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General Knowledge

50 Questions · Answer Key

Q1 General Knowledge

What does the acronym VISTAAR stand for in Bharat-VISTAAR, announced in early 2026?

- A. Virtual Information System for Agricultural Research
- B. Virtually Integrated System to Access Agricultural Resources ✓
- C. Village Integrated Support for Technology and Agricultural Reforms
- D. Value Integrated Services for Technology and Rural Resources

Q2 General Knowledge

In which situation does the Governor of a state in India exercise discretion in the appointment of the Chief Minister?

- A. When no political party has an absolute majority in the legislature ✓
- B. When the Council of Ministers advises the Governor
- C. When the state is under President's Rule
- D. When a party with an absolute majority elects a leader

Q3 General Knowledge

Which event marked the official launch of the Non-Cooperation Movement in 1920?

- A. Quit India Movement
- B. Partition of Bengal
- C. Jallianwala Bagh massacre ✓
- D. Cabinet Mission Plan

Q4 General Knowledge

Which actress became the first Irish performer to win the Academy Award for Best Actress at the 98th Academy Awards 2026?

- A. Jessie Buckley ✓
- B. Kerry Condon
- C. Ruth Negga
- D. Saoirse Ronan

Q5 General Knowledge

Which of the following hill ranges is included in the Purvachal hills of Northeast India?

- A. Zaskar Range
- B. Mishmi Hills ✓
- C. Ladakh Range
- D. Himadri Range

Q6 General Knowledge

Which Bengali writer authored 'Pather Panchali', later adapted into a classic film by Satyajit Ray?

- A. Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay
- B. Bibhutibhushan Bandopadhyay ✓
- C. Manik Bandopadhyay
- D. Rabindranath Tagore

Q7 General Knowledge

Which of the following best describes what happens when an iron object is left exposed to moist air for several days?

- A. Iron evaporates and disappears in air.
- B. Iron shows no change when exposed to moist air.
- C. Iron reacts with oxygen and water, forming rust on the surface. ✓
- D. Iron only changes color but no new substances form.

Q8 General Knowledge

What happens when a base reacts with an acid in a neutralisation reaction?

- A. It produces salt and water ✓
- B. It produces only a new acid
- C. It produces a base and oxygen
- D. It produces heat and oxygen

Q9 General Knowledge

A person has difficulty absorbing digested nutrients even though food is being digested normally. Which function of the small intestine is most likely affected?

- A. Absorbing water to form solid waste
- B. Breaking down proteins with hydrochloric acid
- C. Transporting oxygen to body cells
- D. Absorbing nutrients into the bloodstream ✓

Q10 General Knowledge

Which nutrient is primarily responsible for building and repairing body tissues in humans?

- A. Carbohydrates
- B. Fats
- C. Vitamins
- D. Proteins

**Q11 General Knowledge**

According to the Census 2027 roadmap announced in March 2026, the upcoming Census will be which edition of the Census conducted in India since Independence?

- A. 7th Census
- B. 9th Census
- C. 8th Census
- D. 6th Census

**Q12 General Knowledge**

Which type of isoquant has a constant slope?

- A. Concave isoquant
- B. L shaped isoquants
- C. Convex isoquant
- D. Linear isoquant

**Q13 General Knowledge**

Which country did not sign the United Nations Charter on 26 June 1945 but became one of the original 51 Member States after signing it on 15 October 1945?

- A. Norway
- B. Poland
- C. France
- D. Belgium

**Q14 General Knowledge**

According to Article 77(1) of the Constitution of India, whose name must be used to formally express all executive actions of the Government of India ?

- A. Parliament
- B. Union Cabinet
- C. Prime Minister
- D. President of India

**Q15 General Knowledge**

Which of the following best describes the statutory authority under which Lok Adalats are constituted in India?

- A. Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996
- B. Code of Civil Procedure 1908
- C. Legal Services Authorities Act 1987
- D. Indian Evidence Act 1872

**Q16 General Knowledge**

Who is the author of the book 'Not with a Bang', released in July 2026?

- A. Haruki Murakami
- B. Temi Oh
- C. David Demchuk
- D. Amal El-Mohtar

**Q17 General Knowledge**

Which of the following statements correctly describes the role of Parliamentary Committees in the Indian legislative process?

- A. They examine bills in detail before they are passed by Parliament
- B. They conduct elections for legislative bodies
- C. They enforce laws made by Parliament
- D. They are responsible for passing bills into law

**Q18 General Knowledge**

The Sundari trees are mainly found in which region of India?

- A. Nilgiri Hills
- B. Western Ghats
- C. Ganga-Brahmaputra Delta
- D. Aravalli Hills

**Q19 General Knowledge**

Under which article is the appointment of the Chief Minister of a state provided for in the Indian Constitution?

- A. Article 163
- B. Article 164
- C. Article 162
- D. Article 167



Q20 General Knowledge

The 'Delegation of Financial Powers to DRDO (DFP-2026)' framework, released in June 2026, primarily aims at which of the following?

- A. Regulating foreign direct investment (FDI) in the defence manufacturing sector
- B. Replacing the Defence Acquisition Procedure (DAP) with a new procurement policy
- C. Significantly enhance functional empowerment at various levels within the Department of Defence R&D ✓
- D. Creating a separate defence export promotion authority under the Ministry of Defence

Q21 General Knowledge

Which process results in the formation of new substances with properties different from the original material?

- A. Burning of wood ✓
- B. Breaking glass
- C. Melting of wax
- D. Dissolving sugar in water

Q22 General Knowledge

Which two rivers form the largest estuaries on the Western Coastal Plain of India?

- A. Godavari and Krishna
- B. Narmada and Tapi ✓
- C. Ganga and Brahmaputra
- D. Mahanadi and Kaveri

Q23 General Knowledge

Nidhi Chhibber assumed the additional charge of Chief Executive Officer of NITI Aayog in February 2026 after the completion of whose tenure?

- A. B. V. R. Subrahmanyam ✓
- B. Parameswaran Iyer
- C. Amitabh Kant
- D. Rajiv Kumar

Q24 General Knowledge

Which state is known for its alluvial plains formed by the Ganga and its tributaries?

- A. Odisha
- B. Uttar Pradesh ✓
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Assam

Q25 General Knowledge

A patient has a disease caused by a bacterium and commonly transmitted through contaminated food and water. Which disease best matches these characteristics?

- A. Influenza
- B. AIDS
- C. Malaria
- D. Typhoid ✓

Q26 General Knowledge

Who among the following was elected as the Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO) by WHO Member States at the Seventieth World Health Assembly in May 2017?

- A. António Guterres
- B. Gilbert F. Houngbo
- C. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus ✓
- D. Qu Dongyu

Q27 General Knowledge

Who was the first Indian to win a gold medal at the World Athletics Championships 2023 in Budapest, Hungary?

- A. Anju Bobby George
- B. Neeraj Chopra ✓
- C. Saina Nehwal
- D. Kishore Jena

Q28 General Knowledge

Which official in the Mughal provincial administration was primarily responsible for revenue administration and maintaining provincial financial accounts?

- A. The Mir Bakshi
- B. The Faujdar
- C. The Diwan ✓
- D. The Subedar

Q29 General Knowledge

When magnesium ribbon burns in air, it forms a white powder called magnesium oxide. Which property most strongly identifies magnesium oxide as a compound rather than a mixture?

- A. Magnesium oxide retains the properties of both elements.
- B. Magnesium and oxygen can be separated by physical methods.
- C. Magnesium and oxygen are present in ratios that can vary.
- D. Magnesium and oxygen are present in a fixed and definite ratio. ✓

Q30 General Knowledge

In January 2026, the Government notified the National Sports Bodies Rules under which Act?

- A. National Youth Policy Act, 2024
- B. Sports Authority of India Act, 2026
- C. National Sports Development Act, 2011
- D. National Sports Governance Act, 2025 ✓

Q31 General Knowledge

In the national income accounting framework, which of the following is excluded from the calculation of Gross Domestic Product (GDP)?

- A. Transfer Payments ✓
- B. Profits
- C. Wages
- D. Rent

Q32 General Knowledge

Which of the following rivers is west-flowing and empties into the Arabian Sea?

- A. Krishna
- B. Mahanadi
- C. Tapi ✓
- D. Kaveri

Q33 General Knowledge

Shri Shatavadhani R. Ganesh received the Padma Bhushan 2026 for his contribution to which field?

- A. Literature and Education
- B. Art ✓
- C. Public Affairs
- D. Science and Engineering

Q34 General Knowledge

'Gaddi Nati' is a traditional folk dance of which Indian State/Union Territory?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Uttarakhand
- C. Himachal Pradesh ✓
- D. Ladakh

Q35 General Knowledge

A cyclist is moving along a straight road and suddenly applies the brakes, causing the bicycle to stop. Which physical law best explains why the cyclist tends to move forward even after the bicycle stops?

- A. Law of conservation of energy
- B. Newton's first law of motion ✓
- C. Law of universal gravitation
- D. Newton's third law of motion

Q36 General Knowledge

Which of the following factors was NOT a key focus of the flows of globalization after the 1991 reforms?

- A. Movement of investments and financial resources
- B. Revival of the barter system ✓
- C. Migration of labor and tourists
- D. Trade of goods and services

Q37 General Knowledge

In the circular flow of income, which of the following constitutes an injection into the economy?

- A. Exports and imports
- B. Investment and government expenditure ✓
- C. Household consumption
- D. Savings and taxes

Q38 General Knowledge

Which among the following instruments is regarded as the classical drone instrument of Indian music?

- A. Tambura ✓
- B. Chenda
- C. Tabla
- D. Dholak

Q39 General Knowledge

Which author published the book 'Seasons of Glass and Iron: Stories' in March 2026?

- A. Haruki Murakami
- B. Margaret Atwood
- C. Amal El-Mohtar ✓
- D. Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

Q40 General Knowledge

What was the principal objective of the Doctrine of Lapse as used by Lord Dalhousie?

- A. To increase land revenue in annexed territories
- B. To annex states with rulers lacking a natural male heir ✓
- C. To prevent local uprisings in princely states
- D. To convert local rulers to Christianity

Q41 General Knowledge

Part III of the Constitution of India deals with:

- A. Fundamental Rights ✓
- B. Union Executive
- C. Fundamental Duties
- D. Directive Principles of State Policy

Q42 General Knowledge

In April 2026, who among the following was named as the 2026 Person of the Year by the Harvard South Asian Association?

- A. Shefali Shah
- B. Sayani Gupta ✓
- C. Richa Chadha
- D. Konkona Sen Sharma

Q43 General Knowledge

The term 'Satyagraha' as used by Gandhi refers to which of the following?

- A. Passive acceptance of oppression
- B. Non-violent resistance to injustice ✓
- C. Violent protest against rulers
- D. Religious fasting as protest

Q44 General Knowledge

Which method did Gandhi first employ during the Ahmedabad Mill Workers' Strike (1918) in support of the workers' demands?

- A. Undertaking a fast as a means of protest ✓
- B. Sending a petition to the British government
- C. Organizing a boycott of mill products
- D. Leading a march through Ahmedabad

Q45 General Knowledge

In May 2026, who was sworn in for a historic seventh term as the President of Uganda?

- A. William Ruto
- B. Paul Kagame
- C. Yoweri Museveni ✓
- D. Emmerson Mnangagwa

Q46 General Knowledge

Which law is demonstrated when magnesium burns in a closed container and the total mass remains unchanged?

- A. Law of Multiple Proportions
- B. Law of Conservation of Mass ✓
- C. Law of Definite Proportions
- D. Boyle's Law

Q47 General Knowledge

António Guterres, the current Secretary-General of the United Nations (2026), belongs to which country?

- A. Portugal ✓
- B. Italy
- C. Brazil
- D. Spain

Q48 General Knowledge

Which Harappan site is known for its unique water conservation and reservoir system?

- A. Banawali
- B. Chanhudaro
- C. Ropar
- D. Dholavira ✓

Q49 General Knowledge

Which Indian sportsperson became the first to win an individual Olympic gold medal for India in 2008?

- A. Saina Nehwal
- B. Abhinav Bindra ✓
- C. P. T. Usha
- D. Milkha Singh

Q50 General Knowledge

Who acts as the chief channel of communication between the State Council of Ministers and the Governor as per the Indian Constitution?

- A. The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
- B. The Chief Minister ✓
- C. The State Home Minister
- D. The State Finance Minister

English Composition

20 Questions • Answer Key

Q51 English Composition

Select the correct passive transformation: 'The supervisor must approve the revised thesis before submission.'

- A. Before submission, the revised thesis must approve the supervisor.
- B. The supervisor must have approved the revised thesis before submission.
- C. Before submission, the supervisor must be approved by the revised thesis.
- D. The revised thesis must be approved by the supervisor before submission. ✓

Q52 English Composition

Complete the following sentence with the correct option.
We can leave now, _____ we wait for the others.

- A. because
- B. yet
- C. and
- D. or ✓

Q53 English Composition

Choose the option that correctly completes the sentence.

he visited _____ Taj Mahal, one of _____ most beautiful monuments in _____ world.

- A. the, no article needed, the
- B. no article needed, no article needed, no article needed
- C. the, the, the ✓
- D. no article needed, the, no article needed

Q54 English Composition

Replace the underlined text with the correct proverb from the options. If no correction is required, select 'No substitution required'.

She invested all her savings in a single business, ignoring the advice that time heals all wounds.

- A. rolling stone gathers no moss
- B. No substitution required
- C. don't put all your eggs in one basket ✓
- D. too many cooks spoil the broth

Q55 English Composition

Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words.

Fear of snakes

- A. Pyrophobia
- B. Acrophobia
- C. Cacophobia
- D. Ophiophobia ✓

Q56 English Composition

Select the most appropriate preposition to fill in the blank.

Mr. Arun, the manager approved the proposal _____ several reservations.

- A. near
- B. across
- C. with ✓
- D. below

Q57 English Composition

Rearrange the jumbled segments to form a coherent statement. (P) in fostering innovation and critical thinking skills / (Q) among higher education students / (R) collaborative learning environments / (S) have proven highly effective

A. SRPQ

B. QPRS

C. PRQS

D. RSPQ



Q58 English Composition

In the question given below, out of four alternatives, choose the one that can be substituted for the highlighted words.

The professor devoted his career to **the study of family ancestry**.

A. anthropology

B. etymology

C. genealogy



D. paleontology

Q59 English Composition

In the given question, a statement divided into different segments is given. Rearrange all the segments to form a coherent statement.

- (A) though the novel's plot hinges on a single event,
(B) the author devotes entire chapters to the peripheral consequences,
(C) revealing how one choice propagates through families and institutions,
(D) in ways that complicate simple moral judgments

A. ACBD

B. ADBC

C. BACD

D. ABCD



Q60 English Composition

Identify the error in the sentence and choose the correct option:
"He had left the office when I call him yesterday."

A. Replace "call" with "called"



B. Replace "had left" with "has left"

C. Replace "call" with "had called"

D. Replace "call" with "was calling"

Q61 English Composition

Select the option that correctly completes the sentence in indirect speech based on the given direct speech.
The scientist exclaimed, "How fascinating this newly discovered species is, and how quickly it adapts!"
The scientist exclaimed with admiration that the newly discovered species _____ and _____.

A. had been fascinating / adapted quickly

B. is fascinating / adapts quickly

C. was fascinating / adapts quickly

D. was fascinating / adapted quickly



Q62 English Composition

Identify the misspelt words.

Despite the project being in an incoate stage with only fragmented strategic direction, her indefatigable commitment to iterative refinement propelled the team toward a cohesive long-term vision.

A. indefatigable, incoate



B. incoate, fragmented

C. refinement, propelled

D. indefatigable, commitment

Q63 English Composition

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

The government launched a grandiose plan to upgrade the entire interstate highway system in 10 years.

A. Massive



B. Humble

C. Scanty

D. Lowly

Q64 English Composition

Select the most appropriate verb to fill in the blank.

By next week, Priya _____ all my assignments.

A. has been writing

B. will have been writing

C. will have written



D. has written

Q65 English Composition

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

Direct: "Why did you ignore my email?" she asked me.

Indirect: She asked me why I _____ her email.

- A. ignore
- B. had ignored
- C. ignored
- D. would have ignored

Q66 English Composition

Choose the option that correctly completes the sentence.

Many historians consider Shakespeare to be _____ greatest playwright in _____ history of English literature, while others argue that such titles have their _____ limitations.

- A. the, no article needed, the
- B. no article needed, no article needed, no article needed
- C. no article needed, the, the
- D. the, the, no article needed

Q67 English Composition

Convert the passive sentence to active: 'The results were being analyzed by the researchers throughout the night.'

- A. Throughout the night, the researchers have analyzed the results.
- B. The researchers were analyzing the results throughout the night.
- C. Throughout the night, the results analyzed the researchers.
- D. The results were analyzing the researchers throughout the night.

Q68 English Composition

Read the sentence carefully and choose the option that can substitute the highlighted part.

When the project deadline approached, the entire team had to **work late into the night** to complete the final report.

- A. bite the bullet
- B. burn the midnight oil
- C. keep their nose to the grindstone
- D. cut corners

Q69 English Composition

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined word in the sentence.

The ambassador's remarks were deliberately circumspect, revealing little about the country's actual position on the treaty.

- A. blunt and aggressive
- B. indirect but sincere
- C. cautious and guarded
- D. overly optimistic

Q70 English Composition

In the question given below, out of four alternatives, choose the one that can be substituted for the highlighted words.

The company's policies are causing it to **experience a period of backward movement**.

- A. innovative
- B. retrograde
- C. progressive
- D. stagnant



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