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Q1. Who presided over the fourth Buddhist council in Kashmir?

- a) Upagupta
 - b) Asvagosha
 - c) Mahakasyapa
 - d) Vasumitra
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Q2. What was the purpose of the Chaityas during the early phase of Buddhism?

- a) They were used for holding social functions
 - b) They served the purpose of temples
 - c) They were meditation halls
 - d) They were used for religious assemblies and prayers
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Q3. Where did Buddha attain Parinirvana ?

- a) Vaisali
 - b) Bodh Gaya
 - c) Kushinagara
 - d) Rajgriha
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Q4. Which of the following places is associated with Jainism?

- a) Pava
- b) Kapilvastu
- c) Sravasti

d) Sarnath

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Q5. The concept of Anuvrata was advocated by

- a) Himayana Buddhism
- b) Mahayana Buddhism
- c) The Lokayata School
- d) Jainism

Q6. Which of the following statements are correct with regard to the contribution of Buddhism to Indian culture?

1. The concept of ahimsa was its chief contribution
2. Its contribution to the art and architecture of India was notable.
3. It promoted education through residential universities like those at Taxila, Nalanda and Vikramasila.
4. The language of Pali and other local languages developed through the teachings of Buddhism.

Select the answer from the codes given below:

- a) 2, 3, and 4 only
- b) 1, 2, and 3 only
- c) 1, 3, and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 3 and 4;

Q7. On the basis of which of the following traditional records have the dates of Lord Buddha 's birth and death been fixed?

- a) Tibetan tradition of historian Taranath
- b) Chinese tradition–Cantonese records
- c) Sinhalese tradion–Mahavamsa and Dipavamsa
- d) Indian Buddhist texts–Ashokavadan and Divyvadan

Q8.

List I	List II
(Jain Tirthankars)	(Cognizance)
A. Santi Natha	1. Antelope
B. Malli Natha	2. Lion
C. Parswa Natha	3. Serpent
D. Mahavira	4. Water jar

Codes: A B C D

a) 4 1 3 2

b) 2 3 1 4

c) 1 4 3 2

d) 1 2 4 3

Q9. Where did Gautam Buddha give his first sermon?

a) Sanchi

b) Gaya

c) Rajgriha

d) Sarnath

Q10. Yapaniya was a school of

a) Janism

b) Buddhism

c) Vaisnavism

d) Shaivism

Q11. The second Buddhist council was held during the region of

a) Kanishka

b) Ajatashatru

- c) Ashoka
 - d) Kalashoka
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Q12. Amaravati Stupa is situated in

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Karnataka
- d) Andhra Pradesh

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Q13. Syadvad is a doctrine of

- a) Jainism
 - b) Buddhism
 - c) Vaishnavism
 - d) Shaivism
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Q14. The points of similarity between Buddhism and Hinduism is

- a) None of the above.
 - b) The missionary spirit
 - c) The pantheon of Gods in Hinduism
 - d) Acceptance of the laws of Karma and the Hindu theories of re-birth
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Q15. The first Jain council was convened during the reign of

- a) Shisunaga
- b) Bimbisara

c) Chandragupta Maurya

d) Mahapadamand

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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (d)

The Fourth Buddhist Council was presided over by Vasumitra in Kashmir during the reign of Kanishka and had to deal with a serious conflict between the Sarvasthivada teachers of Kashmir and Gandhara.

Q2. Answer: (d)

Q3. Answer: (c)

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Q4. Answer: (a)

Pawapuri or Pava is a holy site for Jains located in Nalanda district in Bihar. Around 5th Century BCE, Mahavira, the last Tirthankara of Jainism achieved Moksha or Nirvana here.

Q5. Answer: (d)

In Jainism, Ahinsa is the standard by which all actions are judged. For a householder observing the small vows (anuvrata), the practice of ahinsa requires that one should not kill any animal life.

Q6. Answer: (d)

Buddhism had also promoted the spread of Indian culture to other parts of Asia. The stupas at Sanchi, Bharhut and Gaya are wonderful pieces of architecture related to Buddhism.

Buddhism takes credit for the chaityas and viharas in different parts of India.

Q7. Answer: (b)

Q8. Answer: (c)

Q9. Answer: (d)

Q10. Answer: (a)

Yapaniya was a school of Jainism. The saints of the Yapaniya school practised nudity like the Digambaras and believed in the liberation of women in conformity with the Svetambaras.

Q11. Answer: (d)

The Second Buddhist council took place approximately one hundred years after the Buddha's parinirvana. King Kalashoka was the Second Council's patron and the meeting took place at Vaishali.

Q12. Answer: (d)

The Amravati Stupa is a famous specimen of the Buddhist art and architecture of ancient India. It is located at Amravati in Andhra Pradesh. Amravati was the capital of the ancient Satavahana dynasty, came under influence of the Buddhist faith through the Kushanas.

Q13. Answer: (a)

Syadvad is a doctrine of Jainism. Syadvad is the philosophy of seeing an individual or an object from various points of view; trying to understand them and acquiring the right knowledge of those things.

Q14. Answer: (d)

Q15. Answer: (c)

First Jain council was held at Pataliputra by Sthalabahu in the beginning of the third century BC during the reign of Chandragupta Maurya.

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