

1-Name the Continents that form a mirror image of each other

- (a) North America and South America
- (b) Asia and Africa
- (c) Africa and South America
- (d) Europe and Asia

2-Consider the following statements and select the correct answer from the codes given below:

Assertion (A): The growth rate of population in developing countries is higher than that of developed countries.

Reason (R): Low level of economic development leads to high total fertility rate.

Codes:

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- (b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- (c) A is true, but R is false.
- (d) A is false, but R is true

3-Sal trees are the typical species of

- (a) Tropical rain forest
- (b) Tropical monsoon forest
- (c) Taiga forest
- (d) Tundra forest

4-Which one of the following statements on biosphere reserves is not correct?

- (a) In 1973, UNESCO launched a worldwide programme on man and biosphere
- (b) Biosphere reserves promote research on ecological conservation
- (c) Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve is located in Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Biosphere reserves are multipurpose protected areas to preserve the genetic diversity in ecosystems

5-Why South-East Asia has the largest concentration of peasant population at the global scale?

- (a) The area is dominated by shifting cultivation due to favourable terrain character
- (b) Intensive subsistence farming is practised in the region

(c) The region has favourable and healthier climate

(d) The area has a large forested area which is cleared for cultivation of various crops

6-The vegetation type characterised by (i) a large expanse of grassland with scattered trees and shrubs, (ii) lying between tropical rain forest and tropical steppes and deserts and (iii) flattopped trees, is called

(a) mid-latitude broad-leaf mixed forest

(b) temperate rain forest

(c) tropical savanna

(d) mid-latitude grassland

7-Which of the following countries are located on the Equator?

1 Brunei 2 Colombia

3 Kenya 4 Venezuela

Select the correct answer using the codes given below :

Codes :

(a) 1 and 2

(b) 2 and 3

(c) 3 and 4

(d) 1 and 4

8- Consider the following statements and select the correct answer from the codes given below:

Assertion (A): New economic geography deals with the spatial economy of 21st century.

Reason (R): It attempts to meet the new economic challenges.

Codes:

(a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.

(b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.

(c) A is true, but R is false.

(d) A is false, but R is true.

9- Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer from the codes given below

List-I

A. Detroit

B. Pittsburgh

C. Plymouth

D. Sheffield

A B C D

(a) 4 3 1 2

(b) 2 3 1 4

(c) 3 1 4 2

(d) 4 3 2 1

List-II

1. Cutlery

2. Ship building

3. Iron and steel

4. Automobile

10- Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer from the codes given below:

List-I

A. Hydropower

B. Coal

C. Petroleum

D. Nuclear power

A B C D

(a) 4 3 1 2

(b) 2 3 4 1

(c) 3 1 4 2

(d) 4 3 2 1

List-II

1. France

2. Congo Democratic Republic

3. Poland

4. Iraq

11- With reference to Bhakti saints, consider the following statements.

1. Ekanatha opposed caste distinctions and was sympathetic towards the lower castes.

2. Gnanadeva was the founder of the Bhakti Movement in Maharashtra in fifth Century.

3. Namadeva preached the gospel of love through idol worship.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

(a) 1 and 3 only

(b) 1 only

(c) 1 and 2 only

(d) 2 and 3 only

12- Consider the following statements.

1. As per Ramanuja, all the objects in creation are real but not illusory.

2. As per Madhava, dualism of Jivatma and Paramatma does not exist and they dwell in an eternal cosmic entity.

Which of the above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) None

13- Anuvyakhyana is a major work of

(a) Adi Shankaracharya

(b) Madhvacharya

(c) Ramanuja

(d) Vasudevbandhu

14- With reference to Kabir, a fifteenth century poet and mystic, consider the following statements.

1. Salvation cannot be attained by search for the knowledge, rather results from complete surrender of oneself.

2. Kabir was critical of social discrimination but maintained that caste system was useful for the division of labour in the society.

Which of the above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) None

15- Considering the period of rule of the Rashtrakutas, among the following, their earliest known inscription will most likely be a

- (a) 7th CE copper plate grant
- (b) 12th CE rock-cut cave
- (c) 2nd CE pillar inscription
- (d) 4th BC metal carvings

16- Which scholar described the Emperor of the Rashtrakuta dynasty as one of the four great Kings of the World in the 9th century?

- (a) Traveller Marco Polo
- (b) Francois Bernier who visited Mughal India
- (c) Arab scholar Sulaiman
- (d) Persian scholar Al-Biruni

17- In the context of Ancient India, Amogavarsha's work Kaviraja marga is significant because?

- (a) It was the first poetic work in Kannada language.
- (b) The largest repository of royal assets was commissioned in this work.
- (c) All artists of the empire contributed to this work.
- (d) It was a prose written in the middle of a battle ground.

18- Consider the following about the Kakatiyas.

- (a) Kakatiyas were worshippers of Shiva.
- (b) They were the historic overlords and progenitors of the Rashtrakutas.
- (c) The Kakatiya polity was based a monarchical system that preferred women over men in rulership.
- (d) Their empire was conquered by the Delhi Sultanate.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

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

19- With reference to the Chola empire, consider the following statements.

1. Settlements of peasants were known as ur.
2. Nadu was a group of villages that often administered collection of taxes.

3. Muvendavelan was a title given to upper castes that worked for the welfare of backward castes.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 only

(d) 3 only

20. Which of the following dynasties do NOT form a part of the Delhi Sultanate?

(a) Khalji

(b) Lodi

(c) Mamluk

(d) Tomara

21. Consider the following statements about the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC):

1. Members of the Gulf Cooperation Council include Saudi Arabia, UAE, Bahrain and Kuwait.

2. The Secretariat of GCC is located in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

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

22. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), consider the following statements:

1. It aims to extend the coverage of branded medicines to reduce the out of pocket expenditure on medicines.

2. The scheme was launched by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

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. Which of the following states come under India's core cold wave zone?

1. Punjab 2. Rajasthan
3. New Delhi 4. Kerala

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

24. With reference to Central Vista Redevelopment Project, consider the following statements:

1. The project envisages construction of a new Parliament and Secretariat in Delhi.
2. It is proposed by the Union Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

Which of the above statements is/ are correct?

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

25. With reference to the National Monsoon Mission, consider the following statements:

1. It was launched to develop a dynamic monsoon prediction system.
2. It was launched by the Ministry of Earth Sciences in 2012.

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

ANSWER SHEET

1	C	10	B	19	A
2	A	11	B	20	D
3	B	12	A	21	C
4	C	13	B	22	D
5	B	14	D	23	B

6	C	15	A	24	A
7	B	16	C	25	C
8	A	17	A		
9	A	18	A		