

Class 9 · 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. Which is the largest ocean in the world?

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

Q2. The Gateway of India is located in which city?

- (A) Mumbai (B) Chennai (C) Kolkata (D) Goa

Q3. Which sport is associated with Wimbledon?

- (A) Hockey (B) Football (C) Tennis (D) Cricket

Q4. The Jnanpith Award is given for excellence in:

- (A) Science (B) Literature (C) Films (D) Sport

Q5. What is in the centre of the Indian national flag?

- (A) A star (B) The Ashoka Chakra
(C) A lotus (D) A tiger

Q6. Howrah Bridge stands over which river?

- (A) The Ganga at Patna (B) The Damodar
(C) The Yamuna (D) The Hooghly

Q7. Which is the longest river in India?

- (A) The Narmada (B) The Ganga (C) The Yamuna (D) The Godavari

Q8. How many players are there in a basketball team on the court?

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

Q9. On which date does India celebrate Republic Day?

- (A) 26 January (B) 2 October (C) 5 September (D) 15 August

Q10. Which is the national river of India?

- (A) The Kaveri (B) The Ganga
(C) The Brahmaputra (D) The Yamuna

Q11. How many continents are there on Earth?

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

- Q12. How many players are there in a football team on the field?
(A) Nine (B) Five (C) Eleven (D) Seven
- Q13. Teachers' Day in India is celebrated on which date?
(A) 2 October (B) 5 September (C) 15 August (D) 14 November
- Q14. Who was the first Indian to travel into space?
(A) Vikram Sarabhai (B) Kalpana Chawla
(C) Sunita Williams (D) Rakesh Sharma
- Q15. Which ocean lies to the south of India?
(A) The Arctic Ocean (B) The Atlantic Ocean
(C) The Pacific Ocean (D) The Indian Ocean
- Q16. How many rings are there on the Olympic flag?
(A) Four (B) Six (C) Five (D) Seven
- Q17. Which is the highest mountain peak in the world?
(A) Mount Everest (B) K2
(C) Nanda Devi (D) Kanchenjunga
- Q18. Which musical instrument did Pandit Ravi Shankar play?
(A) The sitar (B) The flute (C) The violin (D) The tabla
- Q19. Who wrote the Indian national anthem 'Jana Gana Mana'?
(A) Rabindranath Tagore (B) Sarojini Naidu
(C) Kazi Nazrul Islam (D) Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay
- Q20. The pyramids of Giza are in which country?
(A) Greece (B) Mexico (C) Egypt (D) Iraq
- Q21. The Eiffel Tower is in which city?
(A) Paris (B) London (C) Rome (D) Berlin
- Q22. Which festival marks the harvest season in Punjab?
(A) Pongal (B) Bihu (C) Onam (D) Baisakhi
- Q23. Which city is known as the City of Joy?
(A) Mumbai (B) Jaipur (C) Hyderabad (D) Kolkata
- Q24. Durga Puja is the biggest festival of which state?
(A) Gujarat (B) Kerala (C) West Bengal (D) Punjab
- Q25. Who is known as the Father of the Nation in India?
(A) Mahatma Gandhi (B) Jawaharlal Nehru
(C) Sardar Patel (D) Subhas Chandra Bose
- Q26. The Olympic Games are normally held once in how many years?
(A) Three (B) Five (C) Four (D) Two

Q27. Who is known as the chief architect of the Indian Constitution?

- (A) Dr B. R. Ambedkar (B) Jawaharlal Nehru
(C) Rabindranath Tagore (D) Mahatma Gandhi

Q28. Which is the national sport-like game most associated with Major Dhyan Chand?

- (A) Tennis (B) Hockey (C) Cricket (D) Badminton

Q29. How many players are there in a cricket team on the field?

- (A) Eleven (B) Twelve (C) Ten (D) Nine

Q30. Which dance form comes from Kerala?

- (A) Odissi (B) Kathak
(C) Kathakali (D) Bharatanatyam

Current Affairs

10 questions · 1 mark each · 10 marks

Q31. What is the lower house of the Indian Parliament called?

- (A) Rajya Sabha (B) Vidhan Sabha (C) Lok Sabha (D) Gram Sabha

Q32. Which Indian mission was sent to study the Moon?

- (A) Chandrayaan (B) Gaganyaan (C) Aryabhata (D) Mangalyaan

Q33. Which organisation brings countries together to keep world peace?

- (A) The Red Cross (B) The Olympic Committee
(C) UNESCO (D) The United Nations

Q34. At what age does an Indian citizen get the right to vote?

- (A) 25 years (B) 21 years (C) 18 years (D) 16 years

Q35. What does ISRO stand for?

- (A) International Space Research Organisation (B) Indian Satellite and Rocket Organisation
(C) Indian Science Research Office (D) Indian Space Research Organisation

Q36. Who is the head of the Government of India?

- (A) The Chief Justice (B) The President
(C) The Governor (D) The Prime Minister

Q37. A "green" way to travel to school over a short distance is:

- (A) Taking a helicopter (B) Going alone by car
(C) Walking or cycling (D) Riding a motorbike alone

Q38. International Yoga Day is observed on which date?

- (A) 21 June (B) 14 November (C) 5 June (D) 2 October

Q39. What is the head of government of an Indian state called?

- (A) The President (B) The Mayor
(C) The Chief Minister (D) The Governor

Q40. World Environment Day is observed on which date?

- (A) 1 May (B) 16 September (C) 5 June (D) 22 April

Life Skills

5 questions · 1 mark each · 5 marks

Q41. You find a wallet with money in the school corridor. What should you do?

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

Q42. How can you save water at home?

- (A) Use a leaking tap without repairing it (B) Close the tap while brushing your teeth
(C) Wash the car every day (D) Leave the tap running

Q43. You do not understand something the teacher explained. What should you do?

- (A) Copy from a friend later (B) Tell others the teacher is wrong
(C) Politely ask the teacher to explain again (D) Stay silent and guess in the exam

Q44. Which of these shows good teamwork?

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

Q45. A younger child has fallen and is crying. What is the kindest response?

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

Achievers Section

5 questions · 3 marks each · 15 marks

Q46. If DESK is coded as IJXP, how is MILK coded?

- (A) WSVU (B) HDGF (C) RNQP (D) PQNR

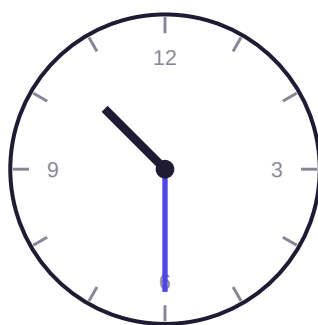
Q47. Find the next number: 4, 6, 10, 16, 24, ____

- (A) 36 (B) 34 (C) 32 (D) 35

Q48. Using each of the digits 0, 4, 9, 7 exactly once, what is the smallest 4-digit number that can be formed?

- (A) 4079 (B) 9740 (C) 0479 (D) 4088

Q49. The clock in the figure shows 10:30. What is the angle between the hour hand and the minute hand?



- (A) 150° (B) 120° (C) 165° (D) 135°

Q50. A boy pushes a heavy box but it does not move. Which force is stopping it?

- (A) Magnetism (B) Friction (C) Gravity (D) Buoyancy

Answer Key

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

Solutions

- Q1. (B) The Pacific is the largest and deepest ocean. The answer is The Pacific Ocean.
- Q2. (A) The Gateway of India is in Mumbai.
- Q3. (C) Wimbledon is the oldest tennis tournament in the world.
- Q4. (B) The Jnanpith Award is India's top literary honour. The answer is Literature.
- Q5. (B) The navy-blue Ashoka Chakra with 24 spokes sits in the white band. The answer is The Ashoka Chakra.
- Q6. (D) Howrah Bridge crosses the Hooghly river in Kolkata.
- Q7. (B) The Ganga is the longest river flowing within India.
- Q8. (D) A basketball team has five players on court.
- Q9. (A) The Constitution of India came into force on 26 January 1950.
- Q10. (B) The Ganga was declared the national river of India.
- Q11. (B) There are seven continents.
- Q12. (C) A football team fields eleven players.

- Q13. (B) Teachers' Day marks the birthday of Dr S. Radhakrishnan on 5 September.
- Q14. (D) Rakesh Sharma flew to space in 1984.
- Q15. (D) The Indian Ocean lies to the south of the Indian peninsula.
- Q16. (C) The five rings stand for the five inhabited continents.
- Q17. (A) Mount Everest, in the Himalayas, is the highest peak in the world.
- Q18. (A) Pandit Ravi Shankar was a world-famous sitar player. The answer is The sitar.
- Q19. (A) Rabindranath Tagore wrote Jana Gana Mana.
- Q20. (C) The pyramids of Giza are in Egypt.
- Q21. (A) The Eiffel Tower stands in Paris, France.
- Q22. (D) Baisakhi is the harvest festival of Punjab.
- Q23. (D) Kolkata is popularly called the City of Joy.
- Q24. (C) Durga Puja is the largest festival in West Bengal.
- Q25. (A) Mahatma Gandhi is called the Father of the Nation.
- Q26. (C) The Olympic Games are held every four years.
- Q27. (A) Dr B. R. Ambedkar chaired the drafting committee of the Constitution.
- Q28. (B) Major Dhyan Chand was a legendary Indian hockey player.
- Q29. (A) A cricket team fields eleven players.
- Q30. (C) Kathakali is a classical dance of Kerala.
- Q31. (C) The Lok Sabha is the lower house, directly elected by the people.
- Q32. (A) Chandrayaan is India's Moon mission; Mangalyaan went to Mars.
- Q33. (D) The United Nations was formed to maintain international peace and co-operation.
- Q34. (C) Indian citizens may vote from the age of 18. The answer is 18 years.
- Q35. (D) ISRO is the Indian Space Research Organisation.
- Q36. (D) The President is the head of State; the Prime Minister heads the Government.
- Q37. (C) Walking or cycling gives out no pollution.
- Q38. (A) International Yoga Day is observed on 21 June.
- Q39. (C) A state government is headed by its Chief Minister. The answer is The Chief Minister.
- Q40. (C) World Environment Day is observed every year on 5 June.
- Q41. (D) Returning lost property is the honest thing to do. The answer is Hand it to a teacher or the office.
- Q42. (B) Closing the tap while brushing saves several litres every day. The answer is Close the tap while brushing your teeth.
- Q43. (C) Asking questions is how learning works; there is no shame in it. The answer is Politely ask the teacher to explain again.
- Q44. (D) Good teams listen to every member before deciding. The answer is Listening to everyone's idea before deciding.
- Q45. (B) Helping and getting an adult is the caring and safe response. The answer is Help the child up and call an adult.
- Q46. (C) Every letter moves 5 place(s) forward, so MILK becomes RNQP.
- Q47. (B) The gaps grow 2, 4, 6, 8, so the next gap is 10 and $24 + 10 = 34$.
- Q48. (A) A 4-digit number cannot begin with 0, so the smallest possible first digit is 4. The remaining digits are then placed in increasing order: 4079.
- Q49. (D) The minute hand is at 180° from 12 and the hour hand at 315° from 12, so the angle between them is 135° .
- Q50. (B) Friction between the box and the floor opposes the push.

