

**INTERNATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION
2024 - 2025 PRACTICE PAPER**

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?



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- A) 1904-05
- 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?

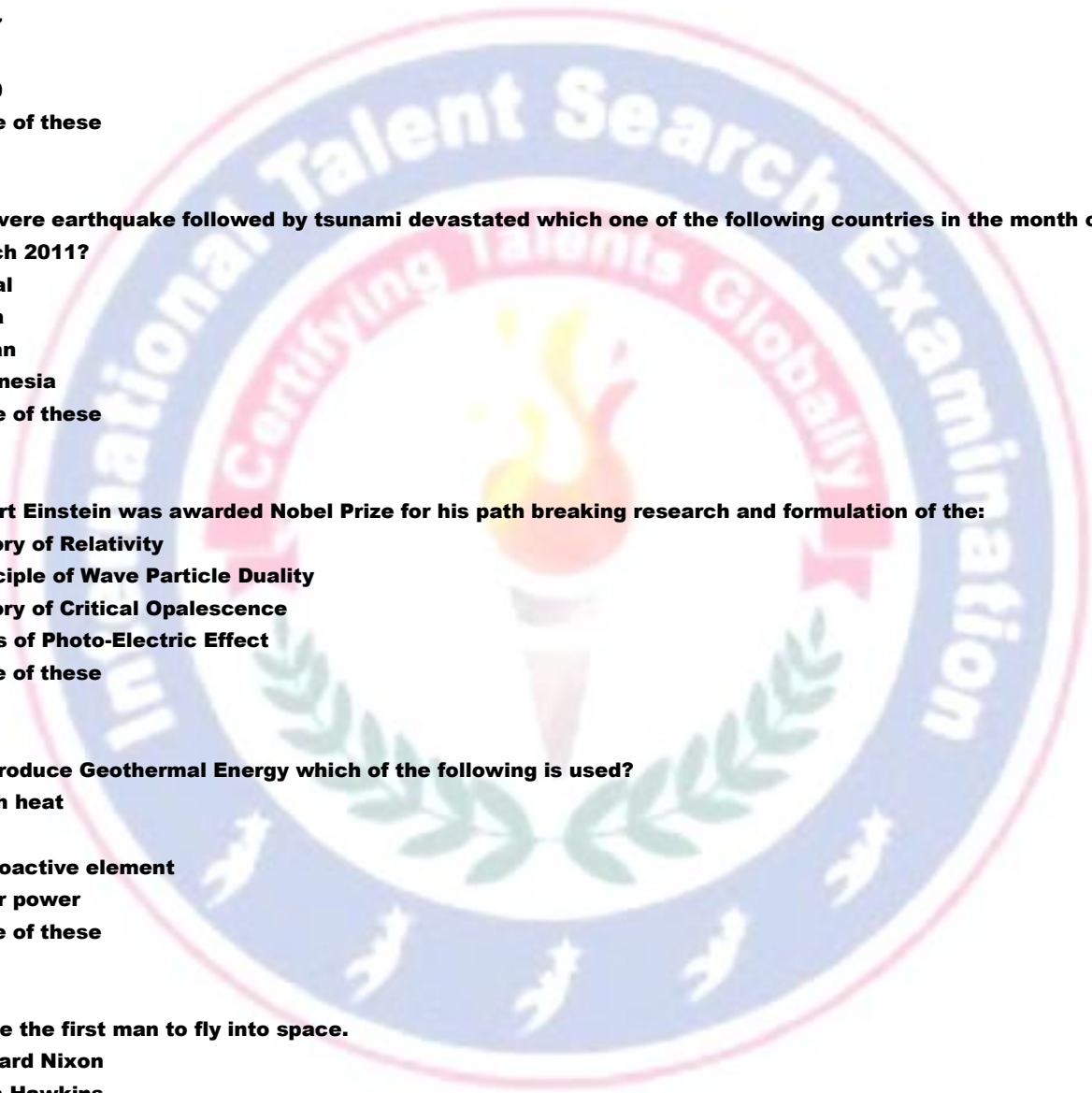
- A) Earth heat
- B) Coal
- C) Radioactive element
- D) Solar power
- E) None of these

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



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- D) S.P. Sinha
- 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



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

- 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 2018, Google Doodle celebrated the 100th birthday of Mrinalini Sarabhai. She is an exponent of which of the following dance forms?

- A) Bharatanatyam and Kathakali
- B) Odissi and Kathak
- C) Kuchipudi and Bharatanatyam
- D) Yakshagana



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27. Bharatanatyam expresses South Indian religious themes and spiritual ideas of

- A) Sufism**
- B) Shaivism**
- C) Buddhism**
- D) Jainism**

28. Which of the following countries was the host of AFC Women's Asia Cup Football-2022?

- A) Japan**
- B) Bangladesh**
- C) India**
- D) China**

29. Ms Bhakti Pradip Kulkarni was conferred with the Arjuna Award 2022 for her outstanding contribution in which of the following sports?

- A) Table Tennis**
- B) Chess**
- C) Badminton**
- D) Wrestling**

30. Name a reproductive strategy in which parasites take advantage of the care of other individuals of the same species or different species to raise their young.

- A) Brood parasitism**
- B) Sexual parasitism**
- C) Klepto parasitism**
- D) Competitive parasitism**

31. On the basis of tribal population (2011), identify the option that arranges the following states in ascending order.

- 1. Madhya Pradesh**
- 2. Maharashtra**
- 3. Odisha**

- A) (C), (B), (A)**
- B) (B), (A), (C)**
- C) (C), (A), (B)**
- D) (B), (C), (A)**

32. In which industrial policy was the investment limit for tiny industry/unit increased to ₹2 lakh?

- A) 1977**
- B) 1991**
- C) 1980**
- D) 1956**

33. Which scientist thought of the concept of steady state of the universe?

- A) Harold Jeffrey**
- B) Edwin Hubble**
- C) Fred Hoyle**
- D) Pierre-Simon Laplace**

34. Ryotwari system of revenue collection in India, introduced by the British, was based on the .

- A) Smith's theory of rent**
- B) Ricardian theory of rent**
- C) Malthusian theory of rent**

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D) Marx's theory of rent

35. Who received the Nobel Prize in 1901 for 'recognition of the extraordinary services rendered by the discovery of the laws of chemical dynamics and osmotic pressure in solutions'?

- A) Hermann Emil Fischer**
- B) Jacobus Henricus van 't Hoff**
- C) Svante August Arrhenius**
- D) Henri Moissan**

36. Which of the following Articles of the Indian Constitution are related to citizenship?

- A) Articles 15 to 21**
- B) Articles 5 to 11**
- C) Articles 2 to 4**
- D) Articles 25 to 31**

37. The Right to Information (RTI) act came into force in:

- A) 2003**
- B) 2005**
- C) 2006**
- D) 2007**
- E) None of these**

38. What was the theme of the 2016 Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM)?

- A) Nirmal Ganga**
- B) Swachh Bharat**
- C) Child Education**
- D) Women Empowerment**
- E) None of these**

39. The term 'Free hit' is used in which one of the following games?

- A) Badminton**
- B) Chess**
- C) Tennis**
- D) Cricket**
- E) None of these**

40. Which country recently left European Union by referendum called "Brexit"?

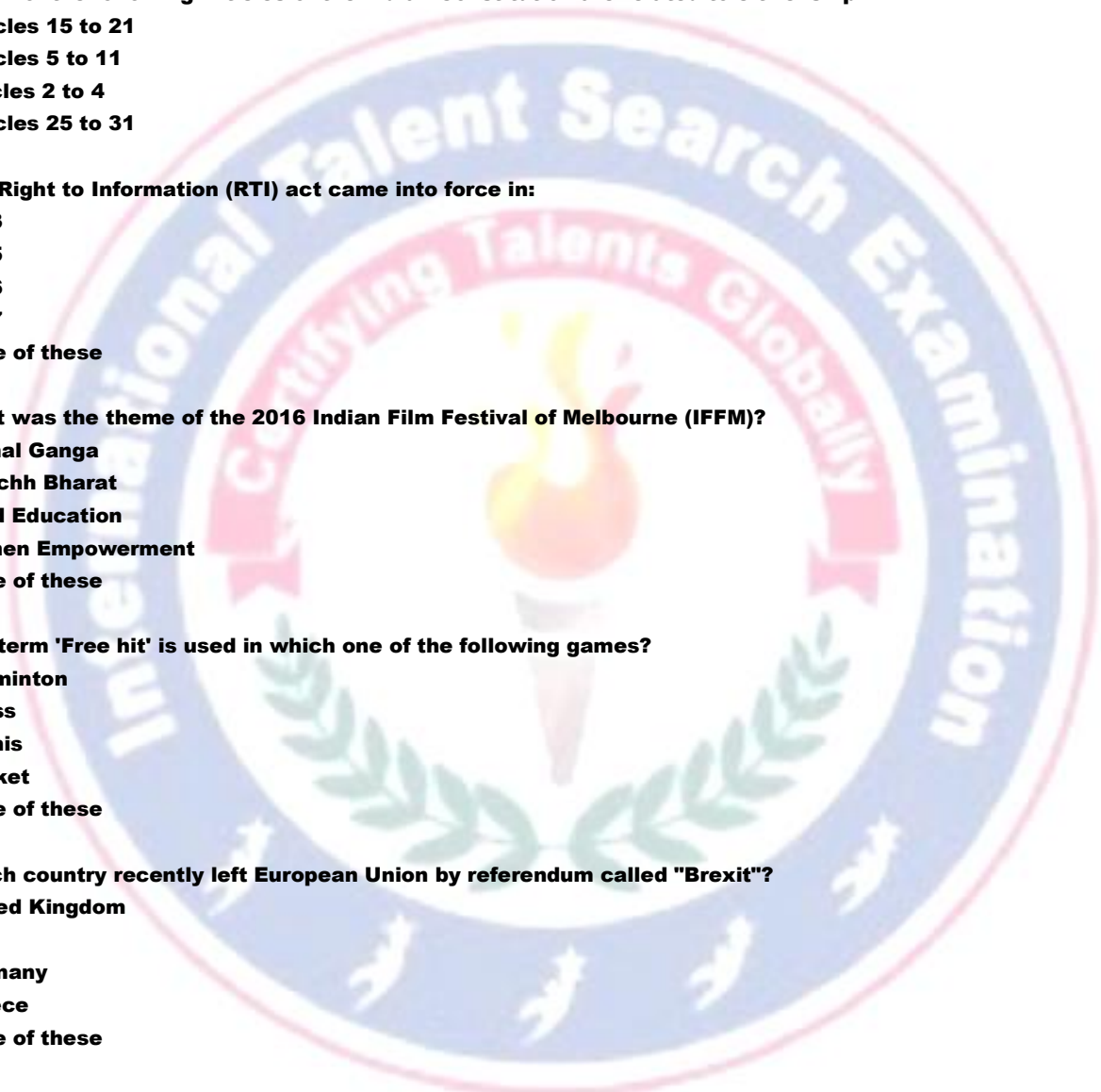
- A) United Kingdom**
- B) Italy**
- C) Germany**
- D) Greece**
- E) None of these**

41. Gorakhpur which has the longest railway platform in the world is located in:

- A) Bihar**
- B) Uttar Pradesh**
- C) Assam**
- D) Arunachal Pradesh**
- E) None of these**

42. Which one of the following is the largest mammal on the Earth?

- A) Elephant**
- B) Blue Whale**



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- C) Dinosaur
- D) Rhinoceros
- E) None of these

43. Raja Harishchandra, an early Indian film, was produced by:

- A) Ashok Kumar
- B) Gurudatt
- C) Dada Saheb Phalke
- D) Ardeshir Irani
- E) None of these

44. Losoong festival is celebrated in:

- A) Sikkim
- B) Karnataka
- C) Bihar
- D) Kerala
- E) None of these

45. Which is the largest country by area in the continent of Africa?

- A) Sudan
- B) Mali
- C) Libya
- D) Algeria
- E) None of these

