



Minervaa International Scholarship Examination

Sample Question
Class - 5
Subject – Social Studies



LOGICAL REASONING

1. In the month of 31 days, third Thursday falls on 16th. What will be the last day of the month?
a) 5th Thursday b) 4th Saturday
c) 5th Wednesday d) 5th Friday
2. Arrange the following words as per order in the dictionary:
1. Genuine, 2. Genesis, 3. Gender, 4. Gentle, 5. General
a) 3,5,2,4,1 b) 1,2,3,4,5 c) 2,4,3,5,1 d) 5,4,3,2,1
3. Neena asks, "Anita's father Raman is the only son of my father-in-law, Mahipal. Then how is Bindu, who is the only sister of Anita, related to Mahipal?"
a) Niece b) Daughter
c) Grand Daughter d) Wife
4. A boy running towards South, turns towards his right and runs. Then, he turns to his right and finally turns to his left. Towards which direction is he running now?
a) South b) North c) East d) West
5. Sarah, Emily, and Olivia are sisters. Sarah is older than Emily. Emily is younger than Olivia. Who is the youngest?
a) Sarah b) Emily c) Olivia d) Not Enough Info

SOCIAL STUDIES

6. Which of the following wasn't one of the 18th-century regional kingdom of the Mughals?
a) Bengal b) Awadh c) Kabul d) None of these
7. The Dandi March signaled the start of the _____.
a) Non-cooperation Movement
b) Swadeshi and boycott
c) Quit India Movement
d) Civil Disobedience Movement

8. When and where was the first factory of the English East-India Company setup?

- a) 1651, Calicut
- b) 1648, Agra
- c) 1652, Surat
- d) 1651, Bengal

9. Who gave the name 'Harijans' to Dalits?

- a) M.K. Gandhi
- b) Subhas Chandra Bose
- c) Lal Bahadur Shastri
- d) None of these

10. Latitude & Longitude are imaginary lines which –

- a) Separate the earth into hemispheres
- b) Show where major highways are located
- c) Locate a point on the map
- d) None of these

11. The Gregorian calendar was introduced in –

- a) AD 1582
- b) AD 1682
- c) AD 1782
- d) AD 1589

12. The largest land masses are called –

- a) Continents
- b) Plateau
- c) Islands
- d) Country

13. Which is not a cardinal direction?

- a) North
- b) South
- c) West
- d) North-east

14. _____ defines the rights and duties of individuals and organizations.

- a) Criminal Laws
- b) Civil Laws
- c) Service Laws
- d) None of these

15. Sikkim meets its international borders with China, Bhutan and _____.

- a) Nepal
- b) Pakistan
- c) Myanmar
- d) Japan

16. The _____ Dam is the fourth largest dam in the world, built on the Mahanadi River.

- a) Hirakud
- b) Bhakra Nangal
- c) Indravati
- d) Tehri dam

17. What is an average atmospheric condition of an area over a long period of time called?

- a) Monsoon
- b) Weather
- c) Climate
- d) winter

18. Food Crops sown in the winter season are called –
a) Kharif Crops b) Rabi Crops
c) Zaid Crops d) None of these
19. Rainwater harvesting should be practiced to prevent -
a) Droughts b) Floods
c) Earthquakes d) Tsunamis
20. Who among the following became the first President of the Indian National Congress in 1885?
a) Dadabhai Naroji
b) Bhagat Singh
c) Womesh Chandra Banerjee
d) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
21. What was the key event that triggered the Quit India Movement in 1942?
a) The assassination of Mahatma Gandhi
b) The failure of the Cripps Mission
c) The outbreak of World War II
d) The Partition of India
22. Which type of map shown average weather and rain of a region?
a) Physical Map b) Topographical Map
c) Climate Map d) Road Map
23. Hot and dry winds called 'Loo' blow during the summer season.
a) True d) False
24. Which of the following is known as the frontier Gandhi?
a) Abdul Gaffer Khan b) Rajendra Prasad
c) Sukhdev d) Ashfaqullah
25. Biodegradable materials are also referred to as _____.
a) Bio – waste b) Living - waste
c) Metal – waste d) Plastic - waste
26. Which of the following is the largest island of the world?
a) Australia b) Greenland
c) Lakshadweep d) None of these

27. The mixing of undesirable contaminants in air, water, land and soil is called –
a) Atmosphere b) Lithosphere
c) Pollution d) population
28. Which of these is a continent?
a) China b) Atlantic Ocean
c) Africa d) New York
29. Which of the following sounds is harmful to human ears?
a) 60 decibels b) 90 decibels or more
c) 10 decibels d) 50 decibels
30. _____ is the only continent that is also a country.
a) Antarctica b) Australia
c) South America d) Europe
31. Siraj-ud-Daulah was one of the powerful Mughal Emperors.
a) True b) False
32. The Yamuna is a _____ river.
a) Plain b) Tributary c) Deserted d) Bridge
33. The East India Company was formed _____.
a) 1600 A.D. b) 1700 A.D. d) 1800 A.D d) None of these
34. Which of the following is not a natural disaster?
a) Flood b) Earthquake
c) Accident d) Cyclone
35. Who had published a newspaper called Bande Mataram in Geneva?
a) Gopal Krishna Gokhale b) Mrs. Annie Besant
c) Bipin Chandra Pal d) W.C. Banerjee
36. The Battle of Plassey was fought between –
a) Akbar and the British
b) Ashoka and the British
c) The British and Dutch
d) Siraj-ud-Daulah and the British
37. Who revived the Indian National Army?
a) Mahatma Gandhi b) Bhagat Singh
c) Subhash Chandra Bose d) Madam Cama

38. Which of the following passes through Saudi Arabia?

- a) Tropic of Capricorn b) Tropic of Cancer
- c) Equator d) Arctic Circle

39. The surface of the moon is covered with_____.

- a) Craters b) Lava c) Stones d) Water

40. The total time taken to draft the Constitution of India was around

- a) 2 years, 8 months and 10 days
- b) 1 year, 11 months and 16 days
- c) 2 years, 11 months and 18 days
- d) 1 year, 3 months and 17 days.

41. On what continent does Germany lie?

- a) South America b) Asia
- c) Europe d) North America

42. Which region of the world is considered the birth place of the three major Abrahamic religions: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam?

- a) Middle East b) Central America
- c) North America d) Caribbean

43. Who led the Salt March in 1930?

- a) Bhagat Singh b) Mahatma Gandhi
- c) Jawaharlal Nehru d) Subhas Chandra Bose

44. The Jallianwala Bagh massacre took place in:

- a) 1915 b) 1919 c) 1921 d) 1930

45. A device used to measure the strength of earthquakes is:

- a) Thermometer b) Seismograph
- c) Barometer d) Altimeter

46. Who invented the electric bulb?

- a) Alexander Graham Bell b) Isaac Newton
- c) Thomas Edison d) Albert Einstein

47. Early humans used tools made of:

- a) Iron b) Plastic c) Stones d) Bronze

48. Which crop is called a cash crop?

- a) Wheat b) Rice c) Cotton d) Maize

49. Who is the head of a Municipal Corporation?

- a) Collector b) Sarpanch c) Mayor d) Minister

50. Which of these was one of the earliest urban civilizations?

- a) Roman Civilization b) Indus Valley Civilization
c) American Civilization d) Mesopotamian Civilization
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ANSWER KEY

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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A	A	D	B	A	A	C	B	A	C
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
B	C	A	A	A	B	C	C	B	B
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
B	B	A	C	C	D	C	B	A	C
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
C	A	B	B	B	C	C	C	C	B