

Total Number of Questions : 52

Time : 3.00 Hours

Max. Marks : 150

1. Explain the historical importance of Kabul with its connections to occidental and oriental world. (2 Marks)
2. Which language is spoken in China mainly ? Bring out its main features. (2 Marks)
3. Describe the origin and development of Euro as the currency among European countries. (2 Marks)
4. Analyse the contributions of Nelson Mandela to world peace and the fight against racial discrimination. (2 Marks)
5. How far Indus river system and its tributaries contributed to the economic and social formations of India ? (2 Marks)
6. Bring out the relevance of Buddha and his preachings in contemporary world. (2 Marks)
7. Assess the contributions of Akbar as a medieval Indian ruler with special mention on religious policy. (2 Marks)
8. Bring out the significance of Battle of Buxar. (2 Marks)
9. Explain the programmes of 'No tax' campaign and 'Salt Satyagraha' related to civil-disobedience movement of 1930's. (2 Marks)
10. Define Kerala model of Economy. (2 Marks)
11. What does 'Amrit Kaal' mean ? Explain its significance. (2 Marks)
12. Bring out the importance of seven point agreement signed between India and Bangladesh in September 2022. (2 Marks)
13. Who got Nobel Prize for peace in 2022 ? Asses their contributions in respective fields. (2 Marks)
14. Who is the present CEO of NITI AYOOG ? Which are his credentials ? (2 Marks)
15. Explain the key projects of Nava Kerala Mission with special reference to 'Ardram' Mission. (2 Marks)
16. Discuss the Constitutional provisions of Fundamental Rights which protect sexual minorities from discrimination in India. (2 Marks)
17. Write a note on International Covenants on Civil and Political Rights. (2 Marks)
18. Write about Parliamentary procedures relating to Money Bills in India. (2 Marks)
19. The Government of Kerala appointed a Committee under the Chairmanship of S. B. Sen in 1996. Write the areas of study under the Committee. (2 Marks)
20. Write any four provisions about the Forty Fourth Constitutional Amendment Act of India 1978. (2 Marks)
21. Write the author of the following books. (2 Marks)
 - 1) Shame
 - 2) The Ministry of Utmost Happiness
 - 3) Revolution 2020
 - 4) Rich Like Us

22. Write the name of book from which the following characters ? (2 Marks)
- 1) Carton
 - 2) Natasha Rostova
 - 3) Narayani
 - 4) Anna
23. Write a note on TX2 awards. (2 Marks)
24. Discuss on the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS). (2 Marks)
25. Comment on 'India is the land of festivals'. (2 Marks)
26. What role did 'Theodore Maiman' have in the development of science ? Name two applications of that invention. (2 Marks)
27. What is infographics ? (2 Marks)
28. What discovery won the 'Nobel Prize' in medicine in 2022 ? Who received the honour ? (2 Marks)
29. What does the acronym 'NavIC' mean ? What it does for Indian community ? (2 Marks)
30. What are the functions of 'CERT - In' ? (2 Marks)
31. Choose the correct form of the verb from those given in brackets : (2 Marks)
- a) They _____ (leave, leaves, left) for Mumbai tomorrow.
 - b) How do you _____ (watch, watches, watched) movies these days ?
32. Insert the correct form of the verb as per the underlined count/uncountable nouns in the following sentences : (2 Marks)
- a) No news _____ (is, are) good news these days.
 - b) That pair of shoes _____ (belong, belongs) to my brother.
33. Find out the apt phrasal verb from the given brackets for the following sentences : (2 Marks)
(put on, knock off, rang off, knock on, put off)
- a) The culprit _____ a nurse's uniform to save himself from the police officer.
 - b) Margaret _____ before John could ask her details.
34. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct present perfect tense form of the verb in the sentences given below : (2 Marks)
- a) Arjun _____ his homework.
(has did, has done, have done)
 - b) I _____ my dinner.
(has have, have have, have had)

35. Pick out the abstract nouns from the list of given words : (2 Marks)
Patience, patient, slavery, slave, physics, child, table, childhood, fox instrument, device, box.
36. Rectify the following sentences, if necessary, using the correct tense form : (2 Marks)
a) He had met his uncle yesterday.
b) Lilly brings her books a week ago.
37. Identify the sentences using possessive pronouns from the given list : (2 Marks)
i) This is my pen.
ii) This pen is mine.
iii) This is our property.
iv) This property is ours.
38. Correct the following sentences : (2 Marks)
a) Sheela is elder than her sister by two years.
b) They have to go tomorrow evening there.
39. a) Insert the adverbs given in the list in their correct positions and rewrite the sentence : (2 Marks)
Peter is _____ diligent, but Sam is _____ lazy.
(rather, fairly)
b) Substitute the underlined words in the given sentence using adverb/adverb phrases :
The police searched him all over the place.
40. Fill in the blanks with suitable pronouns given in brackets : (2 Marks)
a) Either Dona or Gayathri forgot to submit _____ assignment.
b) Books are given for you and _____ (me, I).
41. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions given in the brackets : (2 Marks)
(to, in, on, by, from)
a) Kusum went to temple _____ foot.
b) I prefer tea _____ Coffee.
42. Replace the underlined words in the given sentence with the correct idiomatic expressions from the list and rewrite the sentence : (2 Marks)
(thick and thin, black sheep, once in a blue moon, draw the line, under the thumb of)
Rahul visits his father very seldom because he is completely under the influence of his wife.
43. Fill in the blanks choosing the most appropriate auxiliary given in brackets : (4 Marks)
a) You _____ be careful in your studies.
(can, dare, ought to)
b) It _____ rain soon.
(can, will, must)
c) Candidates _____ bring their hall tickets to write exams.
(can, may, must)
d) How _____ you say such a thing to the Principal !
(may, must, dare)

44. Fill in the blanks with the past tense/past participle form of the irregular verb given : (4 Marks)
- She _____ (sit) for the test some hours ago.
 - Did you _____ (ring) him up yesterday ?
 - He has _____ (dig) his own grave.
 - They are his _____ (choose) disciples.
45. Insert the correct tense form of the verb given in brackets : (4 Marks)
- They _____ (reach) the station last night, after the train _____ (leave).
 - When I _____ (meet) Anju some days ago, she was 35 years old. She _____ (be) a professional player for 15 years.
 - Our principal _____ (complete) 33 years of service when she _____ (retire) last year.
 - I _____ (do) my duty, before he _____ (come) to see me.
46. Rewrite the following sentences changing the underlined nouns into plural : (4 Marks)
- Kasim's son-in-law is very rich.
 - Radha lost her knife.
 - Thomas was afraid of fox.
 - Mary's sheep is grazing in the green meadow.
47. Rewrite the following sentences by changing the active/passive voice : (5 Marks)
- We need your help in this matter.
 - They are planning a trip to Paris.
 - Publish the circular.
 - You weren't taught by me.
 - Drunk driving causes many accidents.
48. Choose the correctly spelled word from **each** set given below : (5 Marks)
- believe, beleive, recieve, decieve
 - homogeneous, homogeneus, homogeonous, homogeneuos
 - diarrhoea, diarhoea, dairrhoea, diarhoea
 - apostrophe, apotrophe, apostrosphe, apotropphe
 - addresse, addressee, adresse, adrese
49. Turn the following sentences into indirect speech : (5 Marks)
- She said, "I saw a movie yesterday."
 - The boy said, "Rahul was reading a novel."
 - Remya told to me, "You can do it."
 - The officer asked me, "Have you done your work ?"
 - She said to me, "Happy birthday !"

50. Rearrange the following jumbled words appropriately to form meaningful sentences : (5 Marks)

- a) /get over the tangle/take the bull/if you want to/by the horns/you must/
- b) /during the freedom struggle/who was famous/which overlooks the lake/my grandfather/lived in that building/
- c) /he was released/he was arrested/from the jail/but for lack of evidence/on a charge of rape/
- d) /during the lock down days of the pandemic covid/worked hard/and with none to assist them/the doctors and nurses of our local hospital/without any rest/
- e) /a fish out of water/were discussing the questions/while the members of the committee/of revenue, investment, income and expenditure/I felt like/

51. Prepare a communicative summary/precis of the report given in 300 words. (1×20=20 Marks)

Never before has our company been tested for resilience as severely as in the past year, and yet here we are, having delivered industry-leading growth, still serving our clients. Our digital business grew by 29% and new accounts for 52% of the overall company revenue. Our operating margins were at 24.5%, an expansion of three points over the previous year. Our earnings per share grew by 17% over the previous year. This is a testimony to the relentless perseverance of our employees and their unwavering focus on our clients.

We focus on developing the right solutions required for accelerating digital transformation. Be it cloud solutions, big data and analytics, applied AI and automation, cyber security, or a robust innovation ecosystem – these have struck the right chord with our clients who are keen to assimilate new ideas to reinvent themselves. Our focus remains on tailoring offices to serve us better in the new normal. We have created a strong leadership pipeline to work with employees who have more than proven their mettle, working remotely, with digital tools made available at their fingertips.

The ongoing Covid-19 crisis is driving an exponential expansion of our digital footprint. While this is bringing unprecedented conveniences into our lives, it is by no means equitable or sustainable. Our team is deeply invested in ensuring that the digital dividends reach everybody. Over the years, we have been focusing on sustainable practices encompassing not only business, but also economic, environmental and social imperatives. Our Environmental Social and Governance (ESG) vision focuses on long-standing commitments in the areas of climate change, technology for good, diversity and inclusion, energizing local communities, ethics and transparency. In a culmination of action to combat climate change since 2008, we turned carbon-neutral in 2020-30 years ahead of the time-line set by the Paris Agreement. (300 words)

(Source : Infosys Annual Report 2020-21)

52. Analyse the following statements based on the above passage and state whether the given statements are true or false. Justify your answer. (5×2=10 Marks)

- a) The ongoing COVID-19 crisis has created an exponential expansion for the company.
 - b) The overall business of the company grew by 29%, accounting for 52% of the company revenue.
 - c) In the new normal, employees worked remotely with digital tools made available at their fingertips.
 - d) The Paris Agreement envisions a carbon-neutral future by 2050.
 - e) The company aims to create a digital future that everyone can benefit from equitably.
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