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- Q1. Who wrote the play 'Andher Nagari Chaupat Raja'?
- a) Fakir Mohan Senapati
- b) Govardhan Ram M. Tripathi
- c) Bhartendu Harishchandra
- d) Munshi Premchand

Q2. Who wrote the recent best-selling book The Road Ahead?

- a) I.K. Gujral
- b) T.N. Seshan
- c) Bill Clinton
- d) Bill Gates

Q3. Match the following:

List I	List II
(Planets)	(Satellites)
A. Swallows and Amazons	1. Boris Pasternak
B. The Plantagenet Saga	2. Thomas Hardy
C. Tess of the D'Urbervilles	3. Jean Plaidy
D. Dr Zhivago	4. Arthur Ransome

Select the answer from the codes given below: a) A-4, B-2, C-1, D-3

- b) A-2, B- 1, C-3, D-4
- c) A-1, B-2, C-3, D-4

Q4. Consider the following statements

- A Suitable Boy was written by Vikram Bhat.
- Jagmohan wrote the book 'My Frozen Turbulence in Kashmir'
- 'To Live or Not Live' was written by Nirad C. Chaudhuri.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct a) 1 and 3 only

- b) All of the above
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

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- Q5. Taslima Nasreen is not the author of
- a) Amar Meye Bela
- b) Lajja
- c) Amar Sonar Bangla
- d) Utol Hawa Ki

Q6. Who is the author of 'one night at the call centre'?

- a) Anurag Mathur
- b) Robin Sharma
- c) Vikram Seth
- d) Chetan Bhagat

Q7. Consider the following statements :

- 'In Custody' was written by Anita Desai.
- 'Sea of Poppies' was written by Amitav Ghosh.
- 'The Argumentative Indian' was written by Amartya Sen.
- 'My Presidential Years' was written by R. Venkataraman.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? a) 1,2 and 3

- b) All of the above
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

Q8. Who among the following is the author of 'Poverty and Un-British Rule in India'?

- a) Mahatma Gandhi
- b) R.C. Dutt
- c) Dadabhai Naoroji
- d) Henry Cotton

Q9. Who wrote the book entitled 'Romancing with Life : An Autobiography'?

- a) Amitabh Bachchan
- b) Devanand
- c) Anupam Kher
- d) Kalpana Chawla

Q10. Who is the author of the book 'Namesake'?

- a) Arundhati Roy
- b) Kiran Desai
- c) Jhumpa Lahiri
- d) Chetan Bhagat

Q11. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes:

List I	List II
A. Jyotsana	1. Sumitra Nandan Pant
B. Life Divine	2. Shri Aurobindo Ghosh
C. Divine Life	3. Swami Shivanand
D. Death of a City	4. Amrita Pritam

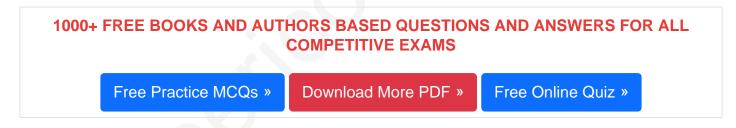
Codes: A B C D a) 4 3 2 1

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- b) 4 2 3 1
- c) 1 2 3 4

d) 1 3 2 4

Q12. Post Office' is written by?

- a) R.K Laxman
- b) Rabindra Nath Tagore
- c) R.K. Narayan
- d) Mulk Raj Anand



Q13. Consider the following statements :

- 'Malgudi Days' was written by R.K. Narayanan.
- 'Kagaz te Canvas' was written by Amrita Pritam.
- 'Swami and Friends' was written by B.M. Kaul

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? a) 1 and 2 only

b) 1, 2 and 3

c) 1 only

Q14. Match List-I with List-II and select the **correct** answer using the code given below the lists.

List I	List II	
A. Surendra Nath Banerjee	1. Hind Swaraj	
B. M.K. Gandhi	2. The Indian Struggle	
C. Subhash Chandra Bose	3. Autobiographical Writings	
D. Lajpat Rai	4. A Nation in Making	
Codes: A B C D a) 1 4 2 3		
b) 4 1 3 2		
c) 4 1 2 3		

d) 1 4 3 2

Q15. Which one of the following books is associated with the rise of the national movement in India?

- a) Satyarth Prakash
- b) Gitanjali
- c) Gita Rahasya
- d) Anand Math

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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (c)

To date, Bill Gates has authored two books. The Road Ahead, written with Microsoft executive Nathan Myhrvold and journalist Peter Rinearson, was published in November 1995, and it summarized the implications of the personal computing revolution and described a future profoundly changed by the arrival of a global information superhighway.

Business at the Speed of Thought was published in 1999, and discusses how business and technology are integrated, and shows how digital infrastructures and information networks can help to get an edge on the competition.

Q3. Answer: (d)

All four books are romantic fiction. A romantic novel is a literary genre.

Novels of this type of genre fiction place their primary focus on the relationship and romantic love between two people and must have an "emotionally satisfying and optimistic ending.

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Q4. Answer: (d)

A Suitable Boy was written by Vikram Seth.

Q5. Answer: (c)

Q6. Answer: (d)

One night at a call centre is written by Chetan Bhagat, published in 2005.

The themes involve the anxieties and insecurities of the rising Indian middle class, including questions about career, inadequacy, marriage, family conflicts in a changing India, and the relationship of the young Indian middle class to both executives and ordinary clients whom they serve in U.S.A.

Q7. Answer: (b)

In custody. Anita Mazumdar Desai is a novelist and professor of Humanities at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Sea of Poppies — Amitav Ghosh. Amitav Ghosh, is a Bengali author best known for his work in English fiction.

The Argumentative Indian — Amartya Sen. Amartya Kumar Sen, is an Indian economist and a Nobel laureate. He has made contributions to welfare economics, social choice theory, economic and social justice, economic theories of famines.

My Presidential Years — R. Venkata Raman. Ramaswamy Venkataraman was a lawyer, Indian independence activist and politician who served as a Union minister and as the eighth President of India. Venkataraman was born in Rajamadam village in Tanjore district, Madras Presidency.

Q8. Answer: (c)

Q9. Answer: (b)

Q10. Answer: (c)

Q11. Answer: (c)

Sumitranandan Pant was one of the most famous modern Hindi poets. He is considered one of the major poets of the Chhayavaadi school of Hindi literature. Pant mostly wrote in

Sanskritized Hindi.

Sri Aurobindo, was a nationalist, freedom fighter, philosopher, yogi, maharishi, guru and poet. He joined the Indian movement for freedom from British rule, for a while became one of its influential leaders and then turned into a spiritual reformer, introducing his vision on human progress and spiritual evolution.

He was a direct disciple of Ramakrishna and became the second president of the Ramakrishna Mission. His devotees refer to him as Mahapurush Maharaj (Great Soul).

Amrita Pritam was a Punjabi writer and poet, considered the first prominent woman Punjabi poet, novelist, and essayist, and the leading 20th-century poet of the Punjabi language, who is equally loved on both sides of the India Pakistan border.

Q12. Answer: (b)

The Post Office (Bengali: Dak Ghar) is a 1912 play by Rabindranath Tagore. It concerns Amal, a child confined to his adopted uncle's home by an incurable disease.

Q13. Answer: (a)

Q14. Answer: (c)

Q15. Answer: (d)

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