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General Knowledge – Question Bank 5

- Which is the Prize in Mathematics, equivalent to Nobel Prize?
A. Newton Prize B. Gauss Prize C. Fields Prize D. Cambridge Prize
- The Prize for the oddest book title in a year is known as –
A. The Diagram Prize B. The Bizarre Prize C. The Bibliophile Prize D. The Cenotaph Prize
- Despite being the greatest super hit film of all the times, 'Sholay' has won only one Filmfare Award. In which category did it get it?
A. Best Film B. Sound Recording C. Music D. Editing
- Marlon Brando won his second Oscar for 'The Godfather.' For which film did he win the first Oscar?
A. Streetcar named Desire
C. Apocalypse Now
B. On the Waterfront
D. Last Tango in Paris
- Which Indian Business Magazine has initiated the 'Best Product Design Award'?
A. Business India B. Business Today C. Outlook Business D. Business Week
- Which country has initiated 'Malcolm Baldrige Award for Quality'?
A. USA B. UK C. France D. Japan
- Which is the highest literary prize given by the Government in India?
A. Saraswati Samman
C. Sahitya Akadami Award
B. Kalidas Samman
D. Jnanpith Award
- Which American Gallantry award is given to the soldier who is wounded in action?
A. Iron Cross B. Purple Heart C. Congressional Medal D. Victoria Cross
- Apart from Journalism and Literature, this is the area in which excellence is honoured with The Pulitzer Prize –
A. Music B. Sports C. Social Work D. Charity
- Which of the following awards are limited only for the Asians?
A. Jawaharlal Nehru Award
C. Magsaysay Award
B. Alternative Nobel Prize
D. Man Booker Prize



11. With which Indian ruler did Napoleon Bonaparte correspond to end the British dominance in India?

- A. Bahadurshah Zafar II
C. Wajid Ali Shah
- B. Tipu Sultan
D. Nizaam-ul-Mulk

12. Which dynasty's rule in India is regarded as the Golden Age of India?

- A. The Mauryas
B. The Shungas
C. The Guptas
D. The Pallavas

13. Which was the battle in which the British decisively defeated the French in their quest to dominate the Indian Sub-continent?

- A. The Battle of Pondicherry
C. The Battle of Madras
- B. The Battle of Coorg
D. The Battle of Wandiwash

14. Who had presented a hypothesis that Aryans came to India from the Arctic region?

- A. Lokmanya Tilak
B. Ravindranath Tagore
C. Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru
D. Rudder Dutt

15. The art of Writing was developed by which of the following civilizations?

- A. Assyrian
B. Sumerian
C. Babylonian
D. Palestinian

16. French President General de Gaulle's declaration to grant independence to this country led to a violent civil war in France in 1960s –

- A. Morocco
B. Cameroon
C. Algeria
D. Senegal

17. Who was the Commander of the American forces in the Korean War of 1951?

- A. Dwight Eisenhower
B. Omar Bradley
C. George Patton
D. Douglas MacArthur

18. After capturing it in World War II, this region was renamed by the Japanese as 'Shonan'. –

- A. Hong Kong
B. Burma
C. Malaysia
D. Singapore

19. The government established in Germany after its defeat in World War I was known as –

- A. The Weimar Republic
C. The Democratic Republic
- B. The German Republic
D. The Post-War Republic

20. The General Secretary of USSR at the time of its invasion of Afghanistan was –

- A. Yuri Andropov
B. Leonid Brezhnev
C. Mikhail Gorbachev
D. Nikita Khrushchev

21. The couple that was executed for leaking American Nuclear Secrets to USSR –

- A. Julius and Ethel Rosenberg
C. Arthur and Cynthia Koestler
- B. Alex and Nina Massing
D. David and Ruth Greenglass



22. The village where the American soldiers fired indiscriminately and killed about 500 Vietnamese peasants during the Vietnam War –

- A. Son Tay B. My Lai C. Lai Khe D. My Khe

23. Name the Nazi War Criminal whom the Israeli intelligence snatched from Argentina and tried and executed in Israel.

- A. Fritz Suhren B. Reinhard Heydrich C. Adolf Eichmann D. Rudolf Hess

24. Where was Archduke Francis Ferdinand was assassinated, an event that triggered the World War I?

- A. Vienna B. Zagreb C. Sarajevo D. Belgrade

25. Which war planes did Indian Air Force pilots use against the Pakistani Air Force in 1971 Bangladesh War?

- A. Sukhoi B. Mig-29 C. Mirage -2000 D. Gnat

26. Which region of China did Japan attack in 1938, just before the start of World War II?

- A. Manchuria B. Mongolia C. Hainan D. Xinxiang

27. At which place the Nazi War Criminals were tried after World War II?

- A. Berlin B. Prague C. Nuremberg D. Vienna

28. What was the name of the guerrilla force that helped the Indian Army in Bangladesh War of 1971?

- A. Mujib Bahini B. Sonar Bangla C. Mukti Bahini D. Bangladesh Liberation Army

29. Israel had destroyed nuclear reactors of Iraq in 1981 and prevented it from having a nuclear weapon. Which country had sold this reactor to Iraq?

- A. West Germany B. France C. Egypt D. Pakistan

30. Match the following – Countries and Intelligence Agencies

Country	Intelligence Agency
Germany	Pasdar
UK	SDECE
France	BND
Iran	SIS

- A. a-C, b-D, c-B, d-A B. a-D, b-C, c-B, d-A a-C, b-D, c-A, d-B a-B, b-D, c-C, d-A



Answer Key with Explanations

Q	A	Q	A	Q	A	Q	A	Q	A
1.	C	7.	C	13.	D	19.	A	25.	D
2.	A	8.	B	14.	A	20.	B	26.	A
3.	D	9.	A	15.	B	21.	A	27.	C
4.	B	10.	C	16.	C	22.	B	28.	C
5.	D	11.	B	17.	D	23.	C	29.	B
6.	D	12.	C	18.	D	24.	C	30.	A

1. Fields Prize is given to the upcoming Mathematicians for the contribution to the field of Mathematics, It is given by International Congress of the International Mathematical Union after every 4 years.
2. It is given by Diagram International and a literary magazine called The Bookseller. It was initiated in 1978.
3. Editor M.S. Shinde is the only one from Sholay who got the Filmfare in 1975.
4. 'On the Waterfront', directed by Elia Kazan had also won best film and best director Oscars. In Hindi, this film has been remade twice – 'Parinda' by Vidhu Vinod Chopra and 'Ghulam' by Vikram Bhatt.
5. Business Week, a renowned business weekly has initiated this award to recognize the budding talent in the field of design.
6. Japanese goods became popular all over the World post-World War II and led to the economic revival of Japan. The credit for that largely goes to the Quality Movement started by W. Edward Deming and Joseph Juran.
7. Even though Jnanpith has more recognition, Sahitya Akadami Award is initiated by the Government of India.
8. Purple Heart is the medal initiated by the American government during World War II.
9. Pulitzer Prize in Journalism is perhaps the most significant award in Journalism. But it is also given for the talent in Music.
10. Magsaysay Award, named after former Prime Minister of Philippines Ramon Magsaysay is exclusively for Asians. Well known Indian winners of this are Kiran Bedi and R.K. Lakshman.
11. Thetiger of Mysore, Tipu Sultan had the vision to collaborate with French emperor Napoleon and use one European power to fight against the other. But, none could defeat the British.
12. The Gupta dynasty which ruled from modern day Ujjain in Central India had made India one of the richest regions in the world – financially, culturally and knowledge-wise as well.



13. The Battle of Wandiwash, near Pondicherry decisively established the British as the Supreme colonizers in Indian sub-Continent.

14. Apart from being the leader of India's Freedom Struggle, Tilak also was an avid mathematician and historian as well as Sanskrit scholar. Using his knowledge of these 3 disciplines, he put forward a hypothesis that the Aryans came to India from the Arctic circle.

15. Sumerian civilization, which flourished in the area now known as Iraq, Syria and Jordan, is credited with the invention of writing. It is also regarded as the beginning of History. The period before that is called the Prehistoric period.

16. France had been ruling Algeria for 150 years and the association between these 2 countries was tremendous. In 1960s, de Gaulle decided to grant independence to Algeria as it was financially unviable to maintain it. Angry French army officers declared an open revolt against this decision which led to a vicious civil war.

17. Field Marshall Douglas MacArthur was American Commander-in-Chief in the Pacific theatre and instrumental in defeat of Japan in World War II. The Korean War, which was mainly between Chinese communists and American soldiers, was fought with him as the Commander of American forces.

18. The Japanese Army seized Singapore from Britain in 1942 and renamed it as Shonan, which means the Island of the South.

19. Before and during World War I, Germany was a monarchy. After the war was over, with the initiative of USA, monarchy was abolished and a republic was established which was sworn in at Weimar so it came to be known as Weimar Republic. It ended in 1933 when Adolf Hitler's Nazi Party gained control in Germany.

20. One of the main reasons behind USSR's attack on Afghanistan was to protect its Muslim republics bordering Iran from the fundamentalist revolution that happened in Iran in 1980 under the leadership of Ayatollah Khomeini. So, on 25th December 1979, the Russian Special Forces stormed Kabul and captured it.

21. After USA had exploded atomic bombs in 1945, USSR got the technology by its spies and exploded its atomic bomb in 1949. The Rosenbergs were dedicated communists and Ethel Rosenberg's brother was an Engineer at the nuclear plant at Los Alamos. Using this link, they had spied for USSR.

22. The massacre of My Lai is regarded as one of the most tragic moments of the 10-year long Vietnam War. However, despite the cover-up, the American media followed up the issue and the officers and soldiers responsible for it were convicted.

23. Eichmann was one of the main executors of the holocaust i.e. the genocide of Jews by the Nazis. Israeli spies traced him to Argentina and kidnapped him to Israel and tried and executed him.

24. Sarajevo, the capital of Bosnia was the place where Archduke was assassinated by Gavrillo Princip, a Serbian nationalist on 28th June 1914.

25. Gnats, which were tiny as compared to the Pakistani Sabre Jets, had destroyed more than half of the Pakistani Air Force in 1971 War.

26. Manchuria was attacked by Japan in 1938.



27. Nuremberg, which ironically was the place for Nazi Party rallies, had held the trial on Nazi War Criminals in 1945-47.

28. Mukti Bahini was a guerrilla organization, banned by Pakistani government but it helped India to liberate Bangladesh.

29. France had sold the components of the reactor to Iraq using which Iraq had constructed its reactors to eventually make atomic bombs but Israel destroyed them by bombing them.

30. Answer: a-C, b-D, c-B, d-A

