

Time: 60 minutes

Pattern and Marking Scheme										
Section	Total Questions	Marks per Question	Total Marks							
Classic Section	40	1	40							
Scholar Section	10	2	20							
Grand Total	50		60							

Classic Section (Each Question is of 1 Mark)

1. Fill in the blank:

The concept of _____ is used in modern urban planning to create self-sustaining, eco-friendly cities.

a. industrial hubs

b. special economic zones

c. financial districts

- d. smart cities
- 2. If Earth's rotation speed increased by 10%, which of the following phenomena would most likely occur?
 - a. Longer days and nights

b. Shorter days and nights

c. No change in day length

- d. Increased gravitational pull
- 3. Which country is the Tour de France primarily associated with?
 - a. Italy

b. France

c. Spain

- d. Germany
- 4. Which country will host the 2032 Summer Olympics?
 - a. Germany

b. Australia

c. India

d. Canada

5. Fill in the blank:

A high credit score allows individuals to ____

a. increase disposable income

b. avoid paying taxes

- c. secure government grants easily
- d. get loans at lower interest rates
- **6.** The UNESCO World Heritage Sites are awarded based on cultural or natural significance. Which of the following criteria is most important when selecting a new site?
 - a. The site's impact on global tourism
 - b. Its cultural and historical significance
 - c. Its environmental impact and conservation status
 - d. Its contribution to local economic growth
- 7. Match the economic term with its function:

	Column I		Column II
1.	Repo Rate	A.	Liquidity Control
2.	CPI	B.	Inflation Measurement
3.	SLR	C.	Bank Reserve Requirement

a. 1-A, 2-C, 3-B

b. 1-B, 2-C, 3-A

c. 1-C, 2-A, 3-B

d. 1-A, 2-B, 3-C

8. Russia once considered relocating its capital from Moscow to Saint Petersburg. What could have been a primary challenge of such a move?

a. Less space for industrial zones

b. Increased risk of earthquakes

c. Better access to European markets

- d. Disruptions to government operations
- **9.** Country A requires a two-thirds majority in Parliament and a nationwide referendum to amend its constitution. What kind of constitution does it have?

a. Hybrid Constitution

b. Flexible Constitution

c. Common Law Constitution

d. Rigid Constitution

10. "The most expensive election campaign in history cost over \$14 billion and took place in 2020." Which country held this election?

a. Germany

b. UK

c. Canada

d. USA

11. A country relies on exports for 80% of its GDP. A major trade partner imposes restrictions. How does this affect domestic employment?

a. Job Losses Increase

b. Wages Rise

c. Currency Appreciates

d. Government Revenue Surges

12. A central bank cuts interest rates to boost growth, but inflation rises beyond expectations. How does this impact foreign investors?

a. Lower Currency Depreciation

b. Higher Stock Market Returns

c. More Foreign Direct Investment

d. Capital Flight

13. Scientists discover that Earth's magnetic poles have flipped multiple times in the past. What records these reversals?

a. Fossil records

b. Seafloor magnetic stripes

c. Volcanic rocks

d. Continental drift

14. A gymnast known as "The Simone Biles of Europe" has won multiple Olympic medals and is famous for her floor routines. Who is she?

a. Nadia Comăneci

b. Larisa lordache

c. Aliya Mustafina

d. Ellie Black

- **15.** Arrange these in order:
 - 1. Investment declines
 - 2. Unemployment rises
 - 3. Consumer spending drops

a.
$$1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2$$

b. $3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$

c. $2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 3$

 $d. \quad 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$

- 16. What is a common risk when the executive branch dominates a country's judiciary?
 - a. Faster legal decisions

- b. More democratic governance
- c. Judicial independence is compromised
- d. Strengthened rule of law
- 17. What was a key consequence of the Treaty of Versailles (1919)?
 - a. It ended World War I but led to tensions that caused World War II
 - b. It created the best holiday resorts in Europe
 - c. It made France and Germany best friends forever
 - d. It was signed in outer space
- **18.** What is the primary composition of Earth's outer core?
 - a. Molten rock

b. Solid iron

c. Liquid iron and nickel

- d. Gaseous iron
- **19.** What was the primary trigger of the Great Depression in 1929?
 - a. The overproduction of goods

b. A sharp rise in global inflation

c. The collapse of the stock market

- d. High tariffs on international trade
- **20.** Match the financial market with its function:

	Column I		Column II
1.	Forex Market	A.	Currency Trading
2.	Bond Market	B.	Debt Financing
3.	Stock Market	C.	Equity Investment

a. 1-A, 2-B, 3-C

b. 1-B, 2-A, 3-C

c. 1-C, 2-A, 3-B

- d. 1-A, 2-C, 3-B
- **21.** This woman was the first to receive two Nobel Prizes, one in Physics and one in Chemistry, for her pioneering work on radiation. Who was she?
 - a. Marie Curie

b. Dorothy Crowfoot Hodgkin

c. Lise Meitner

- d. Rosalind Franklin
- 22. Match the indicator with its function:

	Column I		Column II
1.	CPI	A.	Inflation Measurement
2.	GNP	B.	National Income
3.	CRR	C.	Banking Liquidity Control.

a. 1-A, 2-B, 3-C

b. 1-B, 2-C, 3-A

c. 1-C, 2-A, 3-B

d. 1-A, 2-C, 3-B

23. Liam learns that coral reefs are called "rainforests of the sea." What ecological role do they play?

a. They store carbon

b. They host diverse marine species

c. They regulate ocean currents

- d. They clean ocean water
- **24.** The African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) was established to bring significant economic transformation across the continent. Which of the following best represents its primary objective?
 - a. Promote unrestricted immigration between African nations
 - b. Create a common African currency
 - c. Increase intra-African trade by reducing tariffs
 - d. Encourage global exports over regional trade
- 25. What does the symbol of Lady Justice's blindfold represent?

a. Power of the Courts

b. Strength of the Government

c. Loyalty to the King

d. Fairness in Law

26. The Nobel Prize in Literature is awarded to authors based on their entire body of work. Which author was controversially NOT awarded the Nobel Prize despite being nominated multiple times?

a. Leo Tolstoy

b. Mark Twain

c. James Joyce

d. Franz Kafka

27. A citizen files a lawsuit demanding stricter environmental regulations to prevent pollution. This is an example of:

a. Civil Contract Dispute

b. Trade Agreement Violation

c. Public Interest Litigation (PIL)

d. Defamation Case

- **28.** Arrange the following in order:
 - 1. Market Crash,
 - 2. Government Intervention,
 - 3. Economic Recovery

a. $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$

b. $2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 3$

c. $3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$

d. $1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2$

29. Investors seek protection against inflation. Which asset class is often considered a hedge?

a. Fixed Deposits

b. Government Bonds

c. Real Estate

d. Treasury Bills

30. What was the primary reason NATO was formed in 1949?

	a. b. c. d.	To start global conflicts To promote communist ideals To create a military alliance against Soviet To control all world governments	expan	sion
31.	Y cl	ournalist from Country X is arrested while of aims the arrest is lawful, but human rights beement would best support the journalist's	activis	<u> </u>
	a. b. c. d.	Geneva Conventions Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Ul The Berne Convention The Budapest Treaty	DHR)	
32.	that	ma, a young athlete, dreams of winning a involves a balance beam, uneven bars, a by training in?		nedal in the Olympics. She trains in a sport or exercises. Which sport is Emma most
	a. c.	Swimming Athletics	b. d.	Gymnastics Cycling
<u> </u>	Whi	ch city hosted the first modern Olympic G	ames i	n 1896?
	a. c.	Paris London	b. d.	Athens Rome
34.		in the blank: BoP records		
	b. c.	stock market performance government's internal spending a country's financial transactions with the v domestic corporate tax policies	vorld	
<u> </u>	Wh	o was the first female director to win the A	cadem	ny Award for Best Director?
	a. c.	Kathryn Bigelow Sofia Coppola	b. d.	Greta Gerwig Ava DuVernay
36.	The	QUAD alliance consists of which four cou	untries	?
	a. c.	USA, India, Japan, Australia Brazil, Russia, India, China	b. d.	USA, UK, Canada, Germany Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, USA
37.	Whi	ch private space company first successfu	lly laur	nched, landed, and reused a rocket?
	a. c.	NASA SpaceX	b. d.	Blue Origin Rocket Lab

38. Who developed the first widely used polio vaccine?

	Jonas Salk Edward Jenner		Alexander Fleming Marie Curie							
39. What renewable energy innovation is inspired by plant photosynthesis?										
	Solar panels Wind turbines	b. d.	Artificial leaves Hydropower cells							
40. Who	o was the first Al-powered humanoid robot g	rant	ed citizenship?							
	Sophia Atlas		ASIMO HAL 9000							
	Scholar Section (Each Q	ш	etion is of 2 Marks)							
inte	overnment borrows endlessly, funding public rnational creditors stop lending, what shift in Trade Liberalization Increased Money Printing	ser fisc b.	vices without raising taxes. When							
	ing a strong La Niña event, fishermen off the									
	Warmer ocean currents Reduced nutrient upwelling		Cooler ocean temperatures Increased salinity							
	ountry imports significantly more than it expo P) deficit. What could be a consequence?	rts,	leading to a persistent Balance of Payments							
	Currency Depreciation Reduced Money Supply		Increased Trade Surplus Strengthened Banking Sector							
The	in the blank: war began in 2011 during the Arab Spr flicts in modern history.	ing,	leading to one of the most prolonged civil							
	Ukraine-Russia Korean		Syrian Yemeni							
The	in the blank: concept of was introduced to planerging nations.	anc	I develop economically self-sufficient cities							
a. c.	smart urbanization industrial hubs		free trade zones special economic corridors							

- **46.** A major supplier of semiconductors suddenly halts production due to political instability. How is the global electronics market most likely affected?
 - a. Increased production as companies seek alternatives
 - b. Shortages and rising prices of electronic devices
 - c. No significant effect, as semiconductors are abundant worldwide
 - d. A decrease in demand for semiconductors due to uncertainty
- **47.** Emma, a political activist, is arrested in her country for criticizing the government. Her lawyer argues that her imprisonment violates an international treaty that protects freedom of speech. Which treaty supports Emma's case?
 - a. Geneva Conventions
 - b. Budapest Convention
 - c. UN Charter
 - d. International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)
- **48.** What was the main purpose of the Manhattan Project?
 - a. To promote sustainable development
- b. To develop the first nuclear weapons
- c. To make New York the capital of the world
- d. To build an underground city
- **49.** Which sport is NOT part of the Summer Olympics?
 - a. Rugby

b. Golf

c. Ice Hockey

- d. Tennis
- **50.** Which supersonic passenger jet was jointly developed by British and French engineers?
 - a. Boeing 747

b. Concorde

c. Airbus A380

d. Lockheed SR-71

Answer Key

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