

1. Consider the following statements:
 1. Manuscript is called so because they are usually written on specially prepared bark of a tree known as Manuka.
 2. Stone tools found during Palaeolithic period are generally tiny, and are called microliths.
 Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2**
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
2. Consider the following statements
 1. Mehrgarh is a site on the hills near the Brahmaputra Valley, close to routes leading into China and Myanmar.
 2. Burzahom archaeological site is located in present day Pakistan.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2**
3. Consider the following statements
 1. Inscriptions are writings engraved on hard surfaces such as stone.
 2. Ganas or Sanghas were oligarchies.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2**
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
4. Consider the following statements:
 1. Sanskrit texts use the term kula for the larger network of kinfolk.
 2. According to Brahmanical texts, members of the same gotra could not marry.
 Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
 - a) 1 only**
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
5. Which of the following cities of Harappan Civilisation are not in modern day India.
 1. Harappa
 2. Mohenjo-daro
 3. Chanhudaro
 4. Alamgirpur
 5. Banawali
 Select the code from the below:
 - a) 1,2 and 3 only**
 - b) 1,2 and 4 only
 - c) 3,4 and 5 only
 - d) 1,2,3, 4 and 5
6. Consider the following statements regarding Early Vedic Society.
 - a) Early Vedic Society was tribal society in which social relations were based on kinship ties.
 - b) Importance given to the male member is reflected in the hymns of Rigveda.
 - c) Women were educated and they had access to the assemblies.
 Which of the above statement/s is/are correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 1 and 3 only
 - c) 2 and 3 only
 - d) 1, 2 and 3**
7. Which of the following statement is/are correct regarding Harappan pottery?
 1. Harappan pottery represents blending of ceramic tradition of Baluchistan and the cultures of east of Indus system.

2. Painted decoration on pottery consists of horizontal lines of varied thickness, palm, birds, animals, papal tree etc.
Select the correct answer from the code given below.
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2**
 - Neither 1 nor 2
8. Which of the following statement(s) is/are INCORRECT regarding 'Janapadas' and 'Mahajanapadas'?
- Janapadas were essentially agricultural settlements and were essentially named after main kshatriya lineages in that area.
 - Some of the Janapadas were developed into Mahajanapadas in sixth century B.C.
 - Political setups of all Mahajanapadas were monarchical.
- Select the correct answer from the code given below.
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2**
9. Which of the following Puranas refers to a detailed procedure related to the art of painting?
- Vishnu Dharmottara Purana**
 - Vishnu Purana
 - Markandeya Purana
 - Vayu Purana
10. Consider the following statements regarding Early Vedic Period:
- Aryans referred to Indus people as Dasyus.
 - Early Aryans made large wooden castles to protect themselves from foreign attacks.
 - They owned both cattle and land as wealth.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- 1 only**
 - 2 and 3
 - 2 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
11. Consider the following statements:
- The office of 'whip' is mentioned in the Rules of the House.
 - The office of the 'Leader of the Opposition' is mentioned in the Parliamentary Statute.
- Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
- 1 only**
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
12. Consider the following statements
- The power of adjournment lies with the Presiding Officer of the House whereas power of adjournment sine die lies with the President.
 - The period spanning between the prorogation of a House and its reassembly in a new session is called recess.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only**
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
13. Consider the following statements
- Once the business of a session is completed, the Presiding Officer issues a notification for prorogation of the session.
 - All pending notices, other than those for introducing bills lapse on prorogation of Lok Sabha.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only**
 - Both 1 and 2

- d) Neither 1 nor 2
14. Consider the following statements:
1. Quorum constitutes one-tenth of total number of members in Lok Sabha, while it is one-fifteenth for Rajya Sabha.
 2. Quorum is calculated by excluding the Presiding Officer.
- Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2**
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
15. Consider the following statements:
1. An unstarred question in the Parliament requires a written answer.
 2. A starred question in the Parliament requires an oral answer.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2**
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
16. Who among the following are entitled to Parliamentary Privileges?
1. Attorney General
 2. Comptroller and Auditor General
 3. President
 4. Vice- President
 5. Union Ministers
- Select the correct code:
- a) 1, 3 and 5 only
 - b) 1,2,3 and 5 only
 - c) 1 and 5 only**
 - d) 1, 2,3,4 and 5
17. The 'Excess grant' must be approved by which of the following committee before being submitted for voting in Lok Sabha?
- a) Business advisory committee
 - b) Estimates committee
 - c) Public accounts committee**
 - d) Committee on Public Undertakings
18. Consider the following statements:
1. The Appropriation Bill becomes Appropriation Act only after it gets President's assent.
 2. The government cannot withdraw money from the Contingency Fund of India till the enactment of the Appropriation Bill.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only**
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
19. Consider the following statements
1. Consultative committees are constituted by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.
 2. Consultative committees consist of members of both the Houses of Parliament.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2**
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
20. Consider the following statements regarding Parliamentary Forums:
1. The Speaker of Lok Sabha is the ex-officio President of all the Parliamentary Forums.
 2. Parliamentary Forums consists members only from the Lok Sabha.
- Which of the above statements is/are NOT CORRECT?
- a) 1 only

- b) 2 only
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) Neither 1 nor 2
21. Consider the following statements about Biju Patnaik:
1. He joined the Quit India Movement under the guidance of Mahatma Gandhi.
 2. He became the first Finance Minister of independent India.
 3. He was awarded with the highest national awards of Indonesia.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- a) 1 and 2 only
b) **2 only**
c) 3 only
d) 1, 2 and 3
22. With reference to the Asola Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary, consider the following statements:
1. It is located at the border of Delhi and Haryana.
 2. The sanctuary is a part of Aravalli ranges.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
b) 2 only
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) Neither 1 nor 2
23. Consider the following statements:
1. Pench Tiger Reserve (PTR) is located in the southern reaches of the Satpura hills.
 2. The area of PTR lies in both Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
b) 2 only
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) Neither 1 nor 2
24. With reference to the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2021, consider the following statements:
1. The number of Indian universities/institutes in the top 100 subject rankings has increased.
 2. No private institution from India has entered in the global top-100.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) **1 only**
b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2
d) Neither 1 nor 2
25. With reference to CSIR Floriculture Mission, consider the following statements:
1. Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) is the only implementing body for the mission.
 2. It will lead to the growth of the Apiculture.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
b) **2 only**
c) Both 1 and 2
d) Neither 1 nor 2