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Class 8 · 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. What is the currency of the United Kingdom?

(A) Euro (B) Franc
(C) Pound sterling (D) Dollar

Q2. Which is the largest hot desert in the world?

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

Q3. The Eiffel Tower is in which city?

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

Q4. How many days are there in a leap year?

(A) 365 (B) 367 (C) 366 (D) 364

Q5. Which is the largest ocean in the world?

(A) The Pacific Ocean (B) The Atlantic Ocean
(C) The Indian Ocean (D) The Arctic Ocean

Q6. What is the national bird of India?

(A) Peacock (B) Parrot (C) Sparrow (D) Eagle

Q7. Which Indian city is famous for the Taj Mahal?

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

Q8. Which is the deepest ocean trench in the world?

(A) The Sunda Trench (B) The Puerto Rico Trench
(C) The Mariana Trench (D) The Java Trench

Q9. Who was the first Prime Minister of India?

(A) Jawaharlal Nehru (B) Mahatma Gandhi

(C) Sardar Patel (D) Rajendra Prasad

Q10. How many players are there in a football team on the field?

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

Q11. Which line divides the Earth into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres?

(A) The Tropic of Cancer (B) The Prime Meridian

(C) The Equator (D) The Arctic Circle

Q12. Which is the national fruit of India?

(A) Apple (B) Banana (C) Orange (D) Mango

Q13. Children's Day in India is celebrated on which date?

(A) 26 January (B) 5 September (C) 14 November (D) 1 June

Q14. Which is the largest island in the world?

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

Q15. Who is known as the Father of the Nation in India?

(A) Subhas Chandra Bose (B) Jawaharlal Nehru

(C) Sardar Patel (D) Mahatma Gandhi

Q16. Which mountain range lies to the north of India?

(A) The Western Ghats (B) The Aravallis

(C) The Himalayas (D) The Vindhyas

Q17. Which is the highest civilian award of India?

(A) Padma Shri (B) Bharat Ratna

(C) Arjuna Award (D) Param Vir Chakra

Q18. How many coloured bands does the Indian national flag have?

(A) Five (B) Two (C) Four (D) Three

Q19. What is the currency of the United States of America?

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

Q20. Which country is known as the Land of the Rising Sun?

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

Q21. Durga Puja is celebrated most grandly in which state?

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

Q22. What is the capital of West Bengal?

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

Q23. Which country gifted the Statue of Liberty to the United States?

(A) Spain (B) Britain (C) Italy (D) France

Q24. What is the national flower of India?

(A) Lotus (B) Rose (C) Marigold (D) Sunflower

Q25. What is the currency of Japan?

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

Q26. Which is the largest country in the world by area?

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

Q27. On which date does India celebrate Republic Day?

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

Q28. Which festival marks the harvest season in Punjab?

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

Q29. Who wrote the book ‘The Discovery of India’?

(A) Jawaharlal Nehru (B) Rabindranath Tagore

(C) Mahatma Gandhi (D) Sarojini Naidu

Q30. The Great Wall is in which country?

(A) Japan (B) Mongolia (C) China (D) Korea

Current Affairs

10 questions · 1 mark each · 10 marks

Q31. The Indian Parliament has how many houses?

(A) Three (B) Two (C) One (D) Four

Q32. A student says, 'Parliament can pass any law, even one against Fundamental Rights.' Which power checks this claim?

(A) Coalition government (B) Judicial review

(C) Question Hour (D) Universal adult franchise

Q33. Rohan claims every state capital lies inside that state. Which example shows his rule fails?

(A) Dispur for Assam (B) Jaipur for Rajasthan

(C) Bhopal for Madhya Pradesh (D) Chandigarh for Punjab and Haryana

Q34. A Union minister proposes spending public money from the budget. Which institution must authorise it through the budget process?

(A) Finance Commission (B) Parliament

(C) Supreme Court (D) Election Commission

Q35. When no party has a clear Lok Sabha majority, whom should the President invite to become Prime Minister?

(A) Leader with most Rajya Sabha seats (B) Leader chosen by the Chief Justice

(C) Leader with most state MLAs (D) Leader who can prove Lok Sabha majority

Q36. What is the lower house of the Indian Parliament called?

(A) Vidhan Sabha (B) Lok Sabha (C) Gram Sabha (D) Rajya Sabha

Q37. A school wants an independent body, not the ruling group, to supervise a mock election. Which Indian body plays this role in real elections?

(A) Comptroller and Auditor General
(B) Parliament of India
(C) Election Commission of India
(D) Supreme Court of India

Q38. What does ISRO stand for?

(A) Indian Science Research Office
(B) Indian Space Research Organisation
(C) Indian Satellite and Rocket Organisation
(D) International Space Research Organisation

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

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

Q40. A state wants to reorganise its police stations. Which government normally has authority over this subject?

(A) Union government
(B) Local government
(C) Election Commission
(D) State government

Life Skills

5 questions · 1 mark each · 5 marks

Q41. You find a wallet with money in the school corridor. What should you do?

(A) Keep the money
(B) Leave it on the floor
(C) Share it with friends
(D) Hand it to a teacher or the office

Q42. What should you do before crossing a road?

(A) Cross between parked cars
(B) Cross while using a phone
(C) Stop, look both ways and listen
(D) Run across quickly

Q43. A younger child has fallen and is crying. What is the kindest response?

(A) Laugh at the child
(B) Walk past
(C) Tell the child to be quiet
(D) Help the child up and call an adult

Q44. You break a classmate's pencil by accident. What should you do?

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

Q45. What should you do with a plastic bottle after use?

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

Achievers Section

5 questions · 3 marks each · 15 marks

Q46. A quiz asks which Indian city will generally see sunrise before the others because it is farthest east. Which should Anaya choose?

(A) Guwahati
(B) Patna
(C) Kolkata
(D) Itanagar

Q47. After snakes are removed from a field, rats increase and stored grain is damaged. Which link in the food chain was disturbed?

(A) Rats eating grain
(B) Owls eating snakes
(C) Snakes eating rats
(D) Grain feeding cattle

Q48. A bird must pull slippery fish from water without tearing flesh like a bird of prey. Which beak shape suits it best?

(A) Strong hooked beak
(B) Long pointed beak
(C) Short conical beak
(D) Broad flat beak

Q49. A small pan of burning cooking oil catches fire. Which action is safest because it cuts off oxygen?

(A) Carry the pan outside
(B) Cover with a metal lid
(C) Pour water from a jug
(D) Fan the pan strongly

Q50. At the Arctic Circle, winter can have very long nights, while the Equator does not. Which fact best explains this difference?

(A) Earth spins once a day
(B) Earth goes round the Sun
(C) Earth is slightly flattened
(D) Earth's axis is tilted

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