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1. What is the folk dance of the northeastern State of Mizoram called? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)
- a) Hojagiri
 - b) Cheraw
 - c) Thang Ta
 - d) Koraw

Answer: (b) Cheraw

2. The famous Kailasa temple at Ellora was built by which dynasty? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)
- a) Rashtrakutas
 - b) Hoysalas
 - c) Pallavas
 - d) Chalukyas

Answer: (a) Rashtrakutas

3. Which UNESCO World Heritage site in India features cave temples carved out of rock with intricate Buddhist, Hindu and Jain artwork? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)
- a) Udayagiri Caves
 - b) Badami Caves
 - c) Ellora Caves
 - d) Elephanta Caves

Answer: (c) Ellora Caves

4. Which of the following Khajuraho group of temples is built entirely of granite and is oriented north-east and south-west? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)
- a) Chausath Jogini Temple
 - b) Devi Jagdamba Temple
 - c) Kandariya Mahadev Temple
 - d) Laxmana Temple

Answer: (a) Chausath Jogini Temple

5. Which of the following is a community-driven folk dance of Uttarakhand that originated in the Kumaon region? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)
- a) Pandav Nritya
 - b) Ras Leela
 - c) Khyal
 - d) Jhora

Answer: (d) Jhora

6. Which of the following monuments is known for its 'Buland Darwaza', the highest gateway in the world? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)
- a) Red Fort
 - b) Qutub Minar

- c) Fatehpur Sikri
- d) Humayun's Tomb

Answer: (c) Fatehpur Sikri

7. The tall, pyramidal tower over the sanctum in South Indian temples is called: (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)
- a) Vimana
 - b) Gopuram
 - c) Stupika
 - d) Shikhara

Answer: (a) Viman

8. Which tala is commonly used in Carnatic music? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)
- a) Matya Tala
 - b) Jhampa tala
 - c) Adi Tala
 - d) Rupaka Tala

Answer: (c) Adi Tala

9. What is the purpose of a 'Kalyana Mandapa' in South Indian temples? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)
- a) Storage room
 - b) Kitchen area
 - c) Meditation centre
 - d) Marriage of deities

Answer: (d) Marriage of deities

10. Which part of a North Indian temple houses the main deity? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)
- a) Garbhagriha
 - b) Mandapa
 - c) Shikhara
 - d) Jagati

Answer: (a) Garbhagriha

11. The Santoor is classified as which type of musical instrument? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)
- a) Percussion instrument
 - b) Stringed Instrument
 - c) Wind instrument
 - d) Keyboard instrument

Answer: (b) Stringed Instrument

12. What is the primary objective of the eGramSwaraj portal? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) To promote online education in villages
- b) To enhance transparency in planning, reporting, and accounting of PRIs
- c) To monitor urban development projects, and improve transportation in rural areas
- d) To improve transportation in rural areas

Answer: (b) To enhance transparency in planning, reporting, and accounting of PRIs

13. Which materials are used in the Santoor instruments of Jammu and Kashmir? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) Wood, Bronze and Steel
- b) Wood, Steel and Bamboo
- c) Wood, Bronze and Bamboo
- d) Steel, Bronze and Bamboo

Answer: (b) Wood, Steel and Bamboo

14. Consider the following statements:

- 1.The Bhagavad Gita is part of the Mahabharata and is a dialogue between Krishna and Arjuna.**
- 2.Shankaracharya is associated with the Advaita Vedanta school of Hindu philosophy.**
- 3.The Rigveda is the oldest of the Vedas and contains hymns dedicated to various deities.**
- 4.The Natya Shastra, attributed to sage Bharata, is an ancient Indian treatise on the performing arts and is closely related to the expression of Hindu spirituality.**

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

- a) 1, 2, 3, and 4
- b) 2, 3, and 4 only
- c) 1, 3, and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, and 4 only

Answer: (a) 1, 2, 3, and 4

15. Ullambana is the festival of which of the following religion? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

- a) Hinduism
- b) Buddhism
- c) Sikhism
- d) Jainism

Answer: (b) Buddhism

16. Consider the following statements:

- 1.The Hadith literature is a record of the sayings and deeds of the Prophet Muhammad.**
- 2.Sufism is a mystical Islamic belief system that seeks direct personal experience with God.**
- 3.The Five Pillars of Islam constitute the basic acts considered mandatory for Muslims.**
- 4.The Chishti Order is one of the four major Sufi orders (tariqas) of Islam that originated in Chishti, a small town near Rawalpindi, Pakistan.**

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 2)

- a) 1, 3, and 4 only
- b) 2, 3, and 4 only
- c) 1, 2, and 3 only

d) 1, 2, 3, and 4

Answer: (c) 1, 2, and 3 only

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Bengali is the second most spoken language in India after Hindi.
2. Urdu is often associated with the Deccan region and its literature includes the famous Deccan poetry.
3. Punjabi is unique among Indian languages for its use of the Gurmukhi script, developed by the second Sikh Guru, Guru Angad.

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

- a) 1, 2 and 3
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

Answer: (a) 1, 2 and 3 only

18. Consider the following statements:

1. The Four Noble Truths form the central doctrine of Buddhism.
2. The concept of 'Anatta' in Buddhism denies the existence of a permanent soul.
3. Mahayana Buddhism introduced the concept of Bodhisattva.
4. The Milindapanha is a Pali text that records a dialogue between the Indo-Greek king Menander and the monk Nagasena.

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

- a) 1, 3, and 4 only
- b) 1, 2, and 3 only
- c) 2, 3, and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 3, and 4 only

Answer: (d) 1, 2 3 and 4 only

19. Which of the following structures of Buddhist architecture is used as living quarters of the monks? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

- a) Chaitya Grihas
- b) Viharas
- c) Chalupa
- d) Stupas

Answer: (b) Viharas

20. Tripitaka are the religious texts of _____. (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

- a) Sikhs
- b) Buddhists
- c) Hindus
- d) Jains

Answer: (b) Buddhists

21. Rites pertaining to the stages of life are called Samskaras. Match the Samskaras listed in List I with its true meaning contained in List II. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

List I

List II

List I

List II

- | | |
|----------------------------|--|
| 1. Brahmacharya | A. It is done at the beginning of the sacred thread ceremony |
| 2. Grihasthashram | B. The one who has to enter marry |
| 3. Vanaprasthashram | C. To begin with the life of study |
| 4. Sanyasashram | D. Fading the child out of the house so that it may see the sun |
- a) 1-D, 2-B, 3-A, 4-C
 b) 1-B, 2-A, 3-D, 4-C
 c) 1-D, 2-A, 3-C, 4-B
 d) 1-D, 2-A, 3-B, 4-C

Answer: (a) 1-D, 2-B, 3-A, 4-C

- 22. The Buddha got enlightenment under which of the following tree? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 1)**

- a) Mango Tree
 b) Sal Tree
 c) Banyan Tree
 d) Peepal Tree

Answer: (d) Peepal Tree

- 23. Which of the following statement is correct about Humayun's Tomb?**

- I. This tomb, built in 1570, is of particular cultural significance as it was the first garden-tomb on the Indian subcontinent.**
II. It inspired several major architectural innovations, culminating in the construction of the Taj Mahal. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

- a) Both I and II
 b) Only II
 c) Only I
 d) Neither I nor II

Answer: (a) Both I and II

- 24. Which of the following is an example of colonial architectures in India? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 2)**

- I. Gateway of India, Mumbai**
II. India Gate, New Delhi

- a) Only I
 b) Both I and II
 c) Only II
 d) Neither I nor II

Answer: (b) Both I and II

- 25. What is the meaning of Zakat in Islam? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 2)**

- a) Fasting
 b) Prayer
 c) Almsgiving
 d) Pilgrimage

Answer: (c) Almsgiving

26. Consider the following pairs and identify which of the following pairs of religious texts and associated religions are matched correctly. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 2)
1. Aranyakas – Hinduism
 2. Janamsakhis – Sikhism
 3. Agam Sutras – Buddhism
 4. Tripitaka – Jainism
- a) 1, 3 and 4 only
b) 2, 3 and 4 only
c) 1 and 2 only
d) 2 and 3 only

Answer: (c) 1 and 2 only

27. Arrange the following monuments in the chronological order of their construction. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 2)
1. Humayun's Tomb, New Delhi
 2. Tomb of I'timād-ud-Daulah, Agra
 3. Salim Chishti's Tomb, Fatehpur Sikri
 4. Rabia Daurani's Tomb, Aurangabad
- a) 1, 2, 3, 4
b) 1, 3, 2, 4
c) 4, 1, 2, 3
d) 2, 1, 3, 4

Answer: (b) 1, 3, 2, 4

28. Which of the following statement is correct about Ellora caves?
- I. Ellora caves consists only 24 monasteries and temples, extending over more than 2 km.
II. It illustrates the spirit of tolerance that was characteristic of ancient India. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 3)
- a) Neither I nor II
b) Only I
c) Both I and II
d) Only II

Answer: (d) Only II

29. In context of panchvrata in Jainism, which of the following means non-stealing? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 3)
- a) Aparigraha
b) Brahmacharaya
c) Ahimsa
d) Astheya

Answer: (d) Astheya

30. Which of the following languages is/are spoken in Meghalaya?
1. Kokborok
 2. Garo

3. Khasi (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

1. 2 and 3 only
2. 1 and 2 only
3. 1, 2 and 3
4. 1 and 3 only

Answer: (a) 2 and 3 only

31. Which of the following statement is correct about Dhamek stupa?

I. Dhamek Stupa is the most noticeable structure in Sarnath, near Varanasi.

II. The Stupa is 28 meters in diameter at the base and 43.6 meters in height, built partly of stone and partly of brick. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 4)

- a) Only I
- b) Only II
- c) Both I and II
- d) Neither I nor II

Answer: (c) Both I and II

32. Match List I with List II. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 4)

LIST I	LIST II
1. The two Itihisas or Epics	A. Manuals of worship
2. The Agamas	B. The codes of law
3. The Dharma Shastras	C. Philosophical schools
4. The Darshans	D. Ramayana and Mahabharata

- a) 1-D, 2-A, 3-C, 4-B
- b) 1-D, 2-A, 3-B, 4-C
- c) 1-D, 2-C, 3-A, 4-B
- d) 1-B, 2-A, 3-D, 4-C

Answer: (b) 1-D, 2-A, 3-B, 4-C

33. Which of the following pair of monument – state is correct?

I. Sheikh Chilli's Tomb – Haryana

II. Chitradurga Fort – Karnataka (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Only II
- b) Only I
- c) Both I and II
- d) Neither I nor II

Answer: (c) Both I and II

34. In which Indian state is the Barabati Fort located? (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Kerala
- b) West Bengal

- c) Maharashtra
- d) Odisha

Answer: (d) Odisha

35. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists. (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 1)

List-I (Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna awardees of 2020)	List-II (Sport with which they are associated)
A. Rohit Sharma	1. Para Athletics
B. Vinesh	2. Cricket
C. Mariyappan	3. Table Tennis
D. Manika Batra	4. Wrestling

- a) A-2, B-3, C-1, D-4
- b) A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3
- c) A-2, B-4, C-1, D-3
- d) A-2, B-1, C-3, D-4

Answer: (c) A-2, B-4, C-1, D-3

36. Rajinder Goel is related to which sport? (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Swimming
- b) Gymnastics
- c) Table tennis
- d) Cricket

Answer: (d) Cricket

37. Consider the following statements in reference to the Gogona musical instrument of India.

1. It is the most simple and smallest Indian rural musical instrument.
2. It originated in Manipur.
3. It is a mouth instrument made from a single piece of bamboo with a split at one end.
4. It is a part of the musical culture of the Meitei community.

Which of the statements given above are correct? (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Only 1 and 3
- b) Only 2, 3 and 4
- c) Only 1, 2 and 3
- d) Only 1 and 2

Answer: (a) Only 1 and 3

38. Consider the following statements regarding musicians and their instruments.

1. Ramnad V. Raghavan was a Chennai-based musician who played Mridangam.

2. Ustad Asad Ali Khan was a famous active Rudra Veena player and the master of one of the four schools of 'Dhrupad', the Khandar School.
3. Pandit Shiv Kumar Sharma, a famous santoor player, was awarded with Padma Vibhushan in 2005.
4. Thekkinkadu Martham Vinayakram is an Indian percussionist who plays Carnatic music with Ghatam and is known as the God of Ghatam.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Only 1 and 2
- b) Only 2 and 3
- c) Only 1, 2 and 3
- d) Only 1, 2 and 4

Answer: (d) Only 1, 2 and 4

39. Who was the first winner of the Pro Kabaddi League? (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Bengaluru Bulls
- b) Patna Pirates
- c) Bengal Warriors
- d) Jaipur Pink Panthers

Answer: (d) Jaipur Pink Panthers

40. Who among the following was the first person to be awarded the Arjuna Award for Archery? (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Baba Sravan Kishore
- b) Harish Nangunuri
- c) Krishna Das
- d) Sanjeev Kumar Singh

Answer: (c) Krishna Das

41. Which of the following pair of festival – state is correct?

I. Modhera Dance Festival – Gujarat

II. Baneshwar Fair – Rajasthan (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Both I and II
- b) Only II
- c) Neither I nor II
- d) Only I

Answer: (a) Both I and II

42. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists. (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 2)

List-I (Traditional sports)

A. Kalarippayattu

B. Archery

C. Jallikattu

D. Mallakhamb

List-II (States in which they are played)

1. Tamil Nadu

2. Kerala

3. Madhya Pradesh

4. Manipur

- a) A-2, B-1, C-3, D-4
- b) A-2, B-4, C-1, D-3
- c) A-2, B-3, C-1, D-4

d) A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3

Answer: (b) A-2, B-4, C-1, D-3

43. 'Kambala' is an annual buffalo race held in _____. (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Haryana
- b) Kerala
- c) Assam
- d) Karnataka

Answer: (d) Karnataka

44. With which of the following musical instruments is Ustad Ali Akbar Khan related to? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Sarod
- b) Sitar
- c) Tabla
- d) Violin

Answer: (a) Sarod

45. Consider the following statements with reference to the Mahabalipuram dance festival.

- 1. It is the celebration of folk dances that are prevailing in various regions of the country.**
- 2. This festival is organised for about ten days in the town of Mahabalipuram.**
- 3. Tales from Mahabharat, Radha Krishna, Valli Muruga, Shiva Shakthi and numerous ancient love are brought alive through delicate dance forms.**
- 4. Breath-taking dances are performed in ornamented stage with the historic stone sculpture image 'the Arjuna Penance' as the backdrop.**

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Only 1 and 3
- b) Only 2, 3 and 4
- c) Only 1, 3 and 4
- d) Only 1 and 2

Answer: (c) Only 1, 3 and 4

46. With which of the following sports is Nikhat Zareen related to? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Hockey
- b) Badminton
- c) Boxing
- d) Wrestling

Answer: (c) Boxing

47. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists. (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

List-I (States)	List-II (Sports festivals celebrated in these states)
A. Punjab	1. Indian Derby
B. Gujarat	2. Kila Raipur Sports Festival
C. Kerala	3. International Kite Festival
D. Maharashtra	4. Champakulam Boat Race

- a) A-1, B-2, C-4, D-3
- b) A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3
- c) A-3, B-1, C-2, D-4
- d) A-2, B-3, C-4, D-1

Answer: (d) A-2, B-3, C-4, D-1

48. Which among the following books is not written by Arundhati Roy? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) The Algebra of Infinite Justice
- b) The Ministry of Utmost Happiness
- c) Once Upon a Time
- d) The God of Small Things

Answer: (c) Once Upon a Time

49. Amongst the following, which state celebrates Gangaur festival? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Karnataka
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Goa
- d) Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: (b) Rajasthan

50. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)

List-I (Sports)	List-II (Player)
A. Cricket	1. Kidambi Srikanth
B. Badminton	2. Birendra Lakra
C. Field hockey	3. Sumit Nagal

List-I (Sports)	List-II (Player)
D. Tennis	4. Ajinkya Rahane

- a) A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3
- b) A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3
- c) A-3, B-2, C-1, D-4
- d) A-1, B-4, C-3, D-2

Answer: (b) A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3

51. Consider the following statements regarding Hoysala art.

1. The Hoysala style (1050 –1300 AD) developed in the southern region of Karnataka.
2. Hoysala art may be said to have its starting point in the temples of the early Chalukyas at Aihole, Badami and Pattadakal.
3. An important monument employing this art is the Kesava temple at Belur.
4. Apart from the architectural plan, the Hoysala style attained a few more distinguishing characteristics. For instance, chloritic schist was given up in favour of more tractable sandstone.

Which of the statements given above are correct? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) 1, 2 and 3
- b) 3 and 4 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1 and 2 only

Answer: (a) 1, 2 and 3

52. Which among following statements about Bhagoriya is/are correct?

1. Bhagoriya is a one of the major festival of tribal people.
 2. Bhagoriya is a Haat Market.
 3. Bhagoriya festival celebrated in the month of May.
 4. Bhagoriya festival celebrated by Bhil and Bhilala tribe in Madhya Pradesh.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below. (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)**

- a) 1, 2 and 4
- b) 2 Only
- c) 1 Only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: (a) 1, 2 and 4

53. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists. (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)

List-I (Author)	List-II (Book)
A. Kautilya	1. Ashtadhyayi
B. Panini	2. Arthashastra

List-I (Author)	List-II (Book)
C. Kamandaka	3. Kumarasambhava
D. Kalidasa	4. Nitisara

- a) A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3
 b) A-3, B-2, C-1, D-4
 c) A-1, B-4, C-3, D-2
 d) A-4, B-3, C-2, D-1

Answer: (d) A-4, B-3, C-2, D-1

54. भारत में त्योहारों और मेलों के संदर्भ में निम्नलिखित कथनों पर विचार करें:

1. केरल के त्रिशूर में आयोजित पूरम त्योहार का मुख्य आकर्षण भव्य रूप से सजाए गए हाथी हैं।
2. बिहू त्योहार असम में मनाया जाता है।
3. कार्तिकाई आंध्र प्रदेश, तमिलनाडु और केरल के कुछ हिस्सों में कार्तिक पूर्णिमा पर आयोजित होने वाला प्रकाश पर्व है।
4. प्रसिद्ध पुष्कर मेला राजस्थान के जैसलमेर जिले में आयोजित किया जाता है।

ऊपर दिए गए कौन से कथन सही हैं? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) केवल 1 और 2
 b) केवल 3 और 4
 c) 1, 2 और 3
 d) केवल 2 और 3

Answer: (c) 1, 2 और 3

55. सूची-I और सूची-II का मिलान करें और सूचियों के नीचे दिए गए कोड का उपयोग करके सही उत्तर चुनें: (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 3)

सूची-I (खेल)	सूची-II (इस खेल से जुड़े खिलाड़ी)
A. क्रिकेट	1. सूरज करकेरा
B. बैडमिंटन	2. पी. कश्यप
C. हॉकी	3. परवेज़ रसूल
D. टेनिस	4. साकेत मायनैनी

- a) A-4, B-2, C-1, D-3
 b) A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3
 c) A-3, B-2, C-1, D-4
 d) A-1, B-4, C-3, D-2

Answer: (a) A-4, B-2, C-1, D-3

56. सूची-I और सूची-II का मिलान करें और सूचियों के नीचे दिए गए कोड का उपयोग करके सही उत्तर चुनें: (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 3)

सूची-I (पुस्तक)	सूची-II (लेखक)
A. बृहत्-संहिता	1. कलहण
B. सुश्रुत-संहिता	2. विशाख
C. राजतरंगिणी	3. सुश्रुत
D. विक्रमांकदेवचरित	4. वराहमिहिर

- a) A-3, B-2, C-1, D-4
- b) A-4, B-3, C-1, D-2
- c) A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3
- d) A-4, B-2, C-1, D-3

Answer: (b) A-4, B-3, C-1, D-2

57. यह युद्ध पर शांति की बड़ी जीत को चिह्नित करने के लिए मार्शल डांस का त्योहार है। त्योहार का नाम क्या है और इसे कहाँ मनाया जाता है? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) दुर्गा पूजा, कोलकाता
- b) चोलई नाच, तमिलनाडु
- c) चन्दन यात्रा, उत्तराखंड
- d) कलिंग महोत्सव, ओडिशा

Answer: (d) कलिंग महोत्सव, ओडिशा

58. निम्नलिखित में से कौन सी किताब आर.के. नारायण द्वारा नहीं लिखी गई थी? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) द वेंडर ऑफ़ स्वीट्स
- b) स्वामी एंड फ्रेंड्स
- c) मिडनाइट्स चिल्ड्रन
- d) द मैन-ईटर ऑफ़ मालगुडी

Answer: (c) मिडनाइट्स चिल्ड्रन

59. Who was the winner of the first Indian Premier League? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Mumbai Indians
- b) Rajasthan Royals
- c) Kolkata Knight Riders
- d) Chennai Superkings

Answer: (b) Rajasthan Royals

60. How many dance forms have been acknowledged by Sangeet Natak Akademi as classical dance forms of India as on November 2020? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Six
- b) Eight
- c) Ten
- d) Four

Answer: (b) Eight

61. Consider the following statements about Hindustani music compositions.

1. Dhrupad is a serious and sober composition which demands effort from the vocal cords and lungs.
2. 'Khayal' is a word derived from Persian and implies 'idea' or 'imagination'.
3. The Thumri is a light form based on the romantic-religious literature inspired by the Bhakti Movement.
4. The Ghazal is yet another product of the Indonesian influence on Hindustani music.

Which of the statements given above are true? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) 1, 2 and 3
- b) 3 and 4
- c) 1 and 2
- d) 2 and 3

Answer: (a) 1, 2 and 3

62. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

List-I (Sports)	List-II (Players associated with these sports)
A. Cricket	1. Mohit Kamat
B. Badminton	2. Jarmat Preet Singh
C. Hockey	3. Rithi Reddy
D. Tennis	4. Washington Sundar

- a) A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3
- b) A-3, B-1, C-2, D-4
- c) A-1, B-4, C-3, D-2
- d) A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3

Answer: (d) A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3

63. Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam has not written which one of the following books? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Response in the Living and the Non-living
- b) Target 3 Billion
- c) The Luminous Sparks
- d) Advantage India: From Challenge to Opportunity

Answer: (a) Response in the Living and the Non-living

64. Which of the following temples is located at Kanchipuram? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Ekambareswarar Temple
- b) Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple
- c) Sri Venkateswara Swamy Vaari Temple
- d) Arulmigu Ramanathaswamy Temple

Answer: (a) Ekambareswarar Temple

65. In which of the following states is the site of Bhimbetka situated? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Punjab
- c) Tamil Nadu
- d) Chhattisgarh

Answer: (a) Madhya Pradesh

66. Consider the following statements regarding Karnataka music compositions.

1. The vocal form 'rangam-tanam-pallavi' is generally the main item in Karnataka music concerts.
2. The Kriti is perhaps the most popular form in Karnataka music.
3. The Tillana is the south Indian musical counterpart of the north Indian tarana - rhythmic and fast in tempo.
4. In Karnataka music, there was no influence of bhakti in its development.

Which of the statements given above are correct? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) 3 and 4 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: (d) 1, 2 and 3

67. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

List-I (Sports)	List-II (Players associated with these sports)
A. Cricket	1. Saketh Myneni
B. Badminton	2. HS Prannoy
C. Hockey	3. Krishan B Pathak
D. Tennis	4. Hanuma Vihari

- a) A-1, B-4, C-3, D-2

- b) A-3, B-2, C-1, D-4
- c) A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3
- d) A-4, B-2, C-3, D-1

Answer: (d) A-4, B-2, C-3, D-1

68. Who out of the following is a maestro of Santoor? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia
- b) Pandit Shivkumar Sharma
- c) Ustad Alla Rakha
- d) Pandit Ajoy Chakraborty

Answer: (b) Pandit Shivkumar Sharma

69. Where is the Salar Jung Museum located? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Kanpur
- c) Bengaluru
- d) Bhopal

Answer: (a) Hyderabad

70. Kud dance is one of the most popular folk dances of _____. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Kerala
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Haryana
- d) Jammu and Kashmir

Answer: (d) Jammu and Kashmir

71. In April 2018, who among these became the highest ranked men's badminton player in the world? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Srikanth Kidambi
- b) Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore
- c) P.Gopichand
- d) Parupalli Kashyap

Answer: (a) Srikanth Kidambi

72. Which instrument is predominantly used in both, Hindustani and Carnatic music? It does not play melody but supports the singer or another instrument. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Sitar
- b) Mridangam
- c) Tanpura
- d) Veena

Answer: (c) Tanpura

73. Match List-1 with List-2 and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 3)

List-1 (Cricketer)	List-2 (Debut year in international test cricket match)
1. Sachin Tendulkar	A. 1989
2. Ajay Jadeja	B. 1992
3. Rahul Dravid	C. 1996
4. Anil Kumble	D. 1990

- a) 1-C, 2-A, 3-B, 4-D
- b) 1-C, 2-B, 3-A, 4-D
- c) 1-B, 2-C, 3-D, 4-A
- d) 1-C, 2-B, 3-D, 4-A

Answer: (d) 1-C, 2-B, 3-D, 4-A

74. Who is the author of 'My Unforgettable Memories'? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) Mamata Banerjee
- b) Shashi Tharoor
- c) Rahul Gandhi
- d) Jawaharlal Nehru

Answer: (a) Mamata Banerjee

75. Consider the following statements regarding Kuchipudi.

- 1. Kuchipudi is one of the classical styles of Indian dance.
- 2. Kuchipudi is a name of a village in Karnataka.
- 3. It is a dance drama which was known under the generic name 'Yakshagana'.
- 4. Usually, Jatiswaram is performed as the nritta number.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) 2 only
- b) 1, 2 and 3 only
- c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- d) 1 only

Answer: (c) 1, 3 and 4 only

76. Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore won a silver medal in 2004 Olympics for _____. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) shooting
- b) boxing
- c) tennis
- d) wrestling

Answer: (a) shooting

77. Which book has won the Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize 2019? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) Solo
- b) Quichotte
- c) Lethal White
- d) Imperfect

Answer: (a) Solo

78. The Hereileu song is known as the war song of which of the following states? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) Arunachal Pradesh
- b) Nagaland
- c) Manipur
- d) Sikkim

Answer: (b) Nagaland

79. Phulaich is a colourful festival of the State of _____. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) Himachal Pradesh
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: (a) Himachal Pradesh

80. Kailasanathar is the temple built by which dynasty and in which state? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Pallava, Tamil Nadu
- b) Chola, Andhra Pradesh
- c) Chola, Tamil Nadu
- d) Pallava, Andhra Pradesh

Answer: (a) Pallava, Tamil Nadu

81. To which state of India do the 'Khuded' folk songs belong? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Chhattisgarh
- b) Odisha
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Uttarakhand

Answer: (d) Uttarakhand

82. Who has become the first Indian to win the Richard Dawkins Award? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Gulzar

- b) Javed Akhtar
- c) Prasoon Joshi
- d) Naseeruddin Shah

Answer: (b) Javed Akhtar

