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01. What was the cause triggering the United States to join the conflict during the Second World War?

A) The Japanese attack on the military base of Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian Islands
B) The Battle of Britain with ensuing attacks carried out by the German air force
C) Operation Red Beard launched by Nazi Germany against the Soviet Union
D) The establishment of collaboration governments in France

Risposta corretta: A

02. In reference to the Spanish Civil War, which of the following statements is NOT correct?

A) It occurred at the same time as the Second World War
B) It witnessed a clash between Republicans and Nationalists
C) The Nationalists got help from Nazi Germany and from Fascist Italy
D) The war ended with a Nationalist victory and Franco’s assuming power

Risposta corretta: A

03. Which is the correct historical sequence of the following events?

A) Outbreak of the Great War – Russian Revolution – New Deal – Explosion of first atomic bomb
B) Russian Revolution – Outbreak of the Great War – New Deal – Explosion of first atomic bomb
C) Russian Revolution – Outbreak of the Great War – Explosion of first atomic bomb – New Deal
D) Outbreak of the Great War – Explosion of first atomic bomb – Russian Revolution – New Deal

Risposta corretta: A

04. Which ideological motivation drove Hitler to invade the Polish Corridor?

A) He wanted to join Germany and Prussia, re-uniting the German speaking populations
B) He wanted to engage his troops in an action which might be easily accomplished, thus stirring enthusiasm
C) He wanted to take possession of Danzig which had been declared a “free city”
D) He wanted to show how wrong the decisions taken at the Congress of Versailles were

Risposta corretta: A

05. 27th of January commemorates Holocaust Day. Which event is the date linked to?

A) The liberation of the Auschwitz concentration camp by the Red Army
B) The destruction of the Jewish community by the Nazis in 1938
C) The deportations that took place during the winter of 1942 to implement the “final solution” project
D) No particular event: it is to commemorate the Holocaust

Risposta corretta: A

06. Stumbling stones...

A) are placed at the front door of a house where a Nazi victim lived or a place where a victim was imprisoned
B) are gravestones recalling the main facts of the Second World War
C) are dedicated exclusively to the remembrance of people of Jewish culture and faith
D) are to be found in Italy more frequently in the countryside than in towns
07. Which of the following claims is NOT correct? The Polish trade union Solidarność…

A) it was set up in 1968  
B) it arose from workers’ strikes in the Gdansk shipyards, which then spread throughout the entire country  
C) it was initially led by Lech Wałęsa who became the President of Poland  
D) it was characterized by a prevalently Christian inspiration

Risposta corretta: A

08. Who were the Partisans?

A) In Europe, during the Second World War, they were members of the resistance movements opposed to the German forces occupying many countries  
B) The workers who in the early twentieth-century who went on strike in Italy to get better working conditions  
C) Those who sided with the colonial power in India during English colonization  
D) Those who demonstrated for women’s right to vote at the end of the 19th century in the United Kingdom

Risposta corretta: A

09. In reference to the European Parliament, which of these claims is correct?

A) Its representatives are elected directly by the citizens of the Union  
B) It is based in Paris  
C) Elections to vote for its representatives are held every ten years  
D) Only the founding member states of the European Community are entitled to elect its representatives

Risposta corretta: A

10. What is understood by the expression Cuban Revolution?

A) The overthrow of the dictator Fulgencio Batista and the rise to power of Fidel Castro  
B) A moment of great tension during the Cold War era  
C) The moment in which Che Guevara left Cuba to spread the revolution to other countries  
D) Fidel Castro’s growing interest in the politics of other Latin-American countries

Risposta corretta: A

11. What does the expression French May refer to?

A) A series of student strikes which took place in Paris in spring 1968, followed by violent clashes with the police  
B) A series of cultural events taking place in Paris every May and dating back to 1968  
C) The events organized in Paris to mark the 50th anniversary of the end of the Great War  
D) The tension between De Gaulle and Pompidou regarding street demonstrations

Risposta corretta: A

12. Which is the correct sequence of the following events in Italian history?

A) Institutional Referendum – Aid by way of Marshall Plan – Economic Miracle – Strategy of Tension  
B) Aid by way of Marshall Plan – Economic Miracle – Institutional Referendum – Strategy of Tension

Risposta corretta: A
C) Institutional Referendum – Strategy of Tension - Aid by way of Marshall Plan – Economic Miracle
D) Economic Miracle – Institutional Referendum – Strategy of Tension - Aid by way of Marshall Plan

Risposta corretta: A

13. The term Totalitarianism means:
   A) a regime in which all power is concentrated in a single party which tends to suppress all civil liberties and to eliminate every type of dissent
   B) the type of government in which powers are divided and not centralized, with free elections
   C) a regime where power is always held in the hands of a high military command
   D) the type of society in which everything is shared for the common good

Risposta corretta: A

14. Which of the following corresponds to the Collapse of the Central Powers:
   A) the breaking-up of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and Germany at the time of the First World War
   B) the breaking-up of the Ottoman Empire
   C) the fall of the Tsarist regime in Russia
   D) the collapse of the Third Reich at the end of the Second World War

Risposta corretta: A

15. In February 1945, in order to make important decisions regarding the continuation of the war, the arrangements for Poland and the establishment of the UN, Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin met in:
   A) Yalta
   B) London
   C) Philadelphia
   D) San Francisco

Risposta corretta: A

16. In Tiananmen Square
   A) in 1989, a revolt involving Chinese students, intellectuals and workers took place, and it was repressed by military tanks
   B) in 1968, the democratization of the country, an event we recall by the name Prague Spring, took place
   C) the mothers of the Argentinian desaparecidos assembled
   D) in 1956, the Hungarian revolution was suppressed by Soviet tanks

Risposta corretta: A

PHILOSOPHY [ 17-32 ]

17. Which among the following claims is pertinent to Plato?
   A) He opts for the stylistic device of dialogue since it can reproduce the effectiveness of the spoken word
   B) At the centre of his reflections there lie the nature and search for the origin and the essence of things
   C) His method tends to allow the disciple to discover the truth without the philosopher’s supplying him with the same
   D) He left no written works

Risposta corretta: A
18. **Stoicism**

A) is the doctrine associated with Zeno and his school  
B) is the doctrine whereby Man possesses an array of innate knowledge  
C) champions the defence and achievement of freedom in the political field  
D) places pleasure at the centre of its search  

Risposta corretta: A

19. “A spectre is haunting Europe…” What does Marx mean by these words?

A) Communism  
B) Nazism  
C) The widespread ignorance among people  
D) Religion  

Risposta corretta: A

20. Which of the following claims about Aristotle and his thought is NOT correct?

A) His philosophy is Epicureanism  
B) Ideas are useless since they do not contribute to the understanding of the reality of the world  
C) He is a pupil of Plato’s, but he develops his own independent thought, distancing himself from his master  
D) Philosophy is the science of being since being is one of the cornerstones of his thought  

Risposta corretta: A

21. “Two things fill the mind with ever new and increasing admiration and awe, the more often and steadily we reflect upon them: the starry sky above me and the moral law within me”. This is one of the concluding sentences in:

A) *Critique of Practical Reason* by Kant  
B) *The Interpretation of Dreams* by Freud  
C) *Summa Theologiae* by Thomas Aquinas  
D) *The City of God* by Saint Augustine  

Risposta corretta: A

22. The term peripatetic is employed to indicate:

A) a member or a follower of the Aristotelian school  
B) the Lyceum where Aristotle conducted his lessons  
C) the direction that Tommaso d’Aquino gives to his thinking  
D) a speech in praise of the merits bestowed upon the students of Plato’s Academy  

Risposta corretta: A

23. Arthur Schopenhauer uses the expression Veil of Maya to indicate:

A) the veil which prevents Man from understanding the essence of reality  
B) the influx of the Vedas in his thought  
C) the veil which prevents Man from undertaking an authentic relationship with the Other  
D) how impossible it is to distinguish between Being and Non-Being  

Risposta corretta: A

24. In Kant what is meant by the expression *Copernican Revolution*?
A) The revolution that Kant carries out in gnoseology is comparable to that of Copernicus in astronomy
B) The importance of Copernicus’ study for the development of Kantian thinking
C) The eminently scientific approach of Kant’s philosophy
D) The fact that in his speculation Kant limits the faculties of reason in the name of faith

Risposta corretta: A

25. Free will:
A) indicates freedom of man, whose actions are determined not by superior forces but by his own autonomous choices
B) in Saint Augustine corresponds to the perfect freedom which preceded original sin
C) is a concept abandoned by Scholastic Philosophy
D) indicates freedom in a broad sense

Risposta corretta: A

26. Which of the following claims concerning Leibniz and his thought is NOT correct?
A) He subdivides reality into res cogitans and res extensa
B) Reason as harmony keeps different and independent expressions together, creating a unit
C) Speech can be expressed with numeric symbols so that every truth is indisputable
D) All knowledge is, potentially, already present in the soul

Risposta corretta: A

27. Thomas More coined the term “Utopia”:
A) to designate an imaginary island where society was organized along ideal lines
B) to indicate a non-place where everything could happen
C) to refer to democracy in Athens
D) to identify a woman capable of carrying forth the ideals of freedom

Risposta corretta: A

28. Hermeneutics...
A) from ancient times until today, through Heidegger, is the art of interpreting texts
B) stands as the dialogical method typical of Socrates
C) is a religious-philosophical current of the late Hellenic period based on hermetic books
D) is a branch of Moral Philosophy

Risposta corretta: A

29. Which of the following claims does NOT concern Gian Battista Vico?
A) He conceives history as a cognitive progress and, along with Novalis, gives rise to Romantic Historicism
B) Verum esse ipsum factum (“What is true is precisely what is made”)
C) He writes New Science, a history of new ideas
D) Ever recurring cycles do not entail the repeating of individual happenings but the return to analogous historical forms

Risposta corretta: A

30. A Letter Concerning Toleration by John Locke:
A) addressed religious and government issues of the time by proposing religious tolerance
B) was written to his brother who set out for the New World
C) faced the theme of tolerance and respect for the customs of native Americans on the part of the
Conquistadores
D) shed light on the author’s adhesion to the Enlightenment

Risposta corretta: A

31. Which of the following expressions can be traced back to Fichte?

A) The Ego is absolutely opposite to the non-Ego
B) Being – non-Being – Becoming
C) Man is only a thinking reed
D) The night in which all cows are black

Risposta corretta: A

32. Which of the following claims does NOT concern Spiritualism?

A) It conceives history as cognitive progress
B) It affirms the priority of the spirit over matter
C) It devalues the method of scientific knowledge in favour of philosophical speculation
D) It evolves in France and Italy in the mid-1800s, in opposition to materialism and positivism/scientism

Risposta corretta: A

GEOGRAPHY [33-39]

33. Intensive agriculture:

A) allows the maximum exploitation of the land’s productive capacity
B) never makes use of chemical fertilizers
C) rigorously respects the environment
D) is exclusively linked to cultivation on an industrial scale

Risposta corretta: A

34. Which of the following pairings is the odd man out?

A) Spain - Barcelona
B) United Kingdom - London
C) Belgium - Brussels
D) Switzerland - Bern

Risposta corretta: A

35. Longitude is:

A) the angular distance of a point from the fundamental Greenwich meridian, measured in degrees
along the arc of the parallel passing through that point
B) the distance of a point from the Equator measured in degrees on the meridian passing through
that point
C) a vast stretch of land belonging to a rich landowner
D) the point where, in its movement of rotation, a planet ends up at its maximum distance from the
sun

Risposta corretta: A

36. Orography:

A) studies the relief of the land (hills, mountains, mountain ranges)
B) detects and analyses the behaviour of rainfall  
C) studies the origin and evolution of surface water in land masses and the action of such water on the land  
D) studies rock formation and composition  

Risposta corretta: A  

37. Which of the following claims is true? The total eclipse of the sun…  
A) takes place when the sun, the moon and Earth are perfectly aligned, hence the moon is positioned between Earth and the sun, obscuring the same  
B) is an easily observable phenomenon  
C) is visible at the same time in different areas of the Earth, even if they are far apart  
D) is observable at the same point for a period of some hours  

Risposta corretta: A  

38. Provence is a region in:  
A) France  
B) England  
C) Germany  
D) Spain  

Risposta corretta: A  

39. Volcanic islands situated in the Pacific Ocean, belonging to Ecuador, interesting for the uncontaminated environments, which were visited and studied by Darwin:  
A) Galapagos  
B) Hawaiian Archipelago  
C) Maldive  
D) Azores  

Risposta corretta: A  

ART [40-42]  

40. In the figurative arts what is meant by *eclecticism*?  
A) The tendency to be inspired by different sources, drawing from each those elements considered the best  
B) A simple style with the reduction to elementary geometric structures  
C) Revisiting classical architecture forms from the modern viewpoint  
D) Allowing an opening for the philosophy of Feng Shui in architecture  

Risposta corretta: A  

41. Which of the following claims does NOT concern Raphael?  
A) He painted the Virgin of the Rocks, now exhibited in the Louvre, Paris  
B) He is called the Urbinate  
C) Julius II commissioned him to create the frescoes in the Room of the Segnatura (Vatican Museums)  
D) His works include: The Marriage of the Virgin, Madonna of the Goldfinch, Woman with a Veil, La fornarina  

Risposta corretta: A  

42. Banksy:  
A) is one of the main exponents of street art, though his true identity is still unknown
B) is one of the subjects portrayed by Warhol in his serial repetitions
C) is the father of German Expressionism
D) loves painting landscapes mostly at sunset

Risposta corretta: A

LITERATURE [43-45]

Risposta corretta: A

43. The Lord of the Rings is:

A) an epic fantasy saga by the English writer Tolkien, set at the end of the Third Age, in the Middle Earth
B) one of the books of the Arthurian Cycle
C) a chivalrous poem written in the 16th century
D) set on the planet Saturn

Risposta corretta: A

44. War and Peace is ...

A) a novel by Tolstoy set in the first half of the 1800s and dealing with the vicissitudes of two families in the context of great historical events
B) a famous pamphlet in which the Nobel Prize-winning economist Keynes criticizes the peace at Versailles
C) a book written by Abbie Hoffman as a protest against the Vietnam War
D) the series the Star Wars saga draws its inspiration from

Risposta corretta: A

45. Jo March:

A) is the rebel heroine of the novel Little Women
B) is an arrogant, egocentric, spoilt, rich, young girl
C) is the earthly name of a comic superhero created by Jack Kirby
D) is an adulteress condemned to wear a large red A on her chest in the puritanical Boston of the 1600s

Risposta corretta: A

CINEMA [46-48]

46. Which of the following titles does NOT belong to the era of silent movies?

A) Fantasia
B) The Battleship Potëmkin
C) Metropolis
D) The Gold Rush

Risposta corretta: A

47. Celebrations are taking place for the centenary of the birth of Federico Fellini, ...

A) the film director of such masterpieces as La dolce vita, 8½ and Amarcord
B) an Italian film director much criticized during his life and revalued after his death
C) known for his spaghetti-westerns
D) actor and director of La vita è bella (Life is Beautiful)

Risposta corretta: A
48. A film director famous for his cameo roles in his own films:

A) Alfred Hitchcock
B) Roberto Benigni
C) Clint Eastwood
D) Woody Allen

Risposta corretta: A

THEATRE AND MUSIC [ 49-53 ]

49. The Nutcracker is:

A) a famous ballet, set to music by P. Tchaikovsky
B) an off-off Broadway musical
C) an aria from Rigoletto
D) a hilarious comedy of misunderstandings written by Georges Feydeau

Risposta corretta: A

50. Jimi Hendrix ...

A) was a great innovator in rock music, who influenced guitarists all over the world
B) is a famous reggae singer
C) was a dancer and choreographer active in New York in the 1970s
D) was the frontman of the American band The Doors from 1965 to 1971

Risposta corretta: A

51. Nessun dorma is a famous romance for tenor from

A) Turandot by Puccini
B) The Barber of Seville by Rossini
C) Carmen by Bizet
D) Aida by Verdi

Risposta corretta: A

52. Which of the following claims referring to Peter and the Wolf is NOT correct?

A) It is a musical, the central theme of which are the misdeeds of the clumsy Peter
B) It is a symphonic fable for reciting voice and orchestra by Prokofiev
C) Every character in the story is represented by an instrument which intervenes with a characteristic motif
D) Peter is represented by all the bowed string instruments

Risposta corretta: A

53. The blue-eyed soul singer of “Back to black”:

A) Amy Winehouse
B) Giorgia
C) Anastacia
D) Emma Marrone

Risposta corretta: A

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY [ 54-59 ]

54. Which of these claims on user profiling is false?

A) The spread of Internet has made profiling difficult and complicated
B) It is a focused marketing tool
C) It is the activity of collecting and elaborating user data
D) It provides for the use of Mathematics and Statistics procedures

Risposta corretta: A

55. What is the HDMI Chromecast Dongle for?

A) Visualizing Web-sourced streaming contents on a TV set
B) Linking the computer to the TV set by way of the HDMI port
C) Linking audio and video sources to the computer
D) Exclusive saving of video files

Risposta corretta: A

56. Which of these claims about the service Whatsapp is false?

A) It can be used only with a smartphone
B) With dedicated programme, it can be used also on PC
C) With dedicated programme, it can also be used on MAC
D) It can also be used directly on a Web page

Risposta corretta: A

57. Which of these Softwares is not part of Microsoft Office?

A) Photoshop
B) Word
C) Excel
D) PowerPoint

Risposta corretta: A

58. Which of these claims about the hardware is false?

A) The hardware is the PC including the operating system
B) An example is the CPU
C) The PC peripheral devices are part of it
D) RAM memory is part of it

Risposta corretta: A

59. the extension .PPT indicates a file...

A) of Microsoft PowerPoint
B) of Microsoft Project
C) of JPEG type (image)
D) of AVI type (video)

Risposta corretta: A

60. Which of these measurement units is the smallest?

A) bit
B) Byte
C) Kbit
D) MByte

Risposta corretta: A