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Time : 1 hour and 15 minutes

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(A) Australia (B) Canada
(C) South America (D) Russia
2. Sumatra is situated in :
(A) Pacific ocean (B) Indian ocean
(C) North Atlantic ocean (D) South Atlantic ocean
3. Gobi desert is in :
(A) Africa (B) South America
(C) Mangolia (D) Russia
4. The number of nominated members in the Rajya Sabha :
(A) 10 (B) 12
(C) 2 (D) 20
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(A) The Chief Minister
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(C) The Governor
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7. A disease caused by bacteria :
(A) Mumps (B) Influenza
(C) Tetanus (D) Chicken pox
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- (A) 8-12 km . (B) 12-30 km
(C) 40-80 km (D) Beyond 80 km
10. 'Kudambashree' programme is :
- (A) Community based organisation of the poor
(B) Community based social security to the poor
(C) Programme to provide self employment to the poor
(D) Programme to provide dwelling units to the poor
11. The largest number of crimes against women in Kerala were accounted for :
- (A) Rape (B) Dowry death
(C) Kidnapping and abduction (D) Cruelty by husband or relatives
12. The most industrially backward districts in Kerala :
- (A) Wayanad and Idukki (B) Pathanamthitta and Idukki
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- (A) Newyork (B) Washington D.C.
(C) Geneva (D) Paris
14. UN security council consists of :
- (A) 5 permanent and 5 non-permanent members
(B) 5 permanent and 10 non permanent members
(C) Total 25 members of which 5 permanent and 20 non-permanent
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(C) Motilal Nehru (D) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
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(A) Ismail Haji (B) Mohammed Ali Jinnah
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19. River Danube is in :
(A) Australia (B) Europe
(C) Canada (D) South America
20. Equatorial diameter of earth :
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(C) 40067 km (D) 18932 km
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(C) Son (D) All the above
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(A) Akbar (B) Jahangir
(C) Shahjahan (D) Aurangzeb
36. Communist Party of India organised in Kanpur in :
(A) 1925 (B) 1931
(C) 1937 (D) 1948
37. Which of the following tides occur around new moon and full moon?
(A) Neap tides (B) Spring tides
(C) Perigean tides (D) Apogean tides
38. Which is called the red planet?
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41. Which of the Article of the Constitution accords special status to the State of Jammu and Kashmir?
(A) Article 236 (B) Article 370
(C) Article 365 (D) Article 390
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(C) Schedule Ten (D) Schedule Eight
44. Cooking gas is a mixture of :
- (A) Carbon dioxide and oxygen
(B) Methane and ethylene
(C) Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide
(D) Butane and propane
45. Which is the gas inside an electric bulb?
- (A) Nitrogen (B) Oxygen
(C) Carbon dioxide (D) None of the above
46. The main active constituent of tea and coffee is :
- (A) Aspirin (B) Caffeine
(C) Nicotine (D) Morphine
47. Kerala Women's Commission was established in 1996 :
- (A) For the socio economic empowerment of women
(B) To improve the status of women
(C) For the prohibition of dowry
(D) To provide loans for self-employment
48. The number of women contestants and winners in Local Bodies Election Kerala 2005 was :
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- (A) Andaman and Nicobar Islands (B) Lakshadweep
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52. ISRO on 23rd April 2007 successfully made the first commercial launch through PSLV-C8 of a foreign satellite at Sriharikota. It was :
- (A) French satellite (B) Afghan satellite
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53. Eighth member of SAARC :
- (A) Nepal (B) Afghanistan
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54. The highest policy making body of Asian Development Bank (ADB) :
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55. The Second Buddhist Council convened at :
- (A) Raja griha (B) Bodh Gaya
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56. The expansion of Mughal empire under whom resembled an inflated balloon :
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57. The largest of all the Indus tributaries :
- (A) Jhelum (B) Chenab
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60. Minimum age for a person to be appointed as Governor :
(A) 21 (B) 25
(C) 35 (D) None of the above
61. Which of the following is not a part of solar system?
(A) Asteroids (B) Meteors
(C) Quasars (D) All the above
62. What do we eat in a coconut?
(A) Pericarp (B) Seed
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(A) Primary education (B) Secondary education
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65. Hill Station Mount Abu is in :
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(A) Finland (B) Australia
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71. Tourists always enjoy _____ the setting sun.
 (A) watching (B) to watch
 (C) in looking (D) looking
72. It is possible to satisfy one's _____ by doing some extra work.
 (A) pride (B) wants
 (C) desires (D) heart
73. If GOAL means object of effort ; then GAOL means :
 (A) a soup (B) a bird
 (C) a prison (D) an image
74. Choose the correct sentence.
 (A) He has finished his work yesterday
 (B) He have finished his work yesterday
 (C) He was finished his work yesterday
 (D) He finished his work yesterday
75. Add an initial letter to the word *arrow* to get the meaning *to distress*.
 (A) C (B) T
 (C) H (D) W
76. The closest meaning of the word *mania* is :
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- (A) liberal (B) intelligent
(C) religious (D) lawful
78. Choose the correctly spelt word :
- (A) sillhouete (B) silhouette
(C) sillhouette (D) silhouete
79. Select the word meaning *sheen*.
- (A) blue tinge (B) dazzling effect
(C) lustre (D) dimness
80. Find the word correctly spelt.
- (A) mustache (B) moustash
(C) mostache (D) moustache
81. Choose the correct preposition for the sentence.
The forest department has planted trees _____ the side of the highway.
- (A) at (B) along
(C) on (D) beside
82. He is an authority _____ linguistics.
- (A) on (B) of
(C) with (D) from
83. 'You must shut these doors'. Change into passive.
- (A) These doors could be shut (B) These doors is to be shut
(C) These doors must have been shut (D) These doors must be shut
84. Change into indirect speech.
'I took it home with me', she said.
- (A) She said she had taken it home with her
(B) She exclaimed that she had taken it with her to her home
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