

Class 10 · General Knowledge Olympiad

Total questions 50	Total marks 60	Time 60 minutes	Negative marking None
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Each question has four options, of which only one is correct. Mark your answer on the answer sheet. The Achievers Section carries higher marks per question. The answer key with full solutions is at the end of this paper.

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General Awareness

30 questions · 1 mark each · 30 marks

Q1. Durga Puja is the biggest festival of which state?

- (A) Punjab (B) West Bengal (C) Gujarat (D) Kerala

Q2. What is the national sport-related honour of India given for lifetime achievement in sport called?

- (A) Padma Shri (B) Bharat Ratna
(C) Dhyan Chand Award (D) Ashoka Chakra

Q3. Which country gifted the Statue of Liberty to the United States?

- (A) Italy (B) Britain (C) France (D) Spain

Q4. What is the national flower of India?

- (A) Marigold (B) Rose (C) Lotus (D) Sunflower

Q5. Which is the deepest ocean trench in the world?

- (A) The Java Trench (B) The Sunda Trench
(C) The Mariana Trench (D) The Puerto Rico Trench

Q6. How many continents are there on Earth?

- (A) Six (B) Five (C) Seven (D) Eight

Q7. Which is the highest civilian award of India?

- (A) Padma Shri (B) Arjuna Award
(C) Param Vir Chakra (D) Bharat Ratna

Q8. Which festival is known as the festival of lights?

- (A) Eid (B) Christmas (C) Diwali (D) Holi

Q9. How many players are there in a football team on the field?

- (A) Nine (B) Five (C) Eleven (D) Seven

Q10. Which ocean lies to the south of India?

- (A) The Indian Ocean (B) The Pacific Ocean
(C) The Atlantic Ocean (D) The Arctic Ocean

Q11. The Olympic Games are normally held once in how many years?

- (A) Four (B) Three (C) Two (D) Five

- Q12. On which date does India celebrate Independence Day?
(A) 14 November (B) 15 August (C) 2 October (D) 26 January
- Q13. Which state is known as the Land of Five Rivers?
(A) Assam (B) Punjab (C) Bihar (D) Haryana
- Q14. Which is the largest state of India by area?
(A) Maharashtra (B) Uttar Pradesh
(C) Madhya Pradesh (D) Rajasthan
- Q15. Which line divides the Earth into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres?
(A) The Prime Meridian (B) The Tropic of Cancer
(C) The Equator (D) The Arctic Circle
- Q16. The Eiffel Tower is in which city?
(A) Paris (B) Berlin (C) Rome (D) London
- Q17. What is the currency of the United Kingdom?
(A) Dollar (B) Franc
(C) Pound sterling (D) Euro
- Q18. Which is the largest hot desert in the world?
(A) The Gobi (B) The Kalahari (C) The Thar (D) The Sahara
- Q19. The Great Wall is in which country?
(A) China (B) Korea (C) Mongolia (D) Japan
- Q20. Who is known as the Father of the Nation in India?
(A) Mahatma Gandhi (B) Jawaharlal Nehru
(C) Subhas Chandra Bose (D) Sardar Patel
- Q21. Which award is given to Indian sportspersons for outstanding performance in a year?
(A) Arjuna Award (B) Jnanpith Award
(C) Padma Vibhushan (D) Bharat Ratna
- Q22. Who was the first Prime Minister of India?
(A) Sardar Patel (B) Rajendra Prasad
(C) Mahatma Gandhi (D) Jawaharlal Nehru
- Q23. Which is the national river of India?
(A) The Kaveri (B) The Yamuna
(C) The Ganga (D) The Brahmaputra
- Q24. Teachers' Day in India is celebrated on which date?
(A) 5 September (B) 2 October (C) 15 August (D) 14 November
- Q25. Which is the national fruit of India?
(A) Mango (B) Apple (C) Orange (D) Banana

- Q26. How many players are there in a cricket team on the field?
(A) Twelve (B) Nine (C) Ten (D) Eleven
- Q27. How many rings are there on the Olympic flag?
(A) Four (B) Five (C) Six (D) Seven
- Q28. What is the national bird of India?
(A) Parrot (B) Peacock (C) Eagle (D) Sparrow
- Q29. Which musical instrument did Pandit Ravi Shankar play?
(A) The tabla (B) The violin (C) The sitar (D) The flute
- Q30. Who was the first President of India?
(A) Dr B. R. Ambedkar (B) Dr Rajendra Prasad
(C) Dr S. Radhakrishnan (D) Jawaharlal Nehru

Current Affairs

10 questions · 1 mark each · 10 marks

- Q31. Earth Day is observed on which date?
(A) 22 April (B) 21 June (C) 5 June (D) 8 March
- Q32. What is the head of government of an Indian state called?
(A) The Mayor (B) The Chief Minister
(C) The President (D) The Governor
- Q33. What does ISRO stand for?
(A) International Space Research Organisation (B) Indian Satellite and Rocket Organisation
(C) Indian Space Research Organisation (D) Indian Science Research Office
- Q34. Which organisation brings countries together to keep world peace?
(A) The Olympic Committee (B) The Red Cross
(C) UNESCO (D) The United Nations
- Q35. International Yoga Day is observed on which date?
(A) 21 June (B) 5 June (C) 14 November (D) 2 October
- Q36. Which Indian mission was sent to study the Moon?
(A) Mangalyaan (B) Aryabhata (C) Gaganyaan (D) Chandrayaan
- Q37. A "green" way to travel to school over a short distance is:
(A) Walking or cycling (B) Riding a motorbike alone
(C) Taking a helicopter (D) Going alone by car
- Q38. Who is the head of the Government of India?
(A) The President (B) The Chief Justice
(C) The Prime Minister (D) The Governor
- Q39. What is the lower house of the Indian Parliament called?
(A) Lok Sabha (B) Vidhan Sabha (C) Rajya Sabha (D) Gram Sabha

Q40. The Indian Parliament has how many houses?

- (A) Two (B) Four (C) Three (D) One

Life Skills

5 questions · 1 mark each · 5 marks

Q41. A younger child has fallen and is crying. What is the kindest response?

- (A) Walk past (B) Laugh at the child
(C) Tell the child to be quiet (D) Help the child up and call an adult

Q42. Your friend is being teased by others. What is the right thing to do?

- (A) Laugh quietly (B) Support your friend and tell a teacher
(C) Walk away and say nothing (D) Join in the teasing

Q43. Which of these shows good teamwork?

- (A) Listening to everyone's idea before deciding (B) Ignoring the quietest member
(C) Doing everything alone (D) Taking all the credit

Q44. You find a wallet with money in the school corridor. What should you do?

- (A) Hand it to a teacher or the office (B) Share it with friends
(C) Leave it on the floor (D) Keep the money

Q45. What should you do before crossing a road?

- (A) Stop, look both ways and listen (B) Run across quickly
(C) Cross between parked cars (D) Cross while using a phone

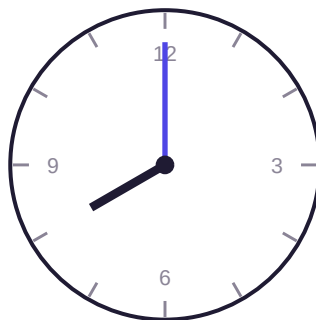
Achievers Section

5 questions · 3 marks each · 15 marks

Q46. Find the next number: 5, 7, 11, 17, 25, ____

- (A) 37 (B) 35 (C) 33 (D) 36

Q47. The clock in the figure shows 8:00. What is the angle between the hour hand and the minute hand?



- (A) 120° (B) 105° (C) 135° (D) 150°

Q48. A country's flag has saffron on top, white in the middle with a blue wheel, and green at the bottom. Which country is it?

- (A) Ireland (B) Niger (C) India (D) Italy

Q49. How many numbers between 50 and 75 leave a remainder of 2 when divided by 7?

- (A) 3 (B) 4 (C) 6 (D) 5

Q50. Why do we see lightning before we hear thunder?

- (A) Sound is blocked by clouds (B) Light travels much faster than sound
(C) Thunder happens later than lightning (D) Lightning is closer than thunder

Answer Key

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

Solutions

- Q1. (B) Durga Puja is the largest festival in West Bengal.
Q2. (C) The Major Dhyan Chand Award honours lifetime achievement in sport.
Q3. (C) France gifted the Statue of Liberty in 1886.
Q4. (C) The lotus is the national flower of India.
Q5. (C) The Mariana Trench in the Pacific is the deepest known point in the ocean.
Q6. (C) There are seven continents.
Q7. (D) The Bharat Ratna is India's highest civilian honour.
Q8. (C) Diwali is celebrated with lamps and lights.
Q9. (C) A football team fields eleven players.
Q10. (A) The Indian Ocean lies to the south of the Indian peninsula.
Q11. (A) The Olympic Games are held every four years.
Q12. (B) India became independent on 15 August 1947.
Q13. (B) Punjab means the land of five rivers.
Q14. (D) Rajasthan has the largest area of any Indian state.
Q15. (C) The Equator is the 0° line of latitude.
Q16. (A) The Eiffel Tower stands in Paris, France.
Q17. (C) The UK uses the pound sterling.
Q18. (D) The Sahara in Africa is the largest hot desert in the world.
Q19. (A) The Great Wall is in China.
Q20. (A) Mahatma Gandhi is called the Father of the Nation.
Q21. (A) The Arjuna Award honours outstanding sportspersons.

- Q22. (D) Jawaharlal Nehru became India's first Prime Minister in 1947.
- Q23. (C) The Ganga was declared the national river of India.
- Q24. (A) Teachers' Day marks the birthday of Dr S. Radhakrishnan on 5 September.
- Q25. (A) The mango is the national fruit of India.
- Q26. (D) A cricket team fields eleven players.
- Q27. (B) The five rings stand for the five inhabited continents.
- Q28. (B) The Indian peacock is the national bird.
- Q29. (C) Pandit Ravi Shankar was a world-famous sitar player. The answer is The sitar.
- Q30. (B) Dr Rajendra Prasad was the first President of India.
- Q31. (A) Earth Day is observed on 22 April.
- Q32. (B) A state government is headed by its Chief Minister. The answer is The Chief Minister.
- Q33. (C) ISRO is the Indian Space Research Organisation.
- Q34. (D) The United Nations was formed to maintain international peace and co-operation.
- Q35. (A) International Yoga Day is observed on 21 June.
- Q36. (D) Chandrayaan is India's Moon mission; Mangalyaan went to Mars.
- Q37. (A) Walking or cycling gives out no pollution.
- Q38. (C) The President is the head of State; the Prime Minister heads the Government.
- Q39. (A) The Lok Sabha is the lower house, directly elected by the people.
- Q40. (A) Parliament has two houses: the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha.
- Q41. (D) Helping and getting an adult is the caring and safe response. The answer is Help the child up and call an adult.
- Q42. (B) Standing up for someone and telling a trusted adult stops bullying. The answer is Support your friend and tell a teacher.
- Q43. (A) Good teams listen to every member before deciding. The answer is Listening to everyone's idea before deciding.
- Q44. (A) Returning lost property is the honest thing to do. The answer is Hand it to a teacher or the office.
- Q45. (A) Stopping and looking both ways keeps you safe. The answer is Stop, look both ways and listen.
- Q46. (B) The gaps grow 2, 4, 6, 8, so the next gap is 10 and $25 + 10 = 35$.
- Q47. (A) The minute hand is at 0° from 12 and the hour hand at 240° from 12, so the angle between them is 120° .
- Q48. (C) That describes the Indian tricolour with the Ashoka Chakra in the white band.
- Q49. (B) The numbers are 51, 58, 65, 72 — 4 of them.
- Q50. (B) Light travels far faster than sound, so it reaches us first even though both start together. The answer is Light travels much faster than sound.

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