

PANCHAYAT SECRETARY
Exam Held on 27-12-2008

1. The European country which first started trade with India was :
(a) France (b) Holland (c) Portugal (d) England
2. The science of improving crop varieties is called:
(a) Hybridisation (b) Selection
(c) Introduction (d) Plant-breeding
3. Green revolution refers to :
(a) Maintaining soil fertility
(b) Use of green plants for covering the earth
(c) Development of new crop varieties which helped to overcome hunger
(d) Growing green plants to establish balance of nature
4. Inland Fisheries is referred to :
(a) Culturing fish in fresh water (b) Trapping and capturing fish
(c) Deep sea fisheries (d) Extraction of oil from fish
5. High milk yielding varieties of cows are obtained by :
(a) Super ovulation (b) Artificial insemination
(c) Use of surrogate mothers (d) All the above
6. A crocodile had just eaten a lamb when a hawk saw the crocodile, attacked it and consumed it. The hawk is in ecological terms :
(a) a producer (b) a primary consumer
(c) a secondary consumer (d) a tertiary consumer
7. Which of the following is a non-renewable resource?
(a) Water (b) Coal (c) Fisheries (d) Wild life
8. Pollution is an undesirable change in physical, chemical and biological properties of :
(a) air (b) water (c) soil (d) All the above
9. In a free market economy, prices are determined by the :
(a) Capitalists (b) Government (c) Market forces (d) Producers

10. India's National Newspaper "The Hindu" started since :
(a) 1898 (b) 1888 (c) 1878 (d) 1868
11. Which country has longest school year in the world?
(a) Japan (b) Russia (c) China (d) Germany
12. Puducherry is a former colony.
(a) British (b) Vietnam (c) French (d) German
13. "The True Democracy is what promotes the welfare of the society". Who said it ?
(a) Sardar Patel (b) Mahatma Gandhi
(c) Dadabai Naoroji (d) Gokhale
14. The consumer Rights were first enumerated in the year 1962 in :
(a) UK (b) Germany (c) Japan (d) U.S.A
15. I.T.C means :
(a) Inter-Transitional Centre (b) Inter-Trade Centre
(c) Inter-Tropical Convergence (d) None of these
16. The coniferous forests in India occur between the height of :
(a) 2700 and 4000 mts (b) 1400 and 2000 mts
(c) 1500 and 3000 mts (d) 1330 and 2700 mts
17. The International Tourism year :
(a) 1957 (b) 1967 (c) 1977 (d) 1987
18. The energy possessed by a body by virtue of its motion is known as :
(a) Kinetic energy (b) Static energy
(c) Potential energy (d) None of these
19. Which is the oldest of all Vedas ?
(a) Sama Veda (b) Atharva Veda (c) Yajur Veda (d) Rig Veda
20. When we pluck the wire of a sitar, the waves produced in the wire are :
(a) longitudinal (b) transverse
(c) sometimes longitudinal and sometimes transverse
(d) electromagnetic transverse
21. If a mirror has a focal length of +15 cm, it is a :
(a) Convex mirror (b) Concave mirror
(c) Plane mirror (d) None of these

22. Scurvy is a deficiency disease caused by lack of:
 (a) Vitamin A (b) Vitamin B (c) Vitamin C (d) Vitamin B2
23. The first person to see a cell under the microscope was :
 (a) M. Schleiden (b) T. Schwann
 (c) Robert Hooke (d) A.V. Leeuwenhock
24. How old is the embryo when it becomes a foetus?
 (a) 7 months (b) 6 months (c) 2 months (d) 4 months
25. The “Law of Multiple Proportion” was discovered by :
 (a) John Dalton (b) Ritcher (c) Joseph Proust (d) A. Lavoisier
26. Controlled oxidation of methanol gives :
 (a) Methanoic acid (b) Methanol
 (c) Carbon dioxide and water (d) Methane
27. Laurie Baker, who died recently was famous in the filed of :
 (a) Environmental conservation (b) Education
 (c) Architecture (d) Health
28. The “Diet” is the Parliament of :
 (a) Spain (b) Jordan (c) Japan (d) Jamaica
29. Who among the following is called “Desha Bandhu” ?
 (a) Rana Pratap (b) C.R. Das
 (c) Rajagopalachari (d) Subhash Chandra Bose
30. The constituent Assembly was set up under the:
 (a) Cabinet Mission Plan of 1946 (b) Govt. of India Act 1935
 (c) Indian Independence Act 1947 (d) Govt. of India Act 1919
31. The chief minister is not responsible for :
 (a) running the entire administration of the State
 (b) the maintenance of Law and order of the State
 (c) the defence of the State
 (d) none of these
32. How many types of Galaxies are there ?
 (a) Three (b) Four (c) Two (d) None of these
33. Warm air surrounded by cold air causes :
 (a) Tempest (b) Cyclone (c) Mirage (d) Smog

34. Which is the deepest part of Indian Ocean ?
(a) Java Trench (b) Mariana Trench
(c) Oceanic Trench (d) None of these
35. Which Chinese city lies in the Waterloo Road?
(a) Shanghai (b) Beijing (c) Hongkong (d) None of these
36. Which is the largest Man-made Lake in India?
(a) Narmada Sagar (b) Dal Lake
(c) Ootacamunt (d) None of these
37. Who introduced the postal system in India?
(a) Chandra Gupta (b) Samudra Gupta
(c) Alauddin (d) Kutbuddin
38. Who can dissolve the Rajya Sabha ?
(a) President (b) Vice-President (c) Lok Sabha (d) Nobody
39. "You can fool all the people some of the time, some of the people all the time, but can't fool all the people all the time". This quotation is attributed to whom?
(a) Abraham Lincoln (b) Bernard Shaw
(c) Thomas Caryle (d) Francis Bacon
40. Who is the author of the book "Death of a City" ?
(a) Amritha Preetham (b) Hillay Clinton
(c) Henry James (d) Pearl S. Buck
41. Koodiyattom belongs to :
(a) Tamil Nadu (b) Andhra Pradesh (c) Kerala (d) Gujarat
42. When was the Children's Film Society established?
(a) 1955 (b) 1965 (c) 1975 (d) 1985
43. Which period was considered as the Plan Holiday?
(a) 1961-66 (b) 1966-69 (c) 1969-74 (d) 1974-79
44. After "kalinga war" Ashoka :
(a) went to conquer other places
(b) realised that he was not strong to rule as a king.
(c) became a Buddhist
(d) went away to live in jungle.

45. Who is known as the “Father of Local Self-Government” in India?
(a) Lord William Bentick (b) Lord Rippon
(c) Lord Curzon (d) Lord Delhousie
46. The major difference between “Varna” and “Jati” is that :
(a) Varna was formed after Jati
(b) Jati were derived from Varna
(c) Varna are only four but Jati are many
(d) They are unrelated
47. Which of the following diseases is caused by the bite of a mad dog?
(a) Leukaemia (b) Hydrophobia
(c) Scurvy (d) Diphtheria
48. The sex of a child is determined :
(a) at the time of the sperm’s entry
(b) six to seven weeks after conception
(c) at the time of fertilisation of the ovum
(d) in the third month of pregnancy.
49. The disease known as the “black stem rust” destroys the harvest of :
(a) paddy (b) sugarcane (c) ragi (d) wheat
50. The term “Dastak” implies :
(a) A riot (b) A port near Hoogly
(c) Free pass or duty free trade (d) Market places
51. The war of 1556 is known as :
(a) Battle of Plassey (b) Second battle of panipat
(c) First battle of Panipat (d) None of these
52. “Sraavanabelgola” is associated with :
(a) Buddhism (b) Jainism (c) Zoroastrianism (d) Judaism
53. Which one of the following is a “Pratiloma” marriage?
(a) Brahmin boy with a Kshatriya girl
(b) Vaisya boy with a Sudra girl
(c) Brahmin boy with a Sudra girl
(d) Sudra boy with a Vaisya girl

54. "I have nothing to offer except blood, sweat and tears" was said by :
(a) Subhash Chandra Bose (b) Winston Churchill
(c) Lord Nelson (d) Napoleon
55. On April 14, 1912 the British Liner "Titanic" sank after hitting an iceberg in the North Atlantic. How long did it take for the great ship to go down?
(a) Less than one hours (b) Just under three hours
(c) Five and one -half hours (d) Twelve hours
56. Which State in India tops in the distribution of forest area?
(a) Assam (b) Sikkim (c) Himachal Pradesh (d) Madhya Pradesh
57. The trade name "Cow and Gate" is associated with :
(a) Cosmetics (b) Sweets (c) Boot Polish (d) Baby milk food
58. Ball-bearings are used in cycles, scooters, etc to:
(a) reduce the friction between wheel and axle
(b) increase the friction between wheel and axle.
(c) reduce the friction between ground and wheel.
(d) None of these.
59. Entomology is the study of :
(a) Fungi (b) Bacteria (c) Epidemics (d) Insects
60. Where can we see a statue of Charlie Chaplin?
(a) Paris (b) Hong Kong (c) Jakarta (d) London
61. Among the following which plant is completely devoid of roots ?
(a) Azolla (b) Vallisneria (c) Hydrilla (d) Ceratophyllum
62. Modern Synthetic Theory of Evolution is based on :
(a) Genetic and chromosomal mutations
(b) Genetic recombination and natural selection.
(c) Reproductive isolation
(d) All the above
63. The colour of "Black Box" used in aeroplanes is :
(a) Black (b) Cyan (c) Brown (d) Orange
64. The change of vapour into liquid state is known as :
(a) Vapourisation (b) Diffusion (c) Osmosis (d) Condensation

65. The average gestation period of sheep is :
(a) 30 days (b) 150 days (c) 280 days (d) 365 days
66. As per which Article of the Indian Constitution the “Presidential Rule” can be introduced in States ?
(a) Article 356 (b) Article 358 (c) Article 359 (d) Article 386
67. After how many years does the Haley’s Comet reappear?
(a) 1000 years (b) 76 years (c) 12 years (d) 363 years
68. What is the name of the method of estimating the ages of archaeological specimens of biological origin, by measuring the radio active carbon present in that specimen?
(a) carbon dating (b) isotope study (c) fluroscoping (d) none of these
69. “Silk Anniversary” means :
(a) 12th Anniversary (b) 10th Anniversary
(c) 5th Anniversary (d) 17th Anniversary
70. What lies between Rashtrapathi Bhavan and India Gate?
(a) Rajghat (b) Rajpath (c) M.G. Road (d) Red Fort
71. There is hardly any space for the children :
(a) even though it is very large house (b) since it is a very large house
(c) though it is a very large house (d) because it is a very large house
72. I wouldn’t jump off that rock
(a) if I am you (b) if I had been you
(c) if I were you (d) if I would have been you
73. Will you wait I return?
(a) when (b) till (c) as (d) while
74. you are called, you may step into the room.
(a) as soon as (b) after (c) before (d) when
75. There is a vacancy for an expertvideo editing.
(a) on (b) with (c) at (d) in
76. Are there exhibits sale?
(a) to (b) for (c) on (d) at

77. Jayan said something (Choose the question):
 (a) What did Jayan say? (b) What does Jayan say?
 (c) What Jayan say? (d) What has Jayan said?
78. Do you like?
 (a) to drive (b) driving (c) drive (d) a drive
79. My aunt has lived in Australia ten years.
 (a) since (b) for (c) ever since (d) upto
80. a good film on the TV yesterday.
 (a) there was (b) there is (c) there has been (d) there had been
81. Donkeys
 (a) chatter (b) coo (c) bray (d) mew
82. Bulls
 (a) grunt (b) bleat (c) bellow (d) buzz
83. Darkness
 (a) occurs (b) happens (c) spreads (d) falls
84. A habit
 (a) develops (b) occurs (c) comes up (d) forms
85. At loggerheads approximately means :
 (a) in harmony (b) in anger (c) in dispute (d) in mirth
86. To beat the air approximately means:
 (a) to make efforts in vain (b) to be successful
 (c) to trouble others (d) to make mistakes
87. Horse is related to hay in the same way as cow is related to
 (a) milk (b) fodder (c) leaves (d) straw
88. Wince is related to pain in the same way as prostration is related to
 (a) discomfort (b) frustration
 (c) submissiveness (d) happiness
89. Bird : Cage (Take the wrong pairs):
 (a) thief : prison (b) animals : zoo
 (c) antique : museum (d) crime : punishment

90. The Old Testament tells of the the Jews made with God.
 (a) covenant (b) covennant (c) covenent (d) covanant
91. The trekkers set up the hills at apace (Use the antonymn of sluggish)
 (a) slow (b) quick (c) dull (d) brisk
92. The play was so that the audience laughed all through it.
 (a) ludicrous (b) ludicrose (c) ludicruous (d) ludecrous
93. Choose the wrongly spelt word :
 (a) annihilate (b) anomalous (c) deprecate (d) eupheimism
94. She said to Ahmed, "I'll be late". Change to indirect speech :
 (a) She said to Ahmed that I'll be late
 (b) She told Ahmed that she will be late
 (c) She told Ahmed that she'd be late
 (d) She told Ahmed that she could be late.
95. Will you return asked John (Choose the right punctuation):
 (a) "Will you returned", asked John (b) "Will you return?" asked John
 (c) "Will you return,? asked John (d) "Will you return?" asked john
96. Tom, who is a friend of mine is coming with me. (Substitute the italicized part if required) :
 (a) my friend (b) a friend of mine
 (c) a neighbour friend of mine (d) no improvement
97. The past participle of rise is
 (a) rise (b) risen (c) rose (d) rised
98. The little boy spent much of his money sweets.
 (a) on (b) in (c) for (d) at
99. Everything depends on receiving the reply in time.
 (a) his (b) him (c) he (d) himself
100. I am going to bed early today
 (a) but I can't sleep well
 (b) as I have to be up early tomorrow
 (c) and I had a tiresome day today
 (d) as I had not slept