winning film 'Slumdog Millionaire' is based, was authored by which Indian civil servant/
a) Vikas Swarup
b) Vikram Seth
c) Amitav Ghosh
d) Aravind Adiga

ANSWER KEY FOR BOOKS & AUTHORS

- 1)B 2)C 3)D 4)D 5)C 6)D 7)B 8)A 9)B 10)C 11)D 12)D 13)A
14)B 15)C 16)B 17)C 18)D 19)A 20)C 21)B 22)B 23)C 24)D
25)A

THE DISCOVERY OF INDIA

Choose the correct answer for the following questions from the given option

1. Which archaeological period covers 99% of human history?
 - a. The Paleolithic
 - b. The Neolithic
 - c. The Mesolithic
 - d. The Megalithic
2. The term used to items made out of baked, glazed or unglazed Clay and to its natural, brownish orange color.
 - a. Pottery
 - b. terracotta
 - c. bronze sculpture
 - d. Marble sculpture
3. The Harappan city stood beside a tributary of the Sabarmati in Gujarat.
 - a. Dholavira
 - b. Surkotada
 - c. Lothal
 - d. Chanhudaro
4. The box placed at the centre of the Stupa is known as:
 - a. A mound
 - b. A relic box
 - c. Amud box
 - d. A shikhara
5. The famous Tamil epic, The Silappadikaram was composed by a poet named:
 - a. Kannagi
 - b. Kovalan
 - c. Ilango
 - d. Madhavi
6. Name the season in which the southern parts of India, particularly Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh receive rainfall.
 - a. cold weather season
 - b. south west monsoon season
 - c. hot weather season
 - d. autumn
7. The inscription seen on the Ashokan pillar at Allahabad was composed by Harishena about the famous Indian ruler called:
 - a. Samudragupta
 - b. Ashoka
 - c. Chandragupta maurya
 - d. Kanishka
8. Who was the best known Chalukya ruler
 - a. Ravikirti
 - b. Kalidasa
 - c. Pulakeshin II
 - d. Banabhatta
9. Which is the most fertile river valley in the southern half of the Subcontinent.
 - a. Periyar valley
 - b. Mahanadi valley
 - c. Krishna valley
 - d. Kaveri valley
10. Who were the earliest rulers of the Indian subcontinent to issue gold coins.
 - a. Kushanas
 - b. Cholas
 - c. Guptas
 - d. Mauryas
11. The system of belief which is understood as a person's devotion to his or her chosen deity.
 - a. Bhaga
 - b. Bhakti
 - c. Jainism
 - d. Buddhism
12. Punch marked coins were made of:
 - a. Gold
 - b. Tin
 - c. Silver
 - d. Ivory
13. Who was the ambassador sent to the court of Chandragupta by the Greek ruler of West Asia?

- a. Ashvaghosha b. Megasthenes
 c. Xuan Zang d. Fa Xian
14. Ashoka's inscriptions were written in Prakrit and were written in the _____ script.
 a. Brahmi Script b. Bengali
 c. Devanagari d. Tamil
15. The place where the Buddha first taught his message on Dharma
 a. Bodh Gaya b. Kusinara
 c. Sarnath d. Nalanda
16. Sanskrit is part of languages known as
 a. Indo-European b. Tibeto-Burman
 c. Austro-Asiatic d. Dravidian
17. The Harappans used to make stone weights out of
 a. Carnelian b. Sandstone
 c. Quartz d. Chert
18. What was called river Indus in Sanskrit?
 a. Indos b. Sindhu
 c. Ganga d. Yamuna
19. The oldest veda composed about 3500 years ago in Sanskrit
 a. Samaveda b. Atharvaveda
 c. Yajurveda d. The Rigveda
20. The place where cotton was probably grown about 7000 years ago
 a. Mehrgarh b. Panjab
 c. Mahagara d. Kalibangan

ANSWER KEY OF DISCOVERY OF INDIA

- 1) a 2) b 3) c 4) b 5) c 6) d 7) a 8) c 9) d 10) a 11) b
 12) c 13) b 14) a 15) a 16) a 17) d 18) b 19) d 20) a

Our Environment

1. Micro organisms can be seen with the help of a _____
(microscope, telescope, stethoscope)
2. Plants make their food by the process of _____
(respiration, photosynthesis, transpiration)
3. In which layer of the atmosphere do weather changes take place _____
(Ionosphere, troposphere, stratosphere)
4. About 70% of the Earth's surface is covered with _____
(water, gas, land)
5. Which is used in thermal plants _____
(crude oil , fossil fuel , coal)
6. The energy we get from the water is called _____
(Hydel energy, geothermal energy, solar energy)
7. The gas needed by plants for photo synthesis _____
(oxygen , nitrogen , carbon dioxide)
8. Which of the following is a part of hydro sphere?
(plants , rivers , mountains)
9. Which gas is the main cause of green house effects?
(oxygen , nitrogen , carbon dioxide)
10. Chemical used to kill pests are called _____
(insecticides , pesticides , herbicides)
11. Chloro fluoro carbons are found in _____
(plastic , refrigerators , soil)
12. Which of these method provides rich organic manure?
(recycling , composting , incineration)
13. Animals that eat both plants and animals are called _____
(carnivores , herbivores , omnivores)

14. The plant which is used to get quinine _____
(tulsi , shisham , cinchona)
15. The rearing of honey bees on a large scale is called _____
(apiculture, sericulture, pesiculture)
16. Plants near the sea coasts are known as _____
(mangrove trees, thorny bushes, rainforests)
17. The green color pigment presents on leaves _____
(hydrophyll, chlorophyll, carbophll)
18. The synthetic chemical which is harmful for the ozone layers of the atmosphere.
(phosphates, chlorofluro carbons, carbon monoxide)
19. Which is the anti tree felling movement?
(chipko movement, boothan movement, national movement)
20. Name the soil which is suited for cotton _____
(alluvial soil, clayey soil, black soil)
21. The process of converting cropland into desert _____
(crop rotation, desertification, global warming)
22. All plant (including trees) and animal matter on the earths surface is called _____
(biomass, livestock, ecosystem)
23. The chemicals which are used to control the growth of unwanted plants _____
(insecticides, herbicides, pesticides)
24. Man made satellites are stationed in the _____
(troposphere, stratosphere, thermosphere)

ANSWER KEY FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT

1. microscope
2. photosynthesis
3. troposphere
4. water
5. coal
6. Hydel energy
7. carbon dioxide
8. rivers
9. carbon dioxide
10. pesticides
11. refrigerators
12. composting
13. omnivores
14. cinchona
15. apiculture
16. mangrove trees
17. chlorophyll
18. chlorofluoro carbons
19. chipko movement
20. black soil
21. crop rotation
22. biomass
23. herbicides
24. thermosphere

THE GREAT PERSONALITIES

1. Name the great Indian Musician who was the Oscar winner in 2008.

[Illaya Raja, A.R Rahman, Bala Murali Krishna]

2. The famous Indian writer who wrote “ bande Matarm “

[Sathyagith Ray, Bankim Chandra Chatterji, Rabindranath Tagore]

3. The first black to be the president of America who got Nobel Prize for peace.

[Abraham Lincoln, Franklin Roosevelt, Barak Obama]

4. The chair man of Microsoft and one of the richest men in the world.

[Bill Gates, Azim Prenji, Nalayana Moostlin]

5. The famous Pakistani political leader and prime minister who was assassinated in 2007.

[Zia ul huk, Benazir Bhutto, Asif Ali Bhutto]

6. A famous tennis star who become the first Indian to win a grand slam by winning the French open mixed doubles title in1997.

[Vishavanathan Anand, Mahesh Bhupathi, Sania Mirza]

7. The Indian athlete who came to be known as “The Flying Sikh” .

[Zail singh, Milka singh, Jaya singh]

8. First Asian who swims the English Channel.

[Frideni George, Mihir Sen, Aarathi Gupta]

9. The 12th president of India who was the Governor of Rajasthan.

[Giani zail Singh, K.R Narayanan, Pratibha Patil]

10. An Italian painter and architect best known for his “Madonnas”

[Raphael Santi, Leonardo Davinchi, Michel Angelo]

11. A Norwegian explorer of polar regions.

[Roald Dahl, Roald Amundsen, Robert Hooke]

12. Ruler of the Kingdom of Mysore known as the “Tiger of Mysore”.

[Tipu Sultan, Pazhassi Raja, Hyder Ali]

13. The famous Indian poet whose famous work is “Rama Charita Manasa” .
[Sur Das, Tulasidas, Vishnu Sharma]
14. Indian novelist and short story writer who wrote the famous novel “ Fire on the Mountain” .
[Anita Desai, Anne Bronte, Arundhati Roy]
15. The great Indian reformer who is known as the architect of Indian constitution.
[Rajaram Mohan Roy, B.R Ambedkar, Dr. Rajendra Prasad]
16. Italian physicist behind electric battery and the electric unit “Volt” is named after him.[Alexandr, Alessandro, Albert]
17. The man behind 2nd world war was and the head of Nazi party.
[Adolf Hitler, Mussolini, Fiddle Castero]
18. The Indian political and spiritual leader and the follower of Mahatma Gandhi known as Frontier Gandhi.
[Bala Gangadhara Tilak, Abdul Gaffar Khan, Lala Rajpat Rai]
19. A French chemist who developed the method of “Pasteurization” .
[Louis Paster, C.V Raman, Pierre Curie]
20. Indian musician who was a master of Shehnai.
[Bismillah Khan, Ustad Ali Khan, Allauddin Khan]
21. The Scottish bacteriologist who discovered penicillin.
[Alexander Hamitton, Alexander Friedman, Alexander Fleming]
22. First prime minister of independent India.
[Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Dr. S. Radha Krishnan, Jawaharlal Nehru]
23. An American swimmer who won eight gold medals at the 2008 Olympic Games.
[Michael Phelps, Michael Faraday, Maxwell Maltz]
24. The author of Harry Potter.
[J.M.W Turner, J.K Edgar, J.K Rowling]
25. Present President of France.
[Nicolas Sarkozy, Nicholar Hilliard, Niccolo Machiavell]

Answers

1. **A.R Rahman**
2. **Bankim Chandra Chatterji**
3. **Barak Obama**
4. **Bill Gates**
5. **Benazir Bhutto**
6. **Mahesh Bhupathi**
7. **Milka singh**
8. **Mihir Sen**
9. **Pratibha Patil**
10. **Raphael Santi**
11. **Roald Amundsen**
12. **Tipu Sultan**
13. **Tulasidas**
14. **Anita Desai**
15. **B.R Ambedkar**
16. **Alessandro**
17. **Adolf Hitler**
18. **Abdul Gaffar Khan**
19. **Louis Paster**
20. **Bismillah Khan**
21. **Alexander Fleming**
22. **Jawaharlal Nehru**
23. **Michael Phelps**
24. **J.K Rowling**
25. **Nicolas Sarkozy**

CURRENCIES

1. The currency of Australia (a. Dollar, b. Taka , c. Riyal, d. Pound)
2. The currency of Bangladesh (a. Pound, b. Euro, c. Dinar, d.Taka)
3. Dollar is the currency of (a. Mexico, b. Japan , c. Italy , d.Canada)
4. The currency of Cuba (a. Dinar, b. Euro, c. Dollar , d. Peso)
5. Pound is the currency of (a. Srilanka, b. Russia, c. Kenya, d.Egypt)
6. The currency of France (a. Euro, b. Riyal, c. Dollar, d. Rupee)
7. Riyal is the currency of (a. Japan, b. Iran, c. Russia, d. Syria)
8. The currency of Iraq (a. Euro, b. Peso, c. Pound, d. Dinar)
9. The currency of Italy (a. Peso, b. Dollar, c. Euro, d. Pound)
10. The currency of Japan (a. Euro , b. Dinar, c. Dollar, d. Yen)
11. Shilling is the currency of (a. Japan, b. Mexico, c. Russia, d. Kenya)
12. The currency of Mauritius (a. Peso , b. Ruble, c. Pound, d. Rupee)
13. Peso is the currency of (a. Russia, b. Syria, c. Zimbabwe, d. Mexico)
- 14.The currency of Srilanka (a. Pound, b. Rupee, c. Dollar , d. Dinar)
- 15.The currency of Philippines (a. Ruble, b. Dollar, c. Dinar, d. Peso)

16. The currency of Russia (a. Euro, b. Dinar, c. Dollar, d. Ruble)
17. Pound is the currency of (a. Japan, b. Mexico, c. Syria, d. Russia)
18. The currency of Zimbabwe (a. Dinar, b. Dollar, c. Pound, d. Euro)
19. The currency of Afghanistan (a. Dinar, b. Euro, c. Aghani, d. Dirham)
20. The currency of Algeria (a. Euro, b. Riyal, c. Dinar, d. Dollar)
21. The currency of Germany (a. Euro, b. Dollar, c. Pound, d. Dinar)
22. The currency of South Africa (a. Euro, b. Dinar, c. Rand , d. Ruble)
23. The currency of Spain (a. Dinar, b. Euro, c. Dirham, d. Pound)
24. Riyal is the currency of (a. Algeria b. Spain, c. Yemen, d. Germany)
25. The currency of Switzerland (a. Ruble, b. Dollar, c. Franc, d. Pound)

ANSWER KEY FOR CURRENCIES

- 1) a 2)d 3)d 4)d 5)d 6)a 7)b 8)d 9)c 10)d 11)d 12)d 13)d 14)b
15)d
16)d 17)c 18)b 19)c 20)c 21)a 22)c 23)b 24)c 25)c

Abbreviations

1. **ADB** - **Asian Development Bank**
2. **APEC** - **Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation**
3. **CTBT** - **Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty**
4. **DDT** - **Dichloro Diphenyl Trichloroethane**
5. **ESR** - **Electron Spin Resonance**
6. **FRCS** - **Fellow of Royal College of Surgeons**
7. **GATT** - **General Agreement on Tariff and Trade**
8. **HIV** - **Human Immunodeficiency syndrome**
9. **IATA** - **International Air Transport Association**
10. **IPC** - **Indian Penal Code**
11. **LASER** - **Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation**
12. **MLA** - **Member of Legislative Assembly**
13. **NDA** - **National Defense Academy**
14. **NASA** - **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**
15. **OPEC** - **Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries**
16. **PIN** - **Postal Index Number**
17. **PIL** - **Public Interest Litigation**
18. **QMS** - **Quick Mail Service**
19. **RBI** - **Reserve Bank of India**
20. **SAC** - **Space Application Centre**
21. **TADA** - **Terrorist and Disruptive Activities Act**
22. **UGC** - **University Grants Commission**
23. **UNESCO** - **United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization**
24. **VAT** - **Value Added Tax**
25. **WFC** - **World Food Council**

WORDS AND PHRASES

Choose the correct meaning of the following words and phrases:-

- 1 To keep one's shirt on
a) to praise oneself
b) to be in trouble
c) to control one's temper
d) to admire oneself greatly

- 2 To pick a quarrel
a) to quarrel unnecessarily
b) to pick something up & quarrel over it
c) to quarrel over what one has earned
d) to quarrel with your friend

- 3 Turn up
a) to arrive
b) to return the way you came
c) to happen in a particular way
d) to return up the table

- 4 To be above board
a) to sit on top of a boat
b) to head a board of office holdens
c) to be honest
d) None

- 5 Codemn
a) to hate somebody
b) express complete disapproval of
c) to express your opinion
d) to agree

- 6 Hydrophobia
a) fear of heights
b) fear of spiders
c) fear of water
d) fear of snakes

- 7 Muddle
a) a confused state
b) a small pool of muddy water
c) covered in mud
d) None

- 8 To throw dust in someone's eyes
a) to hurt someone
b) to hit someone
c) to deceive someone
d) to through dust on someone
- 9 Ecstasy
a) feeling beautiful
b) a feeling of great happiness
c) a feeling of pain
d) a feeling of sorrow
- 10 Moon about
a) to see the moon
b) when the moon is about to set
c) spend time doing nothing
d) None

Fill in the blanks with the correct phrases:

- 11 The organization _____ after 10 years.
a) broke down b) broke up
c) broke out d) broke off
- 12 The old man _____ some money for his son.
a) put aside b) put off
c) put away d) put down
- 13 Yesterday, I _____ an old friend of mine.
a) ran after b) ran into
c) ran away d) ran over
- 14 I am sure he will _____ from this crisis.
a) pull off b) pull up
c) pull down d) pull through
- 15 The demoralized soldiers at last decided to _____
a) fall down b) fall over
c) fall back d) fall about

Find the odd word out:-

- 16 (a) defeat (b) abundant (c) overthrow (d) conquer
- 17 (a) voyage (b) journey (c) riddle (d) excursion
- 18 (a) abolish (b) eliminate (c) engulf (d) expel
- 19 (a) rare (b) scarce (c) moderate (d) unusual

Choose the correct spelling:-

- 20 (a) leiutenant (b) lieutenant (c) leuitenent (d) lieutenent
- 21 (a) embaressed (b) embarrassed (c) imbaresed (d) embareesd
- 22 (a) apparently (b) appearantly (c) apperantly (d) apparently

Find the antonym of the following words:-

- 23 Attack
(a) beat (b) defence (c) hit (d) hurt
- 24 Ally
(a) friend (b) combine (c) foreign (d) enemy
- 25 Feeble
(a) strong (b) lethargic (c) weak (d) faint

Answer key Words and Phrases

1. (c) to control one's temper
2. (a) to quarrel unnecessarily
3. (a) to arrive
4. (c) to be honest
5. (b) express complete disapproval of
6. (c) fear of water
7. (a) a confused state
8. (c) to deceive someone
9. (b) a feeling of great happiness
10. (c) spend time doing nothing
11. (c) broke up
12. (a) put aside
13. (c) ran into
14. (d) pull through
15. (b) fall back
16. (b) abundant
17. (c) riddle
18. (c) engulf
19. (c) moderate
20. (b) lieutenant
21. (c) embarrassed
22. (d) apparently
23. (c) defence
24. (d) enemy
25. (a) strong

SPORTS

- 1) Which city hosted the 2004 Olympic Games?
a) Beijing b) Athens c) Sydney d) London

- 2) Who participates in Para lympics?
a) Only women b) only children c) Physically challenged d) Elderly citizens

- 3) With which game is Bhaichung Bhutia associated?
a) Hockey b) Football c) Cricket d) Volleyball

- 4) Who is nicknamed as “ Black Pearl” ?
a) Diego Maradona b) Tony Greig c) Pele d) Maurice green

- 5) How many players are there in a volley ball team?
a) 6 b) 8 c) 5 d) 11

- 6) Tiger Woods is famous for which game?
a) Football b) Golf c) basket ball d) Polo

- 7) What is the play ground for ice-hockey called?
a) court b) arenac) ring d) rink

- 8) With which sports is Nehru Cup associated?
a) Football b) Chess c) cricket d) Hockey

- 9) Which was the first country to host the Asian Games?
a) Korea b) china c) India d) japan
- 10) What is the national game of Brazil?
a) Hockey b) football c) Icehockey d) Cricket
- 11) Wankhede stadium is present in _____ .
a) Mumbai b) Delhi c) Kolkata d) Chennai
- 12) The play ground for base ball is called as _____ .
a) diamond b) court c) arenad) field
- 13) Cricket bat is made from the tree called _____
a) Mahogany b) Willow c) teak d) rosewood
- 14) Which was the first Asian country to host the winter Olympics?
a) India b) China c) Japan d) Malaysia
- 15) How many events make up a decathlon?
a) 5 b) 25 c) 8 d) 10
- 16) The highest award in the field of Indian sports is _____
a) Bharat Ratna b) Urvashi award c) arjuna Awardd) Padma award
- 17) In athletics which projectile is shaped like a spear?
a) Discuss b) short Put c) Javelin d) None of the above.

- 18) What do the rings on the Olympics flag represent?
- a) Five countries b) five continents c) Five states d) Five provinces
- 19) If the feet of the bowler crosses the bowling crease , the ball is declared _____.
- a) follow on b) LBW c) no ball d) googly
- 20) Who is nicknamed as “The flying Sikh”?
- a) Dara Singh b) Milkha Singh c) P.T.Usha d) Vijender singh

Answer Key for Sports:

1. (b) Athens
2. (c) Physically challenged
3. (b) Football
4. (c) Pele
5. (a) 6
6. (b) Golf
7. (d) Rink
8. (d) Hockey
9. (c) India
10. (b) football
11. (a) Mumbai
12. (a) Diamond
13. (c) Willow
14. (b) Japan
15. (d) 10
16. (b) Ajuna Award
17. (b) Javelin
18. (c) Five continents
19. (b) no ball
20. (c) Milkha Singh

CURRENT AFFAIRS – 2012

- 1) Reena Kaushal is the first Indian woman...
 - a) to fly fighter Aircraft.
 - b) to reach south Pole.
 - c) Ambassador to US.
 - d) Actress to be Nominated for Oscars in Technical category.
- 2) MOH Farook is the new governor of ..
 - a) Jammu & Kashmir.
 - b) Jharkhand.
 - c) Maharashtra.
 - d) Andhra Pradesh.
- 3) Australian Open 2010 men's Tennis (singles) category winner was...
 - a) Andy Murray
 - b) Roger Federer
 - c) Daniel Nester
 - d) Bob Bryan
- 4) Which international music band has turned fifty this year ?
 - a) The Beatles
 - b) Backstreet Boys
 - c) Pink Floyd
 - d) Dire Straits
- 5) Who is currently the Secretary General of the UN ?
 - a) Colin Powell
 - b) Ban Ki moon
 - c) Kofi Annan
 - d) Ian Smith

- 6) Australia won the final of Hero Honda hockey world cup. Which country did it play against
- a) Argentina
 - b) India
 - c) Pakistan
 - d) Germany
- 7) What is the name of the cyclone that has hit Fiji recently?
- a) Katrina
 - b) Tomas
 - c) Puppet
 - d) Swath
- 8) The first all woman crew flight of Air India flew from Mumbai to _____ on March, 8th 2010, the 100th International Women's Day
- a) New York
 - b) London
 - c) Tokyo
 - d) Brasilia
- 9) Winner of the 19th FIFA World Cup..
- a) South Africa
 - b) Netherlands
 - c) Spain
 - d) Germany
- 10) In 2010, China became the third country in the world to possess an anti satellite weapon System. The other two countries are ..
- a) Germany and Russia
 - b) France and the USA
 - c) The USA and Germany
 - d) The USA and Russia

- 11) 'WISE' recently came into news. It is...
- a) A novel written by Barack Obama
 - b) NASA's new space telescope
 - c) A Government of India welfare programme
 - d) None of the above.
- 12) IPL award 2010 , for the best batsman was...
- a) Sachin Tendulkar
 - b) Yusuf Pathan
 - c) Harbhajan Singh
 - d) Anil Kumble
- 13) The next annual UN climate change conference will be held towards the end of 2010 in..
- a) Havana
 - b) Doha
 - c) Mexico city
 - d) Moscow
- 14) August 15th 2010 , Independence Day was the _____ Independence Day of India
- a) 60th
 - b) 55th
 - c) 64th
 - d) 63rd
- 15) The fourth meeting of G20 summit 2010 was held in ..
- a) Seoul
 - b) Washington
 - c) Toronto
 - d) Melbourne

- 16) _____ was crowned as Miss Universe 2010
- a) Anna Poslavska
 - b) Venus Raj
 - c) Jitka Valkova
 - d) Ximena Navarrete
- 17) Which country assisted India to establish the Koondankulam Nuclear Power Station in Tamilnadu..
- a) Russia
 - b) Canada
 - c) Germany
 - d) France
- 18) Which country was on top in medal tally in South Asian Games 2010
- a) Pakistan
 - b) India
 - c) Srilanka
 - d) Afghanistan
- 19) India's latest National Census commenced on..
- a) May 1st, 2010
 - b) March 10th, 2010
 - c) April 1st, 2010
 - d) April 30th, 2010
- 20) Who won the Chinese Grand Prix recently..
- a) Jenson Button
 - b) Sebastian Vettel
 - c) Valentino Rossi
 - d) Mark Webber

- 21) India recently signed a major deal on education with..
- a) Japan
 - b) Australia
 - c) Russia
 - d) USA
- 22) The host country of 2010 Common-wealth Games..
- a) Australia
 - b) India
 - c) Canada
 - d) England
- 23) The new Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of India is...
- a) K.G. Balakrishnan
 - b) Gyan Sudha Mishra
 - c) S.H. Kapadia
 - d) None of the above
- 24) The winner of 2010 “Academy Award” (Oscar) for best picture goes to..
- a) The Blind side
 - b) The Hurt Locker
 - c) A Serious Man
 - d) Up in the Air
- 25) Who is the richest man in the world – 2010
- a) Bill Gates
 - b) Warren Buffet
 - c) Carlos Slim Helu
 - d) Mukesh Ambani

ANSWER KEY FOR CURRENT AFFAIRS

- 1) b) to reach South Pole.
- 2) b) Jharkhand
- 3) b) Roger Federer
- 4) a) The Beatles
- 5) b) Ban Ki moon
- 6) d) Germany
- 7) b) Tomas
- 8) a) New York
- 9) c) Spain
- 10) d) USA and Russia
- 11) b) NASA's new space telescope
- 12) a) Sachin Tendulkar
- 13) c) Mexico city
- 14) c) 64th
- 15) c) Toronto
- 16) d) Ximena Navarrete
- 17) a) Russia
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GENERAL ENGLISH

TOPIC : SUBJECT VERB CONCORD

1. Fill in the blanks with the right form of the verb given below :

1. Neither the boys nor the girl ----- well in the English exam

- a. had done
- b. have done
- c. None of these
- d. has done

2. Ten kilometers ----- too far to walk

- a. were
- b. are
- c. none of these
- d. is

3. The crowd ----- in a cheerful mood

- a. was
- b. were
- c. none of these
- d. are

4. Good news ----- always welcome

- a. is
- b. are
- c. were
- d. none of these

5. The general as well as his staff ----- there

- a. was
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- d. are

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 - c. had
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 - c. were
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- a. look
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- c. none of these
- d. looking

12. The Cattle ----- grazing in the field

- a. is
- b. was
- c. none of these
- d. were

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- a. has
- b. have
- c. none of these
- d. have been

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- d. were

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- b. make
- c. none of these
- d. making

16. Two -thirds of the city ----- in ruins.

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C .is

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b. was

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d. has

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b. are

c. none of these.

d. was

21. The orator and the statesman ----- arrived.

- a. has
- b. have
- c. will
- d. was

22. Iron as well as gold ----- found in India.

- a. have
- b. are
- c. is
- d. were

23. Bread and butter ----- wholesome food

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- b. are
- c. were
- d. has

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ANSWER KEY SUBJECT- VERB CONCORD

1. d
2. d
3. a
4. a
5. a
6. b
7. c
8. a
9. a
10. a
11. b
12. d
13. a
14. a
15. a
16. c
17. a
18. a
19. d
20. b
21. b
22. c
23. a
24. a
25. a

ENGLISH : TENSES

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the tense given in the brackets:

1.Necessity ----- (be) the mother of invention.

- a. is
- b. had been
- c. will be
- d. none of these.

2.someone ----- (knock) at the door for the past ten minutes.

- a. is knocking
- b. has been knocking
- c. was knocking.
- d. none of these.

3. In the boarding school we ----- (go) to bed at 10.P.M.

- a. Will go
- b. Would go
- c. Will be going
- d. Went.

4.I ----- (reach)the school before the school bell rang.

- a. had reached.
- b. will reach.
- c. reach
- d. none of these.

5. The baby -----(cry)all morning.

- a. Is crying
- b. has been crying
- c. cries
- d. none of these

6. The inspector ----- (visit) our school tomorrow.
- a. Will visit
 - b. Is visiting
 - c. visits
 - d. None of these
7. They ----- (discuss) the problem since January.
- a. Have been discussing
 - b. Had been discussing
 - c. will be discussing
 - d. are discussing
8. He ----- for a morning walk daily (go)
- a. Is going
 - b. Goes
 - c. Will
 - d. Went
9. I ----- (sleep) when the door bell rang
- a. Had been sleeping
 - b. Is sleeping
 - c. Was sleeping
 - d. Were sleeping
10. They ----- (reach) the station before the train starts
- a. Had reached
 - b. Reached
 - c. Will have reached
 - d. None of these

11. He ----- (wait) two hours for you when you came
- a. Had been waiting
 - b. Is waiting
 - c. Will be waiting
 - d. None of these
12. I ----- (write) a letter to her yesterday.
- a. I wrote
 - b. have written
 - c. was writing
 - d. will write
13. Columbus ----- (discover) America
- a. had discovered
 - b. discovered
 - c. will have discovered
 - d. have been discovered
14. I had finished my work before Tom ----- (come) to see me
- a. had come
 - b. will come
 - c. comes
 - d. came
15. They ----- (leave) the house a week ago
- a. left
 - b. had left
 - c. have left
 - d. will leave

16. We ----- (play) the match since ten O'clock

- a. Were playing
- b. have been playing
- c. will be playing
- d. play

17. The show -----(begin) at 6.30.p.m. daily.

- a. begin
- b. will begin
- c. is beginning
- d. none of these.

18. Tom and Harry ----- (live) in this town for the past five years.

- a. is living.
- b. are living.
- c. had been living
- d. have been living.

19. We ----- (study) for an hour when they entered the room.

- a. had been studying
- b. have been studying
- c. were studying
- d. are studying

20. He ----- (sail) for England next Monday.

- a. sails
- b. will sail
- C .will be sailing
- d. is sailing

21. The patient ----- (take) his medicine regularly.

- a. takes
- b. take
- c. is taking
- d. none of these.

22. When we got home last night, we found that somebody ----- into the flat.

- a. had break
- b. has break
- c. broken
- d. had broken

23. The boys ----- (play) football for three hours.

- a. have been playing
- b. were playing
- c. are playing
- d. plays

24. Rita ----- letters all the day. She ----- ten letters already. (write)

- a. write, wrote
- b. has been writing, has written
- c. is writing, wrote
- d. none of these

25. The police caught the thief. They ----- (look) for two months.

- a. had been looking
- b. has been looking
- c. looked
- d. none of these

ANSWER KEY ----- TENSES

- 1. A**
- 2. B**
- 3. D**

4.A

5.B

6.B

7.A

8. B

9.A

10. A

11.A

12. A

13. B

14.D

15.B

16.B

17.A.

18D.

19.A

20.A

21.A

22.D

23.A

24. B

25.B

DIRECT & INDIRECT SPEECH / REPORTED SPEECH

Change the following sentences into reported speech.

1. 'Put your guns down,' said the officer to the terrorists.
 - a) The officer said to the terrorists to put your gun down.
 - b) The officer ordered the terrorists to put their guns down.
 - c) The officers ordered the terrorists to put their guns down.
 - d) The officer told the terrorists to put his gun down.

2. 'Please give me your pen' Rita said to Heena.
 - a) Rita requested Heena to give her her pen.
 - b) Heena requested Rita to give her pen.
 - c) Rita asked for Heena's pen.
 - d) None of the above.

3. 'Don't forget to sign your name', said the manager.
 - a) The manager said to sign his name.
 - b) The manager ordered to sign his name.
 - c) The manager reminded him to sign his name.
 - d) The manager asked him to sign his name.

4. 'I enjoy listening to old songs', grandma said.
 - a) Grandma said that she enjoyed listening to old songs.
 - b) Grandma said that she had enjoyed listening to old songs.
 - c) Grandma said that she is enjoying old songs.
 - d) None of the above.

5. The monitor said to the students, 'Please stop talking'.
 - a) The monitor requested the students to stop talking.
 - b) The monitor said please stop talking.
 - c) The monitor told the students please stop talking.
 - d) None of the above.

6. The colonel said to his men, 'Stand at ease'.
 - a) The colonel ordered his men to stand at ease.
 - b) The colonel requested his men to stand at ease.
 - c) The colonel wished his men to stand at ease.
 - d) None of the above.

7. The teacher said, "Work hard Vijay".
 - a) The teacher advised Vijay to work hard.
 - b) The teacher requested Vijay to work harder.
 - c) The teacher wanted Vijay to work hard.
 - d) None of the above.

8. He said, 'I am glad to be here this evening'.
 - a) He said that he is glad to be here this evening.
 - b) He said that he is glad to be there that evening.
 - c) He said that he was glad to be there that evening.
 - d) None of the above.

9. ' Please help me in my homework' , she told her brother.
- a) She told her brothers to help me in my homework.
 - b) She requested her brother to help her in her homework.
 - c) She ordered her brother to help in homework.
 - d) None of the above.
10. Deepak said, ' I will be absent tomorrow'.
- a) Deepak said that I will be absent tomorrow.
 - b) Deepak said that he will be absent tomorrow.
 - c) Deepak said that he would be absent tomorrow.
 - d) Deepak said that he would be absent the next day.
11. Rajeev said , ' We have to be back before dark.'
- a) Rajeev said that he had to be back before dark.
 - b) Rajeev said that they had to be back before dark.
 - c) Rajeev said that they have to be back before dark.
 - d) Noen of the above.
12. The teacher says, ' The boy was lazy'.
- a) The teacher says that the boy was lazy.
 - b) The teacher says that the boy is lazy.
 - c) The teacher said that the boy is lazy.
 - d) The teacher said that the boy was lazy.
13. Jack said, ' All the boys were singing'.
- a) Jack said that all the boys had been singing.
 - b) Jack said that all the boys were singing.
 - c) Jack said that all the boys are singing.
 - d) None of the above.
14. She said , ' I have done my work'.
- a) She said she did her work.
 - b) She said that she had done her work.
 - c) She said that she has done my work.
 - d) She said that she has done her work.
15. John said , ' I am busy... '.
- a) John said that I am busy.
 - b) John said that I was busy.
 - c) John said that he was busy.
 - d) John said that he is busy.
16. Kamala said , ' This happened yesterday.'
- a) Kamala said that had happened the day before.
 - b) Kamala said this happened the day before.
 - c) Kamala said that happened the day before.
 - d) None of the above.

17. Harry said , ‘ The boy is here’ .
- a) Harry said that the boy is here.
 - b) Harry said that the boy is there.
 - c) Harry said that the boy was there.
 - d) Harry said the boy had been there.
18. The teacher said to me , ‘What is your name?’
- a) The teacher asked me what is my name.
 - b) The teacher asked me what was my name.
 - c) The teacher asked me what my name was.
 - d) The teacher asked me what my name is.
19. He said to me, ‘Is the train late?’
- a) He asked me is the train late?
 - b) He asked me if the train is late.
 - c) He asked me if the train was late.
 - d) He asked me if the train was late?
20. He said , ‘I came two days ago.’
- a) He said that I came two days ago.
 - b) He said that he came two days after.
 - c) He said that he had come two days before.
 - d) He said that he came two days before.

ANSWER KEY FOR DIRECT & INDIRECT SPEECH

1. b
2. a
3. c
4. a
5. a
6. a
7. a
8. c
9. b
- 10.d
- 11.b
- 12.a
- 13.a
- 14.b
- 15.c
- 16.a
- 17.c
- 18.c
- 19.c
- 20.c

ACTIVE & PASSIVE VOICE

Change these sentences to Passive Voice

1. The carpenter is making a table.
 - a) A table is made by carpenter.
 - b) A table is being made by the carpenter.
 - c) A table was made by the carpenter.
 - d) The table is being made by a carpenter.

2. They have built new shopping malls in Delhi.
 - a) New shopping malls have been built in Delhi.
 - b) New shopping malls in Delhi had been built.
 - c) New shopping malls in Delhi has been built.
 - d) New shopping malls are being built in Delhi.

3. Grass spreads over the field.
 - a) The field spreads over by grass.
 - b) The field is spread over by grass.
 - c) The field was spread over by grass.
 - d) The field will be spread over by grass.

4. The mother was preparing the dinner.
 - a) The dinner is prepared by the mother.
 - b) Dinner is being prepared by mother.
 - c) The dinner was being prepared by the mother.
 - d) The dinner was prepared by mother.

5. An earthquake destroyed the entire city.
 - a) The entire city is destroyed by an earthquake.
 - b) The city was destroyed by an entire earthquake.
 - c) The city is destroyed by an entire earthquake.
 - d) The entire city was destroyed by an earthquake

6. People speak English all over the world.
 - a) English is spoken by people all over the world
 - b) All over the world people speak English.
 - c) English was spoken by people all over the world.
 - d) None of the above.

7. Somebody cleans the room everyday.
 - a) The room is cleaned everyday.
 - b) Everyday somebody cleans the room
 - c) Somebody cleaned the room everyday.
 - d) The room was cleaned everyday.

8. They threw away the old newspapers.
 - a) The old newspapers are thrown away
 - b) The old newspaper is thrown away.
 - c) The old newspapers were thrown away.
 - d) They will throw away the old newspapers.

9. Ashok drinks tea every morning.
- Ashok is drinking tea every morning.
 - Every morning Ashok drinks tea.
 - Tea is drunk by Ashok every morning.
 - Tea was drunk by Ashok every morning.
10. The mother pacified her children.
- The children were pacified by the mother.
 - The children were pacified by mother.
 - Her children were pacified by the mother.
 - Her children are pacified by mother.
11. Vishak is driving a car.
- A car is driving by Vishak.
 - A car is being driven by Vishak
 - A car was driven by Vishak.
 - A car is drove by Vishak.
12. The servant sweeps the floor.
- The floor is sweep by servant.
 - The floor was sweep by the servant.
 - The floor is swept by the servant.
 - The floor was swept by the servant.
13. The children had eaten all the chocolates.
- The chocolates had been eaten by all the children
 - All the children had eaten the chocolates.
 - All the chocolates had been eaten by the children.
 - The chocolates have been eaten by the children.
14. We should not insult the weak.
- The weak should not insult us.
 - The wak should be insulted.
 - The weak was not insulted by us.
 - The weak should not be insulted by us.
15. The editor is reading a book.
- A book is read by the editor.
 - A book is being read by the editor.
 - The book is being read by the editor.
 - The book was read by the editor.
16. We won the game very easily.
- The game is won easily.
 - The game was won easily.
 - The game will be won easily.
 - The game is being won very easily
17. Peasants use bullocks for ploughing.
- Bullocks are used by the peasants for ploughing.
 - Bullocks were used by the peasants for ploughing.
 - Bullocks is used by peasants for ploughing.
 - None of the above.

18. The manager offered me a job.
- a) A job is offered me by manager.
 - b) The job was offered me by a manager.
 - c) A job was offered to me by the manager.
 - d) The manager is offering me a job.
19. He told me to leave the room.
- a) He was told to leave the room.
 - b) I was told to leave the room.
 - c) The room was to be left.
 - d) None of the above.
20. They found him guilty of murder.
- a) He was found guilty of murder.
 - b) He is found guilty of murder.
 - c) They were found guilty of murder.
 - d) None of the above.

ANSWER KEY FOR ACTIVE & PASSIVE VOICE

1. b
2. a
3. b
4. c
5. d
6. a
7. a
8. c
9. c
- 10.c
- 11.b
- 12.c
- 13.c
- 14.d
- 15.b
- 16.b
- 17.a
- 18.c
- 19.b
- 20.a