

WHAT IS DEMOCRACY, WHY DEMOCRACY

Exercise

- Q.1** Who became the chief executive of Pakistan in 1999
(A) General Musharraf
(B) General Ziya ul Haque
(C) Nawaz Sharif
(D) Benzir Bhutto
- Q.2** What is the name of the China Parliament ?
(A) Senate
(B) Loksabha
(C) National People's Congress
(D) None of these
- Q.3** In which party was Mexico ruled from 1930 to 2000 ?
(A) Labour Party
(B) Institutional Revolutionary Party
(C) Congress Party
(D) Conservative Party
- Q.4** In women do not have the right to vote.
(A) Turkey (B) Pakistan
(C) Bangladesh (D) Saudi Arabia
- Q.5** When did Zimbabwe gain freedom from white minority rule ?
(A) 1970 (B) 1975
(C) 1980 (D) 1985
- Q.6** In which country the people belonging to Russian minority find it difficult to get the right to vote -
(A) Estonia (B) Poland
(C) Chile (D) Russia
- Q.7** A combination of parties to share power in the government is called -
(A) Constitution (B) Multiparties
(C) Coalition (D) All of these
- Q.8** Rules of laws according to which the government of the state runs is called -
(A) Constitution (B) Book
(C) Documents (D) None of these
- Q.9** Prisoners held in a prison for opposing the government is called -
(A) Criminal (B) Thief
(C) Political prisoners (D) None of these
- Q.10** Identify which of the following is a non democratic country-
(A) India (B) U.S.A.
(C) China (D) U.K.
- Q.11** Which of the following countries could be termed as democracy?
(A) Chile, before and after Pinochet's rule
(B) Poland, during the communist rule
(C) Ghana, during the period of Nkrumah's government
(D) Pakistan under General Pravez Musharraf
- Q.12** Democracy comes from a _____ word 'Demokratic'.
(A) French (B) Russian
(C) German (D) Greek
- Q.13** Democracy is a form of government in which the rulers-
(A) Are hereditary
(B) Are chosen after a battle
(C) Are elected by the people
(D) Are not present
- Q.14** In a ____ form of government, the rulers are not elected by the people.
(A) Presidential (B) Perliamentarian
(C) Monarchy (D) None of these
- Q.15** _____ is a device that ensures we shall be governed no better than we deserve.
(A) Mechanical Saw (B) Democracy
(C) Guillotine (D) Axe
- Q.16** In Pakistan, General Pervez Musharraf acquired power in October 1999 through an-
(A) Refrendum (B) Election
(C) Military coup (D) Public opinion

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- Q.17** A democracy must be based on a free and fair election where those currently in power:
(A) Are going to continue
(B) Will always remain in power
(C) Are never going to be elected again
(D) Have a fair chance of losing
- Q.18** In a democracy, each adult citizen must have _____ and each vote must have _____.
(A) One vote, one value
(B) Two vote, equal value
(C) Three vote, no value
(D) None of these
- Q.19** Over the years President Mugabe in Zimbabwe has changed the _____ several times to increase the powers of the president and make him less accountable.
(A) Prime Minister
(B) Government
(C) Constitution
(D) Political Boundary
- Q.20** A democratic government rules within limits set by _____ law and citizen's rights.
(A) Presidents
(B) Dictators
(C) Constitutional
(D) Peoples
- Q.21** Critics argue that, Democracy is all about political competition and power play. There is no scope for _____.
(A) People's welfare
(B) Individual gains
(C) Independent Candidates
(D) Morality
- Q.22** If China had _____. Then so many people may not have died during the famine of 1958-1961.
(A) Multi party elections
(B) An opposition party
(C) An independent press
(D) All of the above

- Q.23** In any society people are bound to have differences of opinions and interests. These differences are particularly sharp in a country like ours which has an _____.
(A) Democratically elected government
(B) Amazing social diversity
(C) Enormous population
- Q.24** Democracy is better than other forms of government because it allows us to:
(A) Do whatever we want
(B) Spoil our cultural heritage
(C) Correct our own mistakes
(D) Earn enormous money
- Q.25** "True democracy will come to our country only when no one goes _____ to bed.
(A) Ever
(B) Early
(C) Hungry
(D) None of these

ANSWER KEY

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| 13. | C | 14. | C | 15. | B | 16. | C |
| 17. | D | 18. | A | 19. | C | 20. | C |
| 21. | D | 22. | D | 23. | B | 24. | C |
| 25. | C | | | | | | |