

SECTION 1 - SECTION 1

Question No.1

Who were the Jangamas?

- Priests of Virasaivism
- Followers of Kashmiri Saivism
- Members of the kapalika sect
- Wandering Saiva mendicants

Question No.2

Which Chola ruler was defeated by the Rashtrakuta King, Krishna III, in the famous battle of Takkolam?

- Parantaka I
- Aditya
- Rajadhiraja
- Kulottunga I

Question No.3

Name the sultan who made a successful attempt to free himself from the control of ulema

- Firoz- shah- Tughluq
- Sikandar Lodi
- Balban
- Ala- ud- din Khilji

Question No.4

The Philosophy of which of the following exponents of Bhakti cult degenerated to earn the epithet "the Epicureanism of the east"

- Vallabhacharya
- Krittivasa
- Narsi Mehta
- Ramanande

Question No.5

Which of these places is the Eastern Capital of the Satavahanas

- Nagarjuna Konda
- Kotilingala

- Keesaragutta
- none of these

Question No.6

Brahmagiri is a place of historical importance because it?

- was a Palaeolithic site
- has an inscription of Vikramaditya VI
- has an inscription of Ashoka
- was the capital of the Gangas

Question No.7

The KosamMauryan pillar inscription is known as

- Charity inscription
- Piligrimrecord
- Battle inscription
- Brahmadeya inscription

Question No.8

After how many Years of his coronation did Ashoka make a Journey to the Bodhi Tree

- 15 years
- 10 Years
- 20 Years
- 17 Years

Question No.9

In which region of India was the Firdausi Order popular?

- Bihar
- In and around Delhi
- Sind
- The Deccan

Question No.10

Which of the following revenue systems were Akbar's own innovations?

1. Batai
2. Kankut
3. Nasaq
4. Zabti
5. Dahsala

Select the answer from the codes below:

- 4 and 5
- 2 and 5
- 1 and 4
- 3 and 4

Question No.11



Historical sources of data collection are

- Library
- Catalogue
- Primary sources
- Museum

Question No.12



Which European classical writer states that the inland city of Korura was the Chera capital?

- Anonymous author of the Periplus
- Ptolemy
- Pliny, the Elder
- Strabo

Question No.13



The Hathnora human fossil found in

- Indus valley
- Soan valley
- Narmada valley
- Sarawathi valley

Question No.14



The Sultan who first formulated the “famine code” to provide relief to famine affected people was

- Muhammad bin Tughluq
- FiruzTughluq
- Balban
- Alauddin Khalji

Question No.15



Who propounded the motto “Go back to the Vedas” ?

- Mul Shankar
- Narendra Nath Datta
- Bala Gangadhar Tilak
- Vishnu Shastri Bapal

Question No.16

- The term *mirasidar* refer to
- Holder of right to share agriculture produce
 - Holder of hereditary land right
 - Holder of cultivating right in land
 - Holder of big estates

Question No.17

Who said: "One Stone is adored another is trodden under foot if one is God, the other is also a God" ?

- Kabir
- Namdev
- Tulsidas
- Tukaram

Question No.18

The only European Country which did not prohibit or impose heavy duties on the import of Cotton goods was

- France
- Italy
- Germany
- Holland

Question No.19

Which was the birth place of Guru Nanak?

- Gurudaspur
- Lahore
- Amritsar
- Talwandi

Question No.20

The tribe of Ahoms, from whom formed a section of the tribe

- Kachari
- Bodo

- Bhuiya
- Shan

Question No.21



Diwan- i- Khairat was a separate department of

- Foreign affairs
- Public works and welfare
- Agriculture
- Slaves

Question No.22



Edakkal is a famous

- Petroglyph site
- Palaeolithic site
- Megalithic site
- Historical site

Question No.23



During FirozTughlaq's long reign of 37 years, there was only one rebellion by a noble. Who was the noble?

- Ulugh Khan
- Malik Shams-ud-din Damghani
- Malik Kafur
- Khan-i-Jahan maqbul

Question No.24



Which of the following is known as "Colonel Clive's Jackal"

- Jagat Seth
- Amichand
- Mir Jafar
- Manik Chand

Question No.25



Who imposed taxes like jaribana (surveyor's fee) and mahasilana (tax collector's fee) on cultivators?

- Sher Shah Suri
- Babar
- Humayun

- Akbar

Question No.26



Who of the following Gupta Rulers was known as Vikramaditya?

- Chandra Gupta II
 Chandra Gupta 1
 Skanda Gupta
 Samudra Gupta

Question No.27



Pushyabhuti dynasty ruled over

- Thaneshwar
 Ujjain
 Patliputra
 Sakal

Question No.28



Where did the English open their first factories in Eastern India?

- Bihar
 Assam
 Orissa
 Bengal

Question No.29



The Copper Hoard Culture is associated with

- Red Ware
 Ochre Coloured Pottery
 Black & Red ware
 Buff Ware

Question No.30



Which of these was the first Neolithic site to be noticed in India?

- Mehrgara
 Lingsugur
 Koldihwa
 Chirand

Question No.31

The Varnas came to be transformed into the hereditary castes during the

- Later Vedic period
- Medieval Period
- Gupta Period
- Post – Gupta Period

Question No.32

Who were the Barids?

- The King's Bodyguards
- The News reporters and secret spies
- The Officers in- charge of accounts and receipts
- The Craftsmen who worked in royal Karkhanas

Question No.33

Mughal architecture reveals a happy blending of

- Timurid and Indian Styles
- Persian and Indian Styles
- Turkish and Afghan Styles
- Turkish and Persian Styles

Question No.34

The Science of Theosophy is

- Natural Science
- Physical Science
- Occult Science
- Ordinary Science

Question No.35

According to the *Periplus* and *Maduraikkanji*, pearl fishery was carried out at

- Korkai
- Kaveripattinam
- Arikamedu
- Muziris

Question No.36

Which Mughal emperor had introduced the Daspa- Sihaspa in Mansabdarisystem?

- Aurangzeb
- Akbar
- Shah Jahan
- Jahangir

Question No.37



The following animal did not find its place in the Harappan culture

- Tiger
- Deer
- Lion
- Bull

Question No.38



The first serious mutiny of the Indian soldiers in the British Army took place at

- Patna
- Vellore
- Barrackpore
- Meerut

Question No.39



The name of the king Ashoka is mentioned in the inscription found at

- Sannati
- Girnar
- Shahbazgarhi
- LauryaNandangarh

Question No.40



At which of the following places a true hominid fossil has been found

- Vadamadurai
- Kortalayar
- Pinjor
- Hathnora

Question No.41



The word *deshpande* refers to

- Police officer
- judicial officer

- district collector
- revenue collector

Question No.42

The foreign traveler whose account does not throw light on the history of the sultanate is

- Marco Polo
- Athanasius Nikitin
- Abdur Razzaq
- Ibn Batutah

Question No.43

Who was the founder of Qadri order?

- KhwajaBaqiBillah
- Shihab- ud- din Suhrawardi
- Moin- ud- in Chisti
- Sheikh Abdul Gilani

Question No.44

The East India Company of which of the following countries was the first to be empowered to make war, conclude treaties , acquire territories and build fortresses

- France
- Britain
- Portugal
- The Netherlands

Question No.45

Who among the following dynasties issued the earliest Copper Plate Grant?

- Pallavas
- Vakatakas
- Gupta
- Chalukyas

Question No.46

The earliest Sanskrit inscription comes from

- Taxila
- Badami

- Pataliputra
- Ghosundi

Question No.47



Who among the following was the first to describe Sudras as a class of agriculturists?

- Fahien
- Hiuen Tsang
- Manu
- Narada

Question No.48



The Greek Sources mention Chandragupta Maurya as

- Palakottus
- Chandrokottas
- Sandrocottus
- Undrocottus

Question No.49



Puhalur Tamil-Brahmi inscription refers to

- Chola rulers
- Chera rulers
- Pallava rulers
- Pandya rulers

Question No.50



Which of the following sites provide the earliest evidence of the use of pottery in the world?

- Mehrgarh
- Burzahom
- Chopani- Mando
- Maski

Question No.51



At which of the following Indus sites did the historian discover human skeletons huddled together, indicating their violent death?

- Surkotada
- Mohenjodaro
- Sutkagendor

- Harappa

Question No.52



The Quran was vital for sufi mysticism because

- The Sufis believed that knowledge of God could be gained by revelation and not by reason
- The wanted to provide the correct interpretation of the Quran
- It was imperative to offer a correct interpretation of the Quran
- The Quran was the original source of mysticism

Question No.53



Which of the following came to constitute the core of the rising middle class in India before the Battle of Plassey (1757)

- Dadri Merchants
- Agents or Banianas
- Money - Changers or Shroff's
- Contractors

Question No.54



Which one of the following Satavahana Kings founded the town of "Navanagar "

- Sri Sivaskandasatakarni
- Pulumavi – II
- Gautamiputra Satakarni
- Vasisthiputrasiri -satakarni

Question No.55



Which one of the following battles resulted in the expulsion of Humayun from India by Sher Shah?

- Battle of Khanwa
- Battle of Bilgram
- Battle of Chause
- Battle of Ghagara

Question No.56



Heinrich Schliemann discovered the city of

- Mesopotamia
- Troy
- Egypt

- Rome

Question No.57

The capital of Kadamba kings was

- Badami
 Tanjore
 Kanchi
 Vanavasi

Question No.58

Who founded the Varkari sect in Maharashtra?

- Namdev
 Tukaram
 Eknath
 Visoba Khechar

Question No.59

Which of the following did not exercise some check or limits on the authority of the sultans

- The Soldiers of the Standing Army
 The Lilema
 The Nobles
 Wazir

Question No.60

What is Historicism?

- Details of History
 A way of writing history
 Appropriate use of historical knowledge
 Knowledge of History

Question No.61

The total number of Mughal subas in 1605 was

- 19
 15
 12
 17

Question No.62

Al Biruni in his Kitabul Hind had particularly appreciated the Indians for a very high degree of proficiency in

- Raising a powerful business class
- Exchanging and communicating their Knowledge
- Miniature paintings
- Construction of tanks reservoirs at holy places

Question No.63

Which one of the following sites does not belong to the Kulli culture

- NiaiButhi
- Balakot
- Edith Shahr
- Nindowari

Question No.64

Which of the following theistic philosophies did M.G. Ranade approve of

- Vedantism
- Mysticism
- Pantheism
- Bhakti Cult

Question No.65

Which of these was the first Neolithic site to be noticed in India?

- Lingsugur
- Chirand
- Mehrgarh
- Koldihwa

Question No.66

Which of the following Englishman was honoured by Jehangir with the title of Khan'?

- Edward Terry
- Martin Duke
- Sir Thomas Roe
- William Hawkins

Question No.67

The term *Jagirdari* refers to

- Trade assignment
- Military assignment
- Revenue assignment
- Judicial Assignment

Question No.68



What is the term *sanad-i-istimrar* mean?

- Royal edicts
- Loan grant
- Title-deed
- Royal order

Question No.69



The bull capital of Ashokan stone pillar was found at

- Sanchi
- Saranath
- Rampur
- Pataliputra

Question No.70



By what name India was known to the Chinese in the early Historical Period

- Shentu
- Kun- Lun
- Ta -hia
- Si -hia

Question No.71



The southern capital of Hoysalas is

- Thanjavur
- Uraiyur
- Kanchi
- Dwarasamudram

Question No.72



Towards the end of this reign, Akbar added three provinces in the Deccan to his empire which of the following was not among these

- Bidar

- Khandesh
- Berar
- Ahamadnagar

Question No.73



What was the term used by the Sufis for the successor nominated by the teacher of a particular order or silsilah

- Khanquh
- Pir
- Wali
- Murid

Question No.74



The world famous 'Peacock Throne' was kept in which of the following Mughal buildings?

- The Rang Mahal
- The Diwan-i-Ami
- Diwan-i-khas
- Ibadat-Khana

Question No.75



Among the following persons, who wrote *Muntakhab-ul-Tawarikh*?

- Mutamad Khan
- Badauni
- Abdul Hamid Lahori
- Nizam-ud-Din Ahmad

Question No.76



Who said: "God knows Man's Virtues and inquires not his caste in the next world there is no caste"

- Kabir
- Guru Nanak
- Chaitanya
- Ramananda

Question No.77



In ancient Indian historical geography, the name 'Ratnakara' denoted

- the Arabian Sea
- the Bay of Bengal

- the confluence of the Ganga,the Yamuna and the mythical Saraswati at Prayaga
- the Indian Ocean

Question No.78



The Kosala king who was a contemporary and a friend of the Buddha is

- Sisupala
- Bimbisara
- Prasenajit
- Ajatasatru

Question No.79



Who started the Journal "Bahishkrit Bharat" ?

- Bhau Daji
- B.R.Ambedkar
- Jotiba Pule
- Karsondas Mulji

Question No.80



Peshcush was a fixed amount collected from

- the landlords
- the pilgrimage
- the business community
- the tenants

Question No.81



"God is visible in History "Who said it?

- Cromwell
- Freeman
- Napoleon Bonaparte
- Butterfield

Question No.82



The book *What Happened in History?* is written by

- Gordon Childe
- C.J.Thomsen
- Mortimer Wheeler
- Robert Bruce Foote

Question No.83

Sohgauracopper plate inscription speaks about

- Flood
- Famine
- Battle
- Conversion

Question No.84

“Raziya as endowed with all qualities befitting a king, but she was not born of the right Sex....”. Who among the following made this statement?

- Amir Khusrau
- Ibn Battutah
- al- Beruni
- Minhaj- us –Siraj

Question No.85

The Humanist Historiography originated from

- Italy
- England
- Russia
- Germany

Question No.86

To whom Sivaji greatly indebted in the field of administrative reforms?

- Malik Amber of Ahmadnagar
- Sher Shah Sur
- Mahmud Gawan of Bahmani Kingdom
- Akbar, the Great

Question No.87

Paleolithic culture has been divided into three phases on the basis of

- the nature of stone tool
- change in the climate
- faunal remains
- the nature of stone tools and change in climate and faunal remains

Question No.88

Cato is considered to be

- Prominent Scholar
- Father of Greek Historiography
- Father of Roman Historiography
- Great Historical Person

Question No.89

Muraqqas of the Mughal period were:

- Revenue officials at the pargana level
- Musical compositions by the sufis
- Hired soldiers of the Mughal nobles
- Albums of the miniature paintings

Question No.90

Prolegomena to Universal History, a classic introduction to the Universal History was written by one of the following medieval writers.

- Amir Khusro
- Ibn Khaldun
- Al-Beruni
- AbulFazal

Question No.91

Which one of the following texts gives guidance to cultivators based on meteorological observations?

- Kalidasa's Rithusamhara
- Bana's Harshacharitha
- Amarasimha's Amarakosa
- Varahamihira's Brihat Samhita

Question No.92

The Brahmi inscriptions deciphered by James Prinsep in 1837 actually referred to

- Devanampiyadasi
- Ashoka
- Kharavela
- Chandragupta

Question No.93

Which AdilShahi ruler was killed by Krishnadevaraya in the Battle of Kovilkonda?

- Muhammad Adil Shah
- FiruzAdil Shah
- Ismail Adil Shah
- Yusuf Adil Shah

Question No.94

Which historian has claimed the Mahzar Nama (1579) as 'infallibility decree'?

- Vincent Arthur Smith
- Lane- Poole
- Irfan Habib
- Satish Chandra

Question No.95

The main feature of this Dravida style of temple architecture was

- Mandapa
- Gopuram
- Shikhara
- Vimana

Question No.96

The Delhi Sultan who established a department of Agriculture?

- Firoz Shah Tughlaq
- AllaudinKhilji
- Mohammed Bin Tughlaq
- Balban

Question No.97

Northern Black Polished Ware is also known as

- Rouletted Ware
- Funerary Ware
- Historical Pottery
- Chinese ware

Question No.98

Shivaji's first trial of strength with the Mughals was his

- Attack on Surat

- Encounter with Afzal Khan
- Raid on the Mughal districts of Ahmadnagar and Junnar
- Encounter with Shayista Khan

Question No.99



The Memorable tripartite struggle was fought by the Palas and the Gurjara – Pratiharas because both powers were keen to

- Reduce Kanauj as their feudatory state
- Break the Rashtrakuta Ayudha alliance
- Capture river - bound trade route through the Ganga
- Establish supremacy over Kanauji

Question No.100



The early Pali texts mention four great forests or maha – aranyas. Which one of the following is not one of them

- Dandaka
- Kalinga
- Saranga
- Mejjha