

1. Find suitable replacement of the question mark.
3, 7, 23, 95, ?
A. 479
B. 134
C. 219
D. 575
2. If in a certain code language 'NEETA' is written as 'MVVGZ', then what word will be written for 'IZHSNR'?
A. RASHMI
B. KRISHN
C. KAVERI
D. GAUTAM
3. What does the term 'Cloud Computing' refer to?
A. Storing data only on personal computers
B. Weather forecasting systems
C. Using internet-based services for storage and computing
D. Computer networking
4. In a college election between two candidates, one candidate got 55% of the total valid votes. 15% of the votes were invalid. If the total votes were 15200, what is the number of valid votes the other candidate got?
A. 5814
B. 6842
C. 7100
D. 8350
5. Meaning of idiom "Break the ice"
A. Start conversation
B. Destroy something
C. Feel cold
D. Break rules
6. The SIR process being carried out by Election Commission of India stands for
A. Special Intensive Revision
B. Special Internal Revision
C. Special Intensive Research
D. Special Indian Revision
7. Full form of SGPA/CGPA
A. Semester Grade Point Average/ Cumulative Grade Point Average
B. Students Grade Point Average/ Cumulative Grade Point Average
C. Semester Grade Point Average/ Credits Grade Point Average
D. Students Grade Point Average/ Credits Grade Point Average
8. IISER Berhampur (established in 2016) was formally incorporated as an Institute of National Importance through the:
A. NITSER (Amendment) Act, 2012
B. NITSER (Amendment) Act, 2017
C. IISER Act, 2016
D. Finance Act, 2016

9. **As per the Act, the Annual Report of IISER is:**
- A. Kept confidential till approval of the Visitor's office is received.
 - B. Sent only to the state government
 - C. Published only on the website of IISER and a copy is sent to CAG.
 - D. First placed before the Board and thereafter laid before both Houses of Parliament
10. **A student takes three courses in a semester: 4 credits with grade point 9, 3 credits with grade point 8, and 3 credits with grade point 7. The SGPA is:**
- A. 8.0
 - B. 8.1
 - C. 8.5
 - D. 7.9
11. **In IISER academic system, the term "Relative grading" means:**
- A. Grades fixed against pre-announced absolute marks cut-offs
 - B. Grades given by comparing with the previous batch
 - C. Grades assigned by comparing with the normal distribution of marks
 - D. Grades awarded relative to the performance distribution of the class
12. **SAMARTH eGov has been developed by:**
- A. University of Delhi under the National Mission on Education through ICT (NMEICT), MoE
 - B. National Informatics Center (NIC).
 - C. UGC IT wing for uniform ERP system across the country. More than 1024 academic bodies have accepted this module.
 - D. NASSCOM ERP wing under the MoE project started in the year 2022, titled "NEP automation mission".
13. **The core module of NIC's e-Office that replaces physical file movement and noting is**
- A. e-Leave
 - B. eFile
 - C. e-Tour
 - D. KMS only
14. **"BPR" in the context of ERP implementation stands for:**
- A. Budgetary Payment Reconciliation
 - B. Backup Process Restoration
 - C. Business Process Re-engineering
 - D. Budgetary Planning Report
15. **The Registrar of IISER acts as Secretary of:**
- A. Board only
 - B. Senate only
 - C. Board and Senate only
 - D. Board, Senate and other committees as required
16. **What is true about Integrated PhD programme of IISER Berhampur?**
- A. It can only be done after doing one PhD programme
 - B. Student is provided both Master and PhD degree
 - C. It is integrated with Bachelor, Masters and PhD degree
 - D. There is no course work and only research work is to be done

17. **eSign facility in eOffice system developed by NIC would require**
A. Scanned signatures
B. Digital certificate pendrive
C. OTP with Aadhar integration
D. Signing with ePen
18. **As per the current DA rate, what is the rate of Deputation Allowance involving change of station?**
A. 5% of Basic Pay subject to a maximum of Rs. 4,500/- per month
B. 10% of Basic Pay subject to a maximum of Rs. 11,250/- per month
C. 12% of Basic Pay subject to a maximum of Rs. 6,500/- per month
D. 12.5% of Basic Pay subject to a maximum of Rs. 9,000/- per month
19. **What is the main objective of the SWAYAM initiative by the Indian government?**
A. To promote physical education
B. To provide affordable and quality education through MOOCs
C. To establish new universities
D. To enhance sports infrastructure
20. **Which of the following is NOT obliged to provide information under the RTI Act?**
A. Public sector undertaking
B. NGOs substantially financed by the government
C. Private companies receiving no government funding
D. Universities established by an Act of Parliament
21. **As per the DoPT guidelines, the benchmark for promotion to posts in Level 12 (pre-revised PB-3 GP 7600) and above of the pay matrix is:**
A. "Good"
B. "Average"
C. "Very Good"
D. "Outstanding"
22. **The zone of consideration for a DPC (selection method) when the number of vacancies for one is (as per standard norms):**
A. 3 officers
B. 7 officers
C. 5 officers
D. 10 officers
23. **Review DPC is convened when:**
A. Any officer requests reconsideration
B. The panel is exhausted
C. Two years pass since the last DPC
D. The original DPC committed procedural/factual error.
24. **Under FR 22(I)(a)(1), the option for pay fixation on promotion may be exercised:**
A. Within one month
B. Within three months
C. Within one year
D. Anytime

25. **A Government servant can't retain a lien on:**
A. Permanent Post
B. Tenure Post
C. Substantive Appointment
D. None of the above
26. **Commuted Leave not exceeding _____ days may be granted without medical certificate for an approved course of study.**
E. 60
F. 90
G. 180
H. 240
27. **Which leave is credited in advance every half year?**
A. HPL
B. EL
C. Both EL and HPL
D. None of the above
28. **Which CCS(Conduct) rule prohibits sexual harassment of women at the work place?**
A. Rule 3A
B. Rule 7
C. Rule 15
D. Rule 18
29. **During a second appeal before the Information Commission under Section 19(3), who bears the legal burden of proving that a denial of an RTI request was justified?**
A. The Appellant (Citizen)
B. The Central/State Information Commission
C. The Public Information Officer (PIO)
D. The First Appellate Authority (FAA)
30. **Journey by a circuitous route is:**
A. Fully reimbursable
B. Reimbursable by the shortest route only unless justified
C. Always prohibited
D. None of the above
31. **An employee travels by private taxi despite the availability of entitled public transport. What will be the amount of Reimbursement?**
A. Full amount
B. Restricted as per admissible entitlement
C. Double amount
D. No reimbursement in all cases
32. **Permissible period for retention accommodation on the event of retirement of the allottee is _____**
A. Six months on the normal licence fee.
B. Three months on the normal licence fee.
C. Two months on the normal licence fee.
D. One month on the normal licence fee.

33. **Special Allowance for Child Care for women with Disabilities shall be payable from the time of the Child's birth till the child is:**
- Two years old.
 - Three years old.
 - Four years old.
 - Five years old.
34. **Special Casual Leave can be granted for the following purposes**
- For taking part in cultural activities**
 - For family planning**
 - For union/ association activities**
 - For donating blood to recognized blood banks**
- Which one is true:**
- Only 2 & 4
 - Only 1, 2 & 4
 - All of the above
 - None of the above
35. **Please read the following statements and reply:**
- Leave is a matter of right for govt. servant**
 - Leave sanctioning authority can alter the kind of leave due and applied for**
 - Casual leave can be combined with any kind of leave**
- All statements as above are true
 - All statements as above are false
 - Only statements at (i) and (iii) are true
 - Only statements at (ii) and (iii) are true
36. **An employee and family undertake an LTC journey. The employee purchases tickets through an authorized mode but voluntarily chooses a substantially more expensive route because it provides a sightseeing opportunity. The shortest/ authorized route would have cost considerably less.**
- During settlement, the employee claims the entire fare actually paid.**
- What should the administration primarily examine?**
- Whether the employee has completed one year of service
 - Whether the entire journey was undertaken during sanctioned leave
 - Whether the fare claimed is admissible under LTC rules, including applicable travel route/class restrictions
 - Whether the employee personally financed the sightseeing portion
37. **Assertion (A): Deputation preserves lien.**
- Reason (R): Employee retains right to parent post.**
- Both true, R explains A
 - Both true, R not explanation
 - A true, R false
 - A false, R true
38. **An RTI applicant asks a public authority for information concerning a third party. The information contains personal details unrelated to any public activity. The CPIO believes disclosure may invade the third party's privacy.**
- What should the CPIO do?**
- Automatically disclose because the RTI Act overrides all confidentiality
 - Automatically reject every request involving a third party

- C. Examine the applicable exemption and public-interest provisions before deciding disclosure
 - D. Destroy the records to protect privacy
39. **A recruitment process has vacancies reserved for different categories. The selection committee proposes to fill an unfilled reserved vacancy with a candidate from another category simply because that candidate has higher marks. What must be examined first?**
- A. Only the candidate's marks
 - B. The applicable reservation, carry-forward/backlog and de-reservation provisions
 - C. The candidate's age
 - D. The preference of the selection committee
40. **Family for the purpose reservation under EWS:**
- A. Includes the person who seeks benefit of reservation
 - B. Does not include the person who seeks benefit of reservation
 - C. Includes the person who seeks benefit of reservation only if he is more than 25 years of age
 - D. Includes the person who seeks benefit of reservation only if he is married
41. **Assertion (A): Suspension is not a penalty under CCS (CCA). Reason (R): It is imposed only after completion of inquiry.**
- A. Both A and R true, R explains A
 - B. Both A and R true, R not explanation
 - C. A true, R false
 - D. A false, R true
42. **If a Government servant fails to submit the adjustment bill for an advance drawn for a contingent purpose along with the balance within 15 days upon the drawl of advance, how will it be recovered?**
- A. From Government servant's next salary (ies)
 - B. Government servant's GPF
 - C. Along with other loans of the Government servant
 - D. Government servant's retirement benefits
43. **An academic institute receives hundreds of RTI applications asking about its organizational structure, functions, duties, rules, procedures and categories of records. The administration wants to reduce repetitive RTI applications. What would be the most appropriate administrative approach?**
- A. Refuse all future RTI applications
 - B. Destroy old records after publication of annual reports
 - C. Strengthen suo motu disclosure under the RTI framework
 - D. Require applicants to obtain permission from the Director before filing RTI requests
44. **As per GFR, when should fixed assets be verified?**
- A. At least once in a biannual
 - B. At least once in a biennial
 - C. At least once in a month
 - D. At least once in a year

45. **Salary and pension payments of central government civil ministries are processed through PFMS-integrated systems such as:**
- A. e-HRMS only
 - B. Employees' salary module/EIS (Employee Information System) and pension via PARAS/Bhavishya integration
 - C. EPFO portal
 - D. institutional payroll software linked with TALLY
46. **The three traditional streams of CAG audit are:**
- A. Cash audit, bank audit, stock audit
 - B. Compliance audit, financial audit, and performance audit
 - C. Internal audit, external audit, concurrent audit
 - D. Pre-audit, post-audit, continuous audit
47. **In the audit process, an "Inspection Report" issued after local audit of an office:**
- A. Contains audit observations to which the auditee must respond; unsettled major paras may be processed into draft paragraphs for the Audit Report
 - B. This is sent to the internal auditor of the institute for obtaining the approval from the Director for its onward submission to the Board of Governors.
 - C. The auditee is asked to submit the same for the internal compliance.
 - D. The auditee is asked to submit the same for the financial compliance.
48. **Which method of depreciation is prescribed under the Ministry of Education (MoE) Uniform Accounting Formats for Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) for preparing the Statement of Accounts?**
- A. Written Down Value (WDV) Method
 - B. Sum of Years' Digits Method
 - C. Straight Line Method (SLM)
 - D. Annuity Method
49. **For complex Consultancy Services where quality is paramount (e.g., structural engineering design), QCBS is used. What is the maximum weightage allowed for the technical quality score under GFR?**
- A. 50%
 - B. 60%
 - C. 80%
 - D. 90%
50. **When a supplier delays delivery of goods beyond the contractually agreed schedule, Liquidated Damages (LD) are levied. According to standard procurement manuals and GFR guidelines, what is the standard upper ceiling for LD?**
- A. 2% of the contract value
 - B. 5% of the contract value
 - C. 25% of the contract value
 - D. 10% of the contract value
51. **Following recent amendments to the General Financial Rules (GFR), Global Tender Enquiries (GTE) cannot be floated by any Ministry or Department for tenders below a specific value without prior cabinet approval. What is this threshold limit?**
- A. Rs. 50 Crores
 - B. Rs. 100 Crores
 - C. Rs. 200 Crores
 - D. Rs. 500 Crores

52. Under Section 51 of the CGST Act, 2017, what is the threshold limit of the total value of supply (under a contract) exceeding which a specified person is required to deduct Tax Deducted at Source (TDS)?
- A. Rs. 2,50,000
 - B. Rs. 3,00,000
 - C. Rs. 3,50,000
 - D. Rs. 4,00,000
53. Which organisation under the Ministry of Finance administers, designs, and maintains the Public Financial Management System (PFMS) platform?
- A. National Informatics Centre (NIC)
 - B. Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
 - C. Controller General of Accounts (CGA)
 - D. Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG)
54. Assertion (A): GeM ensures transparency in procurement.
Reason (R): It eliminates human discretion entirely.
- A. Both true, R explains A
 - B. Both true, R not explanation
 - C. A true, R false
 - D. A false, R true
55. An employee having emoluments of Rs. 65000 is retiring after qualifying service of 25 years. What will be the maximum amount of pension admissible for commutation
- A. Rs. 32500
 - B. Rs. 20000
 - C. Rs. 13000
 - D. Rs. 6500
56. The establishment of GeM led to the closure of which central procurement organisation?
- A. Directorate General of Foreign Trade
 - B. Directorate General of Supplies & Disposals
 - C. Central Trading Corporation
 - D. Central Procurement Cell
57. Under the Public Procurement Policy for MSEs, 2012 (as amended in 2018), Central Ministries/Departments/CPSEs must procure what minimum percentage of annual procurement from Micro and Small Enterprises?
- A. 15%
 - B. 20%
 - C. 25%
 - D. 30%
58. The concept of the "Integrity Pact" in Indian public procurement is associated with guidelines issued by:
- A. NITI Aayog
 - B. Central Vigilance Commission
 - C. CAG
 - D. Ministry of Corporate Affairs

59. The threshold value for integrity pact in respect of procurement transactions/ contracts fixed by the Ministry of Education for its autonomous bodies is?
- Rs. 30 Lacs
 - Rs. 50 Lacs
 - Rs. 1 crore
 - Rs. 10 crores
60. A purchase committee drafts specifications for a specialized instrument by copying the exact model number, proprietary technology and unique features of one manufacturer's product without objective justification. What is the major procurement risk?
- The specification may unnecessarily restrict competition
 - The specification is always mandatory
 - Detailed specifications are prohibited
 - Procurement committees cannot prepare specifications
61. In which month is the Anti-Ragging Day/ Anti-Ragging Week observed in India?
- In August
 - In July
 - In February
 - In January
62. As per The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013; If a witness is found to have provided false evidence, what action can the Internal Committee or the Local Committee recommend to the employer of the witness?
- Remove the witness from all the future cases
 - Financial Penalty in the range of Rs. 10,000/- to Rs. 20,000/-
 - Recommend to the employer of the witness to take action in accordance with the provisions of the service rules applicable to the said witness
 - Requires a public apology from the witness
- Which of the option(s) is/are correct?
- Only (i)
 - Only (iii)
 - (i) and (ii)
 - (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)
63. Maternity leave not exceeding _____ may also be granted to a female Government servant (irrespective of the number of surviving children) during the entire service of that female Government in case of miscarriage including abortion on production of medical certificate.
- 1 month
 - 45 days
 - 15 days
 - 2 months

64. If for any reason, the Registrar is temporarily absent for a period _____, the Director may take over, or assign to any employee of the Institute, any of the functions of the Registrar as he or she deems fit:
- A. Not exceeding one month
 - B. Not exceeding fifteen days
 - C. Exceeding one month
 - D. Exceeding ninety days
65. Punishments that an institution may impose on a student found guilty of ragging include:
- A. Only a written warning
 - B. Only a monetary fine
 - C. Suspension/expulsion from the institution or hostel, withholding results/scholarship, debarring from exams, rustication, and even cancellation of admission
 - D. Community service only
66. The POSH Act, 2013 is based on guidelines laid down by the Supreme Court in which landmark case?
- A. Maneka Gandhi v. Union of India
 - B. Vishaka v. State of Rajasthan
 - C. Shayara Bano v. Union of India
 - D. Kesavananda Bharati v. State of Kerala
67. The new school curricular structure proposed by NEP 2020 is:
- A. 10+2+3+1
 - B. 6+3+3+2
 - C. 5+3+3+4
 - D. 5+4+3+3
68. As per NEP 2020, by 2030 the minimum degree qualification for school teaching will be:
- A. a 2-year B.Ed
 - B. a 4-year integrated B.Ed
 - C. a postgraduate degree in the subject with B.Ed.
 - D. a Ph.D for senior classes (without any B.Ed)
69. The National Research Foundation (NRF) envisaged in NEP 2020 was given statutory shape as:
- A. The National Research Foundation Act, 2021
 - B. The Central Research Foundation Act, 2020
 - C. The CRF an unit of CSIR
 - D. The Anusandhan National Research Foundation Act, 2023
70. The fourth vertical of HECI, alongside NHERC, NAC and HEGC, is:
- A. General Education Council
 - B. Curriculum Reforms Council
 - C. Faculty Development Council
 - D. Digital Education Council

71. **Under the National Credit Framework (NCrF)/NEP regime, one academic credit generally corresponds to:**
- A. 10 notional learning hours
 - B. 20 notional learning hours
 - C. 35 notional learning hours
 - D. 30 notional learning hours
72. **Which of the following statements is incorrect regarding the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) established under NEP 2020?**
- A. It is a digital repository that stores academic credits earned by students.
 - B. It directly awards degrees and diplomas to registered students.
 - C. It facilitates student mobility across different higher education institutions.
 - D. It supports the multiple entry and multiple exit system in degree courses.
73. **Can officers who are on deputation be considered for promotion by their parent cadre DPC?**
- A. No, deputationists lose their seniority in the parent cadre
 - B. Yes, but they must return on the day of the DPC meeting
 - C. Yes, they are considered in absentia if they are within the zone of consideration and meet the eligibility criterion.
 - D. No, they must be considered by the borrowing department
74. **A government-funded institution engages contractual workers through an agency. The institution argues that labour-law compliance is solely the contractor's responsibility. Which is the most appropriate approach?**
- A. The institution has no responsibility whatsoever
 - B. The institution should ensure contractual and statutory compliance applicable to the arrangement, including relevant obligations imposed on the principal employer/contracting entity
 - C. Labour laws do not apply to government-funded institutions
 - D. Only the workers are responsible for compliance
75. **The report of Complaints Committee established in each ministry or department or office for inquiring into complaints of sexual harassment is considered to be the**
- A. Inquiry report
 - B. Fact Finding Report
 - C. Disciplinary Authority report
 - D. Preliminary Inquiry Report