XAT 2016 General Knowledge Answers

The XAT 2016 General Knowledge section in XAT 2016 was on the easier side with quite a few sitters – especially the ones on Nolan and Elon Musk. Although this section doesn't count for the initial selection, a candidate who performed well in this section would have an advantage during the final selection. Here are the XAT 2015 General Knowledge section answers:

1. Which sea lies to the west of Yemen and Saudi Arabia
   A. The Gulf of Aden
   B. Gulf of Oman
   C. Red Sea
   D. Black Sea
   E. Persian Gulf
   **Answer: C. Red Sea**

2. In the budget estimates of 2015-16:
   A. Non-planned expenditure was more than revenue receipts
   B. Revenue receipts were higher than non-planned expenditure
   C. Planned expenditure was higher than non-planned expenditure
   D. Fiscal deficit was lower than Revenue deficit
   E. Total expenditure was 20% higher than Total receipts
   **Answer: B. Revenue receipts were higher than non-planned expenditure**

3. Consider the following statements:
   1. Sinai is a part of Egypt
   2. Sinai is in Asia
   3. Sinai is in Africa
   4. Russian plane was downed in Sinai in November 2015.
   A. 1 and 3 only
   B. 1, 2 and 4 only
   C. 1, 3 and 4 only
   D. 2 and 4 only
   E. 3 and 4 only
   **Answer: B. 1, 2 and 4 only**

4. In 2015, which country was ranked number one as “the best place to do business in”?
   A. USA
   B. New Zealand
   C. Singapore
   D. Hong Kong
   E. India
   **Answer: C. Singapore**

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5. Perumal Murugan is a(n):
   A. Writer
   B. Painter
   C. Journalist
   D. Actor
   E. Director
   **Answer: A. Writer**

6. In percentage terms, which Indian state has the highest forest cover?
   A. Madhya Pradesh
   B. Harit Pradesh
   C. Nagaland
   D. Arunachal Pradesh
   E. Jammu and Kashmir
   **Answer: A. Madhya Pradesh**

7. Meghnad Saha was a famous:
   A. Historian
   B. Economist
   C. Painter
   D. Novelist
   E. Physicist
   **Answer: E. Physicist**

8. Read the following statements:
   1. Russia opposes President Assad of Syria.
   2. Saudi Arabia opposes President Assad of Syria.
   3. Iran supports President Assad.
   4. The United States support President Assad.
   A. 1 and 2 only
   B. 1, 2 and 3 only
   C. 1, 2, 3 and 4
   D. 2 and 3 only
   E. 2, 3 and 4 only
   **Answer: B. 1, 2 and 3 only**

9. Angus Deaton is a famous:
   A. Economist
   B. Physicist
   C. Writer
   D. Historian
   E. Painter
   **Answer: A. Economist**

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10. Which of the following is not a conglomerate?
A. Reliance
B. ITC
C. TCS
D. Adani
E. Murugappa
Answer: C. TCS

11. Which of the following is the closest country to Antarctica?
A. Argentina
B. Brazil
C. South Africa
D. Australia
E. New Zealand
Answer: A. Argentina

12. The "New Horizon" was in the news in 2015. It refers to:
A. Award winning book
B. Business Consulting Company
C. Mission to Pluto
D. Business Magazine
E. Award winning Oscar film
Answer: C. Mission to Pluto

13. The islands that are under dispute of ownership between Japan and China are:
A. Osaka Islands
B. Muntheetu Islands
C. South China Islands
D. Senkaku Islands
E. None of the above
Answer: D. Senkaku Islands

14. The Inuit Paradox:
A. is a place in the arctic circle near Greenland
B. is that the Inuits eat a lot of fat and hardly any fruits and are still very healthy
C. is that the Inuits eat anything that moves but spare the reindeer
D. Is that the Inuits have very little exposure to the Sun but suffer no deficiency from Vitamin D.
E. is a glacier that looks like a circle from a distance but is actually a rectangle.
Answer: B. is that the Inuits eat a lot of fat and hardly any fruits and are still very healthy

15. Takata Corporation was in the news recently because it:
A. was involved in airbag recalls

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B. was the chief aide to Shinzo Abe who promised to revive the economy.
C. was the Commander in Chief of the Japanese Army accused by critics of war mongering.
D. was the second largest seller of phones in China.
E. was the name of a band that fuses Japanese and American music.
Answer: A. was involved in airbag recalls

16. Elon Musk is closely associated with:
A. Google
B. GM
C. Volkswagen
D. Tesla
E. Apple
Answer: D. Tesla

17. Raspberry Pi is a:
A. computer sized creditcard
B. former name of iMac
C. credit card sized dessert
D. credit card sized swiping machine
E. Credit card sized computer
Answer: E. Credit card sized computer

18. Which of the following films is not associated with Christopher Nolan:
A. Interstellar
B. Matrix
C. Memento
D. Inception
E. Prestige
Answer: B. Matrix

19. Timbuktu is:
A. A city in China
B. A fictional city
C. A form of expression
D. A city in Mongolia
E. A city in Mali
Answer: E. A city in Mali

20. RuPay is related to:
A. Rural Payment of Wages office of India
B. National Association for facilitation of Rural Payments
C. National Payments Corporation of India
D. Russia Pay, a Russian competitor of Paypal
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E. Rustic Poetry, an Annual Festival held in Jaipur, India

Answer: C. National Payments Corporation of India

21. Plasmodium Vivax causes:
A. Typhoid
B. Malaria
C. AIDS
D. Syphilis
E. Bird Flu

Answer: B. Malaria

22. Pilatus PC-7 is a(n):
A. frigate
B. aircraft carrier
C. ship
D. submarine
E. aircraft

Answer: E. aircraft

23. Which of the following commodity is not rightly matched with its country, if ‘right match’ is considered as one of the top five producers of that commodity?
A. Oat: Russia
B. Wheat: United States
C. Apple: China
D. Carrot: India
E. Rice: Indonesia

Answer: D. Carrot: India

24. Which of the following countries has the lowest External Debt?
A. United Kingdom
B. France
C. USA
D. India
E. China

Answer: D. India

25. Which of the following city is not related to the automobile industry?
A. Dharwad
B. Lucknow
C. Jamshedpur
D. Pithampur
E. Itanagar

Answer: E. Itanagar

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