

1. Which process can be affected by other processes executing in the system?

- a) cooperating process
- b) child process
- c) parent process
- d) init process

2. Which one of the following is a synchronization tool?

- a) thread
- b) pipe
- c) semaphore
- d) socket

3. A semaphore is a shared integer variable \_\_\_\_\_

- a) that can not drop below zero
- b) that can not be more than zero
- c) that can not drop below one
- d) that can not be more than one

4. Mutual exclusion can be provided by the \_\_\_\_\_

- a) mutex locks
- b) binary semaphores
- c) both mutex locks and binary semaphores
- d) none of the mentioned

5. When high priority task is indirectly preempted by medium priority task effectively inverting the relative priority of the two tasks, the scenario is called \_\_\_\_\_

- a) priority inversion
- b) priority removal
- c) priority exchange
- d) priority modification

6. Process synchronization can be done on \_\_\_\_\_

- a) hardware level
- b) software level
- c) both hardware and software level
- d) none of the mentioned

7. A monitor is a module that encapsulates \_\_\_\_\_

- a) shared data structures
- b) procedures that operate on shared data structure
- c) synchronization between concurrent procedure invocation
- d) all of the mentioned

8.The request and release of resources are \_\_\_\_\_

- a) command line statements
- b) interrupts
- c) system calls
- d) special programs

9. For Mutual exclusion to prevail in the system \_\_\_\_\_

- a) at least one resource must be held in a non sharable mode
- b) the processor must be a uniprocessor rather than a multiprocessor
- c) there must be at least one resource in a sharable mode
- d) all of the mentioned

10.Deadlock prevention is a set of methods \_\_\_\_\_

- a) to ensure that at least one of the necessary conditions cannot hold
- b) to ensure that all of the necessary conditions do not hold
- c) to decide if the requested resources for a process have to be given or not
- d) to recover from a deadlock

11.For non sharable resources like a printer, mutual exclusion \_\_\_\_\_

- a) must exist
- b) must not exist
- c) may exist
- d) none of the mentioned

12.To ensure that the hold and wait condition never occurs in the system, it must be ensured that \_\_\_\_\_

- a) whenever a resource is requested by a process, it is not holding any other resources
- b) each process must request and be allocated all its resources before it begins its execution
- c) a process can request resources only when it has none
- d) all of the mentioned

13.To ensure no preemption, if a process is holding some resources and requests another resource that cannot be immediately allocated to it \_\_\_\_\_

- a) then the process waits for the resources be allocated to it
- b) the process keeps sending requests until the resource is allocated to it
- c) the process resumes execution without the resource being allocated to it
- d) then all resources currently being held are preempted

14.The bounded buffer problem is also known as \_\_\_\_\_

- a) Readers – Writers problem
- b) Dining – Philosophers problem

- c) Producer – Consumer problem
- d) None of the mentioned

15. The dining – philosophers problem will occur in case of \_\_\_\_\_

- a) 5 philosophers and 5 chopsticks
- b) 4 philosophers and 5 chopsticks
- c) 3 philosophers and 5 chopsticks
- d) 6 philosophers and 5 chopsticks

16. TestAndSet instruction is executed \_\_\_\_\_

- a) after a particular process
- b) periodically
- c) atomically
- d) none of the mentioned

17. What are Spinlocks?

- a) CPU cycles wasting locks over critical sections of programs
- b) Locks that avoid time wastage in context switches
- c) Locks that work better on multiprocessor systems
- d) All of the mentioned

18.. What will happen if a non-recursive mutex is locked more than once?

- a) Starvation
- b) Deadlock
- c) Aging
- d) Signaling

19. What are the two kinds of semaphores?

- a) mutex & counting
- b) binary & counting
- c) counting & decimal
- d) decimal & binary

20. At a particular time of computation the value of a counting semaphore is 7. Then 20 P operations and 15 V operations were completed on this semaphore. The resulting value of the semaphore is? (GATE 1987)

- a) 42
- b) 2
- c) 7
- d) 12