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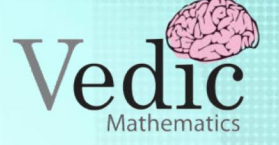
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**Chapter - 09**

**Art & Culture, Books & Authors,  
Inscriptions & Edicts**

**1. Who established Mahabalipuram?**

- (A) Pallava (B) Pandya  
(C) Chola (D) Chalukya

**2. Gandhara school of art came into existence in**

- (A) Hinayana sect (B) Mahayana sect  
(C) Vaishnava sect (D) Shaiva sect

**3. Which rulers built the Ellora temples?**

- (A) Chalukya (B) Sunga  
(C) Rashtrakuta (D) Pallava

**4. The subject matter of Ajanta Paintings pertains to**

- (A) Jainism (B) Buddhism  
(C) Vaishnavism (D) Shaivism

**5. The famous rock-cut temple of Kailash is at**

- (A) Ajanta (B) Badami  
(C) Mahabalipuram (D) Ellora

**6. Most of the Chola temples were dedicated to**

- (A) Ganesh (B) Shiva  
(C) Durga (D) Vishnu

**7. The caves and rock-cut temples at Ellora are**

- (A) Hindu and Buddhist  
(B) Buddhist and Jain  
(C) Hindu and Jain  
(D) Hindu, Buddhist and Jain

**8. The seven Pagodas of Mahabalipuram are a witness to the art patronised by the**

- (A) Pallavas (B) Pandyas  
(C) Cholas (D) Cheras

**9. The paintings of Ajanta depict the stories of**

- (A) Ramayana (B) Mahabharata

(C) Jataka

(D) Panchatantra

**10. The famous Kailashnath Temple at Kanchi was built by**

- (A) Mahendravarman I  
(B) Narasimhavarman II  
(C) Nandivarman II  
(D) Dantivarman

**11. Mahabalipuram is an important city that reveals the interest of arts of**

- (A) Pallavas (B) Cholas  
(C) Pandyas (D) Chalukyas

**12. Where is the Lingaraja Temple located?**

- (A) Madurai (B) Tiruchendur  
(C) Bhubaneswar (D) Ujjain

**13. Which Rashtrakuta ruler built the famous Kailash temple of Siva at Ellora?**

- (A) Dantidurga (B) Amoghvarsha-I  
(C) Krishan-I (D) Vatsraja

**14. Which museum houses the largest collection Kushan sculptures?**

- (A) Mathura Museum (B) Bombay Museum  
(C) Madras Museum (D) Delhi Museum

**15. The Virupaksha Temple was built by the**

- (A) Chalukyas (B) Pallavas  
(C) Kakatiyas (D) Satavahans

**16. Taxila was a famous site of**

- (A) Early Vedic art (B) Mauryan art  
(C) Gandhara art (D) Gupta art

**17. The art style which combines Indian and Greek features is called**

- (A) Sikhara (B) Verna  
(C) Nagara (D) Gandhara

**18. Greek-Roman Art has found a place in**







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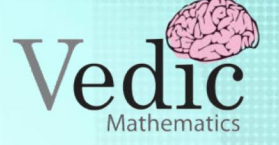
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(A) Ellora  
(C) Kalinga

(B) Gandhara  
(D) Bhuddhist Art.

**19. The Ajanta Paintings belong to the**

(A) Harappan period (B) Mauryan period  
(C) Buddhist period (D) Gupta period

**20. The paintings in the Ajanta and Ellora caves are indicative of development of art under the**

(A) Rashtrakutas (B) Pallavas  
(C) Pandyas (D) Challukyas

**21. Who built Brihadeshwara Temple at Tanjore?**

(A) Aditya Chola (B) Raja Raj Chola  
(C) Rajendra Chola (D) Karikala Chola

**22. Most of the Chola temples were dedicated to**

(A) Vishnu (B) Shiva  
(C) Brahma (D) Durga

**23. Which inscription mentions about the village administration under the Cholas?**

(A) Junagarh (B) Uttaramerur  
(C) Aihole (D) Nasik

**24. How many spokes are there in the Dharma Chakra of the National flag?**

(A) 22 (B) 18  
(C) 24 (D) 14

**25. Which one of the following inscriptions related to the Chalukya king, Pulakesin II?**

(A) Maski (B) Hathigumpha  
(C) Aihole (D) Nasik

**26. Which of the following does not have a Stupa?**

(A) Ranchi (B) Sanchi  
(C) Barhut (D) Dhamek

**27. Which one of the following was the book written by Amoghvarsha the Rashtrakuta King?**

(A) Adipurana (B) Ganitasara Samgraha  
(C) Saktayana (D) Kavirajamarg

**28. The land measures of the Second Pandyan Empire was mentioned in**

(A) Thalavaipuram Copper Plates  
(B) Uttirameru Inscription  
(C) Kudumiyammalai Inscription  
(D) Kasadudi Copper Plates

**29. Who built the famous Vaikunta Perumal temple at Kanchipuram?**

(A) Narasiman Verman II  
(B) Parmeshvara Verman II  
(C) Nandi Verman II  
(D) Aparajita Verman

**30. Who was the author of Telugu Work Amuktamalyada?**

(A) Harihara (B) Devaraya  
(C) Krishnadevaraya (D) Bukka

**31. Who composed the Allahabad Pillar inscription?**

(A) Harisena (B) Mahasena  
(C) Veerasena (D) Vishnusenana

**32. What was Hampi known for?**

(A) It was the capital of Golconda  
(B) It had the largest stable in medieval India  
(C) It had the translation of the Indian epics to Persian  
(D) It was the capital of Vijayanagar

**33. The famous Jain centre in South India is situated at**

(A) Rameshvaram (B) Kanchi  
(C) Madurai (D) Shravanbelgola

**34. In India, Ancient Iron Age is attached with**

(A) Gray pottery  
(B) Black and Red Pottery  
(C) Ocher Coloured Pottery  
(D) Northern Black Polish Pottery

**35. The Religious lessons of 'Jews' are called**







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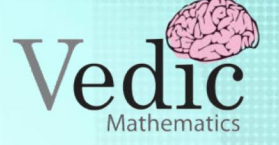
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- (A) Gnome Collection (Sukti Sangraha)  
(B) Musa Sanhita (Torah)  
(C) Tripitaka  
(D) Tend Alesta

**36. Mahabhasya was written by**

- (A) Gargi (B) Manu  
(C) Bana (D) Patanjali

**37. What was the suitable language for source material in Ancient Times?**

- (A) Sanskrit (B) Pali  
(C) Brahmi (D) Kharoshthi

**38. Which one of the following famous ruler is called as 'Father of Inscriptions'?**

- (A) Samudra Gupta  
(B) Chandragupta Maurya  
(C) Ashoka  
(D) Kanishka

**39. Match the following literary work with their writers**

- |                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| a. Kavirajmarga     | 1. Mahaviracharya |
| b. Aadipurana       | 2. Sankatyayan    |
| c. Gaditsarasmgriha | 3. Amoghvarsh     |
| d. Amaghvirthi      | 4. Jinsen         |

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

**40. Where is the longest corridor of the temple?**

- (A) Shreerangam (B) Madurai  
(C) Tiruchendur (D) Rameshwaram

**41. Who constructed the Khajuraho temples?**

- (A) Halkar (B) Sindhiya  
(C) Bundela Rajput (D) Chandel Rajput

**42. Who established the four monasteries Sringeri, Badrinath, Dwarka & Puri?**

- (A) Ramanuj (B) Ashoka  
(C) Shankaracharya (D) Madhav Vidhyaranya

**43. Name the Muslim Invader who destroyed Nalanda University?**

- (A) Allaudin Khilji  
(B) Muhammad Bin Tuglaq  
(C) Muhammad Bin Bakhtiyar  
(D) Muhammad Bin Qasim

**44. Ramcharitmanas is an epic poem written in which language ?**

- (A) Santali (B) Munda  
(C) Awadhi (D) Sanskrit

**45. Oil paint was first used for Buddhist paintings by Indian and Chinese painters in western \_\_\_\_\_ sometime between the fifth and tenth centuries**

- (A) Iraq (B) Afghanistan  
(C) Pakistan (D) India

**46. Who was the first Indian astronomer to calculate the time taken by earth to orbit the sun?**

- (A) Aryabhatta (B) Ved Bhatnagara  
(C) Bhaskaracharya (D) Bishu devtamapi

**47. \_\_\_\_\_ comprises the archaeological remains of a monastic and scholastic institution.**

- (A) Nalanda  
(B) Rani ki vav  
(C) Hill Forts of Rajasthan  
(D) Fatehpur Sikri

**48. Odisha's World famous Konark Sun Temple was built by**

- (A) Krishnadev Rai (B) Ashoka  
(C) Chandragupta (D) Narasimhadeva

**49. Which is representative of Dravida style of temple architecture ?**

- (A) Viman (B) Shikhara







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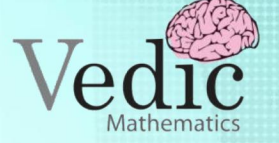
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(C) Mandapa

(D) Gopuram

**50. What is the popular name of Monolithic rock shrines at Mahabalipuram?**

(A) Rathas

(B) Prasadas

(C) Mathika

(D) Gandhakuti

**51. Chalukya temples (Jain temples) at Dilwara are situated in**

(A) Madhya Pradesh

(B) Uttar Pradesh

(C) Rajasthan

(D) Haryana

**52. Vikram Shila University was founded by**

(A) Chandra Gupta Maurya

(B) Kanishka

(C) Dharmapala

(D) Pulakesin II

**53. Who is the author of Meghadoot?**

(A) Shundraka

(B) Vishakhadatta

(C) Kalidasa

(D) Chanakya

**54. Gandhara Art is the combination of**

(A) Indo Roman

(B) Indo Greek

(C) Indo Islamic

(D) Indo China

**55. What is the Mehrauli Pillar in the complex of Qutub Minar primarily famous for?**

(A) Proverbial height

(B) Skilful stone cutting

(C) Excellent quality steel

(D) Statue of Buddha on top

**56. Which script was used in Ashoka's inscriptions?**

(A) Brahmi

(B) Devanagiri

(C) Gurmukhi

(D) Sanskrit

**57. Where is the Brihadeshwar temple built during the Chola period located?**

(A) Mysore

(B) Mahabalipuram

(C) Tanjavur

(D) Kanyakumari

**58. Who among the following was the first grammarian of the Sanskrit language?**

(A) Kalhana

(B) Maitreyi

(C) Kalidasa

(D) Panini

**59. What is 'Patriarchic Society'?**

(A) System that values women more than men

(B) System that values men more than women

(C) System that values both men and women equally

(D) System that values elders

**60. Which of the following civilization is famous for its city/town planning?**

(A) Indus Valley Civilization

(B) Mesopotamian Civilization

(C) Persian Civilization

(D) Egyptian Civilization

**61. In Indus Valley Civilization, Kalibangan is famous for which of the following?**

(A) Rock cut architecture

(B) Sea port

(C) Cotton cultivation

(D) Pottery

**62. All souls day is a \_\_\_ festival.**

(A) Buddhism

(B) Jainism

(C) Christian

(D) Muslim

**63. Which of the following Vedas is not a part of Vedatrayi?**

(A) Rig Veda

(B) Yajur Veda

(C) Sama Veda

(D) Atharva Veda

**64. Magical charms and spells are given in which of the following Vedas?**

(A) Rig Veda

(B) Sama Veda

(C) Yajurveda Veda

(D) Atharva Veda

**65. In Indus Valley Civilization, Dholavira is famous for which of the following?**

(A) Rock cut architecture

(B) Sea port







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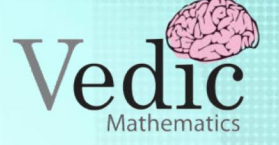
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- (C) Water Conservation  
(D) Pottery

66. The Vijaynagar ruler Krishna Dev Raya's work 'Amuktamalayada' was written in which language?

- (A) Tamil (B) Malayalam  
(C) Kannada (D) Telugu

67. Idol of dancing girl (Bronze) is found in which of the following civilization?

- (A) Mesopotamian Civilization  
(B) Indus Valley Civilization  
(C) Persian Civilization  
(D) Egyptian Civilization

68. Shatughai (Indus Valley Civilization site) is in which country?

- (A) India (B) Pakistan  
(C) Afghanistan (D) Tibet

69. Which among the following metal was not found in Harappan civilization?

- (A) Gold (B) Copper  
(C) Silver (D) Iron

70. According to the categories of land mentioned in the Chola inscriptions \_\_\_\_\_ was known as the land donated to Jain institutions?

- (A) Vellanvagai (B) Brahmadeya  
(C) Shalabhoga (D) Pallichchhandam

71. According to the categories of land mentioned in the Chola inscriptions \_\_\_\_\_ was known as the land of non-Brahmana peasant proprietors?

- (A) Vellanvagai (B) Brahmadeya  
(C) Shalabhoga (D) Devadana

72. According to the categories of land mentioned in the Chola inscriptions \_\_\_\_\_ was known as the land gifted to Brahmanas?

- (A) Vellanvagai (B) Brahmadeya  
(C) Shalabhoga (D) Devadana

73. According to the categories of land mentioned in the Chola inscriptions \_\_\_\_\_ was known as the land gifted to temples?

- (A) Vellanvagai (B) Brahmadeya  
(C) Shalabhoga (D) Devadana

74. In which city of India is Dhamek Stupa located?

- (A) Pune (B) Delhi  
(C) Varanasi (D) Hyderabad

75. Who wrote 'Nyaya Sutra'?

- (A) Vyasa (B) Gautam  
(C) Kapila (D) Charaka

76. Which queen of the Kakatiya dynasty ruled over Warangal, part of modern Andhra Pradesh?

- (A) Rudramadevi (B) Ahilyadevi  
(C) Bhagwati (D) Bhanumati

77. Match the following.

- | Column- I          | Column- II             |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Brihadeswara    | a. Odisha Temple       |
| 2. Dilwara Temple  | b. Tamil Nadu          |
| 3. Lingraja Temple | c. Karnataka           |
| 4. Hampi Group     | d. Rajasthan Monuments |
- (A) 1 - c, 2 - d, 3 - a, 4 - b  
(B) 1 - a, 2 - c, 3 - d, 4 - b  
(C) 1 - b, 2 - d, 3 - a, 4 - c  
(D) 1 - b, 2 - a, 3 - d, 4 - c

78. Which emperor wrote the play 'Nagananda' in Sanskrit language?

- (A) Prabhakara vardhana  
(B) Harshavardhana  
(C) Chandragupta II  
(D) Bindusara

79. Taxila University was located between which two rivers?

- (A) Indus and Jhelum  
(B) Jhelum and Ravi  
(C) Beas and Indus  
(D) Satluj and Indus







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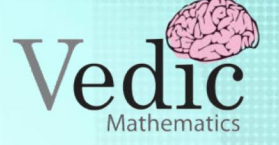
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80. Who is the most prominent god of 'Rig Veda'?

- (A) Indra (B) Agni  
(C) Pashupati (D) Vishnu

81. The queen with the title Didda ruled over which part of India between 980 - 1003?

- (A) Avadh (B) Kashmir  
(C) Sindh (D) Bengal

82. What civilization built the famous pyramids of Giza?

- a) Mesopotamians b) Egyptians  
c) Greeks d) Romans

83. Which ancient civilization is known for the creation of the Epic of Gilgamesh?

- a) Sumerians b) Egyptians  
c) Greeks d) Romans

84. The Parthenon, a famous ancient Greek temple, is dedicated to which goddess?

- a) Athena b) Hera  
c) Aphrodite d) Artemis

85. The Maurya Empire was an ancient civilization in which present-day country?

- a) India b) China  
c) Egypt d) Greece

86. Who was the famous sculptor of ancient Greece known for creating the statue of Zeus at Olympia?

- a) Phidias b) Praxiteles  
c) Myron d) Polykleitos

87. Which ancient civilization developed the first known system of writing called cuneiform?

- a) Egyptians b) Sumerians  
c) Greeks d) Romans

88. The Terracotta Army was discovered in the tomb of which ancient Chinese emperor?

- a) Qin Shi Huang b) Han Wudi  
c) Emperor Wu of Han d) Emperor Wen of Sui

89. The ancient city of Pompeii was destroyed by which natural disaster?

- a) Earthquake b) Volcanic eruption  
c) Tsunami d) Flood

90. The famous ancient monument Stonehenge is located in which present-day country?

- a) England b) France  
c) Italy d) Greece

91. Who was the first emperor of the Roman Empire?

- a) Julius Caesar b) Augustus  
c) Nero d) Trajan

92. The ancient Indus Valley Civilization was primarily located in which modern-day country?

- a) India b) Pakistan  
c) Bangladesh d) Afghanistan

93. Who was the legendary founder of Rome according to Roman mythology?

- a) Romulus b) Julius Caesar  
c) Augustus d) Nero

94. The ancient city of Babylon was located in which present-day country?

- a) Iraq b) Iran  
c) Syria d) Turkey

95. The ancient Olympic Games were held in honor of which Greek god?

- a) Zeus b) Apollo  
c) Hermes d) Poseidon

96. The Great Wall of China was built primarily to defend against invasions from which group?

- a) Mongols b) Huns  
c) Persians d) Greeks





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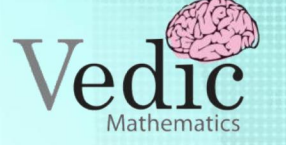
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97. Which ancient civilization is known for the creation of the Hanging Gardens?

- a) Mesopotamians      b) Egyptians
- c) Greeks              d) Persians

98. The Rosetta Stone was instrumental in deciphering which ancient language?

- a) Egyptian hieroglyphs      b) Sumerian cuneiform
- c) Greek                      d) Latin

99. The Mesoamerican civilization known for its pyramids, calendar system, and hieroglyphic writing is:

- a) Aztec                      b) Inca
- c) Maya                      d) Olmec

