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1. The paintings in the Ajanta and Ellora caves are indicative of the development of art under the

- A. Pallavas
- B. Chalukyas
- C. Pandyas
- D. Rashtrakutas

Answer: B

2. Drupad Dhamar style of singing was started by

- A. Raja Man Singh Tomar
- B. Tansen
- C. Vishnu Digambar Paluskar
- D. Amir Khusro

Answer: D

3. Which classical dance of the following is named after the village it was born from ?

- A. Kuchipudi
- B. Kathakali
- C. Bharatanatyam
- D. Mohiniattam

Answer: A

4. Which one of the following is not a feature of North Indian temple architecture?

- A. Sikhara
- B. Garbha Griha
- C. Gopura
- D. Pradakshina

Answer: C

5. Who composed the famous song "Sare Jahan SeAchha"?

- A. Rabindranath Tagore
- B. Jaidev
- C. Mohammad Iqbal
- D. Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay

Answer: C

6. Sattriya is a classical dance form of which State?

- A. Assam
- B. Kerala
- C. Punjab
- D. Bengal

Answer: A

7. In which of the following festivals are boat races a special feature?

- A. Pongal
- B. Navratri
- C. Rongali Bihu
- D. Onam

Answer: D

8. Ramman is a religious festival and ritual theatre of \_\_\_?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Bengal
- C. Uttarkhand
- D. Haryana

Answer: C

9. 'Chauth' was

- A. Land tax levied by Shivaji on neighboring states
- B. Toll tax imposed by Shivaji
- C. A religious tax imposed by Aurangzeb
- D. Irrigation tax charged by Akbar

Answer: A

10. \_\_\_\_\_ is classical dance form of Uttar Pradesh.

- A. Mohiniattam
- B. Kuchipudi
- C. Kathakali
- D. Kathak

Answer: D

11. Which classical dance form is famous in Tamil Nadu?

- A. Mohiniattam
- B. Kuchipudi
- C. Bharatanatyam
- D. Kathakali

Answer: C

12. The famous Nabakalebara festival belongs to which of the following states?

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- A. Kerala
- C. Rajasthan
- B. Bihar
- D. Odisha

Answer: D

13. Which among the following temples of India is known as Black Pagoda?
- A. Brihadeeswara Temple, Tanjore
  - C. Lord Jagannath Temple, Puri
  - B. Sun Temple, Konark
  - D. Meenakshi Temple, Madurai

Answer: B

14. Tansen, a great musician of his time, was in the court of -
- A. Jahangir
  - C. Akbar
  - B. Shahjahan
  - D. Bahadur Shah

Answer: C

15. Which of the following is not a folk dance of Uttar Pradesh?
- A. Birhas
  - C. Charkulas
  - B. Chhau
  - D. Quawwalis

Answer: B

16. Kathak is a classical dance of
- A. Manipur
  - C. Tamilnadu
  - B. Kerala
  - D. North India

Answer: D

17. Which devotional saint was cobbler by profession?
- A. Surdas
  - C. Raidas
  - B. Tulsidas
  - D. None of these

Answer: C



18. The Kala Ghoda Arts Festival is associated with which one of the following cities?

- A. Delhi
- B. Mumbai
- C. Haryana
- D. Kerala

Answer: B

19. Which Indian Academy is promoting dance, drama and music?

- A. Sahitya Academy
- B. Lalit Kala Academy
- C. National School of Drama
- D. Sangeet Academy

Answer: D

20. Hanukkh, the festival of light is associated with which one of the following religions?

- A. Jewish
- B. Hindu
- C. Christians
- D. Jain

Answer: A

21. Pungi is a dance form related to the state

- A. Punjab
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Haryana
- D. Delhi

Answer: B

22. In which year National Anthem was first sung?

- A. 1920
- B. 1906
- C. 1915
- D. 1911

Answer: D

23. The word 'Sathyameva Jayate' is taken from \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Yajur Veda
- B. Atharva Veda
- C. Mundaka Upanishad
- D. Sam Veda

Answer: C

24. Guru Gopi Krishna was a maestro of which of the following dance forma?

- A. Kathak
- B. Kuchipudi
- C. Bahratanatyam
- D. Manipuri

Answer: A

25. The rock cut temples of Mahabalipuram and the temples of Kanchipuram are the achievements of the \_\_\_\_\_ rulers.

- A. Chola
- B. Hoyasala
- C. Vijayanagar
- D. Pallava

Answer: D

26. Who among the following was known as Bengal's Greata Garbo?

- A. Amaravati
- B. Kanan Devi
- C. Suchitra Sen
- D. Bharathi Shirodkor

Answer: C

27. The ratio of width of our National flag to its length is

- A. 3:5
- B. 2:3
- C. 2:4
- D. 3:4

Answer: B

28. Rabindranath Tagore's 'Jana Gana Mana' has been adopted as India's National Anthem. How many stanzas of the said song were adopted?

- A. Only the first stanza
- B. The whole song
- C. Third and Fourth stanza
- D. First and Second stanza

Answer: A

29. 'Natya - Shastra' the main source of India's classical dances was written by

- A. Nara Muni
- B. Bharat Muni
- C. Abhinav Gupt
- D. Tandu Muni

Answer: B

30. Dandia' is a popular dance of

- A. Punjab
- B. Gujarat
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Maharashtra

Answer: B

31. The words 'Satyameva Jayate' inscribed below the base plate of the emblem of India are taken from

- A. Rigveda
- B. Satpath Brahmana
- C. Mundak Upanishad
- D. Ramayana

Answer: C

32. Mohiniattam dance from developed originally in which state?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Orissa
- C. Kerala
- D. Karnataka

Answer: C

33. Which of the following folk dance forms is associated with Gujarat?

- A. Nautanki
- B. Garba
- C. Kathakali
- D. Bhangra

Answer: B

34. Which of the following Akademis is responsible for fostering the development of dance, drama and music in India?

- A. National School of Drama
- B. Sangeet Akademi



C. Sahitya Akademi

D. Lalit Kala Akademi

Answer: B

35. The Rath Yatra at Puri is celebrated in honour of which Hindu deity

A. Ram

B. Jaganath

C. Shiva

D. Vishnu

Answer: B

36. The book of Parsis is

A. Torah

B. Bible

C. Zend Avesta

D. Gita

Answer: C

37. 'Kathakali' is a folk dance prevalent in which state?

A. Karnataka

B. Orissa

C. Kerala

D. Manipur

Answer: C

38. Which of the following dances is a solo dance?

A. Ottan Thullal

B. Kuchipudi

C. Yakshagana

D. Odissi

Answer: A

39. The National Anthem was first sung in the year

A. 1911

B. 1913

C. 1936

D. 1935

Answer: A

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40. Thillana is a format of

- A. Kuchipudi
- B. Odissi
- C. Baharatanatyam
- D. Kathak

Answer: C

41. 'Madhubani', a style of folk paintings, is popular in which of the following states in India?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Rajasthan
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Bihar

Answer: D

42. Kathak is a classical dance of

- A. North India
- B. Tamilnadu
- C. Manipur
- D. Kerala

Answer: A

43. The head quarters of Sahitya Akademi is at

- A. Mumbai
- B. Chennai
- C. New Delhi
- D. Kolkata

Answer: C

44. The dance encouraged and performance from the temple of Tanjore was

- A. Kathakali
- B. Odissi
- C. Kathak
- D. Bharatanatyam

Answer: D

45. The last Mahakumbh of the 20th century was held at

- A. Nasik
- B. Ujjain
- C. Allahabad
- D. Haridwar



Answer: D

46. The National Song of India was composed by

- A. Rabindranath Tagore
- B. Bankim Chandra Chatterji
- C. Iqbal
- D. Jai Shankar Prasad

Answer: B

47. Who composed the famous song 'Sare Jahan Se Achha'?

- A. Jaidev
- B. Mohammad Iqbal
- C. Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay
- D. Rabindranath Tagore

Answer: B

48. Kalchakra ceremony is associated with which of the following ceremonies?

- A. Hinduism
- B. Buddhism
- C. Jainism
- D. Islam

Answer: B

49. Which of the following places is famous for Chikankari work, which is a traditional art of embroidery?

- A. Lucknow
- B. Hyderabad
- C. Jaipur
- D. Mysore

Answer: A

50. Apart from India, in which of the following two countries, Tamil is an official language?

- A. Mauritius and Malaysia
- B. Malaysia and Indonesia
- C. Sri Lanka and Mauritius
- D. Sri Lanka and Singapore

Answer: C

51. Historic Chandragiri Fort is located in which of the following states?



- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Karnataka
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Telangana

Answer: A

52. The 2016 International Minjar fair has started in which state of India?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Bihar
- C. Punjab
- D. Himachal

Answer: D

53. The famous traditional dance 'Ruf' or 'Rauf' is associated with ..... State.

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Rajasthan
- C. Jammu & Kashmir
- D. Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Answer: C

54. In India, which festival coincide with the festivals of Songkran in Thailand, Thingyan in Myanmar and Aluth Avurudda in Sri Lanka?

- A. Baisakhi
- B. Makar Sankranti
- C. Guru Poornima
- D. Holi

Answer: A

55. In which State is the religious festival Ganesh Chaturthi celebrated with gusto?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Madhya Pradesh
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Nagaland

Answer: A

56. Which of the following combinations of the States and the festivals mainly celebrated there is not correct?

- A. Uttar Pradesh - Krishna Janmashtami
- B. Maharashtra - Ganesh Chaturthi
- C. Gujarat - Durga Puja
- D. Rajasthan - Gangaur

Answer: C

57. The Desert Festival, an annual event in Rajasthan that displays local folk arts and culture, aerobatics, camel races, is held at

- A. Bikaner
- B. Jodhpur
- C. Jaisalmer
- D. Barmer

Answer: C

58. Where is Pushkar Fair held?

- A. Udaipur
- B. Jaisalmer
- C. Jodhpur
- D. Ajmer

Answer: D

59. Losoong festival is celebrated in which of the following states?

- A. Assam
- B. Sikkim
- C. Bengal
- D. Kerala

Answer: B

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

- A. Gouache
- B. Cubism
- C. Fresco
- D. Tempera

Answer: C

61. In which of the following states is the Hornbill Festival held annually?

- A. Sikkim
- B. Nagaland
- C. Assam
- D. Bengal

Answer: B

62. Sonepur, the venue of one of the largest cattle fairs is located in which of the following states?



- A. Bihar
- B. Uttarakand
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Assam

Answer: A

63. With which of the following festivals is Jallikattu associated?

- A. Vishu
- B. Onam
- C. Shivarathri
- D. Pongal

Answer: D

64. Who wrote the lyrics of the song Aye Mere Watan Ke Logo?

- A. Raghupati Sahay 'Firaq'
- B. Shailendra
- C. Pradeep
- D. Manoj Kumar

Answer: C

65. Which one of the following festivals is not celebrated almost simultaneously in the month of January each year?

- A. Lohri
- B. Gudi Padwa
- C. Makar Sankranti
- D. Pongal

Answer: B

66. In which country is the Salzburg Festival held every year?

- A. Austria
- B. Germany
- C. Switzerland
- D. France

Answer: A

67. With which of the following fields was Naina Devi, associated?

- A. Dadra and Thumri singing
- B. Hindi Poetry
- C. Photo-journalism
- D. Film acting

Answer: A

68. Bhagavata Mela, a folk form of performing arts is native to :

- A. Assam
- B. Gujarat
- C. Karnataka
- D. Tamil Nadu

Answer: C

69. Which one of the following dances involves solo performance?

- A. Bharatanatyam
- B. Odissi
- C. Kathak
- D. Kuchipudi

Answer: A

70. Guru Birju Maharaj is a maestro of which of the following Classical dance forms?

- A. Kathakali
- B. Manipuri
- C. Mohiniattam
- D. Kathak

Answer: D

71. In which dance form are the themes called from the Ramayana and Mahabharata?

- A. Kathak
- B. Kuchipudi
- C. Bharatanatyam
- D. Odissi

Answer: B

72. Who among the following is a famous santoor player?

- A. Ravi Shankar
- B. Zakir Hussain
- C. Hari Prasad Chaurasia
- D. Shiv Kumar Sharma

Answer: D

73. Which among the following is a folk dance of India?

- A. Kathakali
- B. Mohiniattam
- C. Garba
- D. Manipuri

Answer: C

74. Which of the following dancers was the first Indian woman to learn Chhad dance?

- A. Swapnasundari
- B. Samyukta Panigrahi
- C. Indrani Rahman
- D. Sonal Mansingh

Answer: B

75. Which one of the following is essentially a solo dance?

- A. Mohiniattam
- B. Kathak
- C. Kuchipudi
- D. Manipuri

Answer: A

76. Which of the following is a popular folk dance of Maharashtra?

- A. Garba
- B. Dandiya
- C. Tamasha
- D. Bhangra

Answer: C

77. Who amongst the following has directed the film 'Little Buddha'?

- A. Bernardo Bertolucci
- B. Richard Attenburrough
- C. Durosowa
- D. Mani Kaul

Answer: A

78. A famous musician (instrumentalist) associated with Tabla is :

- A. Bismillah Khan
- B. Ali Akbar Khan
- C. Ahmad Jan Thirkuwa
- D. Vilayat Khan



Answer: C

79. The fountain head of all inspiration in regard to Kathakali is :

- A. Poet Vallathol
- B. Swathi Tirunal
- C. Raja Ravi Verma
- D. V. Chinna Satyam

Answer: A

80. U.K. Sivaraman is a name associated with which of the following instruments?

- A. Mandolin
- B. Violin
- C. Mrindagam
- D. Rudra Veena

Answer: C

81. Binda Din Maharaj is a maestro of which of the following classical dance forms?

- A. Mohiniattam
- B. Kathakali
- C. Manipuri
- D. Kathak

Answer: D

82. The oldest form of composition of the Hindustani vocal music is :

- A. Dhrupad
- B. Thumri
- C. Gazal
- D. None of these

Answer: A

83. The film star who has acted in maximum number of films is :

- A. Ashok Kumar
- B. Prem Nazir
- C. Manorama
- D. Shivaji Ganeshan

Answer: C

84. Kathak is the principal classical dance of :

- A. Southern India
- B. Northern India
- C. Eastern India
- D. Western India

Answer: B

85. Indian classical dance has been popularised abroad by :

- A. Yamini Krishnamurthy
- B. Uday Shankar
- C. Hema Malini
- D. Gopi Krishna

Answer: B

86. Which among the following is the folk dance popular during the harvest season in Punjab?

- A. Bhangara
- B. Kathak
- C. Garba
- D. Odissi

Answer: A

87. Who among the following taught the doctrine of 'Shunyata' ?

- A. Harisena
- B. Shankaracharya
- C. Vallabhacharya
- D. Nagarjuna

Answer: D

88. Who of the following kings was an ardent follower of Jainism ?

- A. Kharavela
- B. Pulakesin II
- C. Bimbsara
- D. Mahapadma Nanda

Answer: A

89. Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched ?

- A. Lalleshwari—Bhakti Saint
- B. Minhaj-us siraj—Founder of Sufi order
- C. Shiekh Shihabuddin Suharwardi—Sufi Saint
- D. Chaitanya Maha Prabhu—Bhakti Saint



Answer: B

90. To which dynasty did Ashoka belong ?

- |             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| A. Maurya   | B. Gupta  |
| C. Vardhana | D. Kushan |

Answer: A

91. The words 'Satyameva Jayate' in the State Emblem of India, have been adopted from which one of the following ?

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|-----------------------|----------------------|
| A. Maitreyi Upanishad | B. Brahma Upanishad  |
| C. Mundaka Upanishad  | D. Mudgala Upanishad |

Answer: C

92. Kuchipudi dance originated in—

- |             |                   |
|-------------|-------------------|
| A. Orissa   | B. Kerala         |
| C. Karnatka | D. Andhra Pradesh |

Answer: A

93. Which of the following literary works belongs to classical Sanskrit literature ?

- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| A. Meghadutam  | B. Dhammapada |
| C. Dighanikaya | D. Vedas      |

Answer: A

94. Which one of the following propounded that destiny determines everything, man is powerless ?

- |              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| A. Buddhists | B. Mimansakas |
| C. Jainas    | D. Ajivakas   |

Answer: D

95. Adi Shankaracharya established four mathas. These mathas are situated at—

- A. Sringeri, Dwarka, Joshimath, Prayag  
C. Dwarka, Puri, Sringeri, Varanasi
- B. Joshimath, Dwarka, Puri, Sringeri  
D. Dwarka, Joshimath, Prayag, Kanchi

Answer: B

96. Rock cut architecture in Harappan culture context has been found at—

- A. Kotdiji  
C. Dhaulabira
- B. Amri  
D. Kalibangan

Answer: C

97. Where was first Madarsa set up by the British in India ?

- A. Calcutta (Kolkata)  
C. Bombay (Mumbai)
- B. Madras (Chennai)  
D. Delhi

Answer: A

98. 'Bull' in Buddhism is associated with which event of Buddha's life ?

- A. Birth  
C. Enlightenment
- B. Great departure  
D. Mahaparinirvan

Answer: A

99. Who was the Guru of Shivaji ?

- A. Eknath  
C. Tukaram
- B. Namdev  
D. Ramdass

Answer: D

100. Lahore was Ranjeet Singh's political capital which city was called his religious capital ?

- A. Gujranwala  
C. Amritsar
- B. Peshawar  
D. Anandpur Shahib

Answer: C