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TIME ALLOWED: ONE HOUR

MAXIMUM MARKS: 100

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

1. IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE EXAMINATION, CANDIDATE SHOULD CHECK THAT THIS TEST BOOKLET DOES NOT HAVE ANY UNPRINTED OR TORN OR MISSING PAGES OR ITEMS, ETC. IF SO, GET IT REPLACED BY A COMPLETE TEST BOOKLET.
2. Please note that it is the candidate's responsibility to encode and fill in the Roll Number, Application No. and Test Booklet Series A, B, C or D carefully and without any omission or discrepancy at the appropriate places in the OMR Answer Sheet with blue or black ball pen. Any error detected in the scanned data of the Answer Sheet due to wrong encoding of either Application No. or Roll No. or both by the candidate, his / her Answer Sheet shall not be evaluated and shall be rejected straight away.
3. You have to enter your Roll Number in the space provided in the Test Booklet. DO NOT write anything else on the Test Booklet. Sheet(s) for rough work is / are appended in the Test Booklet at the end.
4. This Test Booklet contains 50 items (questions) printed in both English & Hindi. Each question (item) comprises four (A, B, C, D) responses / answers. You will have to encode/blacken on the circle of the option with blue / black ball pen which you think, is correct in OMR answer sheet. You will select the response which you want to mark on the OMR Answer Sheet. In case you feel that there is more than one correct response, mark the response which you consider the best. In any case, choose ONLY ONE response for each item. **IN CASE THE CANDIDATE DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER A QUESTION TO AVOID NEGATIVE MARKING, HE / SHE SHALL HAVE TO ENCODE / BLACKEN THE OPTION "E" IN THE OMR ANSWER SHEET AS UNDER:-**

| Response | | | | If you do not want to answer a question, darken the option ⑤. |
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| Ⓐ | Ⓑ | Ⓒ | Ⓓ | Ⓔ |
| IF ANY ANSWER IS LEFT BLANK AND NONE OF THE OPTION IS ENCIRCLED / BLACKENED, THEN IT WILL ALSO RESULT IN NEGATIVE MARKING. | | | | |

5. You shall have to mark responses ONLY on the separate OMR Answer Sheet provided. See directions in the OMR Answer Sheet. All items carry equal marks.
6. Before you proceed to mark in the Answer Sheet the response to various items in the Test Booklet, you have to fill in some particulars in the OMR Answer Sheet as per entries given in their downloaded Admission Letter.
7. After you have completed filling in all your responses on the OMR Answer Sheet and the examination has concluded, you will have to hand over the Original Copy of Answer Sheet to the Invigilator only. You are permitted to take away with you Test Booklet & Candidate's Copy of OMR Answer Sheet.
8. There shall be **NEGATIVE** marking for wrong answer(s) marked by the candidate as under:-
 - A. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, one fourth (0.25) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (b) If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as a wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above for that question also i.e. one fourth (0.25) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (c) If a question is left blank i.e. no circle is blackened / encoded by the candidate, there will be same penalty as above for that question i.e. one fourth (0.25) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (d) Where there are two correct answers instead of one correct answer out of four options (A, B, C, D) of a question, all those candidates who will encircle / blacken any one of these two correct answers will be awarded marks allotted to that question.
9. No marks shall be awarded for scrapped question. If there is any difference in English and Hindi version of the question and answer option, the English version shall be treated as correct and final.

USE OF MOBILE PHONE OR COMMUNICATION DEVICE IS STRICTLY BANNED IN THE EXAMINATION

1. Which of the following institutions is implementing the 'Promotion of Digital Payments in Mandis' program in two Mandis of H.P.?
 A. UCO Bank B. NABARD C. IDBI D. SBI
2. Under 'Rashtriya Gokul Mission' a centre of excellence is going to be established at which of the following places ?
 A. Darlaghat, Solan B. Basal, Una
 C. Bandrol, Kullu D. Duttanagar, Shimla
3. Who is the author of the book 'Sculpture of Western Himalayas'?
 A. Y.S.Parmar B. V.C. Ohri
 C. K.L.Vaidya D. S.S. Shashi
4. Which of the following are the names of local varieties of almonds?
 A. Allison and Heyward B. Telingi Selection and Ribba Selection
 C. Shilla and Rangch D. Garfi and Shehni
5. What is the average rainfall in H.P.?
 A. 1251 mm B. 1100 mm C. 954 mm D. 1805 mm
6. 'Chini', during the monsoon was the eyrie of which of the following Governor General?
 A. Lord Combermere B. Lord Dalhousie
 C. Lord Amherst d) Lord Auckland
7. Who sided with the Mughals in the battle of Nadaun ?
 A. Sikhs B. Raja Bheem Chand of Kehlur
 C. Raja Dayal of Bijarwal and Raja of Kangra D. Raja Prithi Chnad of Datarpur
8. The right to trade between Tibet and which state was granted by Tibet as a gesture of friendship that continued till 1962 ?
 A. Suket B. Kehlur C. Bushehr D. Trigarta
9. Raja Visud Pal transferred the capital of Kullu from Jagatsukh to which of the following places?
 A. Bhuntar B. Naggar C. Manali D. Banjar
10. Who awarded a costly robe and with a salute of seven guns to Raja Shamsher Prakash for his services during the 1857 revolt?
 A. Nawab of Lucknow B. British Government
 C. Maharaja of Patiala D. Maharaja of Nepal

11. The Monolithic temple of Masrur, Kangra was built in 8th century by-
- A. Raja Lalitaditya B. Chandragupta-II
C. Harshavardhana D. Prabhakar Vardhana
12. Zaskar mountain range separates which of the following parts?
- A. Spiti and Kinnaur from Tibet B. Lahaul from Uttarakhand
C. Kinnaur from Uttarakhand D. Pangi from Lahaul
13. Annexation of part of Kehloor state led to the downfall of the kingdom of-
- A. Sansar Chand B. Guru Govind Singh
C. Mughals D. British
14. With the inspiration of Buddhist scholar Rinchen Jango, who built the Tabo Monastery?
- A. Deva Gyatso of Lahaul B. Ye-Sashaod of Western Tibet
C. Lama Gozzangwa of Nepal D. Lama Norbu of Ladakh
15. The Basheshwar Mahadev temple at Bajaura has been rated as one of the finest monuments of the Western Himalayas, which is a unique example of –
- A. Buddhist Tradition B. Later Gupta Tradition
C. Mughal Architecture D. Ancient Indian Architecture
16. Which of the following monuments was built in the honour of famous Sufi Saint Khwaja Qutb-ud-Din Bakhtiyar Kaki?
- A. Quwwat-ul-Islam B. Adhai din ka Jhonpra
C. Qutub Minar D. Buland Darwaja
17. Which of the following statements is not correct?
- (i) Shivaji's administrative reforms were guided by Malik Amber of Ahmednagar.
(ii) Shivaji was crowned in 1674 at Raigarh and assumed the title of 'Haindava Dharmodharak' and 'Chhatrapati'.
(iii) Shivaji defeated the Nizam-ul-Mulk near Bhopal.
(iv) Shivaji helped Sajjad brothers in overthrowing Farrukhsiyar.
- A. All of the above B. iii and iv
C. i and ii D. None of these
18. Which country dropped nuclear bombs over the cities of 'Hiroshima' and 'Nagasaki' during the second world war?
- A. Germany B. USSR C. USA D. Britain

19. India has adopted 'Rule of Law' on the pattern of –
A. Japan B. Britain C. USA D. China
20. The Gangetic dolphins belong to which of the following categories of Fauna?
A. Rare species B. Vulnerable Species
C. Extinct species D. Endangered species
21. Public Distribution System (PDS) is operated under the responsibility of-
(i) Central Government
(ii) State Government
A. i only B. ii only C. Both i and ii D. Neither i nor ii
22. Which of the following acts is the earliest?
A. IDA B. FERA C. MRTP D. FEMA
23. Where is the headquarters of the Indo-Tibetan Border Police Force situated?
A. Kolkata B. Mumbai C. Dehradun D. New Delhi
24. Who authored the book, 'Duels of Himalayan Eagle: The First Indo-Pak Air War'?
A. Satish Gujral B. V.S. Naipaul
C. Bharat Kumar D. Ashok Maitrai
25. Before giving any decision on questions as to disqualification of a member of either house of Parliament, the President of India shall obtain the opinion of which of the following?
A. Supreme Court of India B. Election Commission of India
C. Attorney General of India D. Solicitor General of India
26. Within biological communities, some species are important in determining the ability of a large number of other species to persist in the community. Such species are called-
A. Keystone Species B. Allopatric Species
C. Sympatric Species D. Threatened Species
27. Which of the following refers to the investigation into war crimes of the second world war by the international court?
A. Nuremberg Trials B. Norway Trials
C. Nottingham Trials D. Stalingrad Trials
28. 'Yaya-tso' is the first Biodiversity Heritage site (BHS) situated in which of the following states?
A. Uttarakhand B. Himachal Pradesh C. Jammu and Kashmir D. Ladakh

29. In which layer of the atmosphere is ozone most concentrated?
A. Troposphere B. Stratosphere C. Mesosphere D. Thermosphere
30. During the 75th Republic Day Parade, tableau of which state was awarded first (best) in the judge's choice category?
A. Odisha B. Gujarat C. Uttar Pradesh D. Manipur
31. 'साधु' शब्द का स्त्रीलिंग रूप है -
A. सधुनी B. साध्वी C. साधिका D. साधुआईन
32. मुंडेर के ऊपर कौन बैठा है- रेखांकित पद में सर्वनाम का प्रकार है ?
A. संबंधवाचक B. पुरुषवाचक C. प्रश्नवाचक D. अनिश्चयवाचक
33. निम्नलिखित में शुद्ध वाक्य का विकल्प है -
A. मैंने तेरे को एक पुस्तक दी थी। B. तुमने उस कार का क्या करा?
C. हमारे को पहले से ही पता था। D. मुझे अपनी हस्तलिपि सुधारनी है।
34. जिस समास में प्रथम पद नकारात्मक हो, उसे कहते हैं -
A. अधिकरण तत्पुरुष B. नञ् तत्पुरुष
C. संबंध तत्पुरुष D. कर्म तत्पुरुष
35. मंगलकामना व्यक्त करने वाले वाक्य कहलाते हैं -
A. विधानवाचक B. इच्छावाचक
C. विस्मयादिबोधक D. संकेतवाचक
36. 'तामसिक' शब्द का विलोम है -
A. अतामसिक B. सात्त्विक C. राजसी D. मानसिक
37. वह नौकर से कपड़े धुलवाता है। रेखांकित क्रिया का प्रकार है -
A. पूर्वकालिक B. सहायक C. प्रेरणार्थक D. सहगामी
38. वह फटाफट गाड़ी पर चढ़ गया। रेखांकित पद क्रियाविशेषण का प्रकार है -
A. परिमाणवाचक B. कालवाचक C. रीतिवाचक D. स्थानवाचक
39. 'झाख मारना' मुहावरे का अर्थ है -
A. मछली मारना B. बैठकर समय बर्बाद करना
C. आपस में झगड़ा करना D. मच्छर मारना
40. "गरज कहती घटाएँ हैं नहीं होगा उजाला फिर।" - इस पंक्ति में कौन-सा अलंकार है?
A. उपना B. उत्प्रेक्षा C. मानवीकरण D. रूपक

41. Choose the right option to fill in the blank.
I ... a pen but I ... any paper to write....
- A. have, don't have, on B. am having, have not, with
C. don't have, don't have, on D. have, am not having, with
42. Choose the right option to complete the statement.
I have ... him for thirty years, much of his life ... full of struggles.
- A. known to, was B. known, was
C. to know, have been D. been known, were
43. Choose the correct direct form of the given sentence.
Pawan proposed that they should first submit a written request.
- A. Pawan said, "I'll submit a written request."
B. Pawan says, "I propose to submit a written request first."
C. Pawan said, "Let us first submit a written request."
D. Pawan says, "Let us propose first with a written request."
44. Choose the correct indirect form of the following:
I said to him, "I am happy that you came to see me this evening."
Choose the correct sentence:
- A. I told him that I's happy that he came to see me that evening.
B. I told him that I'd be happy to see him that evening.
C. I told him to come and see him this evening.
D. I said that he came and I was happy to see him.
45. Indicate the correct antonym of the underlined word.
The insightful inputs from my father have helped me in writing this book.
- A. unperceptive B. prudent C. thoughtful D. judicious
46. Indicate the appropriate option to replace the underlined word without changing the meaning.
Happiness does not grow in vacuum. It entails honesty and a selfless lifestyle.
- A. precludes B. necessitates C. avoids D. rules out
47. Rewrite the given sentence in negative form without changing the meaning.
I was doubtful whether it was you who had rung the bell.
- A. I never doubted about who rang the bell.
B. I hardly doubt who had rung the bell.
C. I was not sure that it was you who had rung the bell.
D. I was hardly sure about ringing the bell.

48. Arrange the given parts to make a meaningful sentence.
p. asked a local resident
q. if he could tell him
r. went to a remote town
s. a visitor
t. the way to the war memorial
- A. sprtq B. srtqp C. srpqt D. qtps
49. Indicate the incorrect sentences.
1. Resh ran faster than his friends.
 2. The enemy has defeated by our army.
 3. Being able to speak many languages are a great fun.
 4. It would be nice to know many languages.
- A. 3, 4 B. 1, 2 C. 2, 3 D. 1, 4
50. Choose the option which can replace the underlined segment without changing the meaning.
She was beside herself when she heard about her father's demise.
- A. was overwhelmed with grief B. ran away
C. moved to the other side D. remained unaffected

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