

1. The recent decision of the RBI to cut Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) by 150 basis points (October 2008) will be able to infuse how much liquidity into the market?
(1) Rs. 10,000 Crores (2) Rs. 30,000 Crores
(3) Rs. 40,000 Crores (4) Rs. 50,000 Crores
(5) None of these
2. While talking to the Press/Media/Group of experts in Singapore the former Governor of RBI, Dr. Y.V.Reddy, said that the impact of global financial turmoil will be less on Asia. What in opinion of the people like Dr. Reddy are the strength of Asian Financial System which will help it to sustain the turmoil? (Pick-up correct statement(s) as your answer.)
(A) Banks in Asia are better capitalized and are not much exposed to sophisticated derivatives.
(B) Asian economies were in a high growth mode and hence they have better ability to withstand the crisis.
(C) Most of the Asian countries used to enjoy a strong fiscal position and current account surpluses in the past. This has given them an ability to bail out a failing financial institution in case it appeared.
(1) Only A (2) Only B
(3) Only C (4) All A, B and C
(5) None of these
3. Which of the following is/are part of New National Biofuel Policy 2008 launched by the Govt. of India?
(A) Minimum Support Price with a provision of periodic revision.
(B) No duties or taxes would be levied on Biodiesel.
(C) Biodiesel production to be taken up from non-edible oil seeds in waste/marginal lands.
(1) Only A (2) Only B
(3) Only C (4) All A, B and C
(5) None of these
4. The support price of which of the following commodities was raised by 33%-40% recently to make it Rs. 2,500 per quintal?
(1) Cotton (2) Sugarcane
(3) Wheat (4) Palm Oil
(5) None of these
5. International Literacy Day is observed on which of the following days?
(1) 18th September (2) 8th September
(3) 18th October (4) 8th October
(5) None of these
6. Recently how much percentage capital sufficiency has been to applicable according to Basel-II standards?
(1) 8 per cent (2) 12 per cent
(3) 16 per cent (4) 20 per cent
(5) 25 per cent
7. Who amongst the following is the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 54th National Film Award Ceremony?
(1) Dilip Kumar (2) Shashi Kapoor
(3) Rekha (4) Hema Malini
(5) Mrinal Sen

8. Who amongst the following cricketers made a World Record of 12 Sixes in a One Day International Match recently?
(1) Sachin Tendulkar (2) Xavier Marshall
(3) Muttiah Muralitharan (4) Mike Hussey
(5) None of these
9. Who amongst the following was given the Mahatma Gandhi Award for Reconciliation and Peace 2008?
(1) Akio Ishii (2) Bill Gates
(3) Nelson Mandela (4) Prince Charles
(5) None of these
10. Which of the following teams won the Durand Cup Football played in New Delhi in September 2008?
(1) Tata Motors (2) Indian Railways
(3) Churchill Brothers (4) Mahindra United
(5) None of these
11. Which of the following was one of the major point of disagreement between various countries over which the talks at World Trade Organization (WTO) got collapsed recently?
(1) Subsidy to farmers
(2) Providing special status to India
(3) Drafting a new constitution for WTO
(4) Drafting a common Trade Policy for next 5 years
(5) None of these
12. Which of the following is/are some of the recommendations of the Raghurajan Committee on financial sector reforms?
(A) Target inflation control rather than controlling money supply.
(B) Open Corporate and Govt. Bond markets.
(C) Provide liberal regulations for mergers and acquisitions.
(1) Only A (2) Only B
(3) Only C (4) All A, B and C
(5) None of these
13. Which of the following cities became the first 100% e-literate city of India?
(1) Pune (2) Hyderabad
(3) Kozhikode (4) Jaipur
(5) Bangalore
14. Shibu Soren took over as the new Chief Minister of
(1) Bihar (2) Chhattisgarh
(3) Jharkhand (4) Uttarakhand
(5) None of these
15. Agha Khan Trophy is associated with the game of
(1) Cricket (2) Football
(3) Badminton (4) Golf
(5) Hockey

16. The 48th National Open Athletics Championship was held at
(1) Koch (2) Delhi
(3) Jaipur (4) Lucknow
(5) Panaji
17. China recently resolved its border dispute with which of the following countries? (As per agreement Yinlong island will be handed over to China.)
(1) Mongolia (2) Japan
(3) India (4) Taiwan
(5) Russia
18. Who amongst the following is the author of the book "From Gloom to Glory"?
(1) Amit Choudhury (2) William Goldings
(3) V. Harrison (4) Nana Palkiwala
(5) Meer Ranjan Negi
19. Which of the following countries is passing through a crisis called as "Darfur Humanitarian Crisis"
(1) Uganda (2) Somalia
(3) Sudan (4) Sierra Leone
(5) None of these
20. Two new countries recently signed the protocols to become the member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO). These countries are
(1) Ukraine-Croatia (2) Croatia-Albania
(3) Georgia-Russia (4) Georgia-Croatia
(5) None of these
21. Which of the following is NOT an Employment Generating Programme of the Govt. of India?
(1) NREGA (2) SGRY
(3) SGSY (4) TRYSEM
(5) CAMELS
22. Mahendra Kappor who died recently was a famous
(1) Politician (2) Social Worker
(3) Journalist (4) Sportsman
(5) Playback Singer
23. The Prime Minister of India recently released the Economic Outlook for 2008-09. According to the document Indian economy will grow at what rate during the period of the review?
(1) 7.7% (2) 8%
(3) 8.33% (4) 9.7%
(5) None of these
24. The "Paralympics 2008" was organized in
(1) Seoul (2) Berlin
(3) London (4) Beijing
(5) New York
25. Who amongst the following is the author of the book "The Other Side of Midnight"?
(1) Salman Rushdie (2) Katherine Mayo
(3) Ernest Hemingway (4) H.G.Wells
(5) Sydney Sheldon

26. Which of the following countries refused to ratify the “Lisbon Treaty”, a very crucial agreement for reforms in the constitution of the European Union?
(1) Russia (2) Poland
(3) Germany (4) France
27. Who among the following are celebrated with the title of ‘Gangai-Konda’?
(1) Rajaraja I (2) Rajendra I
(3) Mahendravarman I (4) Kulottunga I
28. Which Chola emperor received a letter on golden leaves from the Burmese king Kyanzittha?
(1) Rajaraja I (2) Rajendra I
(3) Kulottunga I (4) Rajadhiraja I
29. Who among the following boldly stood for the sacrificial vedic tradition and opposed the theory of Sanyasa?
(1) Kumarila (2) Ramanuja
(3) Gaudapada (4) Yamunacharya
30. In the case of a man dying without a son, whom Yajnavalkya places first in order of succession?
(1) Wife (2) Daughters
(3) Parents (4) Brothers
31. Consider the following statements and select the correct answer from the code given below:-
Assertion (A) : The Gahadawalas had friendly relations with the Cholas.
Reason (R) : A fragmentary Gahadawala inscription has been found incised below an inscription of Kulottunga I.
- Codes:**
(1) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
(2) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(3) A is true, but R is false.
(4) A is false, but R is true.
32. VAT is imposed
(1) Directly on consumer
(2) On final stage of production
(3) On first stage of production
(4) On all stages between production and final sale
33. Kutir Jyoti Scheme is associated with
(1) Promotion cottage industry in villages
(2) Promoting employment among rural unemployed youth
(3) Providing electricity to rural families living below the poverty line
(4) All of these
34. Novelis has been acquired and merged with
(1) Atomic Submarine of China
(2) Economic policy of USA
(3) An Indian Share Market
(4) A defence research organization

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(1) Atomic Submarine of China
(2) Economic policy of USA
(3) An Indian Share Market
(4) A defence research organisation
36. CAPART is related with
(1) Assisting and evaluating rural welfare programmes
(2) Computer hardware
(3) Consultant service of export promotion
(4) Controlling pollution in big industries
37. "The emergence of British power in India is from the battle of Buxasr." Who made this statement?
(1) Sir Stephen (2) Ramsay Muir
(3) Dr. K.K.Datta (4) Dr. R.C.Majumdar
38. In 1757 Siraj-ud-Daulah attacked British factory at
(1) Dhaka (2) Calcutta
(3) Kasimbazar (4) Murshidabad
39. Which Governor of Madras presidency made treaty of Mangalore with Tipu?
(1) Eyercote (2) Stephenson
(3) Wellesely (4) Lord Macartany
40. What was the bone of contention between Nizam Ali, the ruler of Hyderabad and the English?
(1) Masulipatanam (2) Karnataka
(3) The Sarkar of Guntur (4) The Northern Sarkars
41. The statement "we have crippled our enemy without making our friends too formidable." is associated with
(1) Fourth Anglo-Mysore war (2) Third Anglo-Mysore war
(3) Second Anglo-Mysore war (4) First Anglo-Mysore war
42. The element common to all acids is
(1) Oxygen (2) Hydrogen
(3) Nitrogen (4) Sulphur
43. Gobar gas contains mainly
(1) Methane (2) Carbon dioxide
(3) Butane (4) Carbon Monoxide
44. The most malleable metal is
(1) Silver (2) Gold
(3) Aluminium (4) Sodium
45. Tetraethyl lead is used as
(1) Mosquito repellent (2) Pain Killer
(3) Fire extinguisher (4) Petrol additive
46. Which of the following is used in beauty parlours for hair setting?
(1) Phosphorus (2) Sulphur
(3) Chlorine (4) Silicon

47. Pensi La connects
(1) Srinagar with Leh (2) Sikkim with Tibet
(3) Himachal Pradesh with Kargil
(4) Himachal Pradesh with Tibet
48. Agricultural Location Theory was developed by
(1) Von Thunen, J.H. (2) Stamp D.
(3) Thompson, W.S. (4) Weber, A.
49. The term 'Conurbation' was coined by
(1) Harvey, D. (2) Patrick Geddes
(3) Dickinson, R.E. (4) Ullman
50. Which one of the following is correctly matched?
(1) Mega City—P.Geddes (2) Primate City—C.O.Sauer
(3) C.B.D.—C.C.Colby (4) Rank Size Rule—G.K.Colby

ANSWER KEY

1.	(5)	10.	(4)	19.	(3)	28.	(3)	37.	(2)	46.	(2)
2.	(4)	11.	(1)	20.	(2)	29.	(1)	38.	(2)	47.	(1)
3.	(4)	12.	(4)	21.	(5)	30.	(1)	39.	(4)	48.	(1)
4.	(1)	13.	(3)	22.	(5)	31.	(1)	40.	(3)	49.	(2)
5.	(2)	14.	(3)	23.	(1)	32.	(4)	41.	(2)	50.	(4)
6.	(2)	15.	(5)	24.	(4)	33.	(3)	42.	(2)		
7.	(1)	16.	(1)	25.	(5)	34.	(3)	43.	(1)		
8.	(2)	17.	(5)	26.	(4)	35.	(3)	44.	(2)		
9.	(3)	18.	(5)	27.	(2)	36.	(1)	45.	(4)		