8th Social Science Lesson 1 Questions in English - History

1. Advent of Europeans

- 1. Who was dubash (translator) in Pondicherry to assist French trade?
- a) Pachiyappa Mudaliyar
- b) Avadhanam Paupiah
- c) Ananda Rangam
- d) Ananda Pandiyan
- 2. The national archives of india (NAI) is located in?
- a) Mumbai
- b) Chennai
- c) New Delhi
- d) Calcutta
- 3. The first issue of the calendar of Madras records was published in year?
- a) 1917
- b) 1920
- c) 1919
- d) 1910
- 4. The first paper currency issued by RBI in year?
- a) January 1928
- b) January 1938
- c) January 1935
- d) January 1930
- 5. The first paper currency issued by RBI is 5 rupee notes bearing the portrait of ?
- a) King George VI
- b) Queen Victoria
- c) King Edward VII
- d) King Edward VIII
- 6. Who captured Constantinople in year 1453 AD(CE) ?
- a) Turks
- b) Romans
- c) Ottamans
- d) British
- 7. Which Portugal person known as "navigator" encouraged his countrymen to take up the

- adventurous life of exploring the unknown regions of the world.
- a) King john II
- b) Prince henry
- c) Prince geogre II
- d) King Richard I
- 8. Who reached southern most point of Africa in 1487?
- a) Christopher Columbus
- b) Ferdinand Magellan
- c) Bartholomew Diaz
- d) William bligh
- 9. In Which year vasco da gama reached india?
- a) 1500
- b) 1492
- c) 1498
- d) 1479
- 10. Which ruler of Calicut received vasco da gama in 1498?
- a) King zamorin
- b) Mana Vikram
- c) Asvati tirunal
- d) Krishna varma
- 11. Which was the first capital of Portuguese east india company?
- a) Diu
- b) Goa
- c) Calicut
- d) cochin
- 12. In Which year vasco da gama died in calicut
- a) December 1524
- b) November 1540
- c) December 1527
- d) December 1515
- 13. In Which place King Zamorin attacked the Portuguese soldiers?
- a) Calicut

- b) Cochin
- c) Madras
- d) Kovalam
- 14. Where vasco da gama founded a training centre in india?
- a) Calicut
- b) Cochin
- c) Cannanore
- d) Kovalam
- 15. What are the places in Which vasco da gama established factory?
- a) Cannanore and cochin
- b) Calicut and cannanore
- c) Calicut and cochin
- d) Calicut and kovalam
- 16. Tamil nadu archieves (TNA) is located in Which area?
- a) Pondicherry
- b) Chennai
- c) Madurai
- d) Trichy
- 17. The danian record cover the period of Which years?
- a) 1727 1828
- b) 1738 1836
- c) 1777 1845
- d) 1771 1889
- 18. The largest museum in India Which was established in 1949 located In?
- a) Delhi
- b) Chennai
- c) Kolkata
- d) Mumbai
- 19. The first coinage in modern India under the crown was issued in year?
- a) 1870
- b) 1865
- c) 1862
- d) 1865
- 20. The Reserve Bank of India was formally set up in year?

- a) 1930
- b) 1935
- c) 1937
- d) 1934
- 21. Which was the first paper currency issued by RBI in January 1938 ?
- a) 1 Rupee note
- b) 2 Rupee note
- c) 5 Rupee note
- d) 10 Rupee note
- 22. Who was the the first Governor for the Portuguese possessions in India?
- a) Vasco da gama
- b) Francisco de Almeida
- c) Warren hastings
- d) Tony lovink
- 23. Who are the alliances of muslim combined fleet won a victory over the Portuguese fleet under Almeida's son?
- a) Egypt, turkey and Gujarat
- b) Egypt, Gujarat and Persia
- c) Egypt, turkey and Persia
- d) Persia, turkey and Gujarat
- 24. Where Almeida's son was killed in the navel battle against combined muslim fleet?
- a) Near Calicut
- b) Near Diu
- c) Near Chaul
- d) Near Cochin
- 25. In Which year Almeida defeated the combined Muslim fleet in a naval battle near Diu ?
- a) 1500
- b) 1510
- c) 1507
- d) 1509
- 26. Who was the real founder of the Portuguese power in India ?
- a) Francisco de Almeida
- b) Nino de cunha
- c) Alfonso de Albuquerque

- d) Thomas best
- 27. Alfonso de Albuquerque captured Goa from the Sultan of Bijapur in year ?
- a) 1508
- b) 1511
- c) 1512
- d) 1510
- 28. Alfonso de Albuquerque maintained friendly relationship with Which empire?
- a) Mugals
- b) vijayanagar
- c) Rajput
- d) Bahmani
- 29. Who among the following moved capital from Cochin to Goa in 1530?
- a) Francisco de Almeida
- b) Alfonso de Albuquerque
- c) Nino de Cunha
- d) Joseph Francois Dupleix
- 30. In Which year Nino de Cunha acquired Bassein from Bahadur Shah of Gujarat.
- a) 1524
- b) 1520
- c) 1534
- d) 1538
- 31. Which of the following is not captured by Portuguese ?
- a) Hooghly
- b) San thome
- c) Goa
- d) Mahe
- 32. Portuguese brought the cultivation of Which crop in India?
- a) Corn
- b) Sunflower
- c) Tobacco
- d) Mustard
- 33. The printing press was set up by the Portuguese at Goa in year?
- a) 1552
- b) 1557

- c) 1560
- d) 1556
- 34. By 1739 What are the area confined to Portuguese?
- a) Chaul, goa and daman
- b) Diu, daman and chaul
- c) Goa, diu and daman
- d) Diu, daman and mahe
- 35. When dutch came to India?
- a) 1600
- b) 1604
- c) 1602
- d) 1605
- 36. Where did dutch found its first company in 1605?
- a) Goa
- b) Nagapatnam
- c) Masulipatnam
- d) Daman
- 37. What was the first capital of Dutch in india?
- a) Masulipatnam
- b) Goa
- c) Pulicat
- d) Patna
- 38. In year 1690, Dutch shifted capital was from pulicat to?
- a) Masulipatnam
- b) Nagapatnam
- c) Patna
- d) goa
- 39. Which of the following is not the important Indian commodities traded by the Dutch?
- a) Silk
- b) Rice
- c) Opium
- d) Wheat
- 40. In Which year, the Dutch cruelly killed ten English traders and nine Javanese in Amboyna?
- a) 1640
- b) 1636
- c) 1623

- d) 1616
- 41. In year 1759, Dutch was defeated by English in battle of?
- a) Battle of Amboyna
- b) Battle of Bedera
- c) Battle of pullicat
- d) Battle of Masulipatnam
- 42. The Portuguese control over Pulicat were over thrown by the Dutch in the year?
- a) 1610
- b) 1611
- c) 1620
- d) 1600
- 43. When Portuguese establish its control over pulicat?
- a) 1507
- b) 1502
- c) 1510
- d) 1505
- 44. In Which year Elizabeth, the Queen of England granted a charter to the governor and company of Merchants of London to trade with East Indies?
- a) 1604
- b) 1664
- c) 1600
- d) 1620
- 45. In Which year captain Hawkins visited jahangirs court to get certain concessions for the company?
- a) 1610
- b) 1608
- c) 1609
- d) 1607
- 46. In 1612, the English Captain Thomas Best, inflicted a severe defeat over Whom?
- a) Mughals
- b) Dutch
- c) Portuguese
- d) Spanish

- 47. Which Mughal Emperor permitted the English to establish their factory in 1613 at Surat?
- a) Humayun
- b) Akbar
- c) Jahangir
- d) Babar
- 48. Which Captain won another decisive victory over the Portuguese in 1614?
- a) Captain Hawkins
- b) Captain Nicolas downton
- c) Captain Thomas best
- d) Captain william rovelt
- 49. Who was send to Jahangir's court by King James I of England in 1615?
- a) Sir Thomas roe
- b) Sir William Bentinck
- c) Sir Nicolas Downton
- d) Sir Thomas Richard
- 50. Which of the following is not the English trade centre?
- a) Surat
- b) Agra
- c) Daman
- d) Broach
- 51. Where did the English established their first factory in 1611?
- a) Surat
- b) Masulipatnam
- c) Agra
- d) Calcutta
- 52. Which English merchant, obtained Madras as a lease from Chennappa Nayaka, the ruler of Chandragiri.
- a) George
- b) Charles
- c) Francis day
- d) Thomas roe
- 53. Which was the first fort built by east india company in india?
- a) Fort st.George

- b) Thalassery fort
- c) Mahim fort
- d) Fort sewri
- 54. Which was the headquarters for Whole of eastern belt for east India company ?
- a) Thalassery fort
- b) St.george fort
- c) Mahim fort
- d) Tranquebar fort
- 55. Who received the island of Bombay as a part of his dowry from the Portuguese King, on the occasion of his marriage with Catherine?
- a) King George II
- b) King charles II
- c) King james II
- d) King james I
- 56. In Which year the East India Company acquired the island at an annual rent of \pounds (pounds) 10 from Charles II?
- a) 1664
- b) 1649
- c) 1662
- d) 1668
- 57. In 1690, Where the factory was established by Job Charnock?
- a) Surat
- b) Mahim
- c) Sutanuti
- d) Agra
- 58. The Zamindari of the three villages of Sutanuti, Kalikata and Govindpur was acquired by the British later grew into the Which city?
- a) Calcutta
- b) Bombay
- c) Agra
- d) Humpi
- 59. The factory at Sutanuti was fortified in 1696, it was names as What?
- a) Fort st.george
- b) Fort mahim
- c) Fort William

- d) Fort gelria
- 60. In Which year the Zamindari of the three villages of Sutanuti, Kalikata and Govindpur was acquired by the British?
- a) 1698
- b) 1690
- c) 1700
- d) 1695
- 61. After Which two battles east india company gained pollical power in india ?
- a) Battle of Buxar and battle of assaye
- b) Battle of Plassey and battle of assaye
- c) Battle of madras and battle of buxar
- d) Battle of Buxar and battle of Plassey
- 62. When India came under the direct administration of the British Crown?
- a) 1858
- b) 1884
- c) 1860
- d) 1856
- 63. In Which part of tamilnadu Danish established settlement ?
- a) Madras
- b) Pondicherry
- c) Tranqueber
- d) Karaikal
- 64. Which was the headquarters of Danish in india?
- a) Tanquebar
- b) Pullicat
- c) Serampore
- d) Daman
- 65. To Whom Danish sold all their settlements in india in 1845?
- a) Vijayanagar kingdom
- b) Mughals
- c) British
- d) French
- 66. When the King of Denmark, Christian IV, issued a charter and created a Danish East India company?

- a) March 17,1629
- b) March 17, 1616
- c) March 17,1620
- d) March 17, 1617
- 67. Who formed French east india company in 1664?
- a) Colbert
- b) Francois caron
- c) Marcara
- d) Thomas roe
- 68. In Which year French expedition came to India under François Caron?
- a) 1664
- b) 1665
- c) 1668
- d) 1667
- 69. Where Caron founded the first French factory in India?
- a) Pondicherry
- b) Mahe
- c) Surat
- d) Madras
- 70. Who founded second French factory at Masulipatnam in 1669?
- a) Caron
- b) Marcara
- c) Francois martin
- d) Colbert
- 71. The settlement of Pondicherry was founded by Whom under a grant from Sher Khan Lodi, the ruler of Bijapur?
- a) Colbert
- b) Marcara
- c) Martin
- d) Caron
- 72. What is the name of the fort built by François Martin in Pondicherry?
- a) St.george
- b) St.martin
- c) St.thomas
- d) St.louis

- 73. From Whom the French obtained permission to establish a township at Chandranagore, near Calcutta?
- a) Aurangzeb
- b) Shaista khan
- c) Tippu sultan
- d) Hari hara
- 74. By Whom the vision of the French power in India was further reinforced ?
- a) Francois martin
- b) Colbert
- c) Joseph Francois dupleix
- d) Marcara
- 75. Who succeeded dumas as the French governer of Pondicherry?
- a) Joseph francois dupleix
- b) Francois martin
- c) Colbert
- d) Francois caron
- 76. Which was the most important and prosperous French settlement in India?
- a) Surat
- b) Pondicerry
- c) Chandranagore
- d) Madras
- 77. Which war ruined the French and rejuvenated the English to embark on a systematic territorial expansion?
- a) Carnatic war
- b) Opium war
- c) Anglo-maratha war
- d) Anglo-mysore war
- 78. Who was the last European country to come India as traders
- a) Spanish
- b) Danish
- c) France
- d) Dutch
- 79. Arrange the following in the ascending order based on the timeline they arrived in india
- 1) French

- 2) Dutch
- 3) British
- 4) Portuguese
- a) 4,3,1,2
- b) 4,2,3,1
- c) 4,1,2,3
- d) 3,2,1,4
- 80. After the advent of What numerous book were published in different languages?
- a) Computer
- b) Ink
- c) Printing press
- d) xylography
- 81. Which of the following statement is incorrect
- 1) The Europeans came to know about the immense Wealth of India from the accounts of Marco Polo and similar sources.
- 2) The diversity of India attracted Europeans to this country
- a) 1 alone
- b) 2 alone
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 82. Which of the following statement is correct
- 1) Ananda rangam recorded the events that took place in British India
- 2) His diaries contain the daily events from 1736 to 1760, Which are the only written secular record available
- a) 1 alone
- b) 2 alone
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 83. Which of the following statement about National Archives of India (NAI) is correct?
- 1) It is the chief storehouse of the records of the government of India
- 2) The National Archives of India (NAI) is located in New Delhi.
- a) Only1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2

- d) None
- 84. Which among the following statement is incorrect about Tamil Nadu Archives (TNA)
- 1) It is one of the oldest and largest document repositories in Southern India.
- 2) The most of the records in the Tamil Nadu archives are in English
- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 85. Which among the following statement is incorrect?
- 1) The national museum in mumbai is the largest museum in India Which was established in 1949
- 2) Many paintings and statues are the main sources of modern Indian history
- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 86. Which of the following statement is incorrect?
- 1) The Reserve Bank of India was formally set up in 1935
- 2) Edward VII ascended after Queen Victoria and the coins issued by him bore his model.
- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 87. Which of the following statement is correct?
- 1) Amongst the entire European nations Portugal was the foremost to make a dynamic attempt to discover a sea route to India.
- 2) King john II encouraged his countrymen to take up the adventurous life of exploring the unknown regions of the world.
- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2

- d) None
- 88. From Where vasco da gama sailed to India with the help of an Indian pilot?
- a) Mossel bay
- b) Cape of good hope
- c) Mozambique
- d) Constantinople
- 89. Which of the following statement is correct
- 1) In AD (CE) 1498, vasco da game reached Calicut, Where he was cordially received by King Zamorin, the ruler of Calicut.
- 2) A second Portuguese navigator, Francisco de Almeida , sailed towards India, following the route discovered by Vasco da Gama
- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) none
- 90. Where Portuguese tried to break the Arab's monopoly trade, it negatively impacted on the trade interests of Egypt and Turkey?
- a) Bay of Bengal
- b) Arabian sea
- c) Indian ocean
- d) Constantinople
- 91. Which of the following statement is correct?
- 1) In 1515, he established the Portuguese authority over Ormuz in Persian Gulf.
- 2) He encouraged the marriages of the Portuguese with Indian women
- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 92. Who remained engaged in rivalry with the Portuguese and the Dutch throughout the 17th century?
- a) Mughals
- b) English East india company
- c) French
- d) Vijayanagar kingdom

- 93. Under Whose pressure Jahangir cancelled the permission of east india companies settlement at Surat?
- a) Vijayanagar
- b) Dutch
- c) Portuguese
- d) Sultanate
- 94. Which of the following statement is correct
- 1) Sir Thomas roe remained at Agra for three years and succeeded in concluding a commercial treaty with the emperor
- 2) In 1615, Sir Thomas Roe was sent to Jahangir's court by queen Elizabeth
- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 95. Chennappa nayaka was the ruler of
- a) Golconda
- b) Chandragiri
- c) Mysore
- d) Madurai
- 96. Sher khan lodi was the ruler of _____
- a) Madras
- b) Hyderabad
- c) Bijapur
- d) Mysore
- 97. What is the name of the fort, Dutch build in pulicat?
- a) Fort novo
- b) Fort geldria
- c) Fort st.loius
- d) Fort Thomas
- 98. What was exported by Dutch from Pulicat to the western countries?
- a) Tobacco
- b) Rice
- c) Gold
- d) Diamond

- 99. Where does st. david fort in Tamilnadu located?
- a) Pondichery
- b) Cuddalore
- c) Madras
- d) Mahe
- 100. How many voyage does vasco da gama made in india ?
- a) 2
- b) 1
- c) 3
- d) 5
- 101. From Whom did Nino de Cunha acquired Bassein in 1534?
- a) Bahadur shah of Gujarat
- b) Bahadur shah of Delhi
- c) Bahadur shah of Punjab
- d) Bahadur shah of Patna
- 102. Which of the following is correct statement?
- 1) The Dutch cruelly killed ten English traders and nine Javanese in Amboyna
- 2) Dutch company captured Amboyna from the Portuguese in 1605 and established its supremacy in the Spice Islands.
- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 103. Francisco de Almeida had the aim of developing the naval power of the Portuguese in India. His policy was known as?
- a) Rich water policy
- b) Agua policy
- c) Blue water policy
- d) Sea water policy