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Class 10 · General Knowledge Olympiad

Total questions	Total marks	Time	Negative marking
50	60	60 minutes	None

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Each question has four options, of which only one is correct. Mark your answer on the answer sheet. The Achievers Section carries higher marks per question. Your teacher has the answers.
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General Awareness

30 questions · 1 mark each · 30 marks

Q1. Which festival is known as the festival of lights?

(A) Eid (B) Holi (C) Christmas (D) Diwali

Q2. Which is the largest country in the world by area?

(A) Russia (B) India (C) China (D) Canada

Q3. Which country is known as the Land of the Rising Sun?

(A) Japan (B) Thailand (C) China (D) Nepal

Q4. What is the capital of West Bengal?

(A) Howrah (B) Siliguri (C) Kolkata (D) Durgapur

Q5. Who was the first woman Prime Minister of India?

(A) Sarojini Naidu (B) Indira Gandhi

(C) Pratibha Patil (D) Sucheta Kriplani

Q6. The Jnanpith Award is given for excellence in:

(A) Literature (B) Science (C) Films (D) Sport

Q7. Which city is known as the City of Joy?

(A) Kolkata (B) Hyderabad (C) Mumbai (D) Jaipur

Q8. The Eiffel Tower is in which city?

(A) London (B) Paris (C) Rome (D) Berlin

Q9. Who was the first Indian to travel into space?

(A) Sunita Williams (B) Vikram Sarabhai

(C) Kalpana Chawla (D) Rakesh Sharma

Q10. How many continents are there on Earth?

(A) Eight (B) Seven (C) Six (D) Five

Q11. The pyramids of Giza are in which country?

(A) Egypt (B) Iraq (C) Mexico (D) Greece

Q12. Who was the first Prime Minister of India?

(A) Mahatma Gandhi (B) Rajendra Prasad

(C) Sardar Patel (D) Jawaharlal Nehru

Q13. Which is the highest mountain peak in the world?

(A) K2 (B) Mount Everest

(C) Nanda Devi (D) Kanchenjunga

Q14. What is the currency of the United States of America?

(A) Pound (B) Yen (C) Euro (D) Dollar

Q15. Which festival marks the harvest season in Punjab?

(A) Onam (B) Pongal (C) Bihu (D) Baisakhi

Q16. Which is the largest hot desert in the world?

(A) The Gobi (B) The Sahara (C) The Thar (D) The Kalahari

Q17. Which is the largest island in the world?

(A) Greenland (B) Australia (C) Sri Lanka (D) Madagascar

Q18. How many players are there in a basketball team on the court?

(A) Seven (B) Five (C) Eleven (D) Six

Q19. Teachers' Day in India is celebrated on which date?

(A) 5 September (B) 2 October (C) 14 November (D) 15 August

Q20. Which is the national tree of India?

(A) Mango tree (B) Neem (C) Banyan (D) Peepal

Q21. What is the national animal of India?

(A) Elephant (B) Lion (C) Tiger (D) Peacock

Q22. Howrah Bridge stands over which river?

(A) The Hooghly (B) The Ganga at Patna

(C) The Damodar (D) The Yamuna

Q23. Who wrote the book 'The Discovery of India'?

(A) Sarojini Naidu (B) Rabindranath Tagore

(C) Jawaharlal Nehru (D) Mahatma Gandhi

Q24. The Sundarbans, famous for mangrove forests and tigers, lie mainly in which state?

(A) West Bengal (B) Kerala (C) Odisha (D) Gujarat

Q25. The Gateway of India is located in which city?

(A) Mumbai (B) Goa (C) Chennai (D) Kolkata

Q26. Which Indian city is famous for the Taj Mahal?

(A) Jaipur (B) Delhi (C) Lucknow (D) Agra

Q27. On which date does India celebrate Republic Day?

(A) 26 January (B) 15 August (C) 5 September (D) 2 October

Q28. How many players of one team take the field in a cricket match?

(A) Twelve (B) Eleven (C) Ten (D) Nine

Q29. Major Dhyan Chand was a famous player of which sport?

(A) Tennis (B) Hockey (C) Cricket (D) Badminton

Q30. Which is the longest river in India?

(A) The Yamuna (B) The Godavari (C) The Narmada (D) The Ganga

Current Affairs

10 questions · 1 mark each · 10 marks

Q31. Two State governments disagree over their boundary. Which court can hear such an inter-state dispute at the highest level?

(A) High Court of one State (B) Supreme Court of India

(C) Gram Nyayalaya (D) District Court

Q32. A school reads the Preamble on Constitution Day. What does this observance mainly mark?

(A) Independence from British rule (B) Constitution coming into force

(C) Adoption of the Constitution (D) First general election in India

Q33. A government school makes one religious prayer compulsory for every student. Which constitutional idea is most clearly at risk?

(A) Social justice (B) Secularism

(C) Federalism (D) Universal franchise

Q34. The Union Council of Ministers loses a no-confidence vote. Which body has directly withdrawn its support?

(A) Lok Sabha (B) Supreme Court

(C) Rajya Sabha (D) Election Commission

Q35. A newspaper is stopped by an official from printing peaceful criticism of a public policy. Which right is most directly involved?

(A) Right to constitutional remedies (B) Freedom to practise religion

(C) Freedom of speech and expression (D) Right against exploitation

Q36. During an election, a candidate gives voters gifts for promising votes. Which election principle is mainly violated?

(A) Universal adult franchise (B) Free and fair elections

(C) Secret ballot (D) Reserved constituencies

Q37. World Environment Day is observed on which date?

(A) 1 May (B) 22 April (C) 16 September (D) 5 June

Q38. Parliament amends the Constitution. Which reason can make the Supreme Court invalidate that amendment?

(A) It adds a new Schedule
(B) It changes Fundamental Duties
(C) It is passed by a large majority
(D) It damages the basic structure

Q39. At what age does an Indian citizen get the right to vote?

(A) 21 years
(B) 25 years
(C) 16 years
(D) 18 years

Q40. Who is the constitutional head of the Indian State?

(A) The Chief Minister
(B) The Speaker
(C) The President
(D) The Prime Minister

Life Skills

5 questions · 1 mark each · 5 marks

Q41. What should you do with a plastic bottle after use?

(A) Burn it
(B) Throw it in the river
(C) Put it in the recycling bin
(D) Leave it on the road

Q42. Which is the healthiest choice for a daily school snack?

(A) A fruit
(B) A bar of chocolate
(C) A packet of chips
(D) A fizzy drink

Q43. You do not understand something the teacher explained. What should you do?

(A) Politely ask the teacher to explain again
(B) Stay silent and guess in the exam
(C) Tell others the teacher is wrong
(D) Copy from a friend later

Q44. How can you save water at home?

(A) Close the tap while brushing your teeth
(B) Wash the car every day
(C) Leave the tap running
(D) Use a leaking tap without repairing it

Q45. You break a classmate’s pencil by accident. What should you do?

(A) Hide it
(B) Blame someone else
(C) Say nothing
(D) Say sorry and offer to replace it

Achievers Section

5 questions · 3 marks each · 15 marks

Q46. In a grassland food chain, grass → deer → tiger. If many deer disappear for a season, which short-term change is most likely?

(A) Grass increases; tigers lack prey
(B) Grass decreases; tigers lack prey
(C) Grass decreases; tigers gain prey
(D) Grass increases; tigers gain prey

Q47. Meera sails from Mumbai to Kochi, following India's west coast. If she faces the direction of travel, on which side will the Indian mainland be?

(A) Directly behind her
(B) Straight ahead of her
(C) On her left side
(D) On her right side

Q48. It is June. A student in India says the Sun's direct rays are moving towards the Tropic of Cancer. Which place is entering winter at the same time?

(A) Delhi (B) Tokyo (C) Cairo (D) Sydney

Q49. A runner's breathing becomes faster near the finish line. Which need explains both faster breathing and a quicker pulse?

(A) More oxygen for muscle respiration (B) More nitrogen for muscle repair

(C) Less glucose for muscle respiration (D) More carbon dioxide for muscle energy

Q50. Hot oil in a pan catches fire. The flame is small, and an adult is nearby. Which first action is safest?

(A) Fan the flame with cloth (B) Switch off heat and cover pan

(C) Carry the pan outdoors (D) Pour water into the oil

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