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1. Up to where did Chandragupta Maurya's empire extend in the north west? (SSC Stat. Investigators 2005)

- (A) Ravi river
- (B) Indus river
- (C) Satluj river
- (D) Hindukush range

Ans: D

2. Which of the following could be the most accurate description of the Mauryan monarchy under Ashoka? [SSC Sec. Officer (Audit) 2006]

- (A) Enlightened despotism
- (B) Centralised autocracy
- (C) Oriental despotism
- (D) Guided democracy

Ans: A

3. The Greek ambassador sent to Chandragupta Maurya's Court was : (SSC CGL 2011)

- (A) Kautilya
- (B) Seleucus Nicator
- (C) Megasthenes
- (D) Justin

Ans: C

4. Arthashastra was written by : (SSC CPO SI 2011)

- (A) Chanakya
- (B) Kautilya
- (C) Bimbisara
- (D) Pushyamitra

Ans: B

5. Who among the following foreigners was the first to visit India? (SSC Combined Matric Level 2006)

- (A) Hiuen Tsang
- (B) Megasthenes
- (C) I-Tsing
- (D) Fahien

Ans: B

6. Who amongst the following was a wife of emperor Ashoka who influenced him? (SSC Combined Matric Level 2002)

- (A) Chandanika
- (B) Charulata
- (C) Gautami
- (D) Karuwaki

Ans: D

7. In which Rock Edict Ashoka mentions about the casualties of Kalinga War and declares the renunciation of war? (SSC CGL 2014)

- (A) Maski Edict
- (B) Rock Edict XIII
- (C) Rock Edict XI
- (D) Rock Edict X

Ans: B

8. During the reign of Bindusara there was unrest at. (SSC CHSL 2014)

- (A) Ujjayini
- (B) Pushkalavati
- (C) Taxila
- (D) Rajagriha

Ans: C

9. Who took the throne after Chandra Gupta Maurya? (SSC CHSL 2005)

- (A) Bimbisara
- (B) Ashoka
- (C) Bindusara
- (D) Vishnugupta

Ans: C

10. Chandra Gupta Maurya spend his last days here : (SSC CGL 2014)

- (A) Kashi
- (B) Pataliputra
- (C) Ujjain
- (D) Shravanabelagola

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Ans: D

11. Bindusara was the son of?

- (A) Ashoka**
- (B) Akbar**
- (C) Chandragupta Maurya**
- (D) Shivaji**

Ans: C

12. Which among the following is the oldest dynasty? (SSC CGL 2002)

- (A) Maurya**
- (B) Gupta**
- (C) Kushan**
- (D) Kanva**

Ans: A

13. Who amongst the following also had the name 'Devanama Piyadassi'? (SSC CGL 2003)

- (A) Mauryan King Ashoka**
- (B) Mauryan King Chandragupta Maurya**
- (C) Gautam Buddha**
- (D) Bhagwan Mahavira**

Ans: A

14. Which event brought about a profound change in Ashoka's administrative policy? [SSC Tax Assistant (Income Tax) 2009]

- (A) The third Buddhist Council**
- (B) The Kalinga War**
- (C) His embracing of Buddhism**
- (D) His sending missionary to Ceylon**

Ans: B

15. The monk who influenced Ashoka to embrace Buddhism was : (SSC CGL 2010)

- (A) Vishnu Gupta**
- (B) Upagupta**
- (C) Brahma Gupta**
- (D) Brihadratha**

Ans: B

16. Bindusara sent Ashoka to quell the rebellion in : (SSC Combined Matric Level 1999)

- (A) Swarnagiri**
- (B) Taxila**
- (C) Ujjain**
- (D) Tosali**

Ans: B

17. Who among the following was not a part of the Mauryan dynasty? (SSC Combined Matric Level 2000)

- (A) Ajatsatru**
- (B) Bindusara**
- (C) Chandragupta Maurya**
- (D) None of these**

Ans: A

18. Which one of the following is the principal source of information of Ashoka's campaign against Kalinga? (SSC CAPFs SI & CISF ASI 2013)

- (A) Pillar Edict VII**
- (B) Mahavamsa**
- (C) Divyavadana**
- (D) Rock Edict XIII**

Ans: D

19. Ashoka spread Buddhism all over India and Ceylon by : (SSC CGL 2014)

- (A) Teaching the Triratnas**
- (B) Sending the Dharma Mahamantras**
- (C) Waging wars**
- (D) Becoming a Buddhist Monk**

Ans: B

20. Which Indian ruler fought the Kalinga War? (SSC CHSL LDC, DEO & PA/SA 2015)

- (A) Samudragupta**
- (B) Chandragupta**
- (C) Shivaji**
- (D) Ashoka**

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Ans: D

21. The capital of the Mauryan kingdom was located at : (SSC CGL Tier-I 2016)

- (A) Pataliputra**
- (B) Vaishali**
- (C) Lumbini**
- (D) Gaya**

Ans: A

22. Chandragupta Maurya was born in :

- (A) 340 BC**
- (B) 563 BC**
- (C) 189 BC**
- (D) 99 BC**

Ans: A

23. Bimbisara was the king of which dynasty?

- (A) Haryanka**
- (B) Maurya**
- (C) Shunga**
- (D) Nanda**

Ans: A

24. The illustrious names of Aryabhatta and Varahamihir are associated with the age of the : [SC Sec. Officer (Audit) 2006]

- (A) Guptas**
- (B) Kushanas**
- (C) Mauryas**
- (D) Palas**

Ans: A

25. In Mauryan dynasty Kalinga war took place in the year : [SSC Sec. Officer (Audit) 2008, CHSL 2011]

- (A) 260 BC**
- (B) 261 BC**
- (C) 126 BC**
- (D) 232 BC**

Ans: B

26. Seleucus Nicator was defeated by : (FCI Assistant 2012)

- (A) Ashoka**
- (B) Chandragupta Maurya**
- (C) Bindu Sara**
- (D) Brihadratha**

Ans: B

27. After Alexander's death the Eastern part of his empire came under : (FCI Assistant 2012)

- (A) Seleucus Nicator**
- (B) Menander**
- (C) Rudradaman**
- (D) Kanishka**

Ans: A

28. The Greeks were driven out of India by : (SSC Steno. Grade C and D 2011)

- (A) Chandragupta Maurya**
- (B) Chandragupta Vikramaditya**
- (C) Ashoka**
- (D) Bindusara**

Ans: A

29. Which of the following dynasty succeeded the Mauryas? (SSC Constable GD 2013)

- (A) Satavahanas**
- (B) Sungas**
- (C) Yavanas**
- (D) Pandya**

Ans: B

30. Name the Greek Ambassador at the Mauryan Court. (SSC CHSL 2014)

- (A) Alexander**
- (B) Megasthenes**
- (C) Plato**
- (D) Aristotle**

Ans: B