

11th Political Science Lesson 11 Questions in English**11] Election and Representation**

1. What does the term 'Franchise' mean?
 - a) Election
 - b) People
 - c) Free
 - d) Self help
2. Which part of the constitution deals with Election?
 - a) IX
 - b) XII
 - c) XV
 - d) XVII
3. Which article defines Adult Suffrage of elections to Lok Sabha and to the Vidhan Sabha?
 - a) Article 324
 - b) Article 226
 - c) Article 326
 - d) Article 224
4. Which of the following statement is correct?
 - 1) In a representative democracy elections are extremely important.
 - 2) Election and representation is the core for the formation of government.
 - 3) The origins of elections in the contemporary world was in the gradual emergence of representative government in Europe and North America which began in the 17th century.
 - a) 1, 2
 - b) 1, 3
 - c) 2, 3
 - d) All the above
5. What does the term Psephology mean?
 - a) Study of election
 - b) Study of Statistics
 - c) Study of Numbers
 - d) Study of Political Science
6. Assertion (A): A rule of the people is possible without any elections if all the people can sit together every day and take all the decisions.
Reason(R): Let us presume that the people can resolve these difficulties and such a place do not require elections
 - a) A is correct and R is Wrong
 - b) A is Wrong and R is Correct
 - c) Both A and R are Correct, but R is not correct Explanation of A
 - d) Both A and R are Correct, R is correct Explanation of A
7. Which of the following statement is incorrect?
 - 1) In most democracies, people rule through their representatives
 - 2) Election a mechanism by which people can choose their representatives at regular intervals and change them if they wish to do so
 - a) 1 alone
 - b) 2 alone
 - c) 1, 2
 - d) None
8. Which of the following makes election a democratic one?
 - 1) Elections should be held regularly after every few years.
 - 2) Everyone should have one vote and every vote necessarily not to have equal value
 - 3) The candidate preferred by the people should get elected
 - a) 1, 2
 - b) 1, 3
 - c) 2, 3
 - d) All the above
9. Which of the following can be filled using election?
 - 1) Legislatures
 - 2) Executive

- 3) Judiciary
 4) Local government
 a) 1, 2, 3
 b) 1, 3, 4
 c) 2, 3, 4
 d) All the above
10. How many types of plurality/majority systems are identified?
 a) 3
 b) 5
 c) 2
 d) 4
11. Which of the following election system is followed by India?
 a) First Past the Post
 b) Block Vote
 c) Alternative Vote
 d) Two-Round Systems
12. Which of the following country does not follow First Past The Post system?
 a) Canada
 b) UK
 c) Bangladesh
 d) Maldives
13. Which of the following statement about FPTP is correct?
 1) The system uses single-member districts and the voters vote for candidates rather than political parties
 2) FPTP is the simplest form of plurality/majority electoral system
 3) The winning candidate should have absolute majority of valid votes
 a) 1, 2
 b) 1, 3
 c) 2, 3
 d) All the above
14. Which of the following countries use Block Vote system?
 1) Malaysia
 2) The Cayman Islands
 3) The Falkland Islands
 4) Guernsey
 a) 1, 2, 3
 b) 1, 3, 4
 c) 2, 3, 4
 d) All the above
15. In Which system Electors have as many votes as there are candidates to be selected?
 a) Block Vote
 b) Party Block Vote
 c) Alternative Vote
 d) Two-Round Systems
16. Which of the following country does not follow Party Block Vote?
 a) Djibouti
 b) Singapore
 c) Malaysia
 d) Senegal
17. Assertion (A): The Block Vote is often applauded for retaining the voter's ability to vote for individual candidates
 Reason(R): PBV is simple to use, encourages strong parties and allows for parties to put up mixed slates of candidates in order to facilitate minority representation.
 a) A is correct and R is Wrong
 b) A is Wrong and R is Correct
 c) Both A and R are Correct, but R is not correct
 Explanation of A
 d) Both A and R are Correct, R is correct
 Explanation of A
18. Which of the following countries Alternative Vote method?
 1) Australia
 2) Fiji
 3) China
 a) 1, 2
 b) 1, 3
 c) 2, 3
 d) All the above
19. Which of the following is not matched correctly?
 a) First Past the Post - single-member districts

- b) Block Vote - multi- member districts
- c) Party-Block Vote - multi- member districts
- d) The Alternative Vote - multi- member districts

20. Which of the statement about Two- Round System is correct?

- 1) It is not one election but takes place in two rounds, often a week or a fortnight apart.
 - 2) This system is used to elect national legislatures and it is the most common methods used worldwide for the direct election of Presidents
 - 3) TRS is used by the Central African Republic, Congo, Gabon, Mali, Mauritania, Haiti, Iran
- a) 1, 2
 - b) 1, 3
 - c) 2, 3
 - d) All the above

21. Assertion (A): The Two-Round System is a plurality/majority system in which a second election will be held.

Reason(R): This will take place only when no candidate or party achieves a given level of votes, most commonly an absolute majority

- a) A is correct and R is Wrong
- b) A is Wrong and R is Correct
- c) Both A and R are Correct, but R is not correct Explanation of A
- d) Both A and R are Correct, R is correct Explanation of A

22. Assertion (A): Elections are all about political competition and take place in various forms

Reason(R): If Candidate fail to satisfy the voters with their work they will not be able to win again

- a) A is correct and R is Wrong
- b) A is Wrong and R is Correct
- c) Both A and R are Correct, but R is not correct Explanation of A
- d) Both A and R are Correct, R is correct Explanation of A

23. Which of the following statement about election Lok Sabha is correct?

1) After five years the term of all the elected representatives comes to an end.

2) The Vidhan Parishad stands dissolved

3) Elections are held in all the constituencies at the same time, either on the same day or within a few day

- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 3
- c) 2, 3
- d) All the above

24. How many M.P's are elected from Tamil Nadu to Lok Sabha?

- a) 39
- b) 18
- c) 40
- d) 38

25. How many Lok Sabha constituencies are there in India?

- a) 543
- b) 545
- c) 445
- d) 443

26. Which of the following statement is correct?

- 1) Each state is divided into a specific number of assembly constituencies
- 2) Each Parliamentary constituency has within itself several assembly constituencies
- 3) Each village or town is divided into wards that are like constituencies.

- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 3
- c) 2, 3
- d) All the above

27. Assertion (A): Some constituencies are reserved for the people who belong to the Scheduled Castes (SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST).

Reason(R): The makers of our Constitution thought of special system of reserved constituencies for the weaker sections.

- a) A is correct and R is Wrong
- b) A is Wrong and R is Correct

c) Both A and R are Correct, but R is not correct
Explanation of A

d) Both A and R are Correct, R is correct
Explanation of A

28. On what basis division of each state into as many constituencies as in the Lok Sabha from that state and State Legislative Assemblies is done?

- a) Geographical Basis
- b) Population basis
- c) Economy based
- d) All the above

29. When was the 4th delimitation act passed?

- a) 2002
- b) 2014
- c) 2010
- d) 2018

30. Who prepares the Electoral Roll?

- a) Home ministry
- b) Election Commission
- c) Supreme Court of India
- d) Parliamentary affairs committee

31. What is the minimum age to vote in election?

- a) 15
- b) 18
- c) 21
- d) 25

32. Which of the following can be carried for voting?

- a) Electoral Photo Identity Card
- b) Aadhar Card
- c) Ration card
- d) All the above

33. How many years once the complete revision of voters list?

- a) 5
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 1

34. Arrange the Electoral Process in India in order?

1) Filing of nomination papers by the intending candidates

2) Notification by the Election Commission regarding Nomination and withdrawal

3) Delimitation of Constituencies

4) Polling process

- a) 2, 1, 3, 4
- b) 1, 3, 2, 4
- c) 3, 2, 1, 4
- d) 3, 2, 4, 1

35. Which Amendment Act reduced the Voting age of Indian citizens from 21 to 18?

- a) 76th
- b) 74th
- c) 61st
- d) 56th

36. Which of the following statement is correct?

1) Anyone who can be a voter can also become a candidate in the elections. The only difference is that in order to be a candidate, the minimum age is 21 years, while it is only 18 years for being a voter.

2) Political parties nominate their candidates who get the party symbol and support. Party's nomination is often called as party 'ticket'

3) Every person who wishes to fill a 'nomination form' has to give some money as security deposit.

- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 3
- c) 2, 3
- d) All the above

37. According to Supreme Court which of the following declaration should be made by candidate for participating in election?

1) Details of the assets and liabilities of the candidate and his or her family

2) Serious civil cases pending against the candidate

3) Educational qualifications of the candidate

- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 3

c) 2, 3

d) All the above

38. Which of the following statement is incorrect?

1) It is necessary to have a free and open discussion about who is a better representative, which party will make a better government or what is a good policy

2) In our country such campaigns take place for a week period between the announcement of the final list of candidates and the date of polling

a) 1 alone

b) 2 alone

c) Both 1 and 2

d) None

39. According to election law which of the following should not be done by Candidate?

1) Bribe or threaten voters

2) Appeal to them in the name of caste or religion

3) Use government resources for election campaign

a) 1, 2

b) 2, 3

c) 1, 3

d) All the above

40. Which of the following can be used by candidate for election manifesto?

1) Government Vehicle

2) Aircraft

3) Place of worship for election propaganda

a) 1, 2

b) 2, 3

c) All the above

d) None of the above

41. Assertion (A): The true test of any election system is its ability to ensure a free and fair electoral process.

Reason(R): The true test of any election system is its ability to ensure a free and fair electoral process.

a) A is correct and R is Wrong

b) A is Wrong and R is Correct

c) Both A and R are Correct, but R is not correct
Explanation of A

d) Both A and R are Correct, R is correct
Explanation of A

42. Which challenges exist not just in India but also in many established democracies?

1) Some families tend to dominate political parties; tickets are distributed to relatives from these families

2) Candidates with criminal connection have been able to push others out of the electoral race and to secure a ticket from major parties

3) Bigger parties suffer a huge disadvantage compared to smaller parties and independent candidates

a) 1, 2

b) 1, 3

c) 2, 3

d) All the above

43. Which article of India constitution gives freedom of speech and expression?

a) Article 19(1)(a)

b) Article 20(1)(a)

c) Article 18(1)(a)

d) Article 21(1)(a)

44. Which political party secured second in the first general election of 1951-1952?

a) Congress

b) CPI

c) BJP

d) DMK

45. What was voter's turnout in first general election 1951-52?

a) 57.6 %

b) 67.6 %

c) 76.6 %

d) 86.6 %

46. Which article defines single election to Indian constitution?

a) 325

- b) 324
c) 328
d) 326
47. Assertion (A): The Main objective of the constitution of Election Commission of India is to have a permanent and independent election
Reason(R): Election commission conducts internal political party election
a) A is correct and R is Wrong
b) A is Wrong and R is Correct
c) Both A and R are Correct, but R is not correct
Explanation of A
d) Both A and R are Correct, R is correct
Explanation of A
48. After how many decades a single party receives a majority in 16th Lok Sabha election?
a) 5
b) 3
c) 2
d) 1
49. Which of the following statement is correct about Election Commission of India?
1) It has a Chief Election Commissioner and Two other election commissioners
2) They are appointed by Prime Minister
3) Other than Chief Election Commissioner, the other two can be impeached on Recommendation of Chief Election Commissioner.
a) 1, 2
b) 1, 3
c) 2, 3
d) All the above
50. When did the first election for the Tamil Nadu legislative assembly took place after independence?
a) 1951
b) 1952
c) 1950
d) 1949
51. When did Supreme Court pass an order that a person, who is in jail or police custody, cannot contest elections to legislative bodies?
a) 1991
b) 2013
c) 2000
d) 2001
52. Who nominates chief electoral officer of a state/union territory?
a) Prime Minister
b) Chief Minister
c) Governor
d) Election commission of India
53. Which of the following statement is correct?
1) District election officer supervises the election work of a district.
2) The Election Commission of India nominates or designates an officer of the state government as the district election officer in consultation with the state government.
a) 1 alone
b) 2 alone
c) 1, 2
d) None
54. Who is responsible for the conduct of elections in the Assembly constituency?
a) District Election Officer
b) Presiding Officer
c) Returning Officer
d) Election Observers
55. Which of the following statement is incorrect?
1) The Electoral registration officer is responsible for the preparation of electoral rolls for a parliamentary/ assembly constituency.
2) One or more Assistant electoral registration officers to assist the Electoral registration officer are appointed by the Election commission of India
a) 1 alone
b) 2 alone
c) Both 1 and 2

d) None

56. Who appoints the Presiding officers and the Polling officers?

- a) Election Commission of India
- b) Governor
- c) Chief Electoral Officer
- d) District Election Officer

57. Who appoints election observers (general observers and election expenditure observers)?

- a) Election Commission of India
- b) Governor
- c) Chief Electoral Officer
- d) District Election Officer

58. Match the following

- I. Tarkunde Committee - 1. 1993
- II. Tanka Committee - 2. 2007
- III. Vohra Committee - 3. 2010
- IV. Veerappa Moily Commission - 4. 1974

- a) 3, 1, 2, 4
- b) 4, 3, 1, 2
- c) 4, 1, 2, 3
- d) 3, 4, 2, 1

59. In which year provision was made for adjournment of poll in case of booth capturing?

- a) 1999
- b) 1989
- c) 1979
- d) 2003

60. How many days concern party should propose another candidate on the death of a contesting candidate?

- a) 14 days
- b) 7 days
- c) 21 days
- d) 3 days

61. Which of the following statement is correct?

1) In 1998 a provision was made whereby the employees of local authorities, nationalized banks, universities, LIC, government undertakings and other government aided institutions can be requisitioned for deployment on election day

2) In 2013, the Election commission issued an order for the declaration of criminal antecedents, assets etc.

3) In 1999, a provision was made for voting by certain classes of persons through postal ballot.

- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 3
- c) 2, 3
- d) All the above

62. In which year restrictions were imposed on conducting exit polls and publishing the results of exit polls?

- a) 2000
- b) 2009
- c) 2004
- d) 1998

63. When Ceiling on election expenditure was increased?

- a) 2000
- b) 2001
- c) 2011
- d) 2014

64. In which year the 52nd amendment was passed?

- a) 1985
- b) 1995
- c) 1979
- d) 1972

65. When member of a house belonging to any political party becomes disqualified?

- 1) If he voluntarily gives up his membership
- 2) If he votes or abstains from voting contrary to any direction issued by his political party without obtaining prior permission of the party
- 3) Independent member of the house becomes disqualified to remain a member of the house if he joins any political party after such election

- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 3
- c) 2, 3
- d) All the above

66. When will a nominated member of the house gets disqualified?

- a) If he joins any political party after the expiry of six months from the date on which he takes his seat in the house
- b) If he joins any political party before the expiry of six months from the date on which he takes his seat in the house
- c) If he joins any political party after the expiry of one year from the date on which he takes his seat in the house
- d) If he joins any political party before the expiry one year from the date on which he takes his seat in the house

67. When the Disqualifications on the ground of defection do not apply for a member?

- 1) If a member goes out of his party as a result of a merger of the party with another party
 - 2) If a member, after being elected as the Presiding officer of the house, voluntarily gives up the membership of his party
 - 3) If a member, after being elected as the Presiding officer of the house re-joins after he ceases to hold that office
- a) 1, 2
 - b) 1, 3
 - c) 2, 3
 - d) All the above

68. Who is empowered to make rules to give effect to the provisions of the tenth schedule?

- a) Presiding officer
- b) President
- c) Governor
- d) Chief Secretary

69. Which schedule is designed to strengthen the fabric of Indian Parliamentary democracy by curbing unprincipled and unethical political defections?

- a) 8th Schedule
- b) 9th Schedule
- c) 10th Schedule
- d) 5th Schedule

70. Assertion (A): Transferable Vote System is followed for Rajya Sabha elections

Reason(R): The members are elected by the respective State Legislative assemblies.

The voters are the MLAs in that state.

- a) A is correct and R is Wrong
 - b) A is Wrong and R is Correct
 - c) Both A and R are Correct, but R is not correct
- Explanation of A
- d) Both A and R are Correct, R is correct
- Explanation of A

71. Which of the following statement is incorrect regarding Rajya Sabha election?

- 1) When the votes are counted, it is done on the basis of first preference votes secured by each candidate
 - 2) If after the counting of all first preference votes, required number of candidates fails to full-fill the quota, the candidate who secured the lowest votes of first preference is eliminated and his/ her votes are transferred to those who are mentioned as second preference on those ballot papers
- a) 1 alone
 - b) 2 alone
 - c) 1, 2
 - d) None

72. When the Voting rights to citizens of India living abroad were provided?

- a) 2000
- b) 2010
- c) 2015
- d) 2003

73. Uses of Electronic Voting Machine is_____ method

- 1) Open Ballot
 - 2) Secret Ballot
- a) 1 alone
 - b) 2 alone
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) None

74. Which of the following statement about State funding of election incorrect?

- 1) State funding of elections is a concept designed to reduce corruption by funding elections with government money as opposed to individual campaign contributions
- 2) It is also believed that state funding is a natural and necessary cost of democracy
- 3) It is recommended that the state funding of elections can be the best way to achieve transparency in political funding
- a) 1, 2
b) 2, 3
c) 1, 3
d) None
75. Which committee backed the idea of state funding of elections?
- a) Tarkunde Committee
b) Tanka Committee
c) Vohra Committee
d) Indrajit Gupta Committee
76. How much amount was recommended Indrajit Gupta Committee by Central Govt. as election fund?
- a) 100 Crore
b) 300 Crore
c) 600 Crore
d) 1000 Crore
77. To which parties state funding of elections are applicable?
- 1) Independent candidates
2) National parties
3) State parties
- a) 1, 2
b) 1, 3
c) 2, 3
d) All the above
78. Which of the following statement is correct?
- 1) Youngsters who are involved in the electoral process affirm their support as well as acquire a stake in the system and an appreciation that they too can affect politics and policy
- 2) Young people should vote to develop a habit of voting from the start, and thus ensure high turnout
- 3) Voting is the only form of participation in which each citizen has an equal say (one person, one vote).
- a) 1, 2
b) 1, 3
c) 2, 3
d) All the above
79. Who among the following stated this?
"He alone, who owns the youth, gains the future"
- a) Mahatma Gandhi
b) Jawaharlal Nehru
c) Adolf Hitler
d) Nelson Mandela
80. Who directed Election Commission to have an option of NOTA in EVM?
- a) High Court of Madras
b) High Court of Calcutta
c) High court of Bombay
d) Supreme Court of India
81. What was a similar provision before NOTA?
- a) Positive voting
b) Negative voting
c) None voting
d) None of the above
82. For casting a negative vote, voter could enter his electoral serial number in the form_____
- a) 14A
b) 17A
c) 19A
d) 21A
83. Which of the following countries follow NOTA?
- 1) Columbia
2) France
3) Greece
- a) 1, 2
b) 1, 3
c) 2, 3

d) All the above

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