

Q1. Which contemporary astrophysicist hosted the reboot of 'Cosmos' and is known for popular science communication?

- ✓ **(A) Neil deGrasse Tyson**
- (B) Carl Sagan
- (C) Stephen Hawking
- (D) Brian Cox

Q2. A boat's speed is 12 km/h in still water and the stream flows at 3 km/h. Time to travel 45 km downstream is:

- (A) 2.5 hours
- ✓ **(B) 3 hours**
- (C) 3.75 hours
- (D) 5 hours

Q3. Which American astronaut became the first woman from the United States to travel to space?

- ✓ **(A) Sally Ride**
- (B) Valentina Tereshkova
- (C) Amelia Earhart
- (D) Mae Jemison

Q4. Which golf major championship is played annually at Augusta National Golf Club?

- ✓ **(A) The Masters**
- (B) The Open Championship
- (C) US Open (Golf)
- (D) PGA Championship

Q5. The sum of angles of a triangle is:

- (A) 90°
- ✓ **(B) 180°**
- (C) 270°
- (D) 360°

Q6. Which apartheid-era South African leader became the country's first Black president after apartheid ended?

- ✓ **(A) Nelson Mandela**
- (B) Desmond Tutu
- (C) F.W. de Klerk
- (D) Thabo Mbeki

Q7. Which two countries share the longest international border?

- (A) USA-Mexico
- (B) Russia-China
- ✓ **(C) USA-Canada**
- (D) India-Bangladesh

Q8. Who is regarded as the father of modern genetics through his work on pea plants?

- ✓ **(A) Gregor Mendel**
- (B) Charles Darwin
- (C) Louis Pasteur
- (D) James Watson

Q9. Which country's legislature includes the House of Representatives and the Senate, mirroring the US structure but distinct in composition?

- ✓ **(A) Australia, among other countries with similar bicameral structures**
- (B) Only the United States uses this structure
- (C) United Kingdom
- (D) Germany

Q10. 'Hardworking' students usually succeed. The underlined word is a/an:

- (A) Noun
- (B) Verb
- ✓ **(C) Adjective**
- (D) Adverb

Q11. The title 'Ghani' is associated with:

- ✓ **(A) Hazrat Usman (RA)**
- (B) Hazrat Ali (RA)
- (C) Hazrat Abu Bakr (RA)
- (D) Hazrat Saad (RA)

Q12. Which conflict-affected African region saw a temporary ceasefire coincide with Pope Leo XIV's 2026 visit to Cameroon?

- ✓ **(A) The Anglophone Crisis**
- (B) The Darfur conflict (a separate regional crisis)
- (C) The Tigray conflict (a separate regional crisis)
- (D) The Sahel insurgency (a separate regional crisis)

Q13. Gilgit-Baltistan was formerly known as:

- (A) FATA
- ✓ **(B) Northern Areas**
- (C) Azad Kashmir
- (D) Frontier Regions

Q14. The plural of 'child' is:

- (A) Childs
- (B) Childes
- ✓ **(C) Children**
- (D) Childrens

Q15. Which emerging computing paradigm uses quantum-mechanical phenomena to perform computations potentially far faster than classical computers for certain tasks?

- ✓ **(A) Quantum computing**
- (B) Cloud computing
- (C) Blockchain technology
- (D) Edge computing

Q16. Which basketball player holds the NBA's all-time career scoring record as of recent seasons?

- ✓ **(A) LeBron James**
- (B) Michael Jordan
- (C) Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
- (D) Kobe Bryant

Q17. Which Mother of the Believers narrated the largest number of Ahadith?

- (A) Hazrat Khadija (RA)
- (B) Hazrat Hafsa (RA)
- ✓ (C) **Hazrat Aisha (RA)**
- (D) Hazrat Zainab (RA)

Q18. Which historic Middle Eastern leader, Bashar al-Assad, was ousted from power after leading Syria for over two decades?

- ✓ (A) **Bashar al-Assad**
- (B) Hafez al-Assad (his father, an earlier leader)
- (C) Saddam Hussein (Iraq, not Syria)
- (D) Muammar Gaddafi (Libya, not Syria)

Q19. If she had studied hard, she _____ the examination.

- (A) will pass
- (B) would pass
- ✓ (C) **would have passed**
- (D) passed

Q20. Which US President served during the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962?

- ✓ (A) **John F. Kennedy**
- (B) Dwight Eisenhower
- (C) Lyndon Johnson
- (D) Richard Nixon

Q21. Moore's Law relates to:

- (A) Internet speed
- ✓ (B) **Doubling of transistors on chips**
- (C) Battery life
- (D) Software bugs

Q22. In which year did the Afghanistan war effectively conclude with the withdrawal of US-led forces and Taliban's return to power?

- ✓ (A) **2021**
- (B) 2001
- (C) 2015
- (D) 2010

Q23. A class has 40 students; 60% are boys. The number of girls is:

- (A) 12
- ✓ (B) **16**
- (C) 20
- (D) 24

Q24. He is senior _____ me.

- (A) than
- (B) from
- ✓ (C) **to**
- (D) over

Q25. The Sun produces its energy through:

- (A) Burning coal
- (B) Nuclear fission
- ✓ (C) **Nuclear fusion**
- (D) Chemical reactions

Q26. The HCF of two numbers is 6 and their LCM is 36. If one number is 12, the other is:

- (A) 16
- ✓ (B) **18**
- (C) 24
- (D) 30

Q27. IP address is used to:

- (A) Print documents
- ✓ (B) **Identify a device on a network**
- (C) Store passwords
- (D) Scan viruses

Q28. Who is the President of the United Arab Emirates?

- ✓ (A) **Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan**
- (B) Mohammed bin Salman (Saudi Arabia, not UAE)
- (C) Sheikh Tamim (Qatar, not UAE)
- (D) Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid (Dubai ruler, distinct role)

Q29. The first muezzin (caller to prayer) of Islam was:

- (A) Hazrat Umar (RA)
- ✓ (B) **Hazrat Bilal (RA)**
- (C) Hazrat Salman (RA)
- (D) Hazrat Zaid (RA)

Q30. ROM stands for:

- ✓ (A) **Read Only Memory**
- (B) Random Only Memory
- (C) Read Open Memory
- (D) Run On Memory

Q31. The Shalimar Gardens of Lahore were built by:

- (A) Babur
- (B) Akbar
- ✓ (C) **Shah Jahan**
- (D) Aurangzeb

Q32. Which ancient civilization built the pyramids of Giza?

- ✓ (A) **Ancient Egyptians**
- (B) Ancient Romans
- (C) Ancient Greeks
- (D) Ancient Persians

Q33. Which treaty formally ended World War I in 1919?

- ✓ (A) **Treaty of Versailles**
- (B) Treaty of Paris
- (C) Treaty of Westphalia
- (D) Treaty of Tordesillas

Q34. Which Indian independence leader is often referred to as 'Mahatma', meaning 'great soul'?

- ✓ **(A) Mahatma Gandhi**
- (B) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (C) Subhas Chandra Bose
- (D) Sardar Patel

Q35. The parliament of Iran is called the:

- (A) Duma
- (B) Knesset
- ✓ **(C) Majlis**
- (D) Diet

Q36. The idiom 'to bell the cat' means:

- (A) To keep a pet
- ✓ **(B) To take on a dangerous task for the group**
- (C) To make noise
- (D) To warn an enemy

Q37. Which major Asia-Pacific trade agreement, effective from 2022, includes China, Japan, South Korea, ASEAN countries, and others?

- ✓ **(A) Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)**
- (B) USMCA
- (C) CPTPP (a related but distinct agreement)
- (D) NAFTA

Q38. Which war, fought largely in the 1860s, was a major civil conflict in the United States over slavery and secession?

- ✓ **(A) American Civil War**
- (B) American Revolutionary War
- (C) War of 1812
- (D) Spanish-American War

Q39. What is the capital of India?

- (A) Mumbai
- ✓ **(B) New Delhi**
- (C) Kolkata
- (D) Bangalore

Q40. The first recipient of Nishan-e-Haider was:

- (A) Major Tufail
- ✓ **(B) Captain Sarwar**
- (C) Major Aziz Bhatti
- (D) Rashid Minhas

Q41. Which planet is closest to the Sun?

- (A) Venus
- ✓ **(B) Mercury**
- (C) Mars
- (D) Earth

Q42. The number 0.5×0.5 equals:

- (A) 0.10
- ✓ (B) **0.25**
- (C) 0.50
- (D) 1.00

Q43. In a star topology, all computers are connected to a:

- (A) Ring of cables
- ✓ (B) **Central hub or switch**
- (C) Single long cable
- (D) Satellite link

Q44. Which international body governs global football (soccer) and organizes the FIFA World Cup?

- ✓ (A) **FIFA**
- (B) IOC
- (C) ICC
- (D) World Athletics

Q45. The most abundant element in the Earth's crust is:

- (A) Silicon
- (B) Iron
- ✓ (C) **Oxygen**
- (D) Aluminium

Q46. Which city is called the 'City of Saints'?

- (A) Lahore
- ✓ (B) **Multan**
- (C) Uch Sharif
- (D) Sehwan

Q47. The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) is headquartered in:

- (A) Geneva
- ✓ (B) **Vienna**
- (C) Paris
- (D) Brussels

Q48. Two bells ring every 12 and 18 minutes. If they ring together now, they will next ring together after:

- (A) 24 minutes
- (B) 30 minutes
- ✓ (C) **36 minutes**
- (D) 72 minutes

Q49. Choose the antonym of 'Ascend':

- (A) Climb
- (B) Rise
- ✓ (C) **Descend**
- (D) Mount

Q50. Which UK Prime Minister holds the record for the shortest premiership in British history, lasting just 49 days?

- ✓ **(A) Liz Truss**
- (B) Boris Johnson
- (C) Rishi Sunak
- (D) Theresa May