

1. Consider the following statements about Indus Valley Civilization (IVC)?
  1. IVC people worshipped Mother Goddess but no temples were found.
  2. There was no social stratification.
  3. Trade was a major activity at the Indus Valley and they were the first to use lapis lazuli as a form of currency.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) All the above

2. Consider the following pairs.

Vedic literature	Deals with
1. Brahmanas	Sacrifices and rituals
2. Aryankas	They deal with mysticism and symbolism.
3. Upanishads	Explain the hymns of the Vedas

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) None

3. The term 'kayotsarga' is related to

- a) A way of following rules in Buddhism
- b) A yogic posture of Jain meditation
- c) Ashoka's principles to follow dhamma
- d) Vedic literature influenced by Dasas.

4. Consider the following statements with regard to 'Arthashastra'

- 1. It is the first Indian text to define a state.
- 2. It is mainly concerned with practical matters of governance.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None

5. The Gandaberunda is a two-headed mythological bird on the outskirts of the main Hindu mythology, believed to possess immense magical strength. It is used as the official emblem of the Karnataka state government. Which of the following used it in crest and official seals?

1. Chalukyas
2. Hoysalas
3. Wodeyars of Mysore
4. Bengaluru FC

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- a) 1, 2 and 3 only
  - b) 1 and 2 only
  - c) 2 and 3 only
  - d) All the above
6. Which of the following pillar edict of Ashoka elaborates Dhamma policy?
- a) Pillar edict II
  - b) Pillar edict V
  - c) Pillar edict VI
  - d) Pillar edict IV
7. 'Uttarapatha' and 'Dakshinapatha' were two important trade routes of ancient India. In the context of this which of the following two urban settlements were established at the juncture of 'Dakshinapatha'?
- a) Mathura to Taxila
  - b) Purushpura to Mathura
  - c) Magadha to Pratisthana
  - d) Purushpura to Taxila
8. Vyuhavada is a Hindu philosophy related to Bhagvatism. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Vyuhavada?
1. The ideology is mainly centered upon the concept of 'pure creation'.
  2. This concept considers Lord Shiva and Sati as the Highest Gods.

Select the code from following:

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

9. Which of the following statements are correct regarding 'Rig Vedic' Society?
1. The society was strictly divided in hereditary Varna System.
  2. Polygamy was not practiced.
  3. There is no evidence of Sati or Child marriage.
  4. Women had political rights in the form of Sabha and Vidhata.

Select the code from following:

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

10. Consider the following statements regarding Upnishads:

- 1. They were composed during Gupta Period.
- 2. Upnishads discuss about the importance of rituals and sacrifices.
- 3. Aurangzeb got 50 upnishads translated under the title 'Sir – I – Akbar'.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

11. Which of the following civilizations was known as MELUHA during the ancient time?

- a) Mesopotamian Civilisation
- b) Indus Valley Civilisation
- c) Early Vedic Civilisation
- d) Later Vedic Civilisation

12. Consider the following statements regarding Alexander's invasion of India?

- 1. The ruler of Taxila, Ambi, surrendered without a battle.
- 2. The battle between Alexander and Porus was fought at the bank of Indus.
- 3. Chandragupta Maurya was ruling over Magadha when Alexander arrived.

Which of the above statements are NOT correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

13. It is believed that Saint Thomas, a Christian Missionary, was sent to India by Christ himself. In whose kingdom did he visit?

- a) Rudradaman
- b) Gondopherous
- c) Menander
- d) Kanishka

14. ‘Buddha Charita’ is the biography of Buddha. It is the first biography written in India. Which of the following statements regarding Buddha Charita is/are correct?

1. It was written by Upali, the first disciple of Buddha.
2. It is written in Pali language.

Select the code from following:

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

15. Consider the below statements in regard to Cheras dynasty:

1. The Cheras were an ancient Dravidian royal dynasty of Tamil origin.
2. They were known for their distinct temple architecture which had complicated plans with numerous angled projections.
3. Temples from the Cheras period can still be seen at Venad, Kuttanad, Kudanad and Pazhinad.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

16. With reference to the contributions of India to the world in the field of Mathematics and Science, consider the following pairs:

(Ancient Indian scientists) : : (Contributions/Works)

1. Baudhayan : : Sulva Sutra
2. Brahmgupta : : Siddanta Shiromani
3. Mahaviracharya : : Ganit Sara Sangraha

Which of the pairs given above is/ are correctly matched?

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

17. Consider the below statements:

1. He was a sixth century scientist of Vaisheshika School.
2. His original name was Aulukya.
3. According to him, material universe is made up of atoms which cannot be seen through any human organ.
4. His atomic theory can be a match to any modern atomic theory.

Identify the correct ancient Indian scientist with respect to above statements

- a) Bhaskaracharya
- b) Kanad
- c) Nagarjuna
- d) Varahamihira

18. Consider the following pairs:

- (Foreign Travellers) : : (Visited during)
- 1. Megasthenes : : Chandragupta Maurya
  - 2. Fa-Hien : : Vikramaditya
  - 3. Hiuen-Tsang : : Harshavardhana
  - 4. Marco Polo : : Rudramadevi

Which of the pairs given above are matched correctly?

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

19. Which of the following statements are correct regarding the Post Mauryan India?

- 1. The Sungas revived Brahmanism and horse sacrifice
- 2. The Sungas promoted the Sanskrit language
- 3. The Sungas defended the Gangetic valley from foreign invasions

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

20. Match the following:

(Popular Ruler) : : (Kingdom)

- 1. Udayana a) Kosala
- 2. Pradyota b) Avanti
- 3. Prasenajit c) Magadha
- 4. Bimbisara d) Vatsa

Code:

- 1 – 2 – 3 – 4
- a) A – B – D – C
- b) C – D – B – A
- c) D – B – A – C
- d) A – B – C – D

21. Consider the following pairs.

Sculpture	Material made from
1. Mother goddess	Stone
2. Bearded priest	Terracotta
3. Dancing girl	Copper

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 3 only
- c) All the above
- d) None

22. Consider the following pairs.

Architecture style	Temple
1. Nagara	Lingaraj temple, Puri
2. Dravida	Ladkhan temple
3. Vesara	Kailasnath temple

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) None

23. Consider the following statements about Ajanta cave paintings.

- 1. The subject matter of these paintings is Buddhist.
- 2. They were done under the reign of Sunga and Guptas.
- 3. They used tempera style.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 3 only
- c) All the above
- d) 2 only

24. Which of the following best describes Ragamala paintings?

- a) These are the paintings of Ragamala school of paintings.
- b) Ragamala or the "Garland of Ragas", depicting various Indian musical modes called Ragas.
- c) Ragamala paintings are the amalgamation of art and poetry only.
- d) All the above

25. Consider the following pairs.

Folk paintings	State/region
1. Pattacharita	Odisha

2. Kalighat	West Bengal
3. Warli	Maharashtra

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 3 only
- d) All the above

26. Which of the following potteries are correctly associated with the civilization:

- 1. Painted Grey ware – Indus Valley Civilisation
- 2. Black Polished ware – Mauryan Empire
- 3. Red and Black Pottery – Early Vedic time

Select the code from following:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

27. In most of the accounts, Ashoka has been referred to as ‘Devanampiya Piyadassi’. In which source does the name ‘Ashok’ find its mention?

- a) Major Rock edict
- b) Minor Rock edict
- c) Indica
- d) It is not mentioned anywhere. The name is given by British Historians.

28. Which of the following Mudras of Buddha are correctly matched with their meanings:

- 1. Bhumisparsha mudra – Buddha gesturing to touch the ground to call upon mother Goddess to witness his awakening.
- 2. Abhay Mudra – Palm facing the audience. Gesture of reassurance, blessing and protection.
- 3. Dhyana Mudra – This mudra signifies meditation, concentration of the Good Law and the saṅgha. The two hands are placed on the lap, right hand on left with fingers fully stretched and palm facing upwards.
- 4. Karana Mudra – Two hands together sprinkling the nectar of immortality.

Select the code from following:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2,3 and 4
- c) 1,2 and 3
- d) All of the above

29. Which of the following statements are correct regarding ‘Dashavtar Temple’ of Deogarh?

1. It was built during Gupta period and is dedicated to Lord Vishnu.
2. It is the first pyramidal shaped temple of India.
3. It is the first brick temple of India.

Select the code from following:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

30. Consider the following statements regarding 'Mahamokshaparishad':

1. It was a festival patronized by Ashoka.
2. It was held every five years at Prayag.
3. Lord Shiva, Ganesha, Surya and Buddha were worshipped and 4th day was kept for donations.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

31. Which of the following temples of Odisha have Rekha Duela type of Shikhars?

1. Lingaraja Temple
2. Jagannath Temple
3. Sun Temple in Konark

Select the code from following:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 3 only
- d) All of the above

32. Kanheri caves are a group of caves located in Salsette Island, Mumbai. Which of the following statements are correct regarding Kanheri Caves?

1. They are rock cut caves dedicated to Buddhism, Jainism, Vaishnavism and Shaivism.
2. They are dated from 1 C BC to 10 C AD.
3. A famous painting of 10 headed Buddha is found in these caves.

Select the code from following:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

33. Gandhara art was developed in and around Peshawar in North western India. Which of the following statements holds true for Gandhara school of Art?
1. It is a blend of Indian and Greco-Roman style.
  2. It was promoted by Mahayana sect of Buddhism.
  3. Gandhara school also carved out images of Shiva and Vishnu.
  4. Human body is moulded in a realistic manner with minute details like muscles, moustache and hair curls.

Select the correct code from the following:

- a) 1, 2 and 4
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 4 only
- d) All of the above

34. Consider the following features –

1. It was developed and flourished in the Krishna-Godavari lower valley.
2. It was narrative art, depicting stories while the theme was mainly Buddhism.
3. The school was patronized first by the Satavahanas and later by the Ikshvakus.
4. Use of white marble was prevalent in this school.

The above features belong to which among the following school of sculpture?

- a) Amravati school
- b) Gandhara school
- c) Mathura school
- d) Pravida school

35. Consider the following about Ajivikas:

1. An ascetic sect that emerged in India about the same time as Buddhism and Jainism.
2. The sect allowed life or fate to unfold itself without any interruption from the willful and intentional actions of individuals.
3. It was founded by Bindusara, the Mauryan emperor.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 2 only
- b) 1 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

36. Below given are notable features of a particular painting:

1. Angular faces in three-fourths profile
2. Pointed noses
3. Eyes protruding beyond the facial line
4. Abundance of accessory details and careful ornamentation

Identify which school of painting above features is associated with:

- a) Apabhramsa school
- b) Madhubani school
- c) Pala school
- d) Thanjavur school

37. Consider the following statements about Mohiniyattam:

- 1. It is a classical solo dance form of Kerala, performed by women.
- 2. Masks and elaborate headgear are the ornamental apparels of the Mohiniyattam dancers.
- 3. The dance is themed on the stories of Bhasmasura and Vishnu.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

38. Consider the following pairs

- 1. Zardozi – Beautiful embroidery done using metal threads.
- 2. Ramman – Festival of Karnataka based on ‘Ramayana’.
- 3. Phulkari – Simple and sparse embroidery done on Shawls and Scarfs.

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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

39. With reference to the Indian history of art and culture, consider the following pairs:

- (Famous work of sculpture) : : (Site)
- 1. Nataraja : : Brihadeshwara temple
  - 2. Surya riding chariot : : Konark
  - 3. Huge image of Varaha Avatar (boar incarnation) of Vishnu : : Bhubaneswar, Odisha

Which of the pairs given above is/ are correctly matched?

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

40. Consider the following statements with regard to Indian classical music:

- 1. Raga is the basis of melody and Tala is the basis of rhythm.
- 2. The Ragas are classified according to the period of time of day and night.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None

41. It is a form of semi classical vocal music inspired by the folk songs of camel riders in the Punjab area. It is characterized by jumpy and flashy tonal movements with rhythmic and rapid notes. The above description best describes which of the following music form?

- a) Powada
- b) Qawwali
- c) Tappa
- d) Hori

42. Consider the following pairs.

Classical dance	Symbolizes to
1. Bharatanatyam	Fire
2. Kathakali	Air
3. Mohiniattam	Sky

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 3 only
- d) All the above

43. It is one of the most sensuous dance forms of Rajasthan, performed by a tribe of the same name. They are famous for their dance which is an integral part of their culture. The costumes and dance movements are similar to that of serpents. The above description best describes which of the following dance form?

- a) Dandiya
- b) Ghoomar
- c) Charba
- d) Kalbelia

44. Consider the following statements about Bayalata.

- 1. It is an open-air theatre tradition of Karnataka.
- 2. The theme of the drama is usually based on epic poetry, Puranas or mythological stories from the Ramayana and the Mahabharata.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only

- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None

45. Consider the following pairs.

Puppetry type	Example
1. String puppets	Bommalatam
2. Shadow puppets	Togalu Gombeyata
3. Glove puppets	Tholu Bommalata

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

46. Consider the following statements about Sangam literature.

- 1. Sangam literature deals with secular and religious aspects of society.
- 2. Both men and women saint poets contributed to Sangam literature.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None

47. Which of the following statements regarding ‘Pandvani’ are correct?

- a) It is a folk singing and theatre style narrating the tales from Mahabharata.
- b) It is a nine course meal of central India, believed to have been eaten by Pandavas during their vanvaas (Forest dwelling Period).
- c) It is a martial art performed by tribals of Odisha, Jharkhand and Chattisgarh.
- d) It is a saucer shaped boat made of bamboo and cane widely used by tribals in Manipur.

48. Kalbelia Dance is an intangible cultural heritage under UNESCO. Which of the following statements regarding Kalbelia dance is/are correct?

- 1. It is performed by the Rajasthani tribe of the same name.
- 2. The dance movements and costumes resemble the movement of snakes.
- 3. Women dancers dance while male counterparts take care of music and singing.

Select the code from following:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3

d) All of the above

49. Which of the following Indian Martial Arts are correctly matched with the states in which they are performed?

1. Gatka – Punjab
2. Mardanikhel – Uttar Pradesh
3. Sqay – Manipur
4. Silambam – Kerala

Select the code from following:

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

50. Which of the following statements regarding ‘Sarda’ script are correct?

1. Sarda script evolved from Kharoshti.
2. Scripts of Gurumukhi, Dogri and Sindhi language have been evolved from Sarda Script.
3. Currently Sarda script is only used by Kashmiri pandit community in India.

Select the code from below:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

51. Ikebana is a decorative art form by arrangement of flowers. It is associated with which of the following places?

- a) China
- b) North Korea
- c) Japan
- d) Indonesia

52. Which of the following are the types of String puppets of India?

1. Kathputli
2. Khundei
3. Gombayetta
4. Bommalattam

Select the code from following:

- a) 1,2 and 3
- b) 2,3 and 4
- c) 1,3 and 4

d) All of the above

53. Which of the following dances have been recognized as Indian classical dances by Sangeet Natak Academy?

1. Kathak
2. Chhau
3. Kuchipudi
4. Sattriya

Select the code from below:

- a) 1,2 and 3
- b) 1 and 3
- c) 1,3 and 4
- d) All of the above

54. Consider the following pairs:

(Dance-drama or folk theatre) : : (Associated region)

1. Bhavai : : Gujarat
2. Tamasha : : Maharashtra
3. Theyyam : : Tamil Nadu

Identify from above which pairs is/are correct?

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

55. Chakiarkoothu, Koodiyattam, Krishnattam and Ramanattam are few of the ritual performing arts that has or had a direct influence on which among the below dance form and technique?

- a) Bharatnatyam
- b) Kathakali
- c) Mohiniyattam
- d) Kuchipudi

56. What is performed today as Carnatic music is derived most immediately from three outstanding composers of the eighteenth century, known collectively as the Trinity. Identify from below which composer was not part of this Trinity:

- a) Thyagaraja
- b) Swami Shastri
- c) Dikshitar
- d) Annamacharya

57. Which among the following schools is/are true with regard to Hindustani Music?

1. Hindustani music is usually traced back by its practitioners to the Delhi Sultanate period with Amir Khusrau as one of the earliest historical personalities.
2. The Zenith of Hindustani music is associated with the great Tansen, one of the jewels of the court of the Mughal emperor, Akbar.
3. Dhrupad, Khayal and Thumri – are some of the styles under Hindustani vocal music.

Choose correct answer:

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

58. Indian dances differ significantly from Western Dance forms. Consider the below statements with regard to those differences and identify the incorrect statement –

- a) Western dancers are concerned more with space, and their dance movements involve moving around in space.
- b) Indian dancers do not concern themselves with spaces but with time.
- c) Indian dance forms do not feature any major leaps or other sudden changes in space.
- d) The central aim of Indian dance is to make movement appear free from gravity.

59. ‘Ras’ and ‘Sankirtana’ are popular forms of which of the following classical dances?

- a) Sattriya
- b) Manipuri
- c) Kuchipudi
- d) Kathakali

60. Consider the following statements in regard to Thangka art:

1. Thangka is one of the Manipur's most ancient martial arts.
2. Thangka involves using a sword or sphere against one or more opponents.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

61. Consider the following pairs about Sufi philosophy.

Philosophy	Meaning
1. Wahdat al-wujūd	Unity of Existence
2. Wahdat ash-shuhūd	Unity of appearance
3. Al-Wujūd Al-Munbaṣīt	Self-unfolding Being

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

62. Consider the following statements.

- 1. Konark sun temple is known as ‘BLACK PAGODA’.
- 2. The Jagannath Temple in Puri is called the “White Pagoda”.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None

63. Consider the following statements about Nayanars and Alvars.

- 1. They drew upon the ideals of love and heroism as found in the Sangam literature (Tamil literature).
- 2. They were sharply critical of the Buddhists and Jainas.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None

64. Which of the following pairs correctly matched?

Tradition	Type of Sannyasi
1. Advaita Vedanta tradition	Dashanami Sannyasi
2. Shaivism	Trishuldhari Sannyasis
3. Vaishnava	Tridandi Sannyāsis

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

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

65. Who of the following Bhakti Saints of Maharashtra is considered to be spiritual guru of Shivaji?

- a) Gyandev
- b) Namdev

- c) Tukaram
- d) Samarth Ramdas

66. Surdas was follower of Krishna and one of the foremost saint of Saguna Bhakti order. Which of the following statements are correct regarding Surdas?

- 1. It is believed that he was blind by birth.
- 2. His collection of Dohas is called 'Sur Sagar' written in Awadhi.
- 3. He stayed at Mathura and made it a popular religious center.

Select the code from following:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

67. It is believed that Adi Shankaracharya had established four Mathas. In which of the following places has he not established a Muth?

- a) Badrinath
- b) Puri
- c) Dwarka
- d) Shravanbelagola

68. Urs is celebrated annually at the Dargah of a Sufi Saint. Urs is celebrated to commemorate which of the following events in Saints life?

- a) The death anniversary of Saint
- b) The birth anniversary of Saint
- c) The date of coronation of a Saint
- d) The date of building of saint's Dargah

69. Dwarasamudra was the capital of which of the following Kingdoms?

- a) Rashtrakutas
- b) Vijayanagara
- c) Hoysala
- d) Chalukya

70. Which of the following is/are true about Sangam Literature?

- 1. Tolkappiyam deals with Tamil grammar.
- 2. Silappathigaram provides information on political condition of the Sangam period.

Choose the correct answer:

- a) 1 only

- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None

71. Consider the below pairs:

- (Bhakti saint) :: (Associated Place)
- 1. Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti :: Punjab
  - 2. Qutbuddin Bhaktiyar kaki :: Delhi
  - 3. Tukram :: Maharashtra
  - 4. Surdas :: Uttar Pradesh

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

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

72. The land grants to religious functionaries in Gupta period were called:

- a) Vishyas
- b) Peth
- c) Agrahara
- d) Brahmadeya

73. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the Northern Black Polished Ware (NBP) phase?

- 1. It marked the beginning of the second urbanization in India.
- 2. The use of burnt bricks is not found in this phase.
- 3. Iron implements were used in this phase.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

74. Regarding the trade between India and the Rome in the ancient past, consider the following statements:

- 1. India was chief exporter of silk to the Roman Empire.
- 2. Balance of trade was in favour of India with respect to Rome.

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

75. Who among the following rulers belong to Satavahana dynasty?

- 1. Gautamiputra Satkarni
- 2. Vashishthiputra Pulumayi
- 3. Nahapana
- 4. Hala

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

76. With reference to the Rashtrakuta kingdom, consider the following pairs:

- Official Roles/Functions
- 1.Koshtapala : Law and Order enforcement
  - 2.Uparika: Head of a district
  - 3.Visayapati : Governor of a province

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

77. The Kalinga war brought grief and huge remorse to Ashoka. So he replaced berighosha with dhammadghosha. In this context, what does the dhammadghosha imply?

- a) conquest by temple priest
- b) cultural conquest
- c) military conquest
- d) conquest by local tribals

78. Which among the following are the impacts of Iranian invasion of India?

- 1. A new form of writing was brought to India.
- 2. Indians were enrolled in the Iranian army.
- 3. Influence on Mauryan sculpture.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a)1 and 2 only
- b)2 and 3 only
- c) 1, 2 and 3

d) 1 and 3 only

79. Which among the following statements is not true about society in the Rig Vedic period?

- a) Most wars were fought for the sake of land.
- b) No regular army was maintained.
- c) Intra tribal conflicts among Aryans were common
- d) Profits obtained by winning a war were unequally distributed

80. With reference to the mahajanapadas , consider the following statements:

- 1. There is no mention of mahajanapadas in Jain texts.
- 2. All of the mahajanapads were oligarchies.
- 3. Magadha emerged to be the most powerful among them.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

81. With reference to Aryabhatta, consider the following statements:

- 1 He calculated the position of planets.
- 2. He discovered the cause of solar and lunar eclipses.
- 3. He pointed out that the earth rotates.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

82. Which of the following statements is/are not correct in the context of Indus Valley Civilisation?

- 1.The cities were well planned.
- 2.Non- standardized weights were used.
- 3.There was elaborate drainage and sewerage system

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

83. With reference to the Indian history of art and culture, consider the following pairs:

Famous sculpture : Site

1. Ravana shaking mount : Ellora ,Kailash
2. Arjuna's Penance : Mahabalipuram
3. Vishnu reclining on the Serpent Sheshnag : Ajanta

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- a) 3 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 2 only
- d) None

84. This traditional theatre form of Karnataka is based on mythological stories and Puranaas. The most popular episodes are from the Mahabharata. Elaborate and colourful costumes, makeup, and masks constitute some of the most-striking features of the art form, With roots in Sanskrit literature and theatre, it emerged as a form of dance-drama in the 16th century. The above passage describes which of the following theatre forms?

- a) Maach
- b) Yakshagaana
- c) Java
- d) Swang

85. The technique of mural painting executed upon freshly laid lime plaster is known as

- a) Fresco
- b) Gouache
- c) Tempera
- d) Cubism

86. Consider the following statements about the philosophy of Advaitavada:

- 1.It was proposed by Ramanuja.
- 2.It advocates the doctrine of non-dualism

Where God and the created world are considered as one. 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

87. Which of the following was not worshipped in Indus valley civilization?

- a) Vishnu
- b) Neem tree
- c) Pashupati

d) Mother goddess

88. With reference to Classical dances of India, consider the following statements regarding Mohiniyattam:

1. It is a classical dance form of Tamil Nadu.
2. It is always performed in groups.
3. It is based on secular themes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) None

89. Which among the following provide a description of the musical traditions of ancient India?

1. Natya Sastra of Bharatamuni
2. Brihaddesi of Matariga
3. Silappadikaram

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

90. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Jaina literature?

1. It helped in the development of regional languages.
2. Early Jaina literature was written in Sanskrit.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

91. Which of the following scripts were used to write the Ashokan inscriptions?

1. Brahmi
2. Kharosthi
3. Greek

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1, 2 and 3

d) 1 and 3 only

92. Which among the following features is/are common to the Kailashnath temple at Ellora and Shore temple of Mahabalipuram?

1. Both are carved out from a single piece of rock.
2. Both are devoted to lord Shiva.
3. Both were built by Rashtrakuta rulers.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

93. Consider the following statements:

1. Hindu and Buddhist practices were assimilated into Sufism.
2. All Sufi saints were nomads who did not work in service of the State.
3. There have been no woman Sufi saints across the world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 only
- d) None

94. Which among the following places is/are associated with Buddha's life?

1. Sarnath
2. Kushinagar
3. Lumbini

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

95. Consider the following pairs:

Theatre Form: States

1. Bhaona : Maharashtra
2. Tamaasha : Uttar Pradesh
3. Dashavatar : Goa

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- a) I only

- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

96. Dharmashastras lay down:

- 1. Rules for marriages
- 2. Duties of different vamas and kings
- 3. Punishments for different crimes

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

97. Consider the following pairs:

- Symbols of worship in Buddhism - Represent
- 1. Empty seat - Mahaparinibbana
  - 2. Peepal Tree - Enlightenment
  - 3. Wheel - First Sermon of Buddha

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

98. With reference to cultural history of India, the terms Sandhara, Nirandhara and Sarvatobhadra are related to which of the following?

- a) Burial mounds
- b) Buddha images
- c) Temple shrines
- d) Jain viharas

99. Sangam texts suggest several stages of social evolution of Tamil people. In this context consider the following statements:

- 1. The narrative texts show that early Tamil people were primarily pastoral.
- 2. No reference to trade and economic activities has been made in these texts.

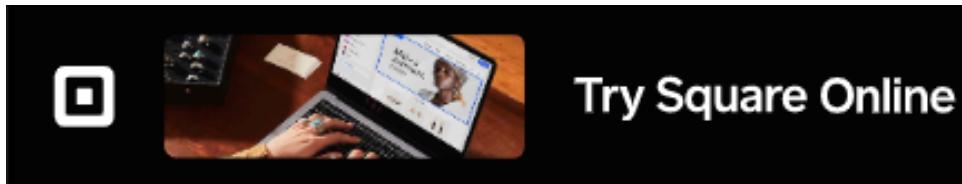
Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2

d) Neither 1 nor 2

100. With reference to cultural tradition of India the term 'Pankhida' is a well-known:

- a) Form of martial arts practiced in Assam
- b) Musical instrument used in Carnatic music
- c) Style of architecture found in Central India
- d) Form of music sung by peasants of Rajasthan



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1. Hathigumpha inscription gives account of which of the following rulers?

- [A] Asoka
- [B] Chandragupta Maurya
- [C] Kharvela
- [D] Samudragupya

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2. As per Asoka's inscriptions, which among the following place was declared tax free and proclaimed only 1/8th part as taxable?

- [A] Kushinagar
- [B] Lumbini
- [C] Kathmandu
- [D] Sarnath

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3. Which of the following ruler of Satavahana Empire composed Gathasaptashati?

- [A] Simuka
- [B] Gautamiputra Satkarni

[C] Pulumayi

[D] Hala

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4. Who presided First Buddhist Council?

[A] Mahakassapa

[B] Vasumitra

[C] Moggliputra Tissa

[D] Sabakami

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5. In which among the following sacrifices, the sacrificial materials used was sura in Vedic Era?

[A] Agnistoma

[B] Rajasuya

[C] Sautramani

[D] Vajapeya

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6. In Pali texts, who among the following is referred to as Nigantha Nataputta?

[A] Gautam Buddha

[B] Mahavira

[C] Parshvanatha

[D] Rishabha

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7. In the revenue department of Mauryas, who among the following was in-charge of the collection of all revenues in the empire?

[A] Sannidhatri

[B] Pradeshta

[C] Yukta

[D] Samahatra

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8. Where was the first Jain council held?

[A] Pavapuri

[B] Pataliputra

[C] Jimbhikagrama

[D] Vaishali

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9. Who defeated Harsha Vardhana on the banks of river Narmada in 630 A.D.?

- [A] Pulakesin II
- [B] Mahendravarman I
- [C] Pulakesin I
- [D] Kirtivarman I

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10. Who among the following Pallava ruler built the Shore Temple at Mahabalipuram?

- [A] Narsimhavarman II
- [B] Nandivarman II
- [C] Aparajita
- [D] Mahendravarman I

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11. Who was the father of King Harshavardhan ?

- [A] Prabhakara Vardhana
- [B] Bhaskar vardhan
- [C] Jaivardhan
- [D] Mahavardhan

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12. Who was the first ruler of Kushana dynasty to issue gold coins in India?

- [A] Vima Kadphises
- [B] Kanishka
- [C] Vasudeva
- [D] Kujula Kadphises

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13. Who among the following introduced Shaka era?

- [A] Ashoka
- [B] Kanishka
- [C] Rudraraman
- [D] Bimbisara

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14. Bring out the only incorrect statement:

- [A] Jorwe culture was most prominent in Maharashtra
- [B] Hathonora is a site where a true hominid fossil was found
- [C] The Earliest evidence of Rice cultivation has come from Belan Valley
- [D] The people of all sites in Rajasthan during the Neolithic age were aware of Bricks

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15. The Greek Ambassador Deimachus of Plataea had visited the court of which of the following rulers of Magadha?

- [A] Dhanananda
- [B] Chandragupta Maurya
- [C] Bindusara
- [D] Asoka

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16. Which among the following kings assassinated Brihadrath, the last Maurya King?

- [A] Agnimitra
- [B] Pushyamitra Shunga
- [C] Vasujyeshtha
- [D] Vasumitra

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17. The construction of the Delhi Iron Pillar, now located at the Quwwat-ul-Islam mosque in New Delhi was constructed in which period?

- [A] Maurya
- [B] Satavahana
- [C] Gupta
- [D] Kushana

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18. Vedic mythology refers to an ancient settlement called Pushkalavati after Pushkal, who was the son of King Bharata in the epic Ramayan. What is the modern location of Pushkalavati?

- [A] Panipat
- [B] Pushkar
- [C] Peshawar (in Pakistan)
- [D] Punjab

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19. What is the correct Chronological Order of Nandas, Sungas, Mauryas & Hayankas dynasties of Ancient India?
- [A] Nandas, Sungas, Mauryas, Hayankas
  - [B] Mauryas, Hayankas, Sungas, Nandas
  - [C] Hayankas, Nandas, Mauryas, Sungas
  - [D] Nandas, Mauryas, Sungas, Haranyakas

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20. Bhimbethka in Madhya Pradesh is an ancient Indian site where art prehistoric age are found preserved in rock-shelters. These arts belong to:

1. Paleolithic age
2. Mesolithic age
3. Chalcolithic age

Choose the correct option:

- [A] Only 1
- [B] Only 1 & 2
- [C] Only 2 & 3
- [D] 1,2 & 3

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21. Gandhar art is a combination of \_\_\_\_\_ ?

- [A] Indian Style + Greek Style
- [B] Greek Style + Kushan Style
- [C] Indian Style + Kushan Style
- [D] Indian Style + Persian Style

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22. The Jivaka which is mentioned in Buddhist literature was one among the following?

- [A] Merchant
- [B] King
- [C] Physician
- [D] Police

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23. In which of the following the philosophical and spiritual thoughts are contained?

- [A] Vinaya Pitaka
- [B] Suddha Pitaka
- [C] Abhidhamma Pitaka
- [D] None of the above

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24. Kavi Vatsal was a title assumed by a king belonging to which of the following dynasties?

- [A] Pushyabhuti
- [B] Pallava
- [C] Maurya
- [D] Satavahana

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25. Which pillar edict of Asoka is longest of all pillars?

- [A] 2nd
- [B] 5th
- [C] 6th
- [D] 7th

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26. Which of the following Chinese rulers built the great wall of China?

- [A] Pan Chao
- [B] Pu Yi
- [C] Wang Hsu Tsai
- [D] Qin Shi Huangv

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27. Which among the following Mahajanpada was located south most comparing to other Mahajanpadas?

- [A] Magadha
- [B] Avanati
- [C] Assaka
- [D] Kamboj

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28. Gandhara School of art is related to which of the following dynasties?

- [A] Shakas
- [B] Kushanas
- [C] Guptas
- [D] Greeks

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29. Which among the following is NOT a correct statement in context with the Gupta Era?

- [A] Gupta era is known for extensive achievements in science, technology, engineering, art, dialectic, literature,

logic, mathematics, astronomy, religion and philosophy

[B] Gupta era crystallized the common elements of Hindu Culture

[C] Maximum number of Gold Coins were issued in Gupta Era

[D] The Gold Content of Gupta Era coins was maximum in comparison to previous major dynasties

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30. With reference to the ancient history of India, which of the following is / are correct observations?

1. Kalibanga has witnessed world's earliest known plough fields.

2. There is a description in Mahavamsa that describes the atrocities of Chola Rulers during conquest of Sri Lanka

3. Pallava traditions of temple architecture was inherited by the Cholas

Which among the above is/ are correct statements?

[A] Only 1 is correct

[B] Only 1 & 2 are correct

[C] Only 2 & 3 are correct

[D] All are correct

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31. Who among the following rulers conquered the Anga Mahajanpada and merged it with Magadha?

- [A] Chandragupta Maurya
- [B] Asoka
- [C] Bimbisara
- [D] Ajatshatru

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32. Which among the following emperors introduced the two laws of Vyavahar Samta and Danda Samata?

- [A] Chandragupta Maurya
- [B] Asoka
- [C] Chandragupta Vikramaditya
- [D] Samudragupta

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33. Consider the following:

1. Persian Deities
2. Greek Deities
3. Indian Deities

Which among the above were engraved in the Kushana coins?

- [A] 1 & 2
- [B] 2 & 3
- [C] 1 & 3
- [D] 1, 2 & 3

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34. The ancient Indian text **Panchasiddhantika** deals with the 5 principles of which among the following?

- [A] Vedic Rituals
- [B] Philosophy
- [C] Astronomy
- [D] Medicine

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35. Consider the following statements:

1. Madhyamika school of philosophy was one of the two schools that developed under Mahayana, other being Yogachara

2. Nagarjuna was an important philosopher of the Madhyamika school.

3. Nagarjuna was contemporary of Kanishka

Which among the above is / are correct?

- [A] Only 1 & 2
- [B] Only 2 & 3
- [C] Only 1 & 3
- [D] 1, 2 & 3

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36. Which of the following rivers is not included in the list of Seven Rivers that graced and nourished the first Aryan settlement?

- [A] Sutudri
- [B] Parusni
- [C] Asikni
- [D] Charmanvati

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37. With reference to historical evidences of ancient India, which of the following is / are correct statements?

1. Oldest manuscripts on bark or palm leaf known in India are Buddhist

2. The earliest written record in India dates from the reign of Asoka

3. The oldest evidences of any foreign language in India were the coins of Indo-Greeks

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

- [A] Only 1 & 2
- [B] Only 2 & 3
- [C] Only 1 & 3
- [D] 1, 2 & 3

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38. Which among the following animals was / were surely domesticated by Indus Valley People?

1. Humped Zebu Cattle
2. Sheep
3. Goats
4. Dogs
5. Horses

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

- [A] 1, 2 , 3 & 5
- [B] 1, 3 & 5
- [C] 1, 2, 3 & 4
- [D] 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

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39. Consider the following statements with respect to the Personal Appearance of Indus Valley people:

1. The women wore bangles, majority of which were handmade of terra-cotta
2. Beads played an important role in dress of Indus Valley People
3. Harappans wore clothes of cotton

Which among the above statements is / are correct?

- [A] Only 1
- [B] Only 2 & 3
- [C] Only 2
- [D] 1, 2 & 3

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40. According to ancient Indian tradition, a Veda can be divided into two parts viz. Mantra Samhita and Brahmanas. What is / are difference(s) between the two?

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51. Consider the following statements about the Hathigumpha Inscription:

1. The Hathigumpha inscription shows the presence of Jainism in Orissa
2. It provides information about the military campaigns of King Kharavela of Kalinga

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- [A] 1 Only
- [B] 2 Only
- [C] Both 1 & 2
- [D] Neither 1 nor 2

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52. Which of the following is / are correct statements about the Smritis in context with ancient Indian literature?

1. The Smriti stands next in authority to the Sruti.
2. Smriti explains and develops Dharma and lays down laws which regulate Hindu national, social, family and individual obligations.

3. Smritis explain the ritualistic injunctions called Vidhis in the Vedas

Select the correct option from the codes given below:

- [A] Only 1 & 2
- [B] Only 1 & 3
- [C] Only 2 & 3
- [D] 1, 2 & 3

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53. Who among the following is known as father of Indian archaeology?

- [A] Colonel Mackenzie
- [B] Alexander Cunningham
- [C] Robert Seawell
- [D] John Marshal

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54. Which of the following is associated with the iron found in the upper Ganga valley for the first time?

- [A] Painted Grey Ware
- [B] Black-and-Red Ware
- [C] Northern Black Polished Ware
- [D] Black-and-Red Ware

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55. Which of the following are a part of proto-history?

1. Neolithic
2. Chalcolithic
3. Harappan civilisation

Select the correct option from the codes given below:

- [A] Only 1
- [B] Only 1 & 2
- [C] Only 2 & 3
- [D] 1, 2 & 3

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56. Which of the following were included in the battle of ten kings?

1. Yadu
2. Turvasha
3. Puru
4. Anu

Select the correct option from the codes given below:

- [A] Only 1 & 2
- [B] Only 2 & 3
- [C] Only 1, 2 & 3
- [D] 1, 2, 3 & 4

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57. What was the unit of currency during the Rig Vedic Age?

- [A] Tula
- [B] Bali
- [C] Niskha
- [D] Rupiya

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58. Every Veda consists of which of the following parts?

1. Samhita
2. Brahmana
3. Aranyaka
4. Upanishad

Select the correct option from the codes given below:

- [A] Only 1 & 2
- [B] Only 2 & 3
- [C] Only 1, 2 & 3
- [D] 1, 2, 3 & 4

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59. Which of the following is a collection of magic spells and charms to ward off the evil spirits and diseases?

- [A] Rig Veda
- [B] Sama Veda
- [C] Yajur Veda
- [D] Atharva Veda

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60. Which of the following Brahmana recommends 'one hundred sacred paths'?

- [A] Satpatha Brahmana
- [B] Gopatha Brahmana
- [C] Kathaka Brahmana
- [D] None of the above

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61. Which of the following was the head of the board of infantry in Mauryan administration?

- [A] Padadhyaksha
- [B] Rathadhyaksha
- [C] Asvadhyaksha
- [D] Hastyadhyaksha

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62. Which of the following was referred to as superintendent of agriculture during the Mauryan period?

- [A] Ardhositikas
- [B] Sitadhyaksha
- [C] Svaviryopajivins
- [D] Akaradhyaksha

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63. Which of the following are the four sources of law mentioned by Kautilya?

1. Dharma
2. Vyavhara
3. Charitam

**4. Rajasana**

Select the correct option from the codes given below:

- [A] Only 1 & 2
- [B] Only 2 & 3
- [C] Only 1, 2 & 3
- [D] 1, 2, 3 & 4

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64. Pranaya refers to which of the following?

- [A] Fruits tax
- [B] Liquor Tax
- [C] Emergency tax
- [D] Sales tax

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65. On which of the following, the new material culture of the Gangetic basin was based?

- [A] Use of Iron
- [B] Use of copper
- [C] Use of tin
- [D] Use of bronze

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66. From which of the following places Hathigumpha inscriptions were found?

- [A] Amarkanthak
- [B] Barabar caves
- [C] Udayagiri Hills
- [D] Ajanta caves

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67. Which of the following was a great center for the manufacturing of Shatka in the post-Mauryan times?

- [A] Varanasi
- [B] Mathura
- [C] Taxila
- [D] Patliputra

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68. Which of the following is the most celebrated Indo-Greek ruler who not only stabilised Indo-Greek power, but also extended his empire's frontiers in India?

- [A] Demetrius
- [B] Menander

- [C] Hermadius
- [D] None of the above

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69. The Scythians attacked Bactria and entered the Indian subcontinent through which of the following passes?

- [A] Gomal pass
- [B] Bolan pass
- [C] Khyber pass
- [D] None of the above

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70. Which of the following is associated with the reign of Yajna Sri Satakarni?

- [A] c.106–130 CE
- [B] c. 130–154 CE
- [C] c. 165–194 CE
- [D] c. 195–200 CE

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71. Which of the following kings built a stupa to house the Buddha's relics in the city of Purushpura?

- [A] Kanishka
- [B] Vasudeva II
- [C] Kadphises I
- [D] Vima Kadphises

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72. Which of the following kings court was adorned by nine famous scholars known as the Navaratnas?

- [A] Chandragupta I
- [B] Chandragupta II
- [C] Samudragupta
- [D] Kumargupta

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73. Which of the following is the writer of the play Mrichchhkatikam?

- [A] Kalidas
- [B] Shudraka

- [C] Vishakhadatta
- [D] Dandin

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74. Which of the following statements are correct with respect to currency during Gupta period?

1. The gold coins of each successive Gupta ruler, after Chandragupta II, contain less gold and more alloy.
2. They issued a large number of silver coins called rupyakas.

Select the correct option from the codes given below:

- [A] Only 1
- [B] Only 2
- [C] Both 1 & 2
- [D] Neither 1 & 2

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75. Which of the following rulers is considered as the second ruler of the Vakataka Dynasty?

- [A] Prithvisena
- [B] Vindhya Shakti
- [C] Pravarasena
- [D] Rudrasena

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76. Hsuan Tsang gives a detailed account of a grand assembly held in 643 CE. Where was it held?

- [A] Ujjain
- [B] Thaneswar
- [C] Kannauj
- [D] None of the above

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77. Which of the following was called as chief commandant of the elephant force during Harsha's administration?

- [A] Kuntala
- [B] Simhananda
- [C] Avanti
- [D] Bhanu

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78. Which of the following was the court-poet of Yasovarman?

- [A] Vakpatiraja
- [B] Gaudavaho

[C] Manorathavarman

[D] Bhogavarman

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79. Which of the following kings was defeated by the Rashtrakuta King Indra III?

[A] Harichandra

[B] Rajyapala

[C] Mahendrapala

[D] Yashpala

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80. Which of the following were under the direct control of Dharmapala?

1. Bengal

2. Bihar

3. Kannauj

Select the correct option from the codes given below:

[A] Only 1

[B] Only 1 & 2

[C] Only 2 & 3

[D] 1, 2 & 3

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41. Consider the following Indus Valley sites with rivers on the banks of which they were situated:

1. Mohenjodaro – Indus
2. Ropar – Sutlej
3. Banawali – Ghaggar
4. Harappa – Ravi

Which of the above are correct?

- [A] 1, 2 & 3 Only
- [B] 2 & 4 Only
- [C] 2, 3 & 4 Only
- [D] 1, 2, 3 & 4

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42. The Bodhisattva Doctrine is associated with \_?

- [A] Mahayana Buddhism
- [B] Hinayana Buddhism
- [C] Vajrayana Buddhism
- [D] Theravada Buddhism

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Consider the following statements about Vajrayana

43. Buddhism:

1. It became popular in India in the 8th century during the reign of Palas

2. Vajrayanists believed that the best way to attain salvation could be by acquiring the magical powers

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- [A] 1 Only
- [B] 2 Only
- [C] Both 1 & 2
- [D] Neither 1 nor 2

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44. Which text provides information about Harsha's Samanta System?

- [A] Nagananda of Harsha
- [B] Harshacharita of Bana
- [C] Priyadarshika of Harsha
- [D] Kadambari of Bana

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45. The Barabar caves are / were \_\_:

1. located in Bihar
2. oldest surviving rock cut caves in India
3. used by Buddhist monks

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

- [A] Only 1
- [B] Only 1 & 2
- [C] Only 1, 2 & 3
- [D] None

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46. In which of the following stone ages, Microliths were commonly found?

- [A] Neolithic
- [B] Mesolithic
- [C] Paleolithic
- [D] Upper Paleolithic

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47. Which of the following is associated with Megaliths?

- [A] Painted Grey Ware
- [B] Black-and-Red Ware

[C] Northern Black Polished Ware

[D] Black-and-Red Ware

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48. Balathal is an archaeological site located in:

[A] Gujarat

[B] Rajasthan

[C] Maharashtra

[D] Jammu & Kashmir

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49. Who said that Tibet is the original home of Aryans?

[A] Swami Dayanand Saraswati

[B] Bal Gangadhar Tilak

[C] Max Muller

[D] A.C. Das

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50. In which of the following the only mention of the four varnas was found?

[A] Fifth mandal

[B] Tenth mandal

[C] Seventh mandal

[D] First mandal

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1. First Buddhist Council was held during the reign of which of the following kings?

- [A] Ajatsatru
- [B] Ashoka
- [C] Kanishka
- [D] Kalasoka

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2. Which of the following Chola kings was the first to capture Maldives?

- [A] Rajaraja
- [B] Rajendra I
- [C] Rajadhiraja
- [D] Rajendra II

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3. Which of the following Jain Tirthankara have been mentioned in Rigveda?

- [A] Rishabha and Aristanemi
- [B] Mahavira and Parsvanath

- [C] Rishabha and Malinath
- [D] Parsvanath and Rishabha

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4. Which among the following define the similarities between Buddhism and Jainism?

- [A] Both opposed Brahmanical domination and caste system
- [B] Both accepted the theories of rebirth
- [C] Both preached truth and non-violence
- [D] All of the above

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5. The Bhamala Stupa, a ruined Buddhist Stupa, is located in which one of the following countries?

- [A] Nepal
- [B] Bhutan
- [C] Pakistan
- [D] China

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6. Which of the following ancient Tamil Kingdoms came to be known from Sangam Literature?

- [A] Chola
- [B] Chera
- [C] Pandya
- [D] All of the above

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7. Which of the following book is the sequel of an epic 'Silappadikarma'?

- [A] Jivaka Chintamani
- [B] Manimekalai
- [C] Bharatman
- [D] Kunal

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8. Which of the following is the equivalent term used for Raja in early vedic era?

- [A] Gopati
- [B] Gomat
- [C] Gopa
- [D] Gomitra

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9. Who among the following was contemporary of Pushyamitra Sunga?

- [A] Patanjali
- [B] Kalidas
- [C] Heliodorus
- [D] Vasudeva

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10. Who overthrew Saka rulers from India?

- [A] Gautami putra Satakarni
- [B] Kanishka
- [C] Rudraraman
- [D] Demetrius

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