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B.Sc. (First Year) EXAMINATION, 2022

FOUNDATION COURSE

First Paper (B)

English language and Indian Culture

Time : 1 Hour

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : Attempt any *fifty* questions. All questions have multiple choice. Answer correct alternate (a) or (b) or (c) or (d) (any one).

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. In the poem 'Where the Mind is Without Fear' a nation is broken up into fragments by narrow :

(a) Boundry walls

- (b) Domestic walls
- (c) Private walls
- (d) Public walls

2. In this poem "reason" is compared to a :

(a) Mountain

(b) Shower

(c) Lake

(d) River (Clear Stream)

3. The 'dead habit' is compared to a :

(a) Oasis

(b) Sand

(c) Desert

(d) Mountain Stream

4. Who has written the story The Axe ?

(a) Mulk Raj Anand

(b) Rabindra Nath Tagore

(c) R. K. Narayan

(d) Sarojini Naidu

5. In the story 'The Axe' what work was assigned to Velan by The Old man ?
- (a) Cook
  - (b) Sweeper
  - (c) Gardner
  - (d) Manager
6. With whom is Lord Krishna identified in the Mahabharat ?
- (a) Shiva
  - (b) Vishnu
  - (c) Brahma
  - (d) Devi
7. What was Velan's request to the tree cutters in the story 'The Axe' ?
- (a) To cut all the trees including the Margosa tree
  - (b) To stop cutting until he was gone far away

- (c) To cut the Margosa tree
  - (d) Told them to go.
8. What was the prediction of the Astrologer for Velan in the story 'The Axe' ?
- (a) He would become a saint
  - (b) He would live in a three-storey house surrounded by many acres of garden
  - (c) He would own a big house
  - (d) He would die soon
9. In the essay 'National Education' why Gandhiji was against the present education system ?
- (a) He was against Britishers
  - (b) It was based on foreign culture which was not suitable for Indian culture
  - (c) He was against English medium
  - (d) None of the above

10. The earliest influence of ancient culture on South-East-Asia can be traced back to

- (a) 4th Century A.D.
- (b) 5th Century A.D.
- (c) 1st Century A.D.
- (d) 9th Century B.C.

11. What is the most significant quality of Indian Civilization ?

- (a) Hindu civilization will retain its continuity
- (b) The extravagant and barbarous Vedic age
- (c) Caste system
- (d) The old family system

12. Rabindranath Tagore is a well known poet from :

- (a) Orissa
- (b) West Bengal
- (c) Bihar
- (d) Kerala

13. Which tree was most dear to Velan ?

- (a) Mango
- (b) Margosa
- (c) Apple
- (d) Banyan

14. Why did Velan left his home ?

- (a) Because he wanted to search job
- (b) Because his friend teased him
- (c) Because his father slapped him
- (d) Because his mother slapped him

15. Who was the author of the Mahabharat ?

- (a) Tulsidas
- (b) Valmiki
- (c) Lord Ganesha
- (d) Ved Vyasa

16. "Preface to Mahabharata" is written by
- (a) Mahatma Gandhi
  - (b) Mulk Raj Anand
  - (c) R. K. Narayan
  - (d) C. Rajgopalachari
17. 'The Wonder That Was India' is written by :
- (a) A. L. Basham
  - (b) Narayan
  - (c) Jawahar Lal Nehru
  - (d) Rajaji

**Unseen Passage**—Read the passage below and answer the questions given related to the passage.

Tourists to Jammu Kashmir have another attraction — a floating post office on the Dal Lake Srinagar, the first in the country. "Floating Post Office", Dal Lake claimed to

be only one such post office in the world is build on an intricately carved maroon Houseboat, fastened on the western edge of the Dal Lake

This post office lets you avail of all regular postal services available in the country while being afloat. The seal used on everything posted from floating post office is unique — along with the date and address. It bears the design of a boatman rowing a Sikara on The Dal Lake.

This is actually a heritage post office that has existed since British time. The post office's houseboat has two small rooms one serves as the office and the other a small museum that traces the philatelic history of the state postal department. It has a shop that sells postage stamps and other products.

Rs. 1-2 crore is deposited per month in floating post office by commuters living in and around the Dal Lake

18. Where is the floating postal office situated ?

- (a) Jammu
- (b) Dal Lake
- (c) Gulmarg
- (d) Amritsar

19. The seal used in the post office bears the design of :

- (a) Shikara
- (b) Aeroplane
- (c) Ship
- (d) Bus

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20. The monthly deposit of the Floating Postal Office per month is :

- (a) 4-5 crore
- (b) 1-2 crore
- (c) 3-5 crore
- (d) 2-3 crore

21. Floating postal office existed since :

- (a) Vedic Times
- (b) Ashoka Times
- (c) British Times
- (d) Maurya Times

22. What is the color of the houseboat on which the Floating postal office is built ?

- (a) Red
- (b) Green
- (c) Maroon
- (d) Orange

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23. Floating post office is fastened on which edge of the Dal Lake ?

- (a) Eastern
- (b) Northern
- (c) Western
- (d) Southern

24. The Post Office's houseboat has three rooms.  
(True/False)

25. The Post office's houseboat has a small museum.  
(True/False)

### Basic Language Skills Grammar

26. Write the synonym of "Struggle" :

- (a) Fight
- (b) Face
- (c) Enemy
- (d) Defeat

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27. What is the opposite of the word 'Lovely' ?

- (a) Tall
- (b) Ugly
- (c) Beautiful
- (d) Small

28. The opposite of the word 'Support' is :

- (a) help
- (b) argue
- (c) oppose
- (d) return

29. Which prefix can be used with the following words 'take, chief, behave' ?

- (a) non
- (b) dis
- (c) in
- (d) mis

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30. Choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word "ability".

- (a) disability
- (b) inability
- (c) inactivity
- (d) feasibility

31. Which is.....longest river in India?

- (a) a
- (b) an
- (c) the
- (d) none of the above

32. He.....in Allahabad for five years.

- (a) lives
- (b) has been living
- (c) have been living
- (d) living

33. I.....a lot of work today.

- (a) do
- (b) did
- (c) have done
- (d) had done

34. Between you and.....

- (a) me
- (b) I
- (c) she
- (d) he

35. We enjoyed.....on the river.

- (a) ourself
- (b) oneself
- (c) ourselves
- (d) itself

36. I want to read.....more book.

- (a) the little
- (b) a little
- (c) some
- (d) any

37. She works.....

- (a) hard
- (b) hardly
- (c) easy
- (d) since

38. ....I go out, Sir ?

- (a) Can
- (b) Will
- (c) May
- (d) Should

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45. Give me.....milk.

- (a) any
- (b) few
- (c) some
- (d) no

46. Mumbai is.....big city.

- (a) the
- (b) a
- (c) an
- (d) none of the above

47. I did the job.....

- (a) ourself
- (b) himself
- (c) herself
- (d) myself

48. I will go.....Agra.

- (a) and
- (b) by
- (c) to
- (d) over

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49. He is coming.....monday  
~~(a)~~ on  
(b) in  
(c) under  
(d) upon
50. He failed.....he did not study  
(a) if  
~~(b)~~ because  
(c) but  
(d) and
51. ....us go to the garden.  
~~(a)~~ Let  
(b) We  
(c) You  
(d) An

52. He is blind.....his own fault.  
(a) with  
(b) to  
(c) of  
~~(d)~~ for

53. He failed five.....in B.A.  
(a) time  
~~(b)~~ times  
(c) timing  
(d) timed