

**CBCI Education MasterMinds**  
**Sample Question Paper Senior Category (Classes IX to XII)**  
**Set 1 (This paper has 50 questions)**

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**Time allowed:** 45 minutes

**Read all the instructions:**

- Try to answer **ALL** the questions.
  - Read each question carefully and choose the correct answer. A, B or C.
  - Only use a **Pencil or Black ball pen** to mark your answers in OMR sheet.
  - Make sure you only mark **One answer** for each question. **In case 2 or more options are selected then that answer will not be considered for marking.**
  - **There is no negative marking. Each correct answer gives 1 point.**
  - Make sure all your details are correct and that you have signed the OMR sheet.
  - Only complete as many answers as there are questions.
  - At the end of the test, hand this paper, the OMR sheet and any notes to the **invigilator**.
  - All the **Correct answers** are highlighted with **Green** ✓
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**Q1. Identify this revolutionary freedom fighter, a former school teacher who was called 'Master da'.**

- a) Benoy Krishna Basu
- b) Jatindranath Das

✓ **Surya Sen**



**Q2. Which of these important trees is scientifically named Ficus benghalensis?**

- a) Neem
- b) Peepal
- ✓ **Banyan**

**Q3. Who was the first president of the USA?**

- ✓ **George Washington**
- b) Thomas Jefferson
- c) Abraham Lincoln

**Q4. CEMM stands for:**

- a) Centre of Education MasterMinds
- ✓ **CBCI Education MasterMinds**
- b) Centre of Education MegaMinds

**Q5. Which fundamental right given to all citizens of India, stated in Articles 14-18 of the Constitution, is the principal foundation of all other rights?**

- ✓ **Right to Equality**
- b) Right to freedom
- c) Right to life

Q6. Which two island groups are separated by the 10-Degree Channel?

- Andaman & Nicobar                      b) North & South Islands                      c) Lakshadweep & Minicoy

Q7. In which part of the body is the cochlea found?

- a) Eye                       Ear                      c) Brain

Q8. Name this UNESCO World Heritage Site that is shown on the Rs 100 note

- a) Adalaj Vav  
b) Bhool Bhulaiyan



- Rani ki Vav

Q9. Which folk dance was originally a Bhil tribal dance, performed to worship goddess Saraswati?

- a) Chhau                      b) Garba                       Ghoomar

Q10. Which of these birds is a term in golf?

- a) Sparrow                       Eagle                      c) Vulture

Q11. What tech phenomenon did this duo start in 2009?

- WhatsApp

- b) Facebook  
c) LinkedIn



Q12. Which 1943 Hindi film, directed by Vijay Bhatt, is acknowledged to have been the only film that Mahatma Gandhi ever saw?

- Ram Rajya                      b) Raja Harishchandra                      c) Alam Ara

Q13. Which body of water is shown being moved apart in this scene from the Old Testament?

- Red Sea

- b) Sea of Galilee  
c) Mediterranean Sea



**Q14. What constitutional position was this person the first Indian to hold?**

a) Chief Justice of India

Chief Election Commissioner

b) Chief Information Commissioner



**Q15. Dancer-actor Sudha Chandran lost a leg in an accident in 1982 but could dance again due to this Indian innovation. Which?**

a) Lucknow Leg

Jaipur Leg

c) Jodhpur Leg

**Q16. Who wrote the Handbook of the Birds of India and Pakistan?**

a) Bhupatrai Oza

Salim Ali

c) A O Hume

**Q17. For which 18th century French scientist is the base unit of current named?**

André-Marie Ampère

b) Alessandro Volta

c) James Prescott Joule

**Q18. In which field did Venkatraman Ramakrishnan win the Nobel Prize?**

a) Medicine

b) Physics

Chemistry

**Q19. As per the Indian Coinage Act of 1906, what is the maximum denomination in rupees for a coin?**

a) 500

1000

c) 100

**Q20. Which river joins the Brahmaputra as soon as it enters Bangladesh, forming the Jamuna?**

Teesta

b) Gandak

c) Rangeet

**Q21. Identify this noted economist, winner of the Bharat Ratna.**

a) Bimal Jalan

b) P C Mahalanobis

Amartya Sen



**Q22. With an estimated value of \$15 billion, which is the world's most traded beverage?**

Coffee

b) Tea

c) Fruit juice

**Q23. Identify this personality, the first Indian woman to win an Olympic medal**

Karnam Malleswari

b) P T Usha

c) Kunjurani Devi



**Q24. If 'Spirit' was one of the two rovers sent on the Mars Exploration Mission, what was the name of the other?**

Opportunity

b) Discovery

c) Pioneer

**Q25. Which country's country code top-level domain is .ar?**

a) Azerbaijan

b) Armenia

Argentina

**Q26. Which organization, was set up by an act of Parliament in 2010, with Justice Lokeshwar Singh Pant as its first chairman?**

a) Centre for Science & Environment

National Green Tribunal

b) c) Parivartan

**Q27. Which Biblical character was the longest-lived man, reaching the age of 969 years?**

a) Elijah

b) Rehoboam

Methuselah

**Q28. What term is given to the total amount of greenhouse gases produced to directly or indirectly support human activities?**

a) Carbon Dating

b) Carbon Signature

Carbon Footprint

**Q29. Which Indian city is served by the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport?**

a) Vadodara

Ahmedabad

c) Surat

**Q30. Winston Smith was the lead character in which 1949 novel by George Orwell?**

a) Homage to Catalonia

b) Animal Farm

1984

**Q31. Which Vice-President of the USA won a Nobel Peace Prize for his work as an environmental activist?**

a) Gerald Ford

b) Mike Pence

Al Gore

**Q32. Identify this rare animal, found in north-east India.**

a) Himalayan Marten

Red Panda

b) Binturong



**Q33. Which Indian city does this "Open Hand" monument represent?**

Chandigarh

b) Bhubaneswar

c) Bengaluru



**Q34. According to the Bible, on top of which mountain did Noah's Ark come to rest, after the waters of the Great Flood had subsided?**

a) Ararat

Ararat

c) Hebron

**Q35. Which flower, scientifically known as Amorphophallus titanum, is one of the tallest in the world?**

Titan Arum Lily

b) Rafflesia

c) Cobra Flower

**Q36. Which term was used to describe the hostile relations between the Soviet Union and the USA post WW II?**

a) Great Depression

b) Iron Curtain

Cold War

**Q37. Name this leader, one of the noted freedom fighters of India.**

Lala Lajpat Rai

b) Bipin Chandra Pal

c) Madan Mohan Malviya



**Q38. Which shy and secretive animal, the state animal of Uttarakhand, is highly endangered because, ironically, it emits a wonderful fragrance?**

a) Red Panda

Musk Deer

c) Pine Marten

**Q39. Who took the 1st hat trick in the men's cricket World Cup?**

Chetan Sharma

b) Kapil Dev

c) Dennis Lillee

**Q40. What indicates the successful election of a new Pope to the people gathered outside the Vatican?**

- a) Black raven  **White smoke** c) White dove

**Q41. Under which US president was the NAFTA treaty signed in 1992?**

- a) Richard Nixon b) John F Kennedy  **George H Bush**

**Q42. Which natural wonder is seen in this picture?**

**Grand Canyon**

- b) Three Gorges  
c) Rift Valley



**Q43. On which country's flag would you find the words – "Ordem y Progresso"?**

- a) Mexico  **Brazil** c) Ecuador

**Q44. Which country has hosted the Asian Games the maximum number of times?**

- a) China b) India  **Thailand**

**Q45. Which regiment of the Indian Army has the motto: Veer Bhogya Vasundhara?**

- Rajputana Rifles** b) Sikh Regiment c) Dogra Regiment

**Q46. Which actor played the role of the Kabuliwala in the 1961 film?**

- a) Ashok Kumar  **Balraj Sahni** c) Guru Dutt

**Q47. On 15 August 2018, Mario Abdo Benitez was sworn in as the new President of \_\_\_\_\_. Fill in the blank.**

- a) Mexico  **Paraguay** c) Uruguay

**Q48. Identify the artist of this magnificent fresco.**

- a) Leonardo

**Raphael**

- c) Michelangelo



**Q49. Which animal tricked and escaped from the crocodile that wanted to eat his heart, in a popular Indian folk-tale?**

a) Cat

**Monkey**

c) Rabbit

**Q50. Who was the first person born in India to win the Nobel Prize?**

a) Rabindranath Tagore

**Ronald Ross**

c) Rudyard Kipling

Sample Paper