

Instructions:

- Cross the right answer with a X on the letter
  - In case of afterthought, circle the wrong answer and put a X on the right one
- N.B. – ONLY ONE AFTERTHOUGHT IS ADMITTED

- 1) Apartheid was abolished in South Africa in:
  - a. 1981
  - b. 1991
  - c. 1968
  - d. 2000
  
- 2) The first manned moon landing was in
  - a. 1950
  - b. 1980
  - c. 1969
  - d. 1970
  
- 3) The Terror is:
  - a. a phase of Nazism
  - b. a phase of Bolshevism
  - c. a phase of the French Revolution
  - d. a phase of the Second World War
  
- 4) The United Nations currently count
  - a. 193 member states
  - b. 350 member states
  - c. 621 member states
  - d. 97 member states
  
- 5) Who published the novel One Hundred Years of Solitude?
  - a. Pablo Neruda
  - b. Miguel de Cervantes
  - c. Federico Garcia Lorca
  - d. Gabriel Garcia Marquez
  
- 6) Which of these works is not by William Shakespeare?
  - a. Julius Caesar
  - b. Doctor Faustus
  - c. Richard III
  - d. Twelfth Night

- 7) One of these masterpieces does not belong to American literature:
- The Sound and the Fury
  - Moby Dick
  - The Great Gatsby
  - Lord Jim
- 8) Give the correct chronological sequence of the following authors:
- Tolstoy, Voltaire, Kafka, Camus
  - Kafka, Voltaire, Camus, Tolstoy
  - Voltaire, Tolstoy, Kafka, Camus
  - Camus, Tolstoy, Voltaire, Kafka
- 9) Where is Guantánamo?
- Bolivia
  - Florida
  - Texas
  - Cuba
- 10) Which among the following planets of our solar system is smaller than the Earth?
- Uranus
  - Jupiter
  - Neptune
  - Venus
- 11) In which city does The Film Festival award the Palme d'Or?
- Paris
  - Berlin
  - Monte Carlo
  - Cannes
- 12) Mika borrows 30,000 dollars from a bank. By the time the loan is repaid, Mika has paid the bank 31,200 dollars. What does the additional 1,200 dollars represent?
- inflation rate
  - purchasing power of money
  - interest
  - investment
- 13) The economic system of China is an example of
- market capitalism
  - centrally planned socialism
  - market socialism
  - centrally planned capitalism
- 14) The World Bank main aim is
- reduction of poverty
  - promoting monetary cooperation internationally
  - increasing the richness of the western countries
  - controlling the international trade

- 15) Who among the following scientists received two Nobel prizes?
- Albert Einstein
  - John Forbes Nash Jr
  - Marie Skłodowska Curie
  - Rita Levi-Montalcini
- 16) Albert Bruce Sabin is famous for
- the development of a vaccine against polio
  - the development of a vaccine against diphtheria
  - having proved that the paediatric use of vaccines is associated with an increased risk of autism
  - the discover of the DNA structure
- 17) In humans, each cell normally contains
- 44 pairs of chromosomes
  - 48 pairs of chromosomes
  - 46 pairs of chromosomes
  - 23 pairs of chromosomes
- 18) Consider the following sequence of numbers  
1, 1, 2, 3, 5, ...  
What is the next number in the sequence?
- 5
  - 6
  - 7
  - 8
- 19) Samantha has 3 blue, 6 red, 2 yellow and 7 green marbles in a bag. What is the probability that she randomly extracts a blue marble from the bag?
- $\frac{1}{6}$
  - $\frac{1}{3}$
  - 3
  - $\frac{1}{18}$
- 20) Marc, Paul, Freddie and Henry are sportsmen. Marc and Paul play basketball, whereas the others play football. Paul and Henry play volley. Everyone except Marc play tennis.  
Who plays more than one sport but not football?
- Marc
  - Paul
  - Freddie
  - Henry

Read and comment within the lines given

- a) «Columbus has discovered America, but not the Americans»  
(Tzvetan Todorov, *The Conquest of America. The Question of the Other*, 1982)

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- b) «Most people do not really want freedom, because freedom involves responsibility, and most people are frightened of responsibility»  
(Sigmund Freud, *Civilization and Its Discontents*, 1930)

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