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1. Which of the following subject(s) form(s) part of Tamil texts of Sangam Age?
 1. Urban trading centres
 2. Social divisions
 3. Grammar
 4. Military exploits of kings
 5. Cult of ideal woman.Select the correct code:
 - (a) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only
 - (b) 5 only
 - (c) 3 and 5 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
2. Consider the following statements:
 1. The Satavahana rulers were devout followers of Buddhism.
 2. During their period, the Deccan area witnessed large scale construction of Buddhist viharas and chaityas.Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
3. Megasthenes' account about Mauryas talks about
 1. social conditions
 2. city administration
 3. military organisation
 4. roadsSelect the correct code:
 - (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
4. Consider the following statements about Ashokan Inscriptions:
 1. These were royal proclamations for the subject population, reminding them of their duties towards the state.
 2. These were issued for elucidating a general code of conduct for people for their betterment.
 3. These, however did not indicate any territorial war on the part of the king.
 4. The inscriptions were issued in the name of the one who was 'dear to Gods'.Which of the above statements is / are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2 and 4 only
 - (c) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
5. Consider the following statement:

"The city was named after the title of a great king. It has a cluster of monolithic temples. The theme of one of the Sanskrit drama has been sculpted on rock surface here".

In the above statement, which city is being talked of:
 - (a) Kanchipuram
 - (b) Pattadakal
 - (c) Aihole
 - (d) Mamallapuram
6. Consider the following terms, related to Nagara style of Temple architecture:
 1. Amalaka
 2. Anda
 3. Ardhamandapa
 4. Antrala

Which of the above term(s) is / are not related to Nagara style?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 3 and 4 only

7. In the post-maurya period which of the following fields of knowledge did not benefit from contacts with foreigners?

- 1. Astronomy
- 2. Astrology
- 3. Cavalry
- 4. Medicine
- 5. Glass making

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 5 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (c) 2 and 4 only
- (d) 4 only

8. Consider the following statements about Sanchi Stupa:

- 1. Originally, the stupa was a small brick structure which expanded over a period and was covered with stone.
- 2. The Buddha's images, shown here are very naturalistic and proper depth and dimension of his human form are depicted.
- 3. The horizontal bars of the Gateways are profusely carved, both at the front and back surfaces.
- 4. Sanchi was selected by Ashok as the Buddha once visited Avanti.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

9. Consider the following statements about Mauryan Art:

- 1. The Mauryan artists carved beautiful sculptures elaborately on both stone and metal medium.

- 2. The themes from Buddhism predominate the stone sculptures.
- 3. Human stone images got better sculpted with fineness in depiction as compared to earlier period.

Which of the above statement is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

10. Which of the following is / are associated with Jainism?

- 1. Syadavada
- 2. Saptavada
- 3. Anekantavada
- 4. Theravada

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

11. In the context of Sangam age, which of the following was / were trading centres?

- 1. Puhar
- 2. Arikamedu
- 3. Muziris
- 4. Tamralipti

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 2, 3 and 4 only

12. Which of the following was / were the most used modes of common economic transaction in the Gupta period?

- 1. Gold coins
- 2. Silver coins
- 3. Sea-shell i.e. Cowrie
- 4. Copper coins

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only

- (c) 1 and 4 only
- (d) 2, 3 and 4 only

13. In the context of ancient Indian trade, the term 'Shreni' means
- (a) An organisation of people of one caste following same vocation.
 - (b) An organisation of people of one caste following different vocations.
 - (c) An organisation of people of one or more castes following one vocation.
 - (d) An organisation of people of different castes following different vocations.

14. Consider the following statements about Ajanta Art:
- 1. The Art had undergone many phases of development.
 - 2. Themes of the art are sect-centric.
 - 3. More than one modes have been used in producing the masterpieces.
 - 4. It is one of the finest examples of royal patronship of art.

Which of the above statements is / are incorrect?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 4 only
- (d) 2 and 4 only

15. Consider the following statements about Post-Maurya period:
- 1. The period that just followed Mauryan age witnessed political stability and a large empire.
 - 2. The monetisation of economy took place with abundance of dynastic coins.
 - 3. There took place large scale assimilation of foreigners from South East Asian countries, in the Indian society.
 - 4. The Buddha was represented in human form with Indian features only in various parts of India.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only

- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

16. Which of the following statements is / are not correct about Buddhism?
- 1. In Buddhism, the norms of social ethics were governed by the rules of varna system.
 - 2. Varna order was outrightly denounced by the Buddha.
 - 3. Buddha did not denounce the varna order as it was necessary for propagation of his religious discourses.

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

17. Consider the following statements:
- 1. The Guptas did not possess an elaborate administrative machinery as was maintained by the Mauryas.
 - 2. The political system of the Guptas was feudal in character.
 - 3. The Guptas ruled over a very small territorial unit and did not require a big army.

Select the best answer from the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 are correct
- (b) 1 is correct and 2 correctly explains 1.
- (c) 1 is correct and 3 correctly explains 1.
- (d) 1 and 2 are correct and 2 does not explain 1 correctly.

18. Which of the following combination of features best describes the Gupta period?
- (a) Cultural developments, matrimonial alliances for political purposes, huge structural temples.
 - (b) Masterpiece compositions in Sanskrit, international centre for education, large scale maritime trade with West Asia.
 - (c) Large scale patronage to Vaishnavism, propagation of Buddhism outside India

under royal patronage, flat-roofed temples.

- (d) Epitome of Sanskrit drama compositions, science literature, military conquests.

19. Which of the following statements is/are not correct about Jainism?

1. The Jaina doctrine is based on the teachings of succession of teachers before and after Vardhman Mahavir.
2. Propagation of teachings was done using local / regional dialects.
3. Due to its utmost emphasis on extreme renunciation, it could not be spread beyond Ganga & Yamuna plain.

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 3 only
(b) 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

20. Consider the following statements about sects of Buddhism:

1. The school of Mahasanghika attributes all sorts of superhuman powers to the Buddha.
2. In the Mahayana School, importance is attached to the Bodhisattvas.
3. The main attribute of a Bodhisattva, lotus bearer, is compassion.

Which of the above statements is / are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

21. Consider the following statements:

1. During the Sangam Age, there was a large scale maritime trade between South India and Europe.
2. Though Ashokan Inscriptions have been found as deep as Karnataka no mention of Sangam dynasties could be found in them.
3. During Mauryan period, a Jaina mission reached Karnataka.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are

correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

22. Which of the following dynasties has / have not been talked of in Sangam Literature?

1. Cholas of Thanjavur
2. Cheras
3. Satiyaputras

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

23. Consider the following Vedic terms and their implied meanings:

Terms	Meanings/Implied Meaning
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|------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Gopa | : village headman |
| 2. Godhuli | : dusk |
| 3. Gavyuti | : search for cows |
| 4. Gomat | : election of tribal chief |

Which of the above is/are correctly matched?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
(b) 1 and 4 only
(c) 2 and 3 only
(d) 2 only

24. Consider the following statements about Rig Vedic Period:

1. The early Aryans first settled on the land drained by various rivers.
2. The people were fairly equipped with variety of weaponry and used horse-driven chariots for warfare.
3. The early Aryans, didn't involve themselves in intra-tribal battles.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

25. Consider the following statements:

1. The Rig Vedic Aryans exhibited greater loyalty to the tribe.
2. The Rig Vedic Aryans exhibited greater attention to their territorial occupation or unit.
3. The tribal chief, being militarily superior, Ruled his tribe with militaristic methods.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

26. Which of the following distinguish Later Aryans from the Indus people?

1. Knowledge of mathematics/geometry
2. Iron technology
3. Prevalence of temple worship
4. Metal currency.

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

27. Consider the following statements about Bhimbetka art:

1. It shows various phases from prehistoric period to Ajanta period.
2. It is an elaborately carved stone sculpture.
3. It is a system of paintings rendered on rock shelters with the help of natural colours.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

28. Which of the following events from the life of the Buddha have not been symbolised on Ashokan Pillars?

1. Mahabhinishkraman
2. Nirvana
3. Dharmachakrapravartan

4. Mahaparinirvana

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 4 only

29. Consider the following statements about Later Vedic period:

1. Territorial expansion became one of the motives of performing rituals and sacrifices.
2. The society was egalitarian in approach with ample educational opportunities for all.
3. The use of metallic agricultural implements supported the rise of agriculture economy.
4. Vedic hymns were elaborated upon and sufficient commentaries or explanations on them were produced.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are incorrect?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 2, 3 and 4 only

30. Consider the following statements about Upanishads:

1. According to early Upanishads, the self is identical with the supreme soul.
2. Both, being attributeless are unchanging and indestructible.
3. The philosophy of Upanishads does not believe in transmigration of soul.
4. According to them, vices so earned during previous births are exhausted by praying to Gods with elaborate rituals and recital of hymns.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

31. Match the following:

List – I (Art Specimen) **List – II (Places/sites)**

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|---|---|-----------------|
| 1. Arjuna's Penance | : | A. Ajanta Caves |
| 2. Elephant descending to womb off Queen Mayadevi | : | B. Mathura |
| 3. Buddha's image in spotted Red Sand Stone | : | C. Mamallapuram |
| 4. Mahaparinirvana of Buddha | : | D. Bharhut |

Select the correctly matched code:

- (a) 1-C, 2-D, 3-A, 4-B
- (b) 1-D, 2-C, 3-B, 4-A
- (c) 1-C, 2-D, 3-B, 4-A
- (d) 1-B, 2-C, 3-A, 4-D

32. Consider the following modes of economic exchange in the context of ancient history of India:

- 1. Coins bearing image of Lord Shiva with Nandi
- 2. Coins depicting a musical instrument
- 3. Dynastic coins
- 4. Punch-marked Coins

Put them in Correct Chronological order:

- (a) 4-3-2-1
- (b) 4-3-1-2
- (c) 1-4-3-2
- (d) 1-3-4-2

33. Which of the following term(s) is/are related to stupa art and architecture?

- 1. Vedika
- 2. Torana
- 3. Harmika
- 4. Chhatra
- 5. Uposatha

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
- (b) 2, 3, 4 and 5 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (d) 4 and 5 only

34. Which of the following place(s) is / are related to cave art?

- 1. Barabar
- 2. Badami
- 3. Karle
- 4. Guntapalle
- 5. Udaigiri

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 5 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

35. Which of the following inscriptions deal(s) with canal/irrigation system during the period of ancient history?

- 1. Hathigumpha Inscription
- 2. Junagarh Inscription
- 3. Aihole Inscription

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

36. Consider the following statements about some differences between Buddhism and Jainism:

- 1. The Jaina doctrine of Syadavada is based on existence of multiple perspectives of a notion whereas the Buddhist doctrine of Dependent Origination attributes every action of some cause behind it.
- 2. Buddhism does not believe in living life of hardships and extreme penances to attain liberation, whereas in Jainism for purification of soul even slow starvation can be resorted.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

37. Consider the following statements:

1. The Indus people practised various agricultural techniques.
2. They had considerable knowledge of the rain and flood pattern and did their cropping accordingly.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

38. Consider the following statements about Indus Civilization:

1. No religious buildings of any kind except the Great Bath, have been found.
2. The Harappans were quite attentive to the military defence of their territory and possessed several types of weapons.
3. The Harappans seemed to have hoarded foodgrains for meeting any contingency situation.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

39. Consider the following statements about Meenakshi Temple:

1. The current structure was built by Chera Rulers.
2. It is dedicated to Lord Shiva and Parvathi.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

40. Which of the following is/are not a form of music?

1. Pada
2. Javali
3. Pallavi
4. Kamaicha

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 4 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 4 only
- (d) All of the above

41. Taj Mahal is an architectural wonder built in Agra by Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan as a mausoleum of Mumtaz Mahal, his deceased wife. Which of the following is/are true regarding Taj Mahal's architecture?

1. Laid out in a Chahar Bagh style.
2. Use of Calligraphy to write Quranic verses.
3. Use of Pietra Dura and Tessellation.
4. Delicate carving of marble into Jalis.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 4 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) All of the above

42. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Traditional Theatre forms of India?

1. Dashavata is a folk theatre form practiced in the Konkan region of Maharashtra and Goa, in which ten incarnations of Lord Vishnu are depicted.
2. Nacha is a popular folk theatre of West Bengal, where Comedy is an essential aspect.
3. Mudi yettu is a ritual theatre form of Kerala where mythological tale of Mohini and Bhasmasur is the main subject.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) All of the above

43. Consider the following statements regarding Bhaona theatre form:

1. Bhaona owes its origin to the unique genre of plays, evolved by Vaishnav saint Sankardeva.
2. In Bhaona cultural glimpses of Mathura and Brindavan can be seen.
3. It is a kind of dance-drama with songs and dialogues in Brajvali.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

44. Consider the following statements about Therukoothu.

1. It is the most popular form of martial art of Andhra Pradesh.
2. It is mostly performed to please rain God to achieve a rich harvest.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

45. Consider the following statements regarding Sittanavasal cave paintings:

1. They depict Buddhist and Jataka tales.
2. The paintings in these caves belong to Chola period.
3. The central element of the paintings in Sittanavasal is a pond with lotuses.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

46. With reference to the history of Indian rockcut architecture, consider the following statements:

1. The caves at Badami are the oldest surviving rock-cut caves in India.
2. The Barabar rock-cut caves were originally made for Ajivikas by the emperor Chandragupta Maurya.
3. At Ellora, caves were made for different faiths.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

47. Consider the following statements regarding the paintings of Mughal era:

1. Paintings in this period glorified the ruler rather than depicting God.
2. The Mughal paintings reached its zenith in the period of Akbar.
3. Jahangir established a formal artistic studio called Tasvir Khana where the artists developed their own styles.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 2 and 3 only

48. With reference to the folk paintings in India, consider the following statements:

1. Kalighat paintings have a close resemblance to the mural paintings of Bhimbetka.
2. Warli paintings are first of its kind in the country to express subaltern sentiments.
3. Pattachitra paintings are inspired from Jagannath and Vaishnava cult.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only

49. Consider the following statements regarding Hoyasaleshvara temple:
1. It is a fine example of Vesara Style of temple architecture.
 2. The temple is dedicated to Lord Vishnu.
 3. It is located at Aihole in Karnataka.
- Which of the above statement/s is/are incorrect?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 2 and 3 only
50. With reference to the temples outside India's present boundary consider the following statements:
1. With spread of Indian culture in the South East Asian Region temple were also erected that has the dominant elements of Dravidic style of Indian temple architecture.
 2. The Angkor group of temples were built in the period of Sailendra kingdom Sumatra.
 3. The Preah Vihar Temple is dedicated to manifestation of Lord Shiva and remained boundary dispute between Cambodia and Thailand, later awarded to Thailand by ICJ in 1962.
- Which of the above statement/s is/are incorrect?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
51. Which of the following is/are the features of Rajput architecture during the Mughal period?
1. Hanging balconies
 2. Arched cornices
 3. Kiosks on top of the construction
 4. Fluted domes
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
 - (d) 2, 3 and 4 only
52. If you find a coin from a Gupta period, you can see inscribed in it:
1. Hunting king.
 2. Pictures of Hindu goddesses.
 3. King performing ashvamedha
- Select the correct option using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
53. Consider the following statements regarding Khujraho school of temple.
1. It was developed by Chandela rulers and followed Panchayatan style
 2. The antarala was vestibular entrance to the garbhagriha in the temple
 3. They were made of sandstone and shikharas had created an impression of mountain range.
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
54. Which of the following statements is incorrect about the Gupta age temples?
- (a) It is marked the beginning of the Free Standing temple Architecture.
 - (b) The basic, characteristic elements of the Indian temple consisting of a square sanctum sanctorum and a pillared porch had emerged in the Gupta age.
 - (c) Nagara style and Dravida style began from the Gupta era.
 - (d) Dasavata Temple at Deogarh which is entirely made up of Bricks belongs to Gupta age.

55. Which of the following pairs is/are correctly matched?

Paintings	Patronized by
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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Ahmednagar Paintings | Hussain Nizam Shah I. |
| 2. Bijapur Paintings | Ali Adil Shah I. |
| 3. Golconda Paintings | Qutb Shahi rulers. |

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

56. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The temple is named after a nearby village, once a flourishing town and seaport.
- 2. This temple, which has been mentioned in Skanda Purana, is situated on the banks of Pushpavati River.
- 3. Built during the reign of Chalukya King Bhima I, this temple was attacked and damaged by Mahmud Ghazni.
- 4. Every year a dance festival is held during the third week of January in the backdrop of this Temple.

Identify the well-known temple with the help of above given information:

- (a) Khajuraho Temple
- (b) Konark Sun Temple
- (c) Modhera Sun Temple
- (d) Chandrabhaga Temple, Jhalawar

57. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Indus Dancing Girl' statue:

- 1. It is the world's oldest bronze sculpture.
- 2. It depicts the girl standing in chowk posture.
- 3. It suggests that Indus artists knew metal blending and casting.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

58. Consider the following:

- 1. Use of minars
- 2. Use of human and animal figures
- 3. Use of foresightening techniques
- 4. Use of geometrical vegetal ornamentation

Which of the above is/are the features of Indo-Saracenic architecture?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

59. Consider the following statements regarding 'Painted Grey Ware':

- 1. It is associated with Harrapan Valley civilization.
- 2. It has a glossy surface with a thin core and ware was usually unpainted.
- 3. It succeeded the Northern Black Polished Ware culture.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

60. Consider the following statement:

- 1. Alauddin Khalji is best remembered for the experiment of market control through the introduction of token currency in the form bronze and copper coins.
- 2. The silver tanka and Copper jital was introduced by Iltutmish.

Which of the above statement/s is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

61. Consider the following statement pertaining to Mughal Coins:

- 1. Akbar issued the "Ilahi coins" to propagate his new religious Idea of Din-e-Ilahi.

2. Zodiac sign on the coins was minted during the time of Shahjahan.
3. Sher Shah Suri introduced the "Rupya" which was made up of silver and weighed around 11 gms.

Which of the above statement/s is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 2 and 3 only

62. Consider the following statements about Modern Architecture:

1. Iberian architectural style was introduced by French.
2. The Portuguese continued with their western tradition and did not introduced any variations using Indian architectural styles.
3. French brings about the concept of anonymous architecture which involves simple façade without much ornamentation.
4. Red sandstone and coarse limestone were primarily used in the Gothic Architecture.

Which of the above statement/s is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3 only

63. Consider the following:

1. One of the principal mudras of this dance is 'Kataka Mukha Hasta' in which the three fingers are joined to symbolize 'Om'.
2. Varnam is a combination of dance and emotions, and synchronised with tala and raag, to express the story is the most important part of this dance.
3. Rukmini Devi Arundale was famous artist of this classical dance

Which of the following classical dance is mentioned in the above statements?

- (a) Kuchipudi
- (b) Bharatnatyam
- (c) Kathakali
- (d) Kathak

64. Consider the following statements regarding Dhrupad and Khyal:

1. Taan is the main feature of Dhrupad and Alap of khyal.
2. Sultan Mohammad Sharqi gave patronage to Khyal and emperor Akbar to Dhrupad.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

65. Consider the following statements regarding Indo Greek coins:

1. Coins were mainly made of silver, copper, nickel and lead.
2. Coins of Greek Kings in India were bilingual.
3. Only the king had the right to issue coins and the same currency was accepted in his kingdom.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

66. Which one of the following scientists and their works is correctly matched?

- (a) Aryabhatta calculated the value of 'Pi'.
- (b) Kanad gave the atomic theory.
- (c) Charak gave the concepts of plastic surgery and cataract operation.
- (d) Bhaskaracharya introduced negative numbers and operations on zero into mathematics.

67. Consider the following statements:

1. Kambala a traditional buffalo race organized during monsoon months in coastal Karnataka.
2. Tuluva landlords are the main sponsors of Kambala race.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

68. Which of the following books is not written by any ruler?

1. Tarikh-e-Firuz Shahi.
2. Tuzuk-I-Babari
3. Humayun-nama
4. Akbarnama
5. Padshahnama

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2, 3, 4 and 5 only
- (d) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only

69. Consider the following statements about -

1. Vikramorvasiya is a Sanskrit drama written by Kalidasa which contains the love affairs of Vikram and Urvashi.
2. Nagananda, a Sanskrit play written by Harshvardhana, is the story of how prince Jimutavahana gives up his own body to stop a sacrifice of serpents to the divine Garuda.

Which of the above statement/s is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

70. Which of the following is correct about "Zoroastrian literature" is incorrect?

- (a) The most important text of Zoroastrianism is Avesta dealing with religious belief, practice and instruction.
- (b) The Avesta is written in the Avestan language which is currently spoken in the region of Northern Iran at the foothill of Albruz Mountains.
- (c) Yasna, Gathas, Visperad, Yashts, Siroza, Nyayeshes are the parts of the Avesta.
- (d) Denkard is regarded as the Encyclopedia of the Zoroastrianism, however, it does not have a divine status.

71. Consider the following statements:

1. Adi Granth was compiled by Bhai Gurdas under the aegis of the last guru, Guru Arjan Dev.
2. Guru Granth Sahib contains the teachings of the Sikh Gurus only.
3. Adi Granth is regarded as the Eleventh and final spiritual authority of the Sikhs.
4. Janamsakhis contain the mythological stories of the first guru Guru Nanak.

Which of the above statement/s is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 and 4 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 4 only

72. Which of the following statements is incorrect regarding Islam/Muslim sect?

- (a) The migration of Prophet Mohammad to Madina from Mecca in AD 622 marked the beginning of the Hijira Era.
- (b) Pilgrimage to Madina is one of the five fundamental principles of Islam.
- (c) Within the Islamic tradition the rise of Wahabis represented an active oppositionist sect whereas the Bahais were more of a passive and withdrawing kind.
- (d) Both the Bhakti and the Sufi movements believed that all humans are equal, God is supreme and devotion to God is the only way to achieve salvation.

73. Christians also have a number of denominations and sects. Consider the following statements regarding the same:

1. A section of the community felt that the Church and society are in a state of crisis and demanded reforms came to be known as Protestant.
2. The Eastern Orthodox Churches recognize the authority of Bible alone.

Which of the above statement/s is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

74. Which of the following is/are the basic theory of Vishishtadvaita?

1. It states the each soul has different characteristics.
2. By this philosophy Brahman is characterized by multiple forms.
3. The liberation can be obtained only by true knowledge of Brahman.

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

75. Consider the following statements:

1. Sulvasutra written by Baudhayana is one of the earliest texts on mathematics.
2. Apastamba, a 2nd century BC text deals with practical arithmetic.
3. Brahmgupta in his book brahmasputa siddhantika mentioned zero for the first time as a number.
4. Goladhyaya is one of the section of siddhanta shiromani written by Bhaskaracharya.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only

- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) None of the above

76. Consider the following statements regarding development of science and technology in ancient India:

1. Atharva Veda mentioned cure for diseases like diarrhoea, sores, cough, leprosy, fever and seizure.
2. Takshila and Varanasi emerged as the centres for medicinal learning.
3. Indian philosophers conceived the idea of splitting an atom.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

77. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Chisti Order?

1. The Saints of Chisti Order lived in poverty and lead a hermit life.
2. It was established in India by Khwaja Qutbuddin Bakhtiyar Kaki.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

78. He was born in Tamil Nadu in the eleventh century, was deeply influenced by the Alvars. According to him the best means of attaining salvation was through intense devotion to vishnu. He propounded the doctrine of Vishishtadvaita or qualified oneness in that the "Soul even when united with the Supreme God remained distinct".

The given paragraph is about which of the following bhakti saints?

- (a) Ramanuja
- (b) Shankara
- (c) Basavanna
- (d) None of the above

79. Consider the following statement:

1. Bnei Menashe Jews live in the cochin and have genealogies to the Menashe or the Menasseh Tribe, which was one of the 10 lost tribes of the Jews.
2. Bene Ephraim is a small group of Telugu speaking Jews who converted to Judaism in the 1980's.
3. As per the Judaism, the Sefer Torah was given to Prophet Jacob/Israel on the Mt Sinai.

Which of the above statement/s is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

80. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched?

1. Upanishad Deals with knowledge and Spirituality
2. Aranyaka Ritualistic and Sacrificial Action
3. Atharva Veda Atharvangirasa
4. Mahakavya Bhagwad and Vishnu Purana
5. Yajur Veda Vajasaneyi and Taittiriya Samhita

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2, and 3 only
- (b) 1, 4 and 5 only
- (c) 2, 3, 4 and 5 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 5 only

81. Consider the following statements regarding Pre-Vedic Religion:

1. People believed in the sanctity of the creative force and venerated the male and female aspects of divinity.
2. The nature of the religious beliefs and practices of the Aryans is known from the Atharva Veda.

Which of the following statement/s is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only

- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

82. Consider the following statements regarding Hindu Sect:

1. Vallabhacharya sect, founded by Vallabha, opposed fasts and self-mortification.
2. Aghori Panth cult was founded by Bhrama Giri and are the ones who worship Shiva.
3. Dashnami Sampraday cult, founded by Shankracharya, are the worshiper of Lord Vishnu.

Which of the above statement/s is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

83. Consider the following statements about Indus Civilization:

1. With a clear set of evidences available about its origin and end, the Indus Civilization has been studied with complete precision.
2. The decline of Mature Harappan phase was followed by existence of some rural settlements on the same land as was habited by the Harappans.

Which of the above statement(s) is / are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

84. Consider the following features about Indus Economy:

1. Large scale rice cultivation
2. Monetised transactions
3. Use of weights and measures

Which of the above feature(s) is/are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only

85. Consider the following features about Rig Vedic Period:

1. Use of horse driven chariots
2. Iron weaponry
3. Intra-clan military warfare.
4. Maintaining a standing army.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

86. Which of the following was/were potent cause(s) for the rise of newer sects in 6th Century B.C.?

1. Increasing incidences of animal sacrifices.
2. Social exclusion of lower classes from mainstream religion.
3. Large scale missionary activities undertaken by ruling kings/monarchs.
4. Equal status to women granted by these sects.

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

87. The geographical area known to Rig Vedic people included

1. Eastern Afghanistan
2. Punjab
3. Ocean
4. Himalayas

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

88. In the context of ancient Indian Art, put the following patterns of pottery work in correct chronological sequence.

1. Ochre Coloured Pottery (OCP)
2. Northern Black Polished Ware (NBPW)
3. Red and Black Pottery (RBW)
4. Painted Grey Ware (PGW)

Select the correct code:

- (a) 3-1-4-2
- (b) 3-1-2-4
- (c) 1-2-3-4
- (d) 1-3-2-4

89. In the 'Dharma Chakrapravartana' mudra, the Buddha is shown

- (a) Holding a wheel of law in his hands
- (b) Sitting in 'Padmasana' on a circular platform showing wheels on the circumferential surface.
- (c) Raising his hands to his chest with both the palms shown twisting something.
- (d) Raising right hand with open palm.

90. Which of the following sets of teachings is/are related to Buddhism?

1. Chatvari Arya Satyani
2. Madhyama Pratipada
3. Asthangika Marg
4. Prativitya Samputpada

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

91. Which of the following structure(s) has/have-not been found in the Indus cities?

1. Ware Houses
2. Armoury
3. Gateways
4. Staircase
5. Sanctum sanctorum

Select the correct code:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only
- (d) 2 and 5 only

92. In the context of temples in Ancient India the term 'Sutradhara' was used for

- (a) one who supervised construction of a temple.

- (b) one who composed eulogy on the deity of the temple.
 (c) the main axis of the temple.
 (d) chief patron of the temple.
93. On which of the following conditions of Gupta period the Chinese Buddhist monk, Fa-hien has not written?
 1. currency system
 2. religion of the rulers
 3. name of the king
 4. prevalence of untouchability
 Select the correct code:
 (a) 1 only
 (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 2, 3 and 4 only
 (d) 2 and 4 only
94. Which of the following Ashokan Inscriptions makes a specific reference to taxation?
 (a) Kandhar Inscription
 (b) Maski Inscription
 (c) Ruminidie Inscription
 (d) Barabar Cave Inscription
95. Which of the following was the most widely exported metal from India during the course of ancient history of India?
 (a) Gold
 (b) Copper
 (c) Brass
 (d) Iron and Steel
96. In the context of contribution of foreigners to Indian Culture, consider the following pairs:
 1. Strategos : Greek coins
 2. Kshatrap : Military unit
 3. Kichaka : Revenue unit
 4. Denarius : Roman coins
 Which of the above pairs is/are not correctly matched?
 (a) 1 only
 (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
 (c) 2, 3 and 4 only
 (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
97. In the context of cultural history of India consider the following pairs.
 1. Vedanga Jyotish Astrology
 2. Brahmasphuta sidhant Mathematics
 3. Brihat samhita Encyclopaedia
 Which of the above pair(s) is/are correctly matched?
 (a) 1 only
 (b) 1 and 2 only
 (c) 2 and 3 only
 (d) 1, 2 and 3
98. Which of the following author(s) rendered a dictionary of Sanskrit?
 1. Kalidasa
 2. Amarsimha
 3. Patanjali
 4. Panini
 Select the correct code:
 (a) 1 and 4 only
 (b) 3 and 4 only
 (c) 2 only
 (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
99. Which of the following temple places is/are related to Shaivism?
 1. Pattadakal
 2. Ellora
 3. Kanchipuram
 Select the correct code:
 (a) 1 only
 (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 3 only
 (d) 1, 2 and 3
100. In which of the following features the temple architectural styles of North and South India differ significantly?
 1. Garbhagriha
 2. Entrance Gateways
 3. Construction Material
 Select the correct code:
 (a) 1 only
 (b) 2 only
 (c) 2 and 3 only
 (d) 1, 2 and 3