

1. Which of these schools was the first to make faces and figures of the Buddha?
 - (a) Gandhara
 - (b) Mathura
 - (c) Pahari
 - (d) Malwa
2. India-UN Development Partnership Fund is being managed by
 - (a) United Nations Economic and Social Council (UNECOSCO)
 - (b) United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC)
 - (c) NITI Aayog and Ministry of Finance Jointly
 - (d) None of the above
3. The Chola ruler Karikala was known for
 1. Allying with the Cheras and the Pandays to create the "Great Southern Empire"
 2. Getting the Grand Anicut constructed which is still in use as one of the oldest water structures in the worldWhich of the above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) None
4. Consider the following: The Internet of things (IoT)
 1. is a network of physical devices
 2. Allows continuous data communication between connected entities
 3. Can reduce human intervention in management of complex systemsSelect the correct answer using the codes below.
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
5. Which of these were Kingdoms that ruled in the Deccan region of India?
 1. Vakatakas
 2. Chalukyas
 3. Dwamathas
 4. ChamangalasSelect the correct answer using the codes below.
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - (c) 1 and 4 only
 - (d) 2 and 4 only
6. How was the Kharoshthi script written?
 1. Right to left
 2. Left to right
 3. Upside down
 4. In capitalSelect the correct answer using the codes below.
 - (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 1 only
 - (c) 2 and 4 only
 - (d) 3 and 4 only

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
(c) 3 only (d) None of the above

13. Contour ploughing is done in order to

1. Let water freely flow along a slope of hill
2. Create furrows that reduces soil erosion

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None

14. Hathigumpha Inscription in a Jain cave at Udaigiri hills can potentially give us the details of the reign of

- (a) Kharavela (b) Vasudeva
(c) Chintakara (d) Nandivela

15. Who among the following are Religious reformers of the Medieval India?

1. Kabir
2. Guru Nanak
3. Mira Bai
4. Raskhan
5. Baba Amte

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

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

16. With reference to the School of International Biodesign, consider the following:

1. SIB is a flagship Program of the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) aimed to develop innovative and affordable medical devices as per India's unmet clinical needs.
2. It is implemented jointly at UNESCO MAB Programme and WWF India in collaboration with other International partners.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None

17. The Lomash Rishi and the Sudama caves are examples of

- (a) Buddhist caves created by the Satvahanas
(b) Rock cut cave architecture of the Maruyan period
(c) Artificial caves created under the reign of Guptas
(d) None of the above

18. The Buddha taught that suffering and unhappiness is caused because

1. We have cravings and desires which often cannot be fulfilled.
2. The basic condition of the existence of nature is suffering.
3. We do not practice immobile asceticism.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

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

19. With reference to the Conference of Parties (COP), consider the following statements.

1. It is the supreme decision-making body of the UNFCCC.
2. All States that are Parties to the Convention are represented at the COP.
3. COP reviews the implementation of the Convention and any other legal instruments that the COP adopts.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

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

20. Vedic (Shrauta) yajnas are typically performed by four priests of the Vedic priesthood: the hotar, the adhvaryu, the udgatar and the Brahmin. What are their respective roles?

1. The Hotri recites invocations and litanies drawn from the Rigveda.
2. The Udgatri is the superintendent of the entire performance.
3. The Brahmin is responsible for building the altar explained in the Yajurveda.
4. The Adhvaryu chants the introductory, accompanying and benediction hymns.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

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

ANSWER KEYS

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