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Q1. Musical instrument sitar is the combination of

- a) Bansuri and Sarangi
 - b) Veena and Piano
 - c) Bansuri and Veena
 - d) Veena and Tambura
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Q2. Onam is the festival of which State?

- a) Assam
 - b) Tamil Nadu
 - c) Karnataka
 - d) Kerala
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Q3. Which one of the following is **not** the factor of 'Cultural Lag'?

- a) Politics
 - b) Tradition
 - c) Religion
 - d) Law
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Q4. Consider the following statements

- The Lahore Fort was built by the Mughal Emperor Akbar (ruled 1556-1605) in the 1560s.
- In 1981, UNESCO inscribed it on the World Heritage Site List as one of the finest examples of Mughal architecture.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2
- d) neither 1 nor 2

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Q5. Pt. Ravi Shankar belongs to which musical instrument?

- a) Violin
- b) Sitar
- c) Guitar
- d) Tabla

Q6. Mask dance is associated with which of the following dance styles?

- a) Naga
- b) Kuchipudi
- c) Kathakali
- d) Odissi

Q7. Which of the painting is mixture of Rajasthani and Mughal?

- a) Madhubani painting
 - b) Pahari painting
 - c) Basohli painting
 - d) Kangra painting
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Q8. Match List-I with List-II and select the **correct** answer using the code given below the lists.

List I	List II
A. Amrita Shergil	1. Dancer
B. Bhimsen Joshi	2. Painter
C. Rukmini Devi Arundale	3. Poet
D. Suryakant Tripathi 'Nirala'	4. Singer

Codes: A B C D

a) 2 4 1 3

b) 3 4 1 2

c) 2 1 4 3

d) 3 1 4 2

Q9. Match List-I with List-II and select the **correct** answer using the code given below the lists.

List I	List II
(Person)	(Distinguished as)
A. Santosh Yadav	1. T.V. Host
B. Oprah Winfrey	2. Journalist
C. Oscar Wilde	3. Mountaineer
D. P. Sainath	4. Dramatist and Author

Codes: A B C D

a) 1 3 2 4

b) 1 3 4 2

c) 3 1 4 2

d) 3 1 2 4

Q10. The lead character in the film 'The Bandit Queen' has been played by

a) Shabana Azmi

- b) Pallavi Joshi
 - c) Seema Biswas
 - d) Neeta Gupta
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Q11. Consider the following statements:

- Odissi dance is related to Odisha.
- Kathak belongs to North India (Uttar Pradesh)
- Sattaria dance belongs to Assam.

Which of the statements given above is/are **correct**?

- a) All of the above
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 1 and 2 only
 - d) 1 and 3 only
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Q12. Which of the following statements are **correct** with regard to the movie 'Raja Harishchandra'?

- It is a 1913 Indian talking film.
- It was directed and produced by Indian icon director Dhundiraj Govind Phalke (Dadasaheb Phalke).
- It is the first full-length Indian feature film.
- The complete film is no longer available.

Select the answer from the codes given below:

- a) 2, 3, and 4
 - b) 1, 3, and 4
 - c) 1, 2, and 3
 - d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
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Q13. In Indian architecture, 'Surkhi' was introduced by

- a) Guptas
 - b) Mughals
 - c) Kushans
 - d) Sultanate Sultans
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Q14. Who played the role of Gandhi in the movie 'Gandhi'?

- a) Richard Attenborough
 - b) Roshan Seth
 - c) Ben Kingsley
 - d) Naseeruddin Shah
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Q15. Who among the following is a flute player?

- a) Madhup Mudgal
 - b) Shafat Ahmad
 - c) Debu Chaudhari
 - d) Ronu Majumdar
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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (d)

Q2. Answer: (d)

Q3. Answer: (a)

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Q4. Answer: (c)

The Lahore Fort was built by the Mughal Emperor Akbar (ruled 1556-1605) in the 1560s on a site of an earlier citadel that had been built, rebuilt and demolished by several Mughal rulers.

Akbar's fort was modified by his successors and later by the British rulers as well but in 1981, UNESCO inscribed it on the World Heritage Site List as one of the finest examples of Mughal architecture.

The Lahore Fort is located in the city of Lahore, the capital of the province of Punjab in Pakistan.

Q5. Answer: (b)

Pt. Ravi Shankar was a famous sitar player. Shankar won the Silver Bear Extraordinary Prize of the Jury at the 1957 Berlin International Film Festival for composing the music for the movie Kabuliwala.

He was awarded the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for 1962 and was named a Fellow of the academy for 1975. Shankar was awarded the three highest national civil honours of India:

- Padma Bhushan, in 1967,
- Padma Vibhushan, in 1981, and
- Bharat Ratna, in 1999.

He received the music award of the UNESCO International Music Council in 1975, three Grammy Awards, and was nominated for an Academy Award.

Q6. Answer: (c)

Q7. Answer: (d)

Kangra painting is a mixture of Rajasthan and Mughal. The pictorial art of Kangra is one of the finest gifts of India to the art world.

It originated in a small hill state 'Guler' in the lower Himalayas in the 18th century when a family of Kashmiri painters trained in the Mughal Style of painting sought shelter at the court of Raja Dalip Singh of Guler.

Q8. Answer: (a)

Q9. Answer: (c)

Q10. Answer: (c)

Q11. Answer: (a)

Odissi, also known as Orissi is one of the eight classical dance forms of India. It originates from the state of Odisha, in eastern India. It is the oldest surviving dance form of India on the basis of archaeological evidence. The classic treatise Natya Shastra refers to it as Odra-Magadhi.

This dance is characterised by various Bhangas (Stance), which involves stamping of the foot and striking various postures as seen in Indian sculptures. The common Bhangas are Bhanga, Abanga, Atibhanga and Tribhanga.

Q12. Answer: (a)

First screened, in 1913 it is a silent film.

Q13. Answer: (c)

Q14. Answer: (c)

Q15. Answer: (d)

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