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LETS QUESTION a

1. Sri Lanka was a part of India

- a) in Moghul times
- b) at no time
- c) in Vedic times
- d) under British rule

2. Where is the band 'Junoon' based?

- a) India
- b) Pakistan
- c) Sri Lanka
- d) Turkey

3. Which of these dishes has evolved from Emperor Akbar's kitchen?

- a) Kichree
- b) Dum Pukht Biryani
- c) Neer Dosa
- d) Upma

4. Who has written the film 'Fiza'?

- a) Javed Akhtar
- b) Honey Irani
- c) Gulzar
- d) Khalid Mohammad

5. The 'Occupied Territories' in the Middle East refer to

- a) Israeli land occupied by Palestinians
- b) Palestinian land occupied by Israelis
- c) Jewish land occupied by Muslim
- d) Muslim land occupied by Jews

LETS QUESTION b

1. Which is the oldest religious place in the island city of Mumbai?

- a) Makdumiya's Dargha
- b) Mahalaxmi Temple
- c) St Michael Church
- d) Hornby Church

2. Sandesh a Bengali sweet is made of

- a) wheat
- b) milk
- c) rice
- d) flour

3. Nescafe is a product of

- a) An Indian private company
- b) Government enterprise
- c) Multinational company
- d) A coffee plant in Chickmagalur

4. Which place in Mumbai becomes a roadside food mall during Ramzan?

- a) Madh Island
- b) Mohammad Ali Road
- c) Haji Ali
- d) Sion Koliwada

5. India and Pakistan were both involved in convening the first meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement in 1955 at

- a) New Delhi, India
- b) Bandung, Indonesia
- c) Cairo, Egypt
- d) Durban, South Africa

LETS QUESTION c

1. Which region does Malwani cuisine belong to?

- a) Malabar
- b) Konkan
- c) Western Ghats
- d) Melbourne

2. What is Victoria and Albert now called?

- a) Prince Of Whales Musuem
- b) Chhatrapati Shivaji Musuem
- c) Indira Ghandi Musuem
- d) Bhau Daji Lad Musuem

3. The only country in South Asia whose official religion is Hinduism is

- a) Nepal
- b) India
- c) Bhutan
- d) The Maldives

4. The idea that Hindus and Muslims in India are two nations was first put forward by

- a) Jinnah
- b) Hedgewar
- c) Sardar Patel
- d) Maulana Azad

5. The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) was formed in

- a) 1970
- b) 1975
- c) 1980
- d) 1985

LETS QUESTION d

1. The Indus Valley or Harappan civilization existed in what is now

- a) India
- b) Pakistan
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Nepal

2. Bangladesh was formed in

- a) 1961
- b) 1962
- c) 1971
- d) 1972

3. What is paani puri called in Bihar and Bengal

- a) Golgappa
- b) Phuchka
- c) Pani Bodhi
- d) None of the above

4. Who wrote the story Idgah?

- a) Sadat Hassan Manto
- b) Munshi Premchand
- c) Ismat Chughtai
- d) Nirma Varma

5. Who is Mehboob studio named after?

- a) the film 'Mere Mehboob'
- b) Filmmaker Mehboob Khan
- c) Actress Mehbano Kotwal
- d) Writer Issar Mehboob





LETS QUESTION e

1. Who brought ice cream to India

- a) Joy
- b) Natural
- c) Marco polo
- d) Vasco de gama

2. Which is the State of the rising sun in India

- a) Kanya Kumari in Tamil Nadu
- b) Arunachal Pradesh
- c) Manipur
- d) Jammu and Kashmir

3. Which is Mother Teresa's native country?

- a) India
- b) Czechoslovakia
- c) Albania
- d) America

4. Who is the founder of Pakistan?

- a) Syed Shahabuddin
- b) Mohammad Ali Jinnah
- c) Maulana Azad
- d) V D Savarkar

5. What is the Commission of Inquiry into the demolition of the Babri Masjid called?

- a) Shah Ayog
- b) Venkatswami Commission
- c) Jaitley Commission
- d) Lieberhans Commission

LETS QUESTION f

1. 'Baara Handi' and 'Saat Handi' are names of

- a) hanging pots in the Govinda festival
- b) daal preparation
- c) utensils
- d) meat preparation

2. The Shalwar Kameez is a dress that originated in

- a) Persia
- b) India
- c) Pakistan
- d) Russia

3. Which Church did Churchgate serve?

- a) St. Michael Church
- b) Afghan Church
- c) St. Thomas Cathedral
- d) Hornby Church

4. The term 'Sanskritisation' was coined by the eminent sociologist M.N. Srinivas. It means

- a) the teaching of Sanskrit in Universities
- b) the process by which the lower caste emulate the rituals and practices of the upper dominant castes
- c) the process whereby foreigners come to India and learn Sanskrit
- d) the process whereby women learn Sanskrit

During the Salt Satyagraha, before picking up the first fistful of salt, Gandhi named his successor, who?

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- b) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
- c) Sarojini Naidu
- d) Abbas Tyabji

LETS QUESTION g

1. The first empress of India was

- a) Queen Victoria
- b) Begam Razia Sultana
- c) Jhansi ki Rani
- d) Queen Elizabeth I

2. 10th December is

- a) International Women's Day
- b) International Labour Day
- c) International Human Rights Day
- d) International Aids Day

3. This Nobel-Prize Winning Physicist grew up in Lahore

- a) C.V Raman
- b) Abdus Salam
- c) S Chandrashekhar
- d) None of these

4. Where was Pakistan's president Musharaf born?

- a) Karachi
- b) Colombo
- c) Delhi
- d) Dubai

5. What is the name of the official residence of the chief minister of Maharashtra?

- a) Shilpi
- b) Sahyadri
- c) Ramtek
- d) Varsha

LETS QUESTION h

1. Most Muslim men in India have

- a) one wife
- b) two wives
- c) three wives
- d) four wives

2. Which political struggle is associated with Hutatma Chowk?

- a) Indian Freedom Struggle
- b) Narmada Bachao Andolan
- c) Peasant and Workers Struggle
- d) Sanyukta Maharashtra Struggle

3. Langar is the food distributed at the holy site of which community?

- a) Sikhs
- b) Christians
- c) Jains
- d) Muslims

4. Who is called Quaid-e-azam'?

- a) Syed Shahbuddin
- b) Mohammad Ali Jinnah
- c) Maulana Abul Kalam Azad
- d) Abdul Kalam

5. Which state does J. M. Lyndoh's come from?

- a) Meghalaya
- b) Kashmir
- c) Calcutta
- d) Mizoram



'If singing, playing of instruments, dancing, painting, architecture, wearing of clothes and eating habits are part and parcel of the cultural life of any community; then no culture can be identified and distinguished by the name of a religion. In fact, all arts and crafts existing today, have evolved from very ancient times much before today's organised religions were even born and established'.

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LETS QUESTION I

1. In which State in India is beef a popular food among all communities including Brahmins?

- a) Assam
- b) Kashmir
- c) Kerala
- d) Andhra Pradesh

2. Halloween is a festival that has its origin in the customs of

- a) Christians
- b) Jews
- c) Celts
- d) Muslims

3. The English word catamaran originates from

- a) German
- b) Latin
- c) Urdu
- d) Tamil

4. Which party did Nathuram Godse, the killer of Mahatma Gandhi, belong to?

- a) Hindu Mahasabha
- b) Bajrang Dal
- c) BJP
- d) Shivsena

5. Which community in Bombay are called East Indians?

- a) Natives of the 7 Islands who were converted to Christianity by the Portuguese
- b) Migrants from the eastern states of Bengal, Bihar and Odisha
- c) Textile workers from the hinterland of Maharashtra
- d) Residents of the eastern suburb of the city

LETS QUESTION J

1. What was exported from Cochin port in the 17th century?

- a) grapes
- b) cauliflower
- c) spices
- d) potato

2. Kathak is a dance form that is based on

- a) Ras lila
- b) Mughal court dance
- c) both
- d) neither

3. Tyeb Mehta's painting – Celebrations - which recently sold at the highest price ever for an Indian painting represents the life of

- a) Boris
- b) Santhals
- c) Rajputs
- d) Mumbaites

4. Lavani is a form of dance from

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Gujarat
- c) Karnataka
- d) Madhya Pradesh

5. Who has written the national anthem of Bangladesh?

- a) Iqbal
- b) Rabindranath Tagore
- c) Shamsoor Rehman
- d) Satyajit Ray

LETS QUESTION k

1. What is MUTP?

- a) Mumbai Update of Transport & Parking
- b) Mumbai Urban Transport Project
- c) Maharashtra Urban Plan for Transport & Parking
- d) Manhattan Urban Transport Project

2. Where was Buddha born?

- a) Thailand
- b) Nepal
- c) India
- d) China

3. Arunachal Pradesh shares its border with?

- a) China
- b) Pakistan
- c) Nepal
- d) Bhutan

4. While discussing beef eating, who made the following statement - "That may well be; but I shall eat of it never the less if the flesh be tender"

- a) Sadvi Ritambara
- b) Yajnavalkya
- c) A.B. Vajpayee
- d) George Fernandes

5. Where did we get tomato, sapota, cashewnut, sitaphal, cocoa, papaya, tapioca, groundnuts, rajma, chilli, capsicum, pineapple, maize

- a) Gujarat
- b) Punjab
- c) South America
- d) Africa

LETS QUESTION I

1. In which year was the Babri Masjid demolished?

- a) 1870
- b) 1947
- c) 1992
- d) 2000

2. Who directed the film 'Mother India'?

- a) Sunil Dutt
- b) Raj Kapoor
- c) Mehboob Khan
- d) Homi Wadia

3. What is 'sake'?

- a) Japanese drink
- b) African fruit
- c) Mineral water
- d) Biscuit

4. Who is the author of the book "Dharavi Discovered"

- a) Rahul Malhotra And Sharala Dwivedi
- b) Kalpana Sharma
- c) Sujata Patel
- d) Darryl D'monte

5. Who are the seven sisters in India?

- a) Kaveri, Narmada, Ganga, Yamuna, Godavari, Saravati, Gangotri
- b) Manipur, Nagaland, Assam, Tripura, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh
- c) Karishma Kapoor, Kareena Kapoor, Ekta Kapoor, Sanjana Kapoor, Jennifer Kapoor, Krishna Kapoor



Parsee, Bohra, Konkani Muslim

Homes in Mumbai



Konkani Muslim Bohra Muslim Syrian Christian



LETS QUESTION m

1. Who was the director of Salam Mumbai?

- a) Meera Diwan
- b) Meera Nair
- c) Anuradha Parekh Benegal
- d) Deepa Mehta

2. Chutney Mary is the name of a restaurant chain in

- a) Kerala
- b) Mumbai
- c) London
- d) New York

3. Which state did music director R. D. Burman come from?

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Gujarat
- c) Tripura
- d) Chattisgarh

4. This mouth refreshing spice comes from the Islamic Central Asian regions. It is...

- a) ijuan
- b) Saunf
- c) Mint
- d) Polo

5. Dowry Prohibition Law applies

- a) Only to Hindus
- b) Only to Christians and Hindus
- c) Uniformly applies for people of all religions
- d) Only to Hindus and Muslims but not to Parsis and Christians

LETS QUESTION n

1. Mala Sinha is a

- a) Hindu
- b) Christian
- c) Muslim
- d) Sikh

2. In which year did the first Hindu-Muslim riot occur in Mumbai?

- a) 1893
- b) 1749
- c) 1946
- d) 1984

4. Meiteis are inhabitants of

- a) Myanmar
- b) Thailand
- c) Mauritius
- d) India

2. Dr. Ambedkar gave a call to the Dalits to convert to Buddhism in order

- a) To Save them from the British
- b) To stop them from converting to Christianity
- c) To protest against caste atrocities in Hinduism
- d) To make them modern

5. The word 'achaar' has its origin in the words "axi" and "achi" from which language?

- a) Kashmiri
- b) Persian
- c) Portuguese
- d) Sanskrit

LETS QUESTION o

1. Among the communities mentioned below who is originally Hindu?

- a) Arya Samaj
- b) Jain
- c) Satsanghi
- d) Kayastha

2. Who was Shahbano?

- a) A Moghul Queen
- b) A freedom Fighter
- c) A Religious preacher
- d) A woman who fought for her right of maintenance

3. Where was L.K. Advani born?

- a) Ayodhya
- b) Karachi
- c) Delhi
- d) Gandhinagar

4. When was the Shivsena formed?

- a) 1966
- b) 1674
- c) 1960
- d) 1857

5. The British Consulate in Mumbai uses two languages, one is English and the other is

- a) Hindi
- b) Marathi
- c) Gujarati
- d) Urdu





LETS QUESTION p

1. Pongal is the name of

- a) A South Indian dish
- b) A South Indian festival
- c) Both
- d) Neither

2. Emperor Akbar married a Hindu. Her name was

- a) Rama Bai
- b) Jodha Bai
- c) Shakuntala
- d) Kaushalya

3. Which singer was vandalized by Shivsena?

- a) Lata Mangeshkar
- b) Gulam Ali
- c) Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan
- d) Begum Akhtar

4. The Christian laws in India are a

- a) Divine law which was revealed to Moses
- b) A set of rules given by Jesus during the Sermon on the Mount
- c) A law enacted by the British Parliament
- d) A law proclaimed by Pope in Vatican

3. The Bhajan 'Hari Om' in the popular Hindi film of the 50s is sung by

- a) Hari Om Sharan
- b) Mohammed Rafi
- c) Mukesh
- d) Ghulam Ali

LETS QUESTION q

1. In which country was baking invented

- a) England
- b) France
- c) China
- d) Egypt

2. Udipi is the name of

- a) A South Indian snack
- b) a place in Karnataka
- c) a place in Tamil Nadu
- d) a style of cooking

3. Which gangster of Mumbai is nicknamed as Daddy?

- a) Karim Lala
- b) Chhota Shakeel
- c) Arun Gowli
- d) Maya Dolas

4. How long is the flight from Delhi to Lahore?

- a) 8 hours
- b) 2.5 hours
- c) 1 hour
- d) 35 minutes

5. 'Chhang' is a low intensity alcoholic drink. From where?

- a) North east
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Kerala
- d) China

LETS QUESTION r

1. Who is the founder of Indian Airlines ?

- a) J. R. D Tata
- b) Rajendra Prasad
- c) Govt. of India
- d) Lord Mountbatten

2. What is 'Sali Boti'?

- a) Parsee cuisine
- b) Slang for beautiful girl
- c) Bengali Abuse
- d) Alcohol in Germany

3. Youngest cricketer to Captain the Indian Team

- a) Sachin Tendulkar
- b) Mansoor Ali Pataudi
- c) Saurav Ganguli
- d) Farookh Engineer

4. Who directed the film 'Ambedkar'?

- a) Shyam Benegal
- b) Kalpana Lajmi
- c) Jabbar Patel
- d) Amol Palekar

5. Who is the editor of Mahanagar?

- a) Kiran Nagarkar
- b) Nikhil Wagle
- c) Bhakti Bharve
- d) B. K. Karanjia

LETS QUESTION s

1. In which language does Arundhati Roy write?

- a) Malayalam
- b) Hindi
- c) English
- d) Bengali

2 Dr. B.R. Ambedkar worked on the draft of the constitution sitting in a restaurant in Bombay. Where?

- a) Wayside Inn
- b) Indigo
- c) Sukhsagar
- d) Satkar

3. The principles of Hindu Marriage Act are based on

- a) British laws of marriage
- b) Vedic laws
- c) Manusmriti
- d) Shankaracharya's Teachings

4. What is the real name of Dilip Kumar?

- a) Narayan Bhatia
- b) Kader Mirza
- c) Kishore Mehta
- d) Yusuf Khan

5. A secular state is one in which

- a) all religions are banned
- b) there is one official religion and all others are banned
- c) anyone can do anything in the name of any religion
- d) all citizens are treated equally regardless of religion

LETS QUESTION t

1. In which language is the film 'Bombay' originally made?

- a) Tamil
- b) Urdu
- c) Malayalam
- d) Hindi

2. Who has written 'Train to Pakistan'?

- a) Pamela Rooks
- b) Khushwant Singh
- c) Kuldeep Nayyar
- d) Rajdeep Sardesai

3. Where was writer Sadat Hasan Manto born?

- a) Bombay
- b) Lahore
- c) Lucknow
- d) Ludhiana

4. When a Hindu boy and a Muslim girl want to get married. How should they marry?

- a) Under Muslim Law
- b) Under Hindu Marriage Act
- c) Under Indian Divorce Act
- d) Under Special Marriage Act

5. Which script does Gulzar write in?

- a) Devnagari
- b) Gurumukhi
- c) Urdu
- d) English



Parsee, Bohra, Konkani Muslim

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Konkani Muslim, Bohra Muslim, Parsee, Maharashtrian Protestant Christian



LETS QUESTION u

1. On which real life event is the film 'Life is Beautiful' based?

- a) 1st World War
- b) 2nd World War
- c) Russian revolution
- d) Unification of Germany

2. Where is Aizwal?

- a) India
- b) China
- c) Japan
- d) Korea

3. Who attacked the film 'Fire'?

- a) Censor Board
- b) State Govt
- c) Shivsena
- d) Women's organizations

4. Who scored the match winning 87 runs in the famous North-west Trophy final played in the Lords during 2002 summer?

- a) Mohammad Kaif
- b) Virendra Shewag
- c) Zaheer Khan
- d) V.V.S Laxman

5. Who arrested L. K. Advani to stop his Rath Yatra in 1990?

- a) Lalu Prasad Yadav
- b) Manmohan Singh
- c) Narendra Modi
- d) Mamata Banerjee

LETS QUESTION v

1. What did Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan sing?

- a) Pop
- b) Rock
- c) Qawali
- d) Fusion

2. Silvassa is capital of which state?

- a) Goa
- b) Tripura
- c) Santhal Pargana
- d) Dadra and Nagar Haveli

3. Which city is called twin city of Bombay?

- a) Karachi
- b) Colombo
- c) Singapore
- d) Dubai

4. Originally from Indonesian island Moluccas, this sharp and flavourful spice got its name from the Latin word for a nail. What is it?

- a) cinnamon
- b) asafoetida
- c) Saffron
- d) clove

5. Where was English cricketer Nasser Hussain born?

- a) London
- b) Lahore
- c) Madras
- d) Cape Town

LETS QUESTION w

1. What was Meena Kumari's religion?

- a) Hindu
- b) Muslim
- c) Parsee
- d) Buddhist

2. Rani Gaidinlui is

- a) An actress from Nagaland
- b) A writer
- c) First Woman drummer
- d) Freedom fighter from Manipur

3. Nariman Point of Mumbai is named after

- a) Advocate Fali Nariman
- b) Cricketer Nariman Contractor
- c) Congress Leader Veer Nariman
- d) Persian god Nariman

4. What does Bombay Duck mean?

- a) Former postal system
- b) Nickname for bootleggers
- c) A fish
- d) A food festival

5. Why did Shiv Sena cadres dig up the cricket pitch before 1991 Bombay test?

- a) to stop India-Pakistan match
- b) to postpone the match
- c) to demand more money for sports education
- d) to protest match fixing

LETS QUESTION x

1. Bombay stunt film Actress Fearless Nadia was

- a) A Kashmiri
- b) An Arab
- c) A Greek-British
- d) An American

2. David Sasson Dock and David Sasson library are named after

- a) the Baghdadi Jew philanthropist
- b) the famous English poet
- c) the jazz player
- d) the governor of Bombay

3. What is the locally produced country liquor in Mumbai

- a) Maratha
- b) Kantala
- c) Santra
- d) Khajoor

4. The genesis of the name Bhendi Bazar is

- a) whole sale vegetable market
- b) nativisation of the English term 'behind the bazar'
- c) an off shoot of Bhiwandi
- d) after a famous courtesan called Bhendibai

5. From which language the Bombaiya words *pao* for bread and *batata* for potato came?

- a) Gujarati
- b) Bhojpuri
- c) Portuguese
- d) Dutch



Babar's Will-

Son, this Nation Hindusthan has different Religions. Thank Allah for giving us this Kingdom. We should remove all the differences from our heart and do justice to each community according to its customs. Avoid cow-slaughter to win over the hearts of the people of this land and to incorporate the people in the matters of administration. Don't damage the places of worship and temples, which fall in the boundaries of our rule. Keep the people following different customs integrated into a single whole so that no part of the body of this Kingdom becomes diseased.

(Translated from the original - National Museum)

Answers

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Lest we Forget

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Article 14. Equality before law. The State shall not deny to any person equality before the law or the equal protection of the laws within the territory of India.

Article 15. Prohibition of discrimination on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex or place of birth.

(1) The State shall not discriminate against any citizen on grounds only of religion, race, caste, sex, place of birth or any of them.

Article 21. Protection of life and personal liberty.

No person shall be deprived of his life or personal liberty except according to procedure established by law

Constitution of India