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1. Who is the founder of the South-East Asia Ramayana Research Centre?
  - (a) Late Dr. Bhupen Hazarika
  - (b) Late Dr. Mamoni Raisom Goswami
  - (c) Dr. Dhruvajyoti Bora
  - (d) Dr. Malini
2. Who is the recipient of Biswaratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika International Solidarity Award in 2015?
  - (a) Shyam Bengal
  - (b) Amjad Ali
  - (c) Amol Palekar
  - (d) Adoor Gopalakrishnan
3. Who is the first Assamese woman to be awarded Sangeet Natak Akademi Award?
  - (a) Sudakshina Sharma
  - (b) Anupama Bhattacharya
  - (c) Pratima Pandey Barua
  - (d) Aideo Handique
4. In which Division of the British Indian Army, Mangal Pandey was inducted as a soldier?
  - (a) 34th Bengal Native Infantry
  - (b) 5th Royal Gurkha Rifles
  - (c) Madras Light Cavalry
  - (d) None of the above
5. India's average annual growth rate of population during 2001-2011 was
  - (a) 1.64%
  - (b) 1.54%
  - (c) 1.97%
  - (d) 2.64%
6. In which sector, maximum plan allocation and priorities were given in 12th Five-year Plan in Assam?
  - (a) Rural development
  - (b) Agriculture
  - (c) Social service
  - (d) Irrigation and flood control
7. The contribution of agriculture in India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is
  - (a) 14%
  - (b) 24%
  - (c) 34%
  - (d) None of the above
8. The WTO was founded in 1995 as the successor organization to the
  - (a) UNCTAD
  - (b) IBRD
  - (c) World Bank
  - (d) GATT
9. During the freedom struggle, Aruna Asaf Ali was a major woman organizer of underground activities in
  - (a) Civil Disobedience Movement
  - (b) Swadeshi Movement
  - (c) Non-Cooperation Movement
  - (d) Quit India Movement
10. The slogan 'Inquilab Zindabad' was first raised by
  - (a) Lokamanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak
  - (b) Chandra Shekhar Azad
  - (c) Veer Savarkar
  - (d) Bhagat Singh
11. After which incident, Mahatma Gandhi had called Non-Cooperation Movement as his Himalayan blunder?
  - (a) Kheda Satyagraha
  - (b) Chauri-Chaura
  - (c) Nagpur Satyagraha
  - (d) Rajkot Satyagraha
12. Who among the following organized a march on the Tanjore Coast to break the Salt Law in April, 1930?
  - (a) V. O. Chidambaram
  - (b) K. Kamraj
  - (c) Annie Besant
  - (d) C. Rajagopalachari
13. Who was called the 'Mother of the Indian Revolution'?
  - (a) Kasturba Gandhi
  - (b) Kamala Nehru
  - (c) Saajini naidu
  - (d) Bhikaji Cama
14. In the 'Individual Satyagraha', Vinoba Bhave was chosen as the first Satyagrahi. Who was the second?
  - (a) Dr. Rajendra Prasad
  - (b) C. Rajagopalachari
  - (c) Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru
  - (d) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
15. Who is considered the founder of the Gupta Empire?
  - (a) Chandragupta II
  - (b) Chandragupta I
  - (c) Samudragupta
  - (d) Sri Gupta
16. The first Census was conducted at the time of
  - (a) Lord Dufferin
  - (b) Lord Lytton
  - (c) Lord Auckland
  - (d) Sir John Napier
17. There are only two known examples of cave paintings of the Gupta period in ancient India. One of these is the paintings of Ajanta Caves. Where is the other surviving example of Gupta paintings?
  - (a) Ellora Caves
  - (b) Bagh Caves
  - (c) Lomas Rishi Caves
  - (d) Nasik Caves
18. Which one of the following Gupta Kings had to face the first Huna invasion?
  - (a) Skandagupta
  - (b) Buddhagupta
  - (c) Purugupta
  - (d) Kumaragupta I
19. Who among the following anticipated Newton by declaring that all things gravitate to the earth?
  - (a) Aryabhata
  - (b) Varahamihira
  - (c) Buddhagupta
  - (d) Brahmagupta
20. The quorum of the Parliament is fixed at
  - (a) one-tenth of the membership of the House
  - (b) two-thirds of the membership of the House
  - (c) one-third of the membership of the House
  - (d) one-eighth of the membership of the House
21. Which one of the following industries is known as 'Sunrise Industry'?
  - (a) Iron and Steel
  - (b) Cotton and Textile
  - (c) Information Technology
  - (d) Tea and Coffee
22. How many satellites were launched by Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) to create history on February 15, 2017?
  - (a) 84
  - (b) 93
  - (c) 102
  - (d) 104
23. MS-Word is an example of
  - (a) compiler
  - (b) application software
  - (c) system software
  - (d) operating system
24. During whose reign at Rangpur city, an amphitheatre known as 'Rang Ghar' for animal fight was built?
  - (a) Rudra Singha
  - (b) Prmatta Singha
  - (c) Siba Singha
  - (d) Rajeswar Singha
25. Which city has issued a red alert for air pollution for the first time ever on December, 2015 with a heavy cloud of dangerous smog blanketing the city?
  - (a) Hong Kong
  - (b) New Delhi
  - (c) Beijing
  - (d) None of the above
26. Goods and Service Tax (GST) would replace which of the following taxes levied at present?
  - (a) Income tax
  - (b) Corporate tax
  - (c) Capital gains tax
  - (d) Value-added tax (VAT)
27. The High Altitude Warfare School of the Indian Army is located at
  - (a) Siachen
  - (b) Manali
  - (c) Gulmarg
  - (d) Leh
28. Which among the following countries is the largest troop contributor to the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission?
  - (a) China
  - (b) India
  - (c) Bangladesh
  - (d) Pakistan
29. Who said, 'India is the bright spot on the cloudy global horizon'?
  - (a) UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon
  - (b) Former US President Barack Obama
  - (c) Indian President Pranab Mukherjee
  - (d) IMF Chief Christine Lagarde

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30. The Supreme Court was set up under the  
 (a) Regulating Act, 1773  
 (b) Pitt's India Act, 1784  
 (c) Indian Councils Act, 1861  
 (d) Indian Councils Act, 1892
31. Under which of the following Articles, additional and acting judges can be appointed in the High Courts?  
 (a) Article 220  
 (b) Article 229  
 (c) Article 224  
 (d) Article 231
32. The first Lok Adalat was held in the year  
 (a) 1985  
 (b) 1986  
 (c) 1987  
 (d) 1988
33. Who/Which among the following is the custodian of the Constitution of India?  
 (a) The President of India  
 (b) The Prime Minister of India  
 (c) The Lok Sabha Secretariat  
 (d) The Supreme Court of India
34. Which one of the following jurisdictions of the Indian judiciary covers Public Interest Litigation?  
 (a) Appellate jurisdiction  
 (b) Original jurisdiction  
 (c) Advisory jurisdiction  
 (d) Epistolary jurisdiction
35. The power of the Supreme Court of India to decide disputes between the Centre and state falls under its  
 (a) writ jurisdiction  
 (b) advisory jurisdiction  
 (c) original jurisdiction  
 (d) appellate jurisdiction
36. The maximum permissible period between two sessions of a State Legislative Assembly is  
 (a) one year  
 (b) six months  
 (c) three months  
 (d) indefinite
37. The Governor of which State has been vested with special powers regarding the Scheduled Tribal Areas?  
 (a) Arunachal Pradesh  
 (b) Assam  
 (c) Maharashtra  
 (d) West Bengal
38. The State of Jammu and Kashmir was accorded special status under  
 (a) Article 356 of the Constitution  
 (b) Article 370 of the Constitution  
 (c) Article 356 and 370 of the Constitution  
 (d) None of the above
39. Under which Article, the Supreme Court has the power to review its own judgement or order?  
 (a) Article 137  
 (b) Article 254  
 (c) Article 256  
 (d) Article 142
40. Who has written 3524 songs in 650 films over 33 years and due to this, he was eligible for a Guinness Book of World Records entry after extensive documentation and verification of each and every track?  
 (a) Gulzar  
 (b) Javed Akhtar  
 (c) Faazil Anwar  
 (d) Sameer
41. The paintings on the walls and ceilings in the Ajanta Caves depict mainly  
 (a) incidents relating to the *Ramayana* and *Mahabharata*  
 (b) legends relating to Vikramaditya  
 (c) incidents relating to the life of Gautama Buddha  
 (d) incidents relating to the life of Mahavira
42. Which of the following Mughal buildings is said to possess the unique feature of being exactly equal in length and breadth?  
 (a) Agra Fort  
 (b) Red Fort  
 (c) Buland Darwaza  
 (d) Taz Mahal
43. When was the 'National Anthem' adopted by the Government?  
 (a) 15th August, 1947  
 (b) 26th January, 1947  
 (c) 24th January, 1950  
 (d) 14th August, 1947
44. The Union Government has decided to impose 0.5% cess on which services to fund the 'Swachh Bharat Programme'?  
 (a) All non-taxable services  
 (b) All charitable services  
 (c) Non-refundable services  
 (d) All taxable services
45. The Radcliffe Committee was appointed to  
 (a) solve the problem of minorities in India  
 (b) give effect to the Independence Bill  
 (c) delimit the boundaries between India and Pakistan  
 (d) enquire into the riots in East Bengal
46. Who was the Viceroy of India at the time of Jallianwala bagh massacre?  
 (a) Lord Irwin  
 (b) Lord Chelmsford  
 (c) Lord Hardinge  
 (d) Lord Curzon
47. Against whom of the following was the Lahore Conspiracy Case registered during the Indian freedom struggle?  
 (a) Lala Har Dayal  
 (b) Lala Lajpat Rai  
 (c) Vinayak damodar Savarkar  
 (d) Vishnu Ganesh Pingle
48. A woman revolutionary who while receiving her degree at the convocation at the University of Calcutta from the Governor of Bengal shot him was  
 (a) Kalpana Dutta  
 (b) Bina Das  
 (c) Pritilata Waddedar  
 (d) Leela Nag
49. The Viceroy, upon whom a bomb was thrown but he did not change his attitude towards the Indians was  
 (a) Lord hardinge  
 (b) Warren Hastings  
 (c) Lord Curzon  
 (d) Lord Chelmsford
50. In 1930, Mahatma Gandhi started Civil Disobedience Movement from  
 (a) Sevagram  
 (b) Dandi  
 (c) Wardha  
 (d) Sabarmati
51. Who among the following founded the Ahmedabad Textile Labour Association?  
 (a) Mahatma Gandhi  
 (b) J. B. Kripalani  
 (c) N. M. Joshi  
 (d) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
52. Which one of the following aroused a wave of popular indignation that led to the massacre by the British at Jallianwala Bagh?  
 (a) The Arms Act  
 (b) The Public Safety Act  
 (c) The Vernacular Press Act  
 (d) The Rowlatt Act
53. The Central Institute of Buddhist Studies is located in which city?  
 (a) Shimla  
 (b) Srinagar  
 (c) Dharamsala  
 (d) Leh
54. Who is known as the 'most qualified person in India' according to Limca Book of Records?  
 (a) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam  
 (b) Sumitra Devi  
 (c) Shrikanta Jichker  
 (d) Kushal Chatterjee
55. "Every pearl in the Royal Crown is but the crystallized drops of blood fallen from the tearful eyes of the poor peasants..." Who made this statement?  
 (a) Ibn batuta  
 (b) Al-Beruni  
 (c) Amir Khusru  
 (d) Badauni
56. Which one of the following pairs is the third generation (3G) mobile telecommunication?  
 (a) WiMAX and UMTS  
 (b) GPRS and EDGE  
 (c) WiMAX and EDGE  
 (d) UMTS and GPRS
57. Which one of the following is an air-to-air missile?  
 (a) Astra  
 (b) Akash  
 (c) Becquerel  
 (d) Prithvi
58. Where do you find the clock and calendar in/on your computer?  
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- (a) Taskbar  
(b) Menu bar  
(c) Desktop  
(d) Startmenu
59. Which of the following groups has only the output devices?  
(a) Scanner, keyboard, printer  
(b) Mouse, printer, monitor  
(c) Keyboard, monitor, printer  
(d) Plotter, printer, monitor
60. Who was the President of the 'Swaraj Party' in Assam during freedom movement?  
(a) Bishnuram Medhi  
(b) Maniram Dewan  
(c) Gopinath Bordoloi  
(d) Tarun Ram Phukan
61. Who among the following was the leader of the 1857 Revolt in Assam?  
(a) Piyali Barua  
(b) Kushal Konwar  
(c) Purandar Singh  
(d) Maniram Dewan
62. Which of the following tribes practices nomadic herding for subsistence?  
(a) Bedouin  
(b) Bakarwal  
(c) Kirghiz  
(d) All of the above
63. Which of the following devices is used to record humidity?  
(a) Hygrometer  
(b) Psychrometer  
(c) Thermo-hygrograph  
(d) All of the above
64. What does the term 'Dolby B and Dolby C' printed on the tape recorders and other sound systems refer to?  
(a) Frequency modulation system  
(b) Amplitude modulated system  
(c) Noise reduction circuit  
(d) Both d.c. and a.c. power can be used
65. A packet of information that travels between a Browser and the Web server is known as  
(a) Malware  
(b) Adware  
(c) Spyware  
(d) Cookie
66. The WTO basically promotes  
(a) financial support  
(b) global peace  
(c) unilateral trade  
(d) multilateral trade
67. Which of the following is the National Intelligence Agency of Israel?  
(a) GRU  
(b) NSIS  
(c) Mossad  
(d) CISEN
68. The sum total of incomes received for the services of labour, land or capital in a country is called  
(a) gross domestic product  
(b) national income  
(c) gross domestic income  
(d) gross national income
69. The speaker can ask a member of the House to stop speaking and let another Member speak. This is known as  
(a) decorum  
(b) crossing the floor  
(c) interpretation  
(d) yielding the floor
70. The State which has the largest number of seats reserved for the Scheduled Tribes in the Lok Sabha is  
(a) Bihar  
(b) Gujrat  
(c) Uttar Pradesh  
(d) Madhya Pradesh
71. If any question arises whether a Bill is a Money Bill or not, whose decision shall be the final?  
(a) The Supreme Court of India  
(b) The President of India  
(c) The Speaker of the Lok Sabha  
(d) The Joint Parliamentary Committee
72. Which of the following can input images, pictures, etc., to a computer?  
(a) Plotter  
(b) Mouse  
(c) Printer  
(d) Scanner
73. Which of the following is not an official language of the United Nations?

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- (a) Arabic  
(b) Chinese  
(c) Portuguese  
(d) Spanish
74. The permanent Headquarters of SAARC Secretariat is located at  
(a) Kathmandu  
(b) Dhaka  
(c) New Delhi  
(d) Islamabad
75. Where was the first Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Summit held?  
(a) Belgrade  
(b) Cairo  
(c) New Delhi  
(d) Havana
76. The World Trade Organization (WTO) formally approved which country's membership in December, 2015?  
(a) Kyrgyzstan  
(b) Pakistan  
(c) Kazakhstan  
(d) Afghanistan
77. Which of the following is a warm current?  
(a) South Pacific Current  
(b) Kuroshio Current  
(c) Labrador Current  
(d) Rip Current
78. The tropical cyclone of Philippines is termed as  
(a) Typhoon  
(b) Willy-willy  
(c) Hurricane  
(d) Baguio
79. Which one of the following commercially important groups of trees belongs to the cool temperate hardwood species?  
(a) Maple, mahogany and oak  
(b) Mahogany, ebony and maple  
(c) Oak, poplar and maple  
(d) Ebony, oak and poplar
80. Biodiversity forms the basis for human existence in which of the following ways?  
(a) Soil formation  
(b) Prevention of soil erosion  
(c) Recycling of waste  
(d) Pollination of crops
81. Which one of the following covers the highest percentage of forest area in the world?  
(a) Temperate coniferous forest  
(b) Temperate deciduous forest  
(c) Tropical monsoon forest  
(d) Tropical Rain Forest.
82. Which one of the following basins experiences the conventional rainfall?  
(a) Amazon  
(b) Ganga  
(c) Hwang Ho  
(d) Mississippi
83. How many kilometres are represented by 1° of latitude?  
(a) 321 km  
(b) 211 km  
(c) 111 km
84. Which one of the following was the first fort constructed by the British in India?  
(a) Fort William  
(b) Fort St. George  
(c) Fort St. David  
(d) Fort St. Angelo
85. Which one of the following Europeans were the last to pre independent India as traders?  
(a) Dutch  
(b) English  
(c) French  
(d) Portuguese
86. Jadhav invested Rs. 15,000 @ 10% per annum for 1 year. If the interest is compound half yearly, then the amount received by Jadhav at the end of the year will be  
(a) Rs. 16000.00  
(b) Rs. 16,500.00  
(c) Rs. 16,537.50  
(d) Rs. 16,507.00
87. P is Q's sister, R is Q's mother, S is R's father, T is S's mother. How is P related to S?  
(a) Grandson  
(b) Granddaughter  
(c) Son  
(d) Daughter
88. If in a certain code, MAITRE is written as NCLXWK, then KARTIK will be written as  
(a) LCUXNQ  
(b) LCVXNQ

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- (c) LCVXMQ  
(d) LCUXMQ
89. The decided middle class in India  
(a) opposed the Revolt of 1857  
(b) supported the Revolt of 1857  
(c) fought against native rulers  
(d) remained neutral to the Revolt of 1857
90. Which one of the following was the first English newspaper in India in the year 1780?  
(a) The Calcutta Gazette  
(b) The Bengal Gazette  
(c) The Bengal Journal  
(d) The Bombay Herald
91. Who succeeded Robert Clive to lead the East India Company?  
(a) Lord Bentinck  
(b) Lord Cornwallis  
(c) Lord Hastings  
(d) Lord Wellesley
92. Job Charnock founded Calcutta at the site of  
(a) Sutanuti  
(b) Kalikata  
(c) Govindapur  
(d) All of the above
93. The seasonal reversal of winds is the typical characteristic of  
(a) Equatorial  
(b) Mediterranean climate  
(c) Monsoon Climate  
(d) All of the above
94. For which of the following items, Tirupur is well known as a huge exporter to many parts of the world?  
(a) Gems and jewellery  
(b) Leather Goods  
(c) Handicrafts  
(d) Knitted Garments
95. Eight fold Path of the Buddha is known as the 'Middle Path' because it  
(a) Does not attach too much importance to knowledge and conduct  
(b) attaches equal importance to knowledge and conduct  
(c) avoids self-indulgence as well as self-immolation  
(d) is open to the clergy and the laity
96. Which party was founded by Subhash Chandra Bose in the year 1939 after he broke away from the Congress?  
(a) Azad Hind Fauz  
(b) Indian Freedom Party  
(c) Revolution Party  
(d) Forward Bloc
97. The doctrines of 'non violence' and 'civil disobedience' associated with Mahatma Gandhi were influenced by  
(a) Churchill, Irwin, Tolstoy  
(b) Ruskin, Tolstoy, Thoreau  
(c) Thoreau, Truman, Bernard Shaw  
(d) Cripps, Tolstoy, Howes
98. Chief Ministers of all the States are the ex officio members of the  
(a) Finance Commission  
(b) Planning Commission  
(c) Interstate Council  
(d) National Development Council
99. Areawise, which one of the following is the largest Lok Sabha Constituency?  
(a) Kutch  
(b) Kangra  
(c) Patna Sahib  
(d) Ladakh
100. Which one of the following Committees of the Parliament of India has no Members of the Rajya Sabha?  
(a) The Public Accounts Committee  
(b) The Estimates Committee  
(c) The Public Undertakings Committee  
(d) Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Finance