

**INTERNATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION  
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**CLASS – VIII**

**SUBJECT – GENERAL KNOWLEDGE**

**1. Name the India's first mission to the Moon.**

- A) Rohini**
- B) Aryabhata**
- C) Chandrayan-1**
- D) Bhaskar**
- E) None of these**

**2. Which one of the following is the first country to issue paper currency?**

- A) India**
- B) USA**
- C) China**
- D) Russia**
- E) None of these**

**3. Which organ of the United Nations has suspended its operations since 1994?**

- A) Economic and Social Council**
- B) Trusteeship Council**
- C) Secretariat**
- D) International Court of Justice**
- E) None of these**

**4. Name the author of the book "Half a Life"?**

- A) J.L. Nehru**
- B) Mahatama Gandhi**
- C) V.S. Naipaul**
- D) L.K. Advani**
- E) None of these**

**5. Which article of the Indian Constitution gives its people the Right to Equality before law?**

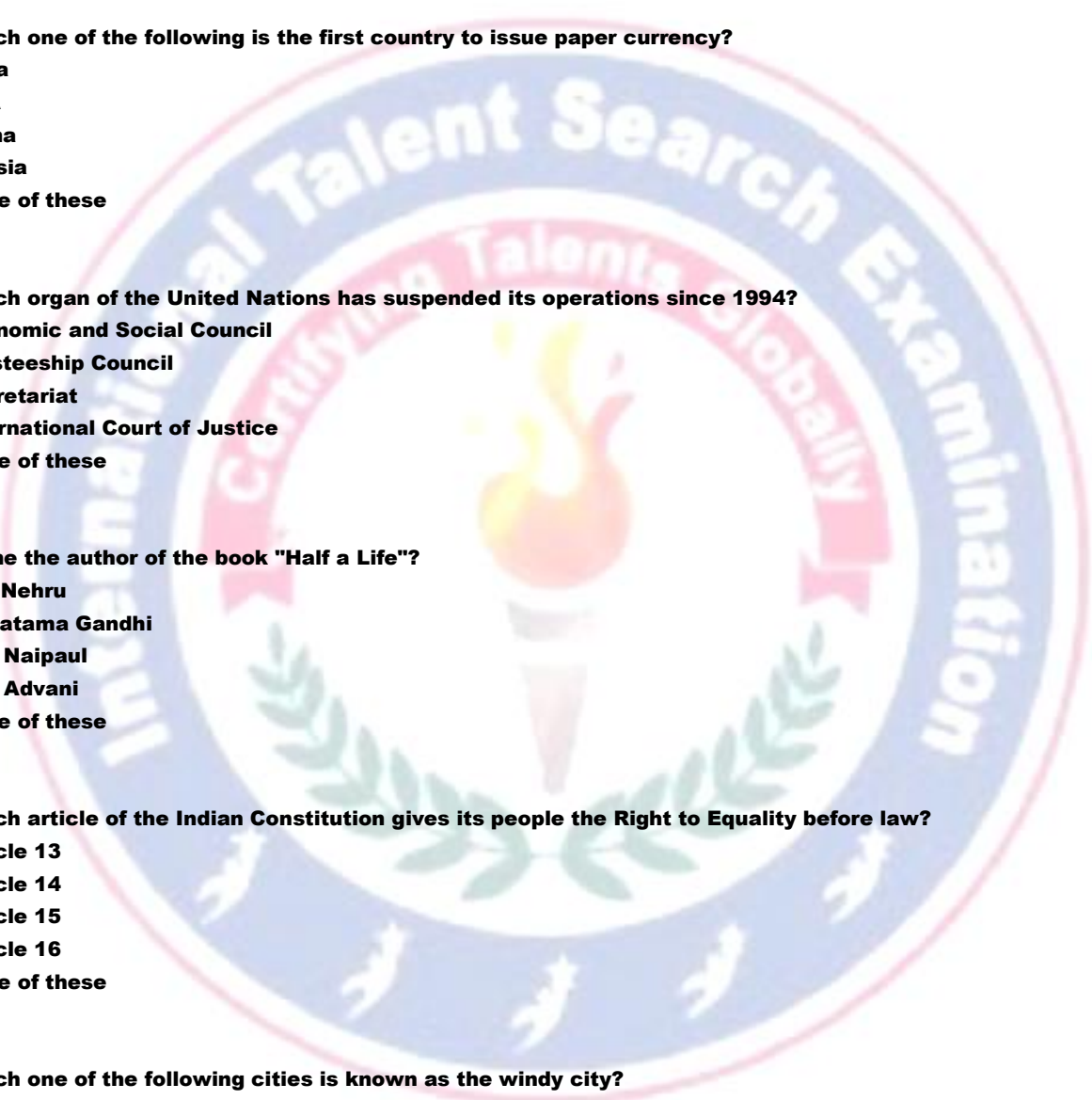
- A) Article 13**
- B) Article 14**
- C) Article 15**
- D) Article 16**
- E) None of these**

**6. Which one of the following cities is known as the windy city?**

- A) Chicago**
- B) Adelaide**
- C) Melbourne**
- D) Sydney**
- E) None of these**

**7. The war between Russia and Japan for the control of Manchuria and Korea is known as Russo-Japanese War. In which year it took place?**

- A) 1904-05**



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- B) 1914-18**
- C) 1931-33**
- D) 1939-45**
- E) None of these**

**8. The Battle of Plassey was fought between Nawab Siraj-ud-Daulah and the British East India Company in the year:**

- A) 1787**
- B) 1757**
- C) 1761**
- D) 1770**
- E) None of these**

**9. A severe earthquake followed by tsunami devastated which one of the following countries in the month of March 2011?**

- A) Nepal**
- B) India**
- C) Japan**
- D) Indonesia**
- E) None of these**

**10. Albert Einstein was awarded Nobel Prize for his path breaking research and formulation of the:**

- A) Theory of Relativity**
- B) Principle of Wave Particle Duality**
- C) Theory of Critical Opalescence**
- D) Laws of Photo-Electric Effect**
- E) None of these**

**11. To produce Geothermal Energy which of the following is used?**

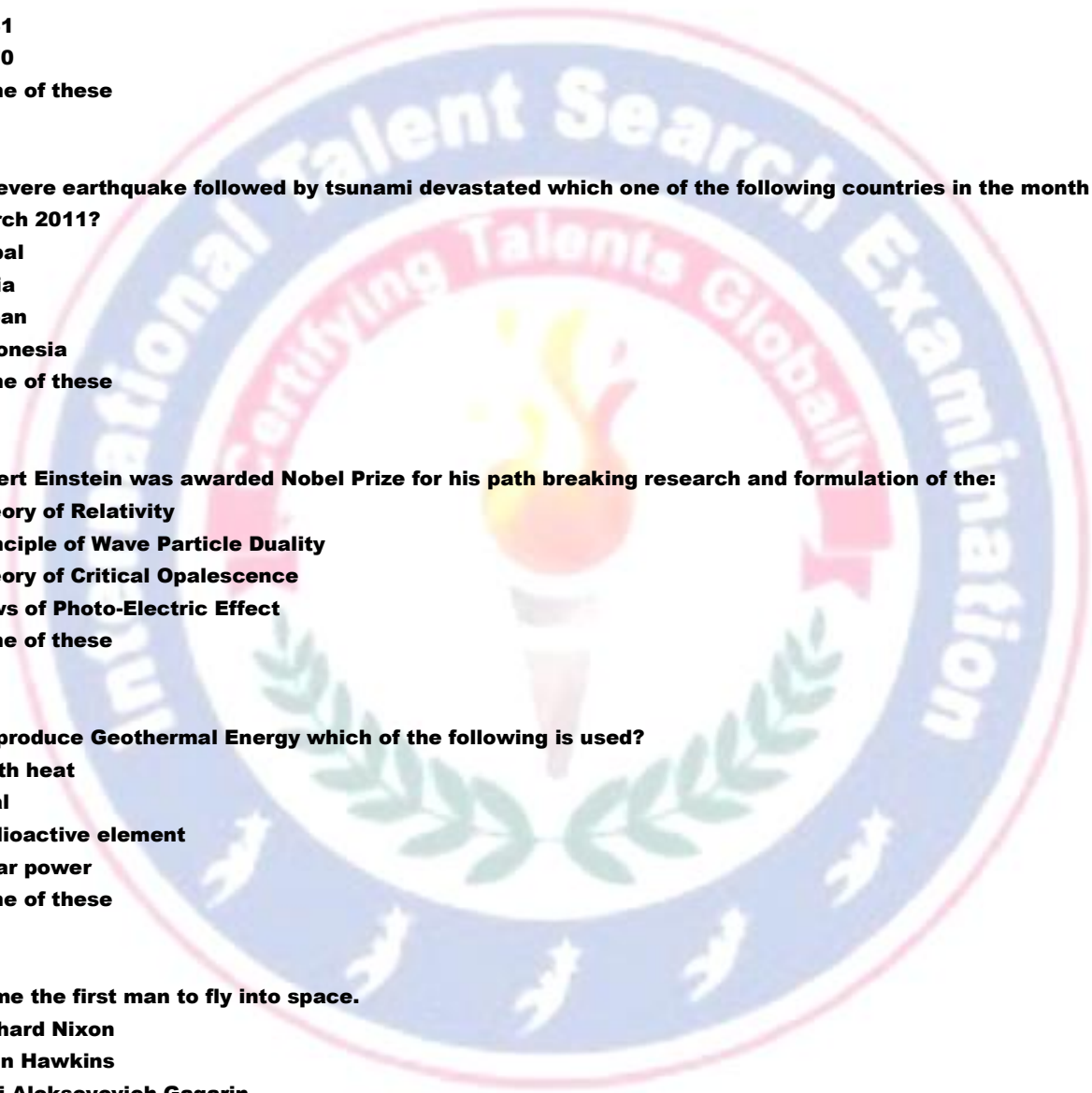
- A) Earth heat**
- B) Coal**
- C) Radioactive element**
- D) Solar power**
- E) None of these**

**12. Name the first man to fly into space.**

- A) Richard Nixon**
- B) John Hawkins**
- C) Yuri Alekseyevich Gagarin**
- D) Rakesh Sharma**
- E) None of these**

**13. The first Indian to join Indian Civil Service (ICS) was:**

- A) Satyendranath Tagore**
- B) W.C. Bonnerjee**
- C) C.V. Raman**
- D) S.P. Sinha**



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**E) None of these**

**14. The capital of South Korea is:**

- A) Pyongyang**
- B) Manila**
- C) Taipei**
- D) Seoul**
- E) None of these**

**15. Where is the headquarters of UNICEF located?**

- A) Vienna**
- B) Paris**
- C) Geneva**
- D) New York**
- E) None of these**

**16. Which one of the following countries has no mineral resources?**

- A) Kazakhstan**
- B) Zaire**
- C) Switzerland**
- D) Mongolia**
- E) None of these**

**17. Who is the author of the book 'Romeo and Juliet'?**

- A) John Braine**
- B) Charles Dickens**
- C) Bertrand Russell**
- D) John F. Kennedy**
- E) None of these**

**18. ISRO had launched navigation satellite IRNSS- 1H into orbit, but the mission failed. It was launched by which rocket vehicle?**

- A) PSLV C 41**
- B) PSLV C 39**
- C) PSLV C 40**
- D) PSLV C 37**
- E) None of these**

**19. Who is credited with the discovery of electron?**

- A) Niels Bohr**
- B) James Chadwick**
- C) Joseph John Thomson**
- D) Ernest Rutherford**
- E) None of these**

**20. On which year India conducted its first nuclear test at Pokhran in Rajasthan?**



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- A) 18th May 1974
- B) 11th May 1998
- C) 15th May 1984
- D) 26th May 1978
- E) None of these

21. Which among the following is the first country to declare internet broadband access a legal right?

- A) USA
- B) Britain
- C) Australia
- D) Finland
- E) None of these

22. In India, money supply is governed by the:

- A) Finance Ministry
- B) Reserve Bank of India
- C) Finance Commission
- D) Niti Aayog
- E) None of these

23. Ghazi Malik is the founder and ruler of which one of the following dynasties?

- A) Slave Dynasty
- B) Mamluk Dynasty
- C) Khilji Dynasty
- D) Tughlaq Dynasty
- E) None of these

24. Which one of the following is not a session of Indian Parliament?

- A) Budget session
- B) Monsoon session
- C) Winter session
- D) Summer session
- E) None of these

25. What is the currency of Serbia?

- A) Som
- B) Dinar
- C) Pound
- D) Rouble
- E) None of these

26. In Economics, the terms 'Utility' and 'Usefulness' have:

- A) Same meaning
- B) Opposite meaning
- C) Different meaning
- D) Both A and B
- E) None of these



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**27. The first woman President of the U.N. General Assembly was:**

- A) Margaret Thatcher**
- B) Benazir Bhutto**
- C) Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit**
- D) Neerja Bhanot**
- E) None of these**

**28. Dublin is situated on the banks of the river:**

- A) Nile**
- B) Spree**
- C) Elve**
- D) Liffey**
- E) None of these**

**29. Which among the following has a 'mixed heart', that is, the heart in which oxygenated and deoxygenated blood is mixed?**

- A) Mammals**
- B) Reptiles**
- C) Birds**
- D) All of these**
- E) None of these**

**30. Who appoints the Chief Election Commissioner of India?**

- A) Jointly by all political parties**
- B) The Prime Minister**
- C) Union Public Service Commission**
- D) The President**
- E) None of these**

**31. Mary Kom has won gold medal in which category at 2017 Asian women's Boxing Championships?**

- A) 42 kg category**
- B) 50 kg category**
- C) 52 kg category**
- D) 48 kg category**
- E) None of these**

**32. Name the Indian city which has been included in the UNESCO Creative Cities Network for its rich musical tradition?**

- A) Mumbai**
- B) Chennai**
- C) Patna**
- D) Lucknow**
- E) None of these**

**33. Which country is hosting the 2017 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) summit?**



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- A) India
- B) Indonesia
- C) Malaysia
- D) Vietnam
- E) None of these

34. Which Indian monument has officially been declared the most visited place of the world by World Book of Records (WBR)?

- A) Taj Mahal
- B) Red Fort
- C) Golden Temple
- D) India Gate
- E) None of these

35. Which country has clinched the 2017 Women's Hockey Asia Cup Tournament?

- A) China
- B) Japan
- C) India
- D) Pakistan
- E) None of these

36. What is the theme of 2017 World AIDS Day (WAD)?

- A) Leave no one behind
- B) Getting to Zero: Zero new HIV infections
- C) Right to health
- D) Universal Access and Human Rights
- E) None of these

37. Who has been appointed as the new CEO and MD of Infosys?

- A) S.D. Shibulal
- B) Salil S. Parekh
- C) Vishal Sikka
- D) Pravin Rao
- E) None of these

38. Which one of the following has been recognized by UNESCO as India's Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity in 2017?

- A) Sankirtana
- B) Mudiyetu
- C) Ramman
- D) Kumbh Mela
- E) None of these

39. Which state has become the India's first state to endorse Centre's triple talaq draft bill?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Maharashtra



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- D) Karnataka
- E) None of these

40. Demi-Leigh Nel-Peters has been crowned the Miss Universe 2017. She belongs to which country?

- A) Jamaica
- B) France
- C) South Africa
- D) Colombia
- E) None of these

41. Name the organisation which gives away the Crystal Award to artists who have used their art to improve the state of the world?

- A) Food and Agriculture Organisation
- B) World Trade organisation
- C) Worldwide Fund of Nature
- D) World Economic Forum
- E) None of these

42. Which one of the following features of the Indian Constitution has been taken from the United States?

- A) Cabinet System of Ministers
- B) Lower House more powerful
- C) Vice-President as the ex-officio Chairman of Rajya Sabha
- D) Fundamental Duties
- E) None of these

43. Who is the author of the book 'A China Passage'?

- A) Ernest Hemmingway
- B) John Kenneth Galbraith
- C) Louis Fischer
- D) J. K. Rowling
- E) None of these

44. Being a non-member, who among the following can participate in the proceedings of either House of the Indian Parliament without having right to vote?

- A) Attorney General
- B) President of India
- C) Chief Justice of India
- D) Comptroller and Auditor General
- E) None of these

45. Who founded the 'India League' in London?

- A) V.K. Krishna Menon
- B) Shyamji Krishna Verma
- C) Bhikaji Cama
- D) Annie Besant
- E) None of these

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