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**15 HISTORY**

01. In reference to the Conference at Yalta (1945), which of the following claims is correct?
- A) **The leading representatives at the conference were Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin**
  - B) It marked the official creation of Solidarnosc, the first trade union in the socialist bloc
  - C) It established a military alliance among the states making up the eastern bloc - as a counterpart to NATO
  - D) Its conclusion saw the signing of the peace treaties bringing an end to World War II
02. In the papal encyclical *Rerum Novarum*:
- A) **Leo XIII founded the modern social doctrine of the Church**
  - B) Pius XI condemned the danger of militarism and the arms race
  - C) Paul VI defended the Church from the meddling of the Fascist regime
  - D) John XXIII emphasized the theme of peace in an era characterized by the spread of nuclear power
03. Considering the *Salt March*, which of the following claims is correct?
- A) **It was a non-violent demonstration led by Mahatma Gandhi as a protest against the British monopoly**
  - B) It materialized as a response to the *Intolerable Acts*, a series of authoritarian measures imposed on the North American colonies by George III
  - C) It concerns the struggle for independence on the part of the Baltic Republics; at the end of the event the marchers formed a human chain to delineate a symbolic border with the USSR
  - D) It also goes by the name of *Bloody Sunday*, because the marchers who were demanding civil rights for Afro-Americans were subjected to heavy police attack
04. Who was the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom at the time of the Falklands War?
- A) **Margaret Thatcher**
  - B) Tony Blair
  - C) Neville Chamberlain
  - D) Winston Churchill
05. In reference to the international brigades which intervened in the Spanish Civil War, which of the following claims is NOT correct?
- A) **They fought alongside the nationalist forces and the Army of Africa against the Popular Front**
  - B) They were made up of thousands of volunteers who fought in the republican ranks, driven on by ideals of freedom and democracy
  - C) Among the Spanish supporters can be counted famed figures such as Pablo Picasso and Federico García Lorca
  - D) They gained considerable prominence thanks to the activism and support afforded by numerous anti-Fascist intellectuals
06. Why can the American Civil War be considered one of the first *industrial wars*?
- A) **Because of the employment of swift means of transport and communication (railways and telegraph) and mass-produced arms**
  - B) Because the war's primary objective was the destruction of enemy production installations
  - C) Because it pitched the industrialized North against the agriculture-oriented South
  - D) Because the men who were conscripted left their jobs in the factories to women

07. Why didn't some European countries have access to the aid offered by the Marshall Plan?
- A) Because the Soviet Union feared the United States interference in the political life of the beneficiary countries
  - B) Because of the very high interest rates imposed in paying back the loan
  - C) For fear that blocs might be created between beneficiary and excluded countries
  - D) Only the Allies were invited to benefit from the Plan; the countries of the Axis Powers were excluded
08. The reclaiming of Agro Pontino (Pontine Marshes) south of Rome, which transformed a marshland into an extensive agricultural plain, was carried out:
- A) during the Fascist period
  - B) in the immediate aftermath of World War II
  - C) in the last decade of the nineteenth century
  - D) in the years of the economic Boom
09. The Rome-Berlin Axis...
- A) is a formal pact which was stipulated in 1936 between Germany and Italy
  - B) was drawn up for the division of Austria between Italy and Germany
  - C) constitutes the fortuitous event sparking the outbreak of World War II
  - D) is the name given to a road built in the 1930s and linking the two cities
10. The *Cuba Crisis* of 1962 was caused by:
- A) the Soviet attempt to install missile sites on the island
  - B) Great Britain's attempt to invade this strategically important island
  - C) the attempt by United States to install missile sites on the island
  - D) the revolt against Fidel Castro by farm workers employed on sugar cane plantations
11. What are designated as *The Yugoslav Wars* consist in:
- A) the armed conflicts taking place between 1991 and 2001 in various territories belonging to the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and causing the breaking-up of the country
  - B) disturbances starting in and spreading from Sarajevo after the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand
  - C) the conflicts in the Balkan peninsula caused by Russia in its search to have an outlet on the Adriatic Sea
  - D) the disputes between Yugoslavia and Italy, the latter bent on "regaining its territories"
12. What is meant by the expression *Third Industrial Revolution*?
- A) the change in the whole working environment - starting in the 1970s and still in progress - founded on electronics, informatics and telematics
  - B) the revolution in the means of production generated by the invention of the internal combustion engine
  - C) the revolution in the wake of the second post-WWII period allowing the masses to access consumer goods previously reserved for the élite
  - D) the great changes which came about in the transport sector, giving everyone the opportunity to travel
13. Which event induced the USA to enter into war in 1941?
- A) the Japanese attack on the US base of Pearl Harbour in Hawaii
  - B) the promulgation of the racial laws in Germany and Italy
  - C) the affirmation of the figure of Mao Tse Tung in the People's Republic of China
  - D) Francisco Franco's seizing of power in Spain
14. Which of the following claims about the Kyoto protocol (1997) is correct?
- A) it is an international agreement, the aim of which is to counteract global warming as embodied in temperature increase
  - B) it deals solely with carbon dioxide emissions
  - C) it incentivizes the use of fossil fuels
  - D) it still stands as the reference framework for global action aimed at curtailing greenhouse gases

15. What was Apartheid?
- A) the regime of racial segregation imposed by the government of White ethnic identity on Black South Africans
  - B) the struggle carried forth by Gandhi to achieve independence for India
  - C) it was the name for the Jewish ghetto in Polish towns during the Nazi regime
  - D) the group fighting for the rights of Afro-Americans under Malcom X

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## 15 PHILOSOPHY

16. Doctrine of ideas, superiority of wisdom over knowledge, doctrine of dialectics are all characteristic aspects of...
- A) Platonism
  - B) Aristotelian thought
  - C) Scepticism
  - D) Kantian thought
17. Socrates did not leave any writings since ...
- A) he held that the exercise in dialectics, comprising question and answer, was essential in order to reach the truth
  - B) he wanted his pupils to write down the contents of his lessons
  - C) writing would have gone against his claim "I know that I do not know"
  - D) writing was not consistent with the principles of the Peripatetic School
18. Tommaso Campanella...
- A) brings religious and political motives together in *The City of the Sun*
  - B) gathers his thought in the celebrated *New Science*
  - C) draws inspiration from Voltaire, to then distance himself from the same
  - D) identifies the four primalities of every finite being: being, knowing, wishing, being able
19. A polysyllogism...
- A) is a syllogism made up by a chain of syllogisms
  - B) is a particular polysemantic syllogism
  - C) denotes cause/effect reasoning of the type  $A \rightarrow B$  (A entails B)
  - D) is attributable to the thought of Plato
20. "No woman should be authorized to stay at home to raise her children. Society should be totally different. Women should not have that choice, precisely because if there is such a choice, too many women will make that one. It is a way of forcing women in a certain direction." This passage is attributable to the thought of...
- A) Simone de Beauvoir
  - B) an illuminist
  - C) Karl Popper
  - D) Hannah Arendt
21. "The only possibility would be to wager on the existence of God; such a wager not being made, should God exist you would lose eternal beatitude, or, should He not exist, you would, in the end, lose nothing." This passage is attributable to the thought of:
- A) Blaise Pascal
  - B) Thomas More
  - C) Thomas Aquinas
  - D) Jean-Paul Sartre
22. Which of the following claims regarding the thought of Immanuel Kant is correct?
- A) *Critique of Judgement* examines reflective judgement identifiable in the aesthetic and the teleological
  - B) Reason is the faculty of being capable of furnishing principles after the fact
  - C) The categorical imperative is a subjective principle
  - D) *Critique of practical reason* analyses the existence, the validity and the limits of knowledge *a priori*

23. In philosophy, what is meant by *mysticism*?
- A) A philosophical doctrine relevant to the possibility of reaching the absolute, ignoring or overcoming logical-discursive procedures
  - B) Any doctrine that holds experience to be the only basis of knowledge
  - C) The philosophical tendency recognizing in reason the cornerstone and essential instrument to acquire knowledge
  - D) A critical school of thought against the absolute knowledge of things, counter-proposing the suspension of judgement
24. "If we ought to philosophize we ought to philosophize, and if we ought not to philosophize we ought to philosophize; in either case, therefore, we ought to philosophize ..." This passage is attributable to the thought of:
- A) Aristotle
  - B) Socrates
  - C) Democritus
  - D) Carneades of Cyrene
25. For Pythagoras:
- A) the number is everything, the essence of all things
  - B) the atom decides on the birth and death of things
  - C) the philosopher places all his knowledge at the service of a just and happy community
  - D) God, as a Being, is the basis of everything
26. Giordano Bruno:
- A) maintains that God needs man just like the world needs God, and that God would be nothing if the world did not exist (*unum et idem*)
  - B) is the author of *Metaphysical Meditations*
  - C) reneges on his thought before the Inquisition, hence saving himself from the accusation of heresy
  - D) remains faithful to the Ptolemaic theory, disowning the heliocentric theory of Copernicus
27. Which of the following claims made with regard to the term *immanence* is NOT correct?
- A) it means everything which is about to happen, as if inevitable
  - B) it is a philosophical concept, the antithesis of transcendence
  - C) it is characteristic of what resides in being and possesses in itself its own beginning and end
  - D) is characteristic of what exists in the reality perceived by man
28. *Phenomenology of the spirit* by Hegel...
- A) relates the path which the conscience, or the subject who still does not recognize the Absolute, completes to reach the science of the Absolute itself
  - B) evolves starting from the Absolute as proposed by Schelling
  - C) compares the search for the objective Spirit (of laws, institutions ...) to Minerva's noctule, which starts its flight only at dusk
  - D) examines the path of the Non-Absolute leading to the Absolute
29. Choose the correct time sequence for these great thinkers:
- A) R. Descartes - G. W. Leibniz - J. J. Rousseau - F. Nietzsche
  - B) R. Descartes - J. J. Rousseau - G. W. Leibniz - F. Nietzsche
  - C) G. W. Leibniz - R. Descartes - J. J. Rousseau - F. Nietzsche
  - D) R. Descartes - G. W. Leibniz - F. Nietzsche - J. J. Rousseau
30. Which among the following is a correct pairing?
- A) Marx – Historical materialism
  - B) Heidegger - Positivism
  - C) Hume - Existentialism
  - D) Comte - Empiricism

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## 8 GEOGRAPHY

31. Which of the following Indo-European languages belong to the neo-Latin branch?
1. German
  2. Spanish
  3. Portuguese
  4. Rumanian
  5. Bulgarian
- A) 2, 3 and 4  
B) Just 2 and 3  
C) 1, 4 and 5  
D) 1, 2 and 3
32. The term *hypocentre* stands for:
- A) the point beneath the Earth's crust where the fracture generating an earthquake begins to spread  
B) the point of the Earth's surface where the earthquake produces the effects of greatest intensity  
C) a generic subterranean environment, or cavity, which may be both natural and artificial  
D) the furthest point from the Earth of the moon's orbit or that of another satellite in astronomy
33. In which layer of the Earth's atmosphere do most meteorological phenomena take place?
- A) Troposphere  
B) Stratosphere  
C) Mesosphere  
D) Ionosphere
34. In the Boreal hemisphere, which direction does the polar star (Polaris) indicate?
- A) North  
B) South  
C) East  
D) West
35. From the geo-political point of view, Gibraltar is:
- A) an overseas territory under British sovereignty  
B) a Spanish protectorate  
C) a former British colony, now independent and a member of the Commonwealth of Nations  
D) an enclaved sovereign state
36. Which among the following sources supply about 80% of the energy consumed in the world? (Data EIA 2018)
- A) Crude oil, natural gas and coal  
B) Nuclear  
C) Biomass, wind and geothermal  
D) Hydroelectric and solar/photovoltaic
37. The *Inuit* are...
- A) an Eskimo people, who live mainly in the Arctic and sub-Arctic areas of Greenland, Alaska and Siberia  
B) an indigenous Amerindian population living in the South-West of the USA  
C) a primitive tribe of Papua New Guinea  
D) a traditionally nomadic ethnic group, to be found along the Sahara Desert

38. From a geo-economic point of view, globalization ...
- A) leads to an increasingly pronounced interdependence of national economies and also impacts at a social, cultural and technological level
  - B) slows down competition on a world scale
  - C) reduces the phenomena of exploitation, social disparities and environmental degradation
  - D) has as its aim an increase in exportation and the reduced dependence on foreign production

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#### 4 LITERATURE

39. In the novel of the same name by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, the Little Prince encounters the fox. Their dialogue is about:
- A) the value of friendship, love and sharing
  - B) disdain for what cannot be attained
  - C) cunning and deceit
  - D) the inevitable passing of time
40. *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury - *1984* by George Orwell - *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley. What do these three novels have in common?
- A) They are dystopian novels: they describe an undesirable and frightening imaginary world
  - B) They present a perfect, ideal world, as an example to replace the real world
  - C) They belong to the science-fiction *genre*: they tell of interstellar travel and highly advanced technologies
  - D) They belong to a narrative *genre* based on imaginary historical events, as opposed to those which really took place
41. With regard to the *Gothic Novel*, which claim is NOT correct?
- A) It is typical of Medieval literature, in Romance or Vulgar Latin, and it tells of court life
  - B) It is a narrative *genre* characterized by a blending of romantic elements and horror
  - C) It usually conveys stories set in the Middle Ages in crumbling castles or other dark and gloomy places
  - D) *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley is an example
42. In the theatre of Ancient Greece what is the *chorus*?
- A) A homogeneous group of characters who act collectively on the stage along with the actors
  - B) A vocal counterpoint to be found exclusively in the Satirical Comedy *genre*
  - C) The monologue destined to reveal the background, i.e. to introduce the action on stage and clarify the events
  - D) the circular floor, positioned under the proscenium, where the altar of Dionysus is placed

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#### 3 ART

43. The *Birth of Venus* by Sandro Botticelli:
- A) depicts the goddess of love and beauty standing on the valve of a shell
  - B) is a small wooden-panel painting
  - C) is a work wrapped in a mysterious atmosphere on its philosophical meaning
  - D) is exhibited at the Louvre
44. Donatello's *David* exhibited at the Bargello Museum in Florence:
- A) is a bronze statue the Medici commissioned the sculptor to create
  - B) was an integral part of an altar piece hailing from the church of the Holy Cross in Florence
  - C) is a statue in Carrara marble, originally exhibited in Piazza della Signoria
  - D) is a dynamic work in which David is intent on defeating Goliath

45. The terms *Doric*, *Ionic* and *Corinthian*:
- A) are employed to define the three architectural orders of classical Greece
  - B) are the three different styles of creating Roman copies from Greek sculptures
  - C) refer to three schools of philosophical thought which influence the world of ancient art
  - D) mark three periods of art in Ancient Egypt

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### 5 CINEMA – THEATRE

46. *Jumanji –The Next Level*:
- A) is the third film of the series, in which the characters lead a real life and a life inside a videogame
  - B) introduces Jumanji, a new character from the Star Wars saga
  - C) is a dystopian film directed by Spike Lee
  - D) deals with a surreal journey in the African Savanna
47. *Money Heist (La casa de papel)*:
- A) is a series in which a criminal gang organizes a robbery in the Spanish Mint
  - B) is a film which revolves around a roleplay
  - C) deals with controversial truths regarding the White House at the time of World War II
  - D) is a series of horror comedy films, the characters being a group of kids who are staying in a mountain chalet
48. The so-called *Tchaikovsky Trilogy*
- A) comprises the ballets *Swan Lake*, *Sleeping Beauty* and *The Nutcracker*
  - B) consists of three caprices for violin
  - C) comprises the ballets *The Wizard of Oz*, *Little Red Riding-Hood* and *Cinderella*
  - D) is the stage version of three famous fairytales by Tolstoy
49. Which of the following claims about the musical *Notre-Dame de Paris* is NOT correct?
- A) it gives an account of the fire that broke out in the Cathedral of Notre-Dame in 2019
  - B) it draws inspiration from the historical novel of the same name by Victor Hugo
  - C) Esmeralda dies by hanging
  - D) the main male character is Quasimodo, called the Hunchback of Notre-Dame
50. *Six characters in search of an author*, *Each in his own way* and *Tonight we improvise*:
- A) stand as the theatrical trilogy in Luigi Pirandello's drama
  - B) are a collection of three short stories by Pirandello in a single theatrical adaptation published posthumously
  - C) present the same characters again and again in a type of serialized novel
  - D) initiate the second phase of humorous drama, in which Pirandello distances himself from Verismo in favour of Decadentism

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### 3 MUSIC

51. In a symphony orchestra, bassoon and contrabassoon are part of the group of instruments designated as...
- A) woodwinds
  - B) brass
  - C) percussions
  - D) strings
52. Frédéric Chopin is known in particular ...
- A) for his solo piano compositions
  - B) as a composer of lyric opera
  - C) for the virtuosity with which he played the violin
  - D) for the reform of musical theatre

53. Which among the following composers is considered one of the most prominent exponents of Baroque music?
- A) Antonio Vivaldi
  - B) Ludwig van Beethoven
  - C) Claude Debussy
  - D) Richard Wagner

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## 7 INFORMATICS

54. Three of the following softwares have the same use. Identify the odd-man-out.

- A) SAP
- B) Avast
- C) Norton
- D) Bitdefender

55. In Microsoft Word, which of the following claims is NOT correct?

- A) to zip means to format a text
- B) The Thesaurus allows you to find the synonyms for a word
- C) In a document it is possible to apply hypertext links to single words or parts of the text
- D) Through revisions you keep track of various changes made to the text

56. In Microsoft Excel, which of the following formulae permits calculation of average weekly flows?

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1		Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Weekly Average
2	Visitors	50	15	18	16	22	31	52	

- A) =SUM(B2:H2)/7
- B) =(B2+C2+D2+E2+F2+G2+H2)/5
- C) =AVERAGE(B2;H2)
- D) =AVERAGE.A(B2;H2)

57. What does the expression *Undisclosed recipient* mean?

- A) The e-mail has at least one recipient who does not appear clearly
- B) The address of the recipient has not been written correctly
- C) The recipient's mail-box has reached contracted maximum storage capacity
- D) The message included an executable attachment which the system has rejected

58. Which of the following file names is not valid?

- A) Giulia/Neri.xls
- B) Giovanni.Rossi.doc
- C) Mario\_Verdi.ppt
- D) Fausto-Bianchi.mdb

59. The RAM of a modern personal computer can be the equivalent of:

- A) 512 Mbyte
- B) 512 Kbyte
- C) 512 Gbyte
- D) 512 byte

60. The WWW network employs documents created with the language:

- A) HTML
- B) HTTP
- C) FTP
- D) SMPT



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## 2 QUESITI DI RISERVA

61. Who is the current President of the European Central Bank?

- A) **Christine Lagarde**
- B) Mario Draghi
- C) Jean Claude Trichet
- D) Angela Merkel

62. Which among the following devices can boast the highest storage capacity?

- A) **Hard-disk**
- B) RAM
- C) Floppy disk
- D) CD-ROM