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General Knowledge

50 Questions · Answer Key

Q1 General Knowledge

Which region of the Northern Plains is characterized by a narrow belt where rivers deposit pebbles and streams disappear into the ground?

A. Bhabar ☒

B. Punjab Plains

C. Bhangar

D. Terai

Q2 General Knowledge

Which of the following costs remains unchanged regardless of the amount produced in the short run?

A. Fixed Cost ☒

B. Average Variable Cost

C. Variable Cost

D. Marginal Cost

Q3 General Knowledge

When an acid is added to pure water, the electrical conductivity increases significantly because the acid undergoes _____, resulting in the formation of mobile _____ that act as charge carriers.

A. Neutralisation; Neutral molecules

B. Ionisation; Ions ☒

C. Distillation; Free electrons

D. Sublimation; Cations only

Q4 General Knowledge

Which of the following is an example of a transfer payment?

A. Salary of a teacher

B. Pension paid by the government ☒

C. Gross investment

D. Profit earned by a company

Q5 General Knowledge

Which of the following is a decomposition reaction?

A. $\text{HCl} + \text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

B. $\text{Fe} + \text{CuSO}_4 \rightarrow \text{FeSO}_4 + \text{Cu}$

C. $\text{CaO} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{Ca(OH)}_2$

D. $2\text{AgCl} \rightarrow 2\text{Ag} + \text{Cl}_2$ ☒

Q6 General Knowledge

At the National Conclave on 'Minorities Welfare – Inclusive Development through AI for Viksit Bharat,' held in May 2026, the Ministry of Minority Affairs explicitly reaffirmed its commitment to participative development and which other governance principle?

A. Fiscal Federalism

B. Cooperative Federalism ☒

C. Competitive Federalism

D. Judicial Federalism

Q7 General Knowledge

Who was honoured with the Prof. M. S. Swaminathan Award 2026?

A. Ramesh Chand

B. Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao ☒

C. Himanshu Pathak

D. A. K. Singh

Q8 General Knowledge

Which of the following best describes the main function of tribunals in the Indian judiciary system?

A. To review and approve government policies

B. To serve as appellate authorities for criminal cases

C. To provide specialized adjudication on specific legal matters ☒

D. To create new laws for the country

Q9 General Knowledge

In which situation would the Supreme Court most likely exercise its power of judicial review?

A. When a law is challenged as violating a fundamental right ☒

B. When approving appointments of judges

C. When giving an advisory opinion to the President

D. When there is a dispute between two states over water sharing

Q10 General Knowledge

Who among the following was a prominent leader during the Extremist Phase of the Indian National Movement (1905-1919)?

- A. Dadabhai Naoroji
- B. Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- C. Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- D. Mahatma Gandhi

Q11 General Knowledge

Which of the following financial proposals can be considered by the Parliament only on the recommendation of the President?

- A. A privilege motion
- B. A demand for a grant
- C. An ordinary bill
- D. An adjournment motion

Q12 General Knowledge

Which of the following can lead to the termination of Indian citizenship under the Citizenship Act, 1955?

- A. Marriage to a foreign national overseas
- B. Continuing residence in the same Indian state
- C. Employment in a foreign company
- D. Voluntarily acquiring citizenship of another country

Q13 General Knowledge

Which local name is given to the Nor'westers in West Bengal?

- A. Bardoisila
- B. Mango Showers
- C. Kalbaisakhi
- D. Loo

Q14 General Knowledge

Nanda Devi, the second-highest peak entirely within India, is located in which state?

- A. Himachal Pradesh
- B. Uttar Pradesh
- C. Gujarat
- D. Uttarakhand

Q15 General Knowledge

Which of the following reactions produces both salt and water as products?

- A. Decomposition
- B. Displacement
- C. Neutralization
- D. Combustion

Q16 General Knowledge

What was the fate of the nine rulers of Aryavarta after Samudragupta's conquest?

- A. They were uprooted, exterminated and slain
- B. They were given administrative positions in the empire
- C. They were allowed to govern under Samudragupta's supervision
- D. They became tributary states with some autonomy

Q17 General Knowledge

Which author published the book 'Our Knives Will Save Us' in July 2026?

- A. Stephen King
- B. David Demchuk
- C. Haruki Murakami
- D. Nephi Craig

Q18 General Knowledge

Which of the following national parks is primarily known for conservation of the Great Indian Bustard, a critically endangered bird species?

- A. Corbett National Park
- B. Periyar National Park
- C. Kaziranga National Park
- D. Desert National Park

Q19 General Knowledge

Which act formally transferred the control of Indian administration from the East India Company to the British Crown?

- A. The Indian Councils Act of 1861
- B. The Government of India Act of 1858
- C. Pitt's India Act of 1784
- D. The Regulating Act of 1773

Q20 General Knowledge

Which metal is extracted by electrolysis because its oxide cannot be reduced by carbon?

- A. Iron
- B. Aluminium ✓
- C. Zinc
- D. Lead

Q21 General Knowledge

Which of the following is the supreme decision-making body of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

- A. Board of Governors ✓
- B. Executive Directors
- C. International Monetary and Financial Committee
- D. General Assembly

Q22 General Knowledge

Which dance form is believed to have evolved from the Devadasi tradition from Tamil Nadu temples?

- A. Kathak
- B. Kuchipudi
- C. Bharatanatyam ✓
- D. Manipuri

Q23 General Knowledge

Which measure was NOT directly adopted to promote globalization during India's 1991 reforms?

- A. Imposing strict import quotas ✓
- B. Liberalizing foreign investment
- C. Reducing import tariffs
- D. Deregulating financial flows

Q24 General Knowledge

Which Indian classical dance form's historical evolution is closely linked to the tradition of Gotipuas, male dancers who perform dressed as female characters?

- A. Sattriya
- B. Manipuri
- C. Kathak
- D. Odissi ✓

Q25 General Knowledge

Which Indian cricketer was awarded the Bharat Ratna in 2014, India's highest civilian honor?

- A. Sourav Ganguly
- B. Sunil Gavaskar
- C. Sachin Tendulkar ✓
- D. Kapil Dev

Q26 General Knowledge

Which of the following processes is used to separate the components present in crude petroleum?

- A. Fractional distillation ✓
- B. Sublimation
- C. Filtration
- D. Chromatography

Q27 General Knowledge

Article 39A of the Constitution of India provides for:

- A. Uniform Civil Code for all citizens
- B. Organisation of village panchayats
- C. Equal pay for equal work for men and women
- D. Equal justice and free legal aid ✓

Q28 General Knowledge

Which of the following coastal regions constitutes the northern zone of India's Western Coastal Plain?

- A. Konkan coast ✓
- B. Coromandel coast
- C. Circar coast
- D. Malabar coast

Q29 General Knowledge

Which policy combination is generally most suitable for reducing cyclical unemployment while keeping inflationary pressure under control?

- A. Broad tax cuts with sharply lower interest rates
- B. Higher taxes with restricted government investment
- C. Targeted public spending with stable interest rates ✓
- D. Reduced public spending with higher interest rates

Q30 General Knowledge

Who took charge as the Vice Chief of the Air Staff (VCAS) of the Indian Air Force in July 2026?

A. Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit



B. Air Marshal Narmdeshwar Tiwari

C. Air Marshal Tejinder Singh

D. Air Chief Marshal A. P. Singh

Q31 General Knowledge

Which social group held significant land grants and privileges under post-Gupta rulers?

A. Vaishyas

B. Shudras

C. Kshatriyas

D. Brahmanas

**Q32 General Knowledge**

Which Indian sports event is renowned for being the oldest running football tournament in the country, attracting both national and international teams?

A. Durand Cup



B. Santosh Trophy

C. Federation Cup

D. Subroto Cup

Q33 General Knowledge

The MoU signed between the Ministry of Minority Affairs and EkStep Foundation during the Reforms Utsav in June 2026 was aimed at accelerating which of the following?

A. Green energy transition

B. Rural road connectivity projects

C. Financial inclusion through banking reforms

D. AI-led digital transformation

**Q34 General Knowledge**

Which of the following events does not occur during photosynthesis?

A. Oxidation of carbon into carbon dioxide



B. Conversion of light energy to chemical energy

C. Absorption of light energy by chlorophyll

D. Reduction of carbon dioxide to carbohydrates

Q35 General Knowledge

Who wrote the 2026 novel Contrapposto, regarded as one of the year's most anticipated literary releases?

A. Fredrik Backman

B. Michael Pollan

C. Dave Eggers



D. Salman Rushdie

Q36 General Knowledge

Why did Mahatma Gandhi choose the British salt monopoly as the focus of his protest during the National Movement?

A. Because it benefited only the merchants and traders of British India

B. Because salt was essential for every household and the monopoly affected all Indians



C. Because the monopoly was enforced by legal professionals in the cities

D. Because the law was unpopular mainly among urban populations

Q37 General Knowledge

Which characteristic generally distinguishes tribunals from regular courts in India?

A. They deal exclusively with constitutional disputes

B. They possess authority superior to that of High Courts

C. They are constituted for specialised branches of law



D. They exercise jurisdiction over all criminal offences

Q38 General Knowledge

Which of the following states is traditionally associated with the Maand style of folk singing, noted for its melodious tunes and lyrics portraying the life and culture of the region?

A. Madhya Pradesh

B. Punjab

C. Rajasthan



D. Gujarat

Q39 General Knowledge

Which of the following best describes the principal objective of the G20 forum?

A. Coordinating worldwide public health policy frameworks.

B. Preserving global cultural heritage through cooperation.

C. Promoting international economic cooperation and stability.



D. Negotiating multilateral environmental protection agreements only.

Q40 General Knowledge

Which disorder is associated with the 45,X chromosomal condition?

- A. Klinefelter syndrome
- B. Down syndrome
- C. Turner syndrome ✓
- D. Sickle-cell anaemia

Q41 General Knowledge

The 98th Academy Awards (Oscars), held in March 2026, honoured which film with the Best Picture award?

- A. Hamnet
- B. Frankenstein
- C. Sinners
- D. One Battle After Another ✓

Q42 General Knowledge

Which of the following groupings consists of the world's largest emerging economies, including Brazil, Russia, Egypt, China, and Ethiopia?

- A. ASEAN regional integration forum.
- B. G7 advanced industrial nations.
- C. SAARC regional development forum.
- D. BRICS economic cooperation forum. ✓

Q43 General Knowledge

Who wrote the book 'Tides of Time: Bharat's History through Murals in Parliament', which was unveiled by the Vice President of India in April 2026?

- A. Amish Tripathi
- B. Sudha Murty ✓
- C. C. P. Radhakrishnan
- D. Vikram Sampath

Q44 General Knowledge

In June 2026, the 114th International Labour Conference adopted the first international labour Convention specifically aimed at improving conditions for which group of workers?

- A. Informal sector workers
- B. Migrant industrial workers
- C. Digital platform workers ✓
- D. Agricultural wage workers

Q45 General Knowledge

Which method of political resistance was pioneered by Gandhi during his time in South Africa and later shaped the Indian freedom movement?

- A. Satyagraha through organised non-violent public resistance campaigns ✓
- B. Civil Disobedience through nationwide tax refusal movements alone
- C. Non-Cooperation through complete boycott of British institutions
- D. Passive Resistance through constitutional political negotiations only

Q46 General Knowledge

According to the Union Budget 2026–27, what is the budgetary estimate allocated to the Ministry of Minority Affairs?

- A. ₹3,400 crore ✓
- B. ₹2,600 crore
- C. ₹3,000 crore
- D. ₹2,000 crore

Q47 General Knowledge

Who co-authored the book Sanskritir Ratna Bhandar: Bhaowaiyar Itibritto, which was released by Vice President C. P. Radhakrishnan in June 2026?

- A. Jayanta Mahapatra and Sangita Roy
- B. Dr. Jayanta Kumar Roy and Ananda Roy
- C. Uday Sankar Bhattacharya and Sangita Roy
- D. Dr. Jayanta Kumar Roy and Sangita Roy ✓

Q48 General Knowledge

Why do silver articles become black after some time when exposed to air?

- A. Silver reacts with carbon dioxide in the air to form carbonates
- B. Silver reacts with sulphur in the air to form silver sulphide ✓
- C. Silver reacts with moisture in the air to form hydroxides
- D. Silver reacts with oxygen in the air to form silver oxide

Q49 General Knowledge

A runner becomes dehydrated after completing a marathon. Which organ primarily helps remove wastes from the blood while regulating the body's water balance?

- A. Liver
- B. Kidney
- C. Heart
- D. Lung

Q50 General Knowledge

Which of the following Union Territories in India have their own elected legislative assemblies and Chief Ministers?

- A. Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, and Ladakh
- B. Delhi, Chandigarh, and Lakshadweep
- C. Puducherry, Chandigarh, and Ladakh
- D. Delhi, Puducherry, and Jammu and Kashmir

English Composition

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Q51 English Composition

Fill in the blank with the correct option to complete the sentence with indirect speech.

Direct: "You must submit the report by Friday," the supervisor instructed.

Indirect: The supervisor instructed that I ____ the report by Friday.

- A. would have to submit
- B. have to submit
- C. had to submit
- D. should submit

Q54 English Composition

Complete the sentence by choosing the correct sequence of the fragments:

Anchor Statement: Economic analysts observed that

[P] rarely have the structural vulnerabilities of international supply chains

[Q] as they were during the unprecedented global shipping crisis

[R] been so starkly exposed to the general public

[S] that brought major deep-water ports to a grinding halt

- A. RPQS
- B. PQRS
- C. PRQS
- D. QPSR

Q52 English Composition

Choose the accurate passive transformation for:

'They are conducting a comprehensive survey across all departments.'

- A. A comprehensive survey is being conducted across all departments by them.
- B. All departments are conducting a comprehensive survey by them.
- C. They are being conducted by a comprehensive survey across all departments.
- D. A comprehensive survey across all departments is conducted by them.

Q55 English Composition

Complete the sentence by choosing the most appropriate option.

The poet sought silence, _____ words, for him, were too fragile to carry grief.

- A. because
- B. though
- C. while
- D. unless

Q53 English Composition

In the question given below, a part of the sentence has been underlined. Choose the option which best replaces the underlined text with the correct idiom.

The young journalist decided to take up the challenge bravely by investigating corruption in high places.

- A. spill the beans
- B. take the bull by the horns
- C. hit the sack
- D. cook the books

Q56 English Composition

Rectify the sentence by selecting the correct spelling from the options.

By 2030, ensure that all youth and a substantiel proportion of adults, both men and women, achieve literacy and numeracy.

- A. substantial
- B. substaantial
- C. substancial
- D. substanciel

Q57 English Composition

Fill in the blanks with the most suitable option.

Many visitors dream of seeing Eiffel Tower in Paris and sailing near Statue of Liberty in New York.

A. the, the



B. a, the

C. the, a

D. a, a

Q58 English Composition

Choose the correct one-word substitution for the underlined words.

Lily suffers from the fear of water.

A. Hydrophobia



B. Xenophobia

C. Claustrophobia

D. Acrophobia

Q59 English Composition

In the following question, you are required to fill in the blanks by choosing the pair of prepositions that best completes the sentence.

The man playing the ancient wind-pipe appeared strikingly different ____ the scholar who arrived later, a person widely respected for his insightful lectures delivered ____ major academic conferences around the country.

A. than, at

B. by, during

C. from, at



D. with, in

Q60 English Composition

Choose the one-word substitute that best replaces the highlighted expression.

The politician's statement was full of **pretended virtue and moral superiority** meant to hide his corruption.

A. sanctimony



B. prudery

C. vanity

D. hypocrisy

Q61 English Composition

Select the proverb that conveys the same meaning as the underlined segment in the given sentence.

During the policy review, the committee decided **not to speculate about future obstacles until they actually arise**.

A. Don't count your chickens before they hatch

B. Make hay while the sun shines

C. We will cross that bridge when we get to it



D. A watched pot never boils

Q62 English Composition

Fill in the blank with the most appropriate article. If no article is required, choose 'no article required'.

The committee is searching for ____ European consultant who can advise on cross-border legal issues.

A. an

B. the

C. no article required

D. a

**Q63 English Composition**

Choose the option that provides the most suitable answers for both blanks.

The scientist _____ new methods for years and finally _____ a breakthrough in renewable energy.

A. had been developing, achieved



B. developed, achieves

C. has been developing, achieved

D. was developing, has achieved

Q64 English Composition

Select the appropriate synonym of the underlined word in the given sentence.

Despite vehement opposition from his family, he quit school and became an actor.

A. Enchanting

B. Aggressive



C. Mild

D. Hesitant

Q65 English Composition

Select the option that correctly completes the sentence in indirect speech based on the given direct speech.
The guide said, "Do not enter the restricted cave, and remain near the marked pathway."
The guide warned them _____ and _____.

- A. not entering the restricted cave / remained near the marked pathway
- B. not to enter the restricted cave / to remain near the marked pathway ✓
- C. to not enter the restricted cave / remaining near the marked pathway
- D. do not enter the restricted cave / remain near the marked pathway

Q66 English Composition

Choose the option which correctly substitutes the highlighted segment with a single word.
She made a **spontaneous, sudden, and unaccountable change of mind or behavior** that completely altered the trajectory of the trial.

- A. calculation
- B. caprice ✓
- C. concession
- D. resolution

Q67 English Composition

Identify the error in the sentence and choose the correct option:
"By next year, she will have completed the project by the time we will need it."

- A. Replace "will need" with "will be needing"
- B. Replace "will have completed" with "had completed"
- C. Replace "will have completed" with "has completed"
- D. Replace "will need" with "need" ✓

Q68 English Composition

Rearrange the jumbled segments to form a coherent statement.
(P) to strengthen economic resilience / (Q) in the face of global uncertainties / (R) governments and institutions / (S) must implement robust policy frameworks

- A. PSRQ
- B. SPRQ
- C. QRPS
- D. RSQP ✓

Q69 English Composition

Which of the following is the correct passive form for 'The university awarded the scholarship to the student'?

- A. The scholarship awarded the student by the university.
- B. The university was awarded the scholarship by the student.
- C. The student was awarded the scholarship to the university.
- D. The scholarship was awarded to the student by the university. ✓

Q70 English Composition

In the following question choose the word similar in meaning to the highlighted word.

Many of those faced with the practical realities of enforcing proclamations or other regulations of this nature were much more **lenient**.

- A. Ruthless
- B. Sympathetic ✓
- C. Strict
- D. Harsh



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