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**Section A: General Knowledge**

1. What is the capital of France?
  - A) Paris
  - B) London
  - C) Rome
  - D) Berlin
2. Who wrote "Romeo and Juliet"?
  - A) William Shakespeare

- B) Charles Dickens
  - C) J.K. Rowling
  - D) Mark Twain
3. Which planet is known as the Red Planet?
- A) Mars
  - B) Venus
  - C) Jupiter
  - D) Saturn
4. What is the largest mammal in the world?
- A) Elephant
  - B) Blue Whale
  - C) Giraffe
  - D) Rhinoceros
5. How many continents are there on Earth?
- A) 5
  - B) 6
  - C) 7
  - D) 8
6. What is the boiling point of water in degrees Celsius?
- A) 90
  - B) 100
  - C) 110
  - D) 120
7. What currency is used in Japan?
- A) Yen
  - B) Dollar
  - C) Euro
  - D) Pound
8. Who is known as the Father of the Nation in India?
- A) Jawaharlal Nehru
  - B) Mahatma Gandhi
  - C) Subhas Chandra Bose
  - D) Sardar Patel
9. What is the hardest natural substance on Earth?
- A) Gold
  - B) Diamond
  - C) Iron
  - D) Platinum
10. Which ocean is the largest?
- A) Atlantic Ocean
  - B) Indian Ocean
  - C) Arctic Ocean
  - D) Pacific Ocean
11. Who painted the Mona Lisa?
- A) Vincent van Gogh
  - B) Pablo Picasso
  - C) Leonardo da Vinci
  - D) Claude Monet
12. What is the main ingredient in guacamole?
- A) Tomato

- B) Avocado
  - C) Onion
  - D) Pepper
13. Which animal is known as the "King of the Jungle"?
- A) Elephant
  - B) Tiger
  - C) Lion
  - D) Bear
14. What is the largest organ in the human body?
- A) Heart
  - B) Liver
  - C) Skin
  - D) Lungs
15. What is the symbol for gold on the periodic table?
- A) Au
  - B) Ag
  - C) Pb
  - D) Fe
16. Which country is known as the Land of the Rising Sun?
- A) China
  - B) Japan
  - C) South Korea
  - D) Thailand
17. What is the official language of Brazil?
- A) Spanish
  - B) Portuguese
  - C) French
  - D) English
18. What is the name of the galaxy that contains our Solar System?
- A) Andromeda
  - B) Milky Way
  - C) Whirlpool
  - D) Triangulum
19. How many days are there in a leap year?
- A) 364
  - B) 365
  - C) 366
  - D) 367
20. Who discovered penicillin?
- A) Alexander Fleming
  - B) Louis Pasteur
  - C) Marie Curie
  - D) Albert Einstein

## Section B: Scientific Knowledge

1. What is the chemical symbol for water?
- A) CO<sub>2</sub>

- B) H<sub>2</sub>O
  - C) O<sub>2</sub>
  - D) NaCl
2. What planet is known as the "Earth's Twin"?
    - A) Mars
    - B) Venus
    - C) Jupiter
    - D) Saturn
  3. What is the basic unit of life?
    - A) Atom
    - B) Molecule
    - C) Cell
    - D) Tissue
  4. What force keeps us on the ground?
    - A) Magnetism
    - B) Gravity
    - C) Friction
    - D) Electricity
  5. What is the process by which plants make their food?
    - A) Respiration
    - B) Photosynthesis
    - C) Digestion
    - D) Transpiration
  6. What part of the cell contains genetic material?
    - A) Cytoplasm
    - B) Mitochondria
    - C) Nucleus
    - D) Ribosome
  7. Which planet has the most moons?
    - A) Earth
    - B) Mars
    - C) Jupiter
    - D) Saturn
  8. What is the hardest substance in the human body?
    - A) Bone
    - B) Enamel
    - C) Cartilage
    - D) Muscle
  9. What does DNA stand for?
    - A) Deoxyribonucleic Acid
    - B) Ribonucleic Acid
    - C) Deoxyribonucleic Base
    - D) Ribonucleic Base
  10. How many senses do humans have?
    - A) 4
    - B) 5
    - C) 6
    - D) 7
  11. What is the smallest unit of an element?
    - A) Molecule

- B) Atom
  - C) Ion
  - D) Neutron
12. What is the chemical symbol for gold?
- A) Ag
  - B) Au
  - C) Pb
  - D) Fe
13. What is the process by which a caterpillar becomes a butterfly called?
- A) Metamorphosis
  - B) Photosynthesis
  - C) Respiration
  - D) Digestion
14. What is the main source of energy for Earth?
- A) Moon
  - B) Stars
  - C) Sun
  - D) Wind
15. What organ in the human body is primarily responsible for pumping blood?
- A) Liver
  - B) Lungs
  - C) Heart
  - D) Kidneys
16. What element is the most abundant in the Earth's crust?
- A) Iron
  - B) Silicon
  - C) Oxygen
  - D) Calcium
17. What is the process by which rocks are broken down by natural forces?
- A) Erosion
  - B) Sedimentation
  - C) Compaction
  - D) Melting
18. What gas do plants absorb from the air during photosynthesis?
- A) Oxygen
  - B) Nitrogen
  - C) Carbon Dioxide
  - D) Hydrogen
19. What is the chemical formula for table salt?
- A)  $\text{NaHCO}_3$
  - B)  $\text{NaCl}$
  - C)  $\text{KCl}$
  - D)  $\text{CaCO}_3$
20. Which planet is known for its rings?
- A) Jupiter
  - B) Saturn
  - C) Uranus
  - D) Neptune

## Section C: Indian History

1. Who was the first President of India?
  - A) Jawaharlal Nehru
  - B) Rajendra Prasad
  - C) Sardar Patel
  - D) B.R. Ambedkar
2. Who is known as the "Iron Man of India"?
  - A) Mahatma Gandhi
  - B) Subhas Chandra Bose
  - C) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
  - D) Jawaharlal Nehru
3. In which year did India gain independence from British rule?
  - A) 1942
  - B) 1947
  - C) 1950
  - D) 1952
4. Who was the founder of the Maurya Empire?
  - A) Ashoka
  - B) Chandragupta Maurya
  - C) Akbar
  - D) Harsha
5. Which Indian leader is known for his role in the Non-Cooperation Movement?
  - A) Bhagat Singh
  - B) Lala Lajpat Rai
  - C) Mahatma Gandhi
  - D) Jawaharlal Nehru
6. What is the name of the Indian parliament building?
  - A) Rashtrapati Bhavan
  - B) India Gate
  - C) Lok Sabha
  - D) Rajya Sabha
7. Who wrote the Indian national song "Vande Mataram"?
  - A) Rabindranath Tagore
  - B) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
  - C) Subhas Chandra Bose
  - D) Kavi Pradeep
8. What was the name of the movement led by Gandhi to oppose British salt tax?
  - A) Quit India Movement
  - B) Civil Disobedience Movement
  - C) Salt March
  - D) Non-Cooperation Movement
9. Who was the last Governor-General of independent India?
  - A) Lord Mountbatten
  - B) Rajendra Prasad
  - C) C. Rajagopalachari
  - D) Jawaharlal Nehru
10. Which Indian ruler was known for his promotion of Buddhism and spread of peace?
  - A) Akbar
  - B) Ashoka

- C) Chandragupta Maurya  
D) Aurangzeb
11. Who was the first woman Prime Minister of India?  
A) Indira Gandhi  
B) Sarojini Naidu  
C) Pratibha Patil  
D) Meira Kumar
12. What was the main objective of the Indian National Congress when it was founded in 1885?  
A) To establish a Hindu nation  
B) To seek self-governance and reforms  
C) To support British colonial rule  
D) To promote regional languages
13. Who is known for the "Dandi March"?  
A) Jawaharlal Nehru  
B) Mahatma Gandhi  
C) Subhas Chandra Bose  
D) Bhagat Singh
14. Which Indian leader is associated with the "Jallianwala Bagh Massacre"?  
A) Lord Curzon  
B) General Dyer  
C) Jawaharlal Nehru  
D) Sardar Patel
15. What was the primary aim of the Swadeshi Movement?  
A) To promote British goods  
B) To boycott foreign goods  
C) To support British education  
D) To promote regional languages
16. Which Indian king is known for his contributions to literature and administration during the Gupta period?  
A) Ashoka  
B) Chandragupta I  
C) Samudragupta  
D) Harsha
17. Who was the founder of the Sikh religion?  
A) Guru Nanak  
B) Guru Gobind Singh  
C) Guru Arjan Dev  
D) Guru Teg Bahadur
18. What was the main reason behind the Partition of India in 1947?  
A) Economic issues  
B) Political disagreements  
C) Religious differences  
D) Regional conflicts
19. Who led the Chauri Chaura incident during the Non-Cooperation Movement?  
A) Bhagat Singh  
B) Chandrasekhar Azad  
C) Subhas Chandra Bose  
D) Mahatma Gandhi
20. Which Indian leader was known for his role in the fight against untouchability?

- A) B.R. Ambedkar
  - B) Mahatma Gandhi
  - C) Jawaharlal Nehru
  - D) Sardar Patel
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## Section D: World Sports

1. In which sport would you perform a slam dunk?
  - A) Football
  - B) Basketball
  - C) Tennis
  - D) Baseball
2. Who holds the record for the most goals in a single World Cup tournament?
  - A) Diego Maradona
  - B) Lionel Messi
  - C) Miroslav Klose
  - D) Just Fontaine
3. What is the name of the tournament played between tennis players on grass courts in England?
  - A) French Open
  - B) Australian Open
  - C) Wimbledon
  - D) US Open
4. In which sport is the Ryder Cup contested?
  - A) Golf
  - B) Tennis
  - C) Cricket
  - D) Rugby
5. Which country has won the most FIFA World Cup titles?
  - A) Germany
  - B) Brazil
  - C) Italy
  - D) Argentina
6. What sport is known as the "king of sports"?
  - A) Basketball
  - B) Football (Soccer)
  - C) Cricket
  - D) Baseball
7. How many players are there on a standard soccer team on the field?
  - A) 7
  - B) 9
  - C) 11
  - D) 13
8. Who is known as the fastest man in the world?
  - A) Usain Bolt
  - B) Carl Lewis
  - C) Justin Gatlin
  - D) Michael Johnson



9. In which sport would you find a player using a shuttlecock?
- A) Tennis
  - B) Squash
  - C) Badminton
  - D) Volleyball
10. What is the maximum number of rounds in a standard boxing match?
- A) 10
  - B) 12
  - C) 15
  - D) 20
11. What is the name of the championship series in Major League Baseball?
- A) World Series
  - B) Super Bowl
  - C) Stanley Cup
  - D) NBA Finals
12. In which sport is the term "hole-in-one" used?
- A) Tennis
  - B) Golf
  - C) Bowling
  - D) Soccer
13. Who is considered the greatest swimmer of all time, with multiple Olympic gold medals?
- A) Michael Phelps
  - B) Ian Thorpe
  - C) Mark Spitz
  - D) Ryan Lochte
14. What is the length of a marathon race?
- A) 21 kilometers
  - B) 42 kilometers
  - C) 50 kilometers
  - D) 60 kilometers
15. Which sport involves a "puck"?
- A) Ice Hockey
  - B) Cricket
  - C) Baseball
  - D) Rugby
16. What is the term for a perfect score in ten-pin bowling?
- A) Strike
  - B) Spare
  - C) Turkey
  - D) 300
17. Which sport is associated with the Tour de France?
- A) Running
  - B) Cycling
  - C) Swimming
  - D) Rowing
18. How many points is a touchdown worth in American football?
- A) 3
  - B) 6
  - C) 7

- D) 10
19. What is the name of the competition where athletes compete in a series of track and field events?
- A) Decathlon
  - B) Pentathlon
  - C) Heptathlon
  - D) Triathlon
20. In which sport would you use a "racquet" to hit a "shuttlecock"?
- A) Tennis
  - B) Badminton
  - C) Squash
  - D) Table Tennis
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### Section E: World History

1. Who was the first President of the United States?
- A) George Washington
  - B) Thomas Jefferson
  - C) Abraham Lincoln
  - D) John Adams
2. What was the main purpose of the Great Wall of China?
- A) To protect against invasions
  - B) To mark boundaries
  - C) To serve as a trade route
  - D) To showcase wealth
3. Who was the leader of the Soviet Union during World War II?
- A) Vladimir Lenin
  - B) Nikita Khrushchev
  - C) Joseph Stalin
  - D) Mikhail Gorbachev
4. What ancient civilization built the pyramids?
- A) Greeks
  - B) Romans
  - C) Egyptians
  - D) Babylonians
5. Who was the first man to step on the Moon?
- A) Neil Armstrong
  - B) Buzz Aldrin
  - C) Yuri Gagarin
  - D) Michael Collins
6. In which country did the Renaissance begin?
- A) France
  - B) Germany
  - C) Italy
  - D) Spain
7. What was the name of the ship that carried the Pilgrims to America in 1620?
- A) Mayflower
  - B) Santa Maria

- C) Nina  
D) Pinta
8. Who was the famous queen of ancient Egypt known for her beauty?  
A) Cleopatra  
B) Nefertiti  
C) Hatshepsut  
D) Merneith
9. What event began on July 28, 1914?  
A) World War I  
B) World War II  
C) The Cold War  
D) The Great Depression
10. Who was the famous leader of the Indian independence movement who promoted nonviolent resistance?  
A) Jawaharlal Nehru  
B) Bhagat Singh  
C) Mahatma Gandhi  
D) Subhas Chandra Bose
11. What was the primary cause of the fall of the Roman Empire?  
A) Economic troubles  
B) Natural disasters  
C) Invasions by barbarian tribes  
D) Civil wars
12. Who wrote "The Prince," a political treatise on ruling and power?  
A) Niccolò Machiavelli  
B) Thomas Hobbes  
C) John Locke  
D) Montesquieu
13. What was the name of the series of military campaigns in the 11th century aimed at recapturing the Holy Land?  
A) The Crusades  
B) The Reconquista  
C) The Inquisition  
D) The Hundred Years' War
14. Who was the famous Mongol leader who established the Yuan Dynasty in China?  
A) Kublai Khan  
B) Genghis Khan  
C) Tamerlane  
D) Attila the Hun
15. Which famous historical figure is known for his role in the American Civil Rights Movement?  
A) Martin Luther King Jr.  
B) Malcolm X  
C) Rosa Parks  
D) Frederick Douglass
16. Who was the British Prime Minister during World War II?  
A) Winston Churchill  
B) Neville Chamberlain  
C) Margaret Thatcher  
D) Tony Blair

17. What empire was ruled by Alexander the Great?
- A) Roman Empire
  - B) Byzantine Empire
  - C) Macedonian Empire
  - D) Ottoman Empire
18. What was the name of the 16th-century religious movement that led to the creation of Protestant churches?
- A) The Reformation
  - B) The Enlightenment
  - C) The Renaissance
  - D) The Counter-Reformation
19. Who was the first Emperor of China?
- A) Qin Shi Huang
  - B) Liu Bang
  - C) Han Wudi
  - D) Sun Yat-sen
20. What was the name of the economic crisis that began in 1929 and led to worldwide economic hardship?
- A) The Great Depression
  - B) The Great Recession
  - C) The Long Depression
  - D) The Panic of 1907
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