

The Mauryan And Post Mauryan Empire

1. Which of the following Ashoka inscription is in Kharoshthi script?
(a) Kalsi
(b) Girnar
(c) Shahvajgarhi
(d) Meerut
2. Which of the following was not a capital of Magadha empire?
(a) Girivraja
(b) Rajgriha
(c) Pataliputra
(d) Kosambi
3. Which one of the following Mauryan kings was known as Amittrochata or Amritaghata, which appears to be derived from the Sanskrit word Amritghata, by the Greek writers?
(a) Chandragupta
(b) Bindusara
(c) Ashoka
(d) Dasaratha
4. Who was the son of Ashoka mentioned in an inscription?
(a) Ivara
(b) Kunala
(c) Mahendra
(d) Jalauka
5. Starting with the oldest, identify the correct chronological order of kingdom in the evolutionary phases of Magadha empire
(a) Nanda-Sisunaga-Sunga-Maurya
(b) Nanda-Sisunaga-Maurya-Sunga
(c) Sisunaga-Nanda-Maurya-Sunga
(d) Sisunaga-Maurya-Nanda-Sunga
6. The Greek ambassador sent to Chandragupta Maurya's court was
(a) Kautilya
(b) Seleucus Nicator
(c) Megasthenes
(d) I-tsing
7. 'Milindapanho'
(a) contains the numerous illustrations from Jain legends
(b) deals with the code of conduct for Jain monks and Jews
(c) contains the fundamentals of Buddha's teachings
(d) rewards the dialogue between the Indo-Greek ruler, Menander and the monk, Nagasena

8. Arrange the following dynasties in chronological order of their arrival in post Mauryan period.

1. Sakas 2. Indo-Greeks
3. Parthians 4. Kushans

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

9. Who was the last Sunga ruler being murdered by his minister, who usurped the throne and founded a new dynasty and in which year?

- (a) Devabhuti in 75 BC
(b) Vasumitra in 123 BC
(c) Pushyamitra Sunga was the first and last Sunga ruler
(d) None of the above

10. The official credited with the construction of Sudarshana lake in Saurashtra during the reign of Chandragupta Maurya was

- (a) Yavanaraja Tushaspha
(b) Parnadatta
(c) P. Ahilava Suvisakha
(d) Vaisya Pusyagupta

11. Who started the Saka Era and when?

- (a) Kadphises in 58 BC
(b) Vikramaditya in 58 BC
(c) Rudradaman I in AD 78
(d) Kanishks in AD 78

12. Which one of the following dynasties was ruling over North India at the time of Alexander's invasion?

- (a) Nanda
(b) Maurya
(c) Sunga
(d) Kanva

13. Which event brought about a profound change in Ashoka's administrative policy?

- (a) The Third Buddhist Council
(b) The Kalinga War
(c) His embracing of Buddhism
(d) His sending of missionaries to Ceylon

14. Which dynasty did rule over Magadha after Nanda dynasty?

- (a) Maurya
(b) Sunga
(c) Gupta
(d) Kushana

15. The last Mauryan emperor was

- (a) Jalok
- (b) Avanti Varma
- (c) Nandi Vardhana
- (d) Brihadratha

16. Match the following

List I

List II

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| A. Chandragupta | 1. Piyadasi |
| B. Bindusara | 2. Sandrocottus |
| C. Ashoka | 3. Amilaghata |
| D. Chanakya | 4. Vishnugupta |

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| (a) 2 3 4 1 | (b) 1 3 2 4 |
| (c) 2 3 1 4 | (d) 3 4 2 1 |

17. Who constructed Sanchi Stupa

- (a) Chandragupta
- (b) Kautilya
- (c) Gautam Buddha
- (d) Ashoka

18. Yavana (Greek) was introduced in Indian theatre by which of the following?

- (a) Sakas
- (b) Parthians
- (c) Greeks
- (d) Kushans

19. Who were the first kings to issue gold coins in India?

- (a) Mauryan
- (b) Indo-Greeks
- (c) Guptas
- (d) Kushans

20. What was the capital of Kanishka?

- (a) Purushapura
- (b) Mathura
- (c) Taxila
- (d) Pataliputra

Answers key

1.(c) 2.(d) 3.(b) 4.(a) 5.(c) 6.(c) 7.(d) 8.(d) 9.(a) 10.(a)
11.(d) 12.(a) 13.(a) 14.(a) 15.(d) 16.(d) 17.(d) 18.(b) 19.(b) 20.(d)