

1. What was the name of the son born to King Suddhodana and Queen Maha Maya of the Sakyan clan?

- A. Sakyamuni
- B. Siddhattha Gotama
- C. Sakya Gotama
- D. Sundari Nanda

2. A hermit was invited to the palace to predict the prince's future. Who was this sage?

- A. Uddaka Ramaputta
- B. Sariputta
- C. Kondanna
- D. Kala Devala

3. Who brought up the prince?

- A. Maha Pajapati Gotami
- B. Queen Maha Maya
- C. Uppalavanna
- D. Sujata

4. What wonderful thing happened on the Sakyan prince's birthday?

- A. He walked on seven lotuses
- B. He ran in the palace
- C. He read a book
- D. He sat on a horse

5. Which word means "wish-fulfilled"?

- A. Gotama
- B. Siddhattha
- C. Kanthaka
- D. Yasodhara

6. During the name-giving ceremony, who raised one finger and said that the Sakyan prince would surely become a Buddha?

- A. Kaludayi
- B. Asita
- C. Kondanna
- D. Ghatikara Maha Brahma

7. What wonderful thing took place to the prince during his first ploughing festival?

- A. The prince talked to a hermit
- B. The prince saluted his father
- C. The prince collected apples under the tree
- D. The prince sat meditating on the couch

8. King Suppabuddha was the father of \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Pamita
- B. Devadatta
- C. Kaludayi
- D. Ananda

9. The four strange sights the Sakyan prince saw when he visited the park were, an old man, a sick person, a corpse and \_\_\_\_\_

- A. a king
- B. a hermit
- C. a barber
- D. an Arahant

10. After listening to the verse uttered by a young lady, Kisa Gotami, the prince gave his \_\_\_\_\_ as a present to her.

- A. sword
- B. food
- C. necklace
- D. Wisdom

11. The prince left the palace with his favourite horse and his \_\_\_\_\_, Channa.

- A. driver
- B. charioteer
- C. friend
- D. teacher

12. One of the following is not included in the eight requisites of a monk.

- A. knife
- B. bowl
- C. needle
- D. book

13. What is the meaning of "Bodhisatta"?

- A. supporter
- B. attendant
- C. wisdom-being
- D. millionaire

14. Who approached and tempted the Bodhisatta (Prince Siddhattha) when he practiced many forms of severe austerity in the forest?

- A. Kondanna
- B. Mara
- C. Alara Kalama
- D. King Bimbisara

15. The Bodhisatta adopted the Middle Path to gain Buddhahood known as \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Majjhima Patipada
- B. Dhammapada
- C. Samma Sambuddha
- D. Majjamadatthana

16. The Four Noble Truths do not include \_\_\_\_\_

- A. suffering
- B. kamma
- C. craving
- D. Nibbana

17. The end of suffering is known as \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Nibbana
- B. Dhammacakka
- C. Sotapanna
- D. Sadhu

18. The name of the future Buddha will be \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Satthissara
- B. Siddhattha Gotama
- C. Sakyamuni
- D. Metteya

19. The Ascetic Gotama struggled for \_\_\_\_\_ long years to gain Buddhahood.

- A. two
- B. five
- C. six
- D. ten

20. The Bodhisatta gained his Enlightenment at \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Isipatana
- B. Lumbini Park
- C. Deer Park
- D. Buddha Gaya

21. What is the meaning of "Buddham saranam gacchami" ?

- A. To the Buddha I go for refuge
- B. To the teacher I go for refuge
- C. To my parents I go for refuge
- D. To the teaching of the Buddha I go for refuge

22. What is the meaning of "Tatiyampi" ?

- A. For the first time
- B. For the second time
- C. For the third time
- D. For the fourth time

23. "Musavada veramani sikkhapadam samadiyami" is the precept to abstain from

- A. stealing
- B. lying
- C. sexual misconduct
- D. killing

24. By observing which precept a person becomes very careful and his senses become very clear?

- A. to give up liquor that tends to infatuation and carelessness
- B. to give up killing
- C. to give up lying
- D. to give up stealing

25. After marriage with Princess Yasodhara, Prince Siddhattha and his wife had \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. one palace
- B. two palaces
- C. three palaces
- D. four palaces

26. Who was the brother of Princess Yasodhara?

- A. Rahula
- B. Devadatta
- C. Ananda
- D. Channa

27. What was the news to Prince Siddhattha when he visited the park while seeing the four strange sights?

- A. He was informed that his wife was sick
- B. He was informed that a daughter was born unto him
- C. He was informed that his father had passed away
- D. He was informed that a son was born unto him

28. Dana, Sila and Bhavana are \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Three kinds of merit
- B. Three kinds of evil
- C. Objects of meditation
- D. Loving kindness

29. What happened to Bodhisatta in the first watch of the night?

- A. remembered past lives
- B. saw death
- C. saw rebirth of beings
- D. understood the Four Noble Truths

30. Moggallana was also known as

- A. The Chief Disciple to the Buddha
- B. The Religious teacher of the Buddha
- C. The Right Hand Chief Disciple to the Buddha
- D. The Third Chief Disciple of the Buddha

31. Sariputta on hearing the first two lines of the four-lined stanza from \_\_\_\_\_ became a Sotapanna.

- A. Kolita
- B. Sanjaya
- C. Arahant Assaji
- D. Ven. Angulimala

32. Dasa Kusala Kamma means

- A. Ten Perfections
- B. Ten Precepts
- C. Ten Demeritorious Actions
- D. Ten Meritorious Actions

33. The enraged teacher of Angulimala ordered him to fetch a thousand \_\_\_\_\_ as a token for his education.

- A. garland
- B. fingers
- C. flower
- D. robes

34. Which disciple of the Buddha possessed a powerful retentive memory and had a rare privilege of listening to almost all the discourses of the Buddha?

- A. Ven. Moggallana
- B. Ven Mahakassapa
- C. Ven Sariputta
- D. Ven. Ananda

35. "Dhammasavana" is one of the Kusala Kamma which means

- A. listening to the Dhamma
- B. teaching the Dhamma
- C. chanting sutta
- D. bowing to the Buddha

36. Taking refuge in the Sangha means that:

- A. we shall become monk.
- B. we must bow to the monk
- C. we take the Holy Disciples of the Buddha as our guide and teacher
- D. we must always offer food to monks.

37. Selfishness can be overcome by

- A. Dhammasavana
- B. Dhammadesana
- C. Dana
- D. Apacayana

38. What is the meaning of "Pattidana" ?

- A. act of respect
- B. generosity
- C. transference of merits
- D. teaching the doctrine

39. The Pali term for morality or virtuous conduct is

- A. Dosa
- B. Punna
- C. Akusala
- D. Sila

40. Who were among the Bodhisatta's friends during his search for Truth?

- A. Assaji and Kassapa
- B. Vappa and Kassapa
- C. Mahanama and Vappa
- D. Alara and Kondanna

41. The Pali word "Tisarana" means

- A. Three evil roots
- B. Three types of Kamma
- C. Three Refuges
- D. Three Baskets

42. The teaching of the Buddha is known as

- A. Nibbana
- B. Dukha
- C. Sangha
- D. Dhamma

43. "Bhagavato" means

- A. Very important person
- B. The Blessed One
- C. The Enlightened One
- D. The Exalted One

44. The Pali word for precept is

- A. Sikkhapada
- B. Gacchami
- C. Panatipata
- D. Adinnadana

45. The followings are Five Precepts except

- A. not to steal
- B. not to kill
- C. not to take solid food after noon
- D. not to take liquor

46. The first of the Five Precept is

- A. not to kill
- B. not to lie
- C. not to be unchaste
- D. not to steal

47. One becomes \_\_\_\_\_ if he observes the precept of giving up lying.

- A. full of pity
- B. beautiful
- C. truthful and trustful
- D. wonderful

48. The advice of all the Buddhas except

- A. Not to do evil
- B. To do good
- C. To gain plenty of wealth
- D. To purify one's mind

49. The following evils are caused by deeds except \_\_\_\_\_

- A. killing
- B. harsh speech
- C. stealing
- D. sexual misconduct

50. The following are considered as merit except

- A. Dana
- B. Kamma
- C. Sila
- D. Bhavana

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