

1. Which of the following statements does not support the theory that Harappan Civilization had a centralized authority?

- (a) Uniformity in the town planning.
- (b) Strategic location of the sites.
- (c) Citadel is found in many of the Harappan sites.
- (d) The standardized ratio of brick size.

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Simuka was the founder of the Satvahana dynasty.
- 2. The capital of Satvahanas was Pratishtana or Paithan.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2

3. Which of the following Afghan chiefs invited Babur to India?

- 1. Daulat Khan Lodi
- 2. Alam Khan Lodi
- 3. Ibrahim Lodi

Choose the correct code:

- (a) 1 only              (b) 1 and 3
- (c) 2 and 3              (d) 1 and 2

4. Arrange the arrival of the following European companies in India in the chronological order:

- 1. Portuguese East India Company
- 2. English East India Company
- 3. Dutch East India Company
- 4. Danish East India Company

Choose the correct code:

- (a) 1-2-3-4              (b) 1-3-2-4

(c) 2-1-3-4      (d) 2-1-4-3

5. In which of the following Ashokan edicts the name "Asoka" in addition to usual "DevanamPiyadasi" is mentioned?

- 1. Maski              2. Gujarra
- 3. Nittur             4. Udaigolam

Choose the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 2 only              (b) 2 and 3 Only
- (c) 4 only                      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

6. Arrange the following Chinese travelers, who came to India, in correct chronological order:

- 1. Hiuen Tsang              2. Fahien
- 3. Itsing                      4. Wang HiuenTse

Choose the answer from the codes below:

- (a) 2, 1, 3, 4      (b) 2, 1, 4, 3
- (c) 2, 4, 1, 3      (d) 2, 3, 1, 4

7. Consider the following statements about the second Jainism council:

- 1. It was held at Mathura
- 2. It was presided over by Aryaskandilya

Which of the above statement(s) is/are true?

- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2

8. Which of the following statements about the Mauryan age is not correct?

- (a) Crown land was called Sita.
- (b) Shudras were involved in agriculture for the first time during this period.
- (c) There were provisions for irrigation by the state.
- (d) The weight and measures were regulated by the guilds of the traders and merchants.

9. Who presided over the Surat Session of the Indian National Congress (IN(C)?

- (a) Dadabhai Naoroji
- (b) Gopala Krishna Gokhale
- (c) Rash Behari Ghosh
- (d) S.N. Ranerji

10. Which of the following statements is/are not true about the Hindustan Republican Association?

- 1. It was founded by Sachin Sanyal and Jogesh Chandra Chatterji.
- 2. It was the first revolutionary association at the all-India level.
- 3. It was renamed as the Hindustan Communist Republican Association by Chandrashekhar Azad.
- 4. It was later joined by Bhagat Singh.

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

- (a) 3 only                      (b) 3 and 4
- (c) 1 and 2                    (d) 2 and 3

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The glowing surface of Sun, that we see, is called the photosphere.
- 2. Venus has the maximum diurnal range of temperature and the shortest year.
- 3. Ganymede is the largest and heaviest of all satellites in the solar system.
- 4. Blue moon is a rare celestial phenomenon marked by the occurrence of the second full moon within one month.

The correct statements are:

- (a) 1 and 2                    (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 1, 3 and 4                (d) 2, 3 and 4

12. Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb connects

- (a) Gulf of Aden and Red Sea
- (b) Red Sea and Mediterranean Sea
- (c) Arabian Sea and Gulf of Oman
- (d) Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman

13. Consider the following statements.

1. There is less amounts of water vapour in low latitudes than in high latitudes.
2. The rate of evaporation is highest in hot, dry and windy condition.
3. The capacity to hold moisture reduces with increase in temperature.
4. The temperature at which air gets saturated is called Dew Point.

Which of the above statements are not correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3                      (b) 1, 3 and 4  
(c) 1 and 4                        (d) 1 and 3

14. Consider the following statements:

1. The Kalahari Desert is situated between the Orange and Limpopo river.
2. Harmattan is a hot local wind which blows from Sahara to Mediterranean.
3. Masai is a pastoral tribe of Kenya and Tanzania.

Which among the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 only  
(c) 3 only                        (d) 2 and 3

15. Which of following statements is/are correct?

1. Mauritius lies west of Namibia.
2. The islands of Mauritius are part of the Mascarene Islands.

Choose the correct code:

- (a) 1 only                        (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                (d) Neither 1 nor 2

16. Which among the following are responsible for variation in insolation at the earth's surface?

1. Rotation of earth on its axis.
2. Angle of inclination of sun's rays.
3. Transparency of the atmosphere.

4. Revolution of earth on its orbit.

Choose the correct code:

(a) 1, 2, 3 and 4 (b) 1, 2 and 3

(c) 2, 3 and 4 (d) 1, 2 and 4

17. Aravalli mountain crosses which of the following states in India?

1. Punjab

2. Delhi

3. Haryana

4. Rajasthan

5. Gujarat

Choose the correct code:

(a) 2, 4 and 5 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only

(c) 1, 3 and 5 only (d) 2, 3, 4 and 5

18. Consider the following statements:

1. Asian Waterbird census which is held biannually count Waterbirds in the wetlands across Asia and Australasia.

2. In India, the AWC is annually coordinated by the Bombay Natural history Society (BNHS) and Wetlands International.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

19. Consider the following statements about Rip Tides?

1. These are slow underwater currents that are beneficial for fishing.

2. These occur due to the gravitational pull of Sun and Moon.

3. These help in the formation of tropical cyclones and hurricanes.

4. These currents travel very long distance across the seas.

Which of the above is correct?

(a) 1 and 4

(b) 2 and 4

(c) 3 and 4

(d) None of the above

20. Why is a plant called 'Lantana camara' usually in news?

- (a) Its extract is widely used in cosmetics.
- (b) It tends to reduce the biodiversity in the area in which it grows.
- (c) Its extract is used in the synthesis of pesticides.
- (d) It is grown in urban water bodies that are contaminated with heavy metals.

21. With reference to 'Blue-finned Mahseer', consider the following statements:

- 1. It is only found in the Mota Mola river east of Pune.
- 2. It's IUCN status is critically endangered.
- 3. The species is threatened by habitat manipulation and over harvesting

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

22. Consider the following:

- 1. Genetically Modified crops
- 2. Quarantine system
- 3. Germ warfare

Which of the above methods can be deployed as the Pest Controlling Methods?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

23. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor (ITER) is located in France.

2. China's Experimental Advanced Superconducting Tokamak (EAST) is a part of ITER.

3. India is not a member of ITER Project.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 2 only

(d) 3 only

24. Consider the following statements:

1. India is a member country of the United Nations Development Industrial Organisation (UNIDO).

2. The Lima Declaration mandates UNIDO to promote and accelerate inclusive and sustainable industrial development (ISID) in member States.

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 Mega Food Park Scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It is implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

2. The scheme is based on the "Cluster" approach.

3. It envisages a mechanism to link agricultural production to the market.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) 2 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3 only

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9	C	18	C		