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1. The Buddha was born on the Wesak full-moon day of May in the year _____.
A. 543 B.C. B. 588 B.C.
C. 623 B.C. D. 668 B.C.
2. Who was the Buddha's mother?
A. Queen Maha Maya B. Princess Yasodhara
C. Queen Janapada D. Queen Maha Pajapati
3. Siddhattha means _____.
A. Wisdom B. Virtue
C. Wish-fulfilled D. Blessing
4. Which sight that he saw signified to Prince Siddhattha the means to attain calm and peace?
A. An old man B. A diseased person
C. A corpse D. A dignified hermit
5. Prince Siddhattha decided to leave home in search of _____.
A. Salvation B. Truth and peace
C. Happiness D. Higher power
6. Prince Siddhattha renounced the world at the age of _____.
A. 19 B. 28 C. 29 D. 35
7. _____ is the highest stage in worldly concentration.
A. Nibbana B. Fourth Jhana
C. The Realm of Neither Perception nor Non-Perception
D. The Realm of Nothingness
8. The ascetic Gotama practised all forms of severe austerity for 6 years at _____.
A. Uruvela B. Isipatana
C. Rajagaha D. Bhesakala Forest
9. The hindrances to cultivation include all of the following except _____.
A. Sense-desires B. Aversion
C. Doubt D. Viriya
10. After abandoning the practise of asceticism, the ascetic Gotama accepted food offered by _____.
A. Sujata B. Cunda C. Channa D. Visakha
11. The Buddha attained Supreme Enlightenment under the Pippala tree at _____.
A. Lumbini park B. Buddha Gaya
C. Kusinara D. Isipatana
12. Samma Sambuddha means _____.
A. The Accomplished One
B. The Fully Enlightened One
C. Homage to the Buddha
D. Taking refuge in the Buddha
13. The _____ Noble Truth is the Path leading to the End of Suffering.
A. First B. Second C. Third D. Fourth
14. At the end of the _____ week after His Supreme Enlightenment, the Buddha reflected on "Dependent Arising".
A. First B. Second C. Fourth D. Seventh
15. After His Supreme Enlightenment, the Buddha stood gazing at the Bodhi tree that had sheltered him _____.
A. To gain inspiration
B. While enjoying the Bliss of Emancipation
C. As a mark of gratitude D. With no special meaning
16. Brahma Sahampati, who had invited the Buddha to teach the Dhamma, was _____.
A. A Brahmin B. An ascetic
C. A merchant D. A celestial being
17. Who was the first to become a Sotapanna?
A. Assaji B. Kondanna C. Sariputta D. Upaka
18. The Middle Path refers to the _____.
A. Noble Eightfold Path B. Four Noble Truths
C. Four Brahma Viharas D. Ten Perfections
19. The Noble Truth of the Cessation of suffering should be _____.
A. Comprehended B. Eradicated
C. Realized D. Developed
20. The Lord Buddha spent His first rainy Retreat at _____.
A. Uruvela B. Rajagaha C. Vesali D. Isipatana
21. Venerable _____ was the second chief disciple in the Sangha.
A. Kondanna B. Mahakassapa
C. Moggallana D. Sariputta
22. "The righteous live happily both in this world and in the next" was the advice of the Buddha to _____.
A. King Suddhodana B. Anathapindika
C. Prince Nanda D. Angulimala
23. The Buddha spent the major part of His life in _____.
A. Jetavana Monastery B. Pubbarama
C. Bamboo Grove D. Veluvana Monastery
24. The seven years old Rahula was ordained by _____.
A. The Buddha B. Ven. Assaji
C. Ven. Moggallana D. Ven. Sariputta
25. Ven. _____ was appointed the "Treasurer of the Dhamma".
A. Sariputta B. Ananda C. Angulimala D. Nanda
26. Who was "The Feeder of the Helpless" ?
A. Visakha B. The Buddha
C. Anathapindika D. Prince Jeta
27. Who had helped to settle disputes amongst the Bhikkhunis?
A. Ven. Ananda B. Visakha
C. Yasodhara D. Maha Pajapati Gotami

28. Bhikkhuni Sasana was founded in the _____ Vassana (Retreat) year of the Buddha.
A. 8th B. 7th C. 6th D. 5th
29. Anagami is a _____.
A. Never-Returner B. Once-Returner
C. Worthy One D. Stream-winner
30. All of the following are correct except _____.
A. Do not accept anything on mere tradition
B. Do not accept anything on account of rumours
C. Do not accept anything that are praised by the wise
D. Do not accept anything merely because it seems acceptable
31. The lay followers came to the Buddha to hear the Dhamma _____.
A. At dawn
B. Towards evening
C. During the first watch of the night
D. During the second watch of the night
32. The Buddha converted others chiefly by _____.
A. Using psychic powers
B. Radiating thoughts of loving-kindness
C. Giving meditation lessons
D. Expounding the Dhamma
33. The Buddha's mother was reborn as a Deva in the _____ Heaven.
A. Catummaharajika B. Yama
C. Tavatimsa D. Tusita
34. Pick the incorrect statement:
A. The Buddha had tried to teach everything that He knew
B. The Buddha is the Holiest of Holies
C. The Buddha is called Sabbannu-Omniscient
D. The Buddha had attempted to abolish slavery
35. Upali was a _____ before entering the Order.
A. Fisherman B. Smith C. Scavenger D. Barber
36. Bhikkhu _____ at first refrained from paying last respects to the Buddha for he wished to attain Arahantship before the Buddha passed away.
A. Dhammarama B. Purana Kassapa
C. Makkhali Gosala D. Sunita
37. Who offered the Buddha His last meal?
A. Subhadda B. Cunda
C. Ananda D. Visakha
38. The Buddha attained Mahaparinibbana at the age of _____.
A. 29 B. 35 C. 51 D. 80
39. All of the following had predeceased the Buddha except _____.
A. Rahula B. Yasodhara
C. Mahakassapa D. Sariputta
40. The Buddha passed away at _____.
A. Kapilavatthu B. Rajagaha
C. Vesali D. Kusinara
41. The "Realm of Infinity of Consciousness" refers to the _____ Arupa Jhana.
A. First B. Second C. Third D. Fourth
42. Only those practising in accordance with the _____ can attain Sainthood.
A. Precepts B. Noble Eightfold Path
C. Ten meritorious deeds
D. Four Brahma Viharas
43. The Buddha had advised His disciples to regard _____ as their teacher after He had passed away.
A. The Order B. The chief disciples
C. Ven.Mahakassapa D. His Teaching
44. The First Council was held to recite the _____ of the Buddha.
A. Dhamma B. Vinaya
C. Dhamma and Vinaya
D. Dhamma, Vinaya and Abhidhamma
45. "Musavada veramani sikkhapadam samadiyami" means I take the precept to abstain from _____.
A. lying B. stealing C. misconduct D. killing
46. What is the best way to respect the Buddha?
A. By offering flowers and incense
B. By building more temples
C. By paying homage regularly
D. By following His teaching
47. What do we give up mainly by being generous?
A. Ill-will B. Ignorance
C. Selfishness D. Poverty
48. The Blessings mentioned in the Mangala Sutta include all of the following except _____.
A. Gratitude B. Auspicious sounds
C. Patience D. Much learning
49. Pick the incorrect pair
A. Ven.Mahakassapa-chief of those practising "Dhutangas"
B. Ven.Upali-chief in matters pertaining to the Vinaya
C. Ven.Moggallana-chief of those with psychic powers
D. Ven.Ananda-chief of those with great intelligence
50. Pippali Manava was the original name of Ven. _____.
A. Mahakassapa B. Angulimala
C. Sariputta D. Moggallana
51. The three salient characteristics of life refer to _____.
A. Sila, bhavana and wisdom
B. Greed, hatred and ignorance
C. Impermanence, misery and absence of an abiding self
D. Past, present and future
52. In Vessantara Jataka, the Buddha as a Bodhisatta was practising _____ to its perfection.
A. Sacca B. Dana
C. Adhittahana D. Metta

