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Q1.

List-I	List-II
A. Time taken by the Earth to orbit the sun	1. Aryabhata
B. Calculation of the value of ? (pi)	2. Bhaskaracharya
C. Invention of the digit Zero	3. Budhayana
D. The game of snakes & ladders	4. Gyanadev

Codes: A B C D

- a) 1 3 2 4
 - b) 2 4 1 3
 - c) 2 3 1 4
 - d) 1 4 2 3
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Q2. Which one of the following is not a part of early Jains literature?

- a) Acaranga sutra
 - b) Therigatha
 - c) Sutrakritanga
 - d) Brihat kalpasutra
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Q3. The ancient Indian play Mudrarakshasa of Visakhadutt has its subject on:

- a) a romantic story of an Aryan prince and a tribal woman
 - b) a conflict between Gods and Demons of ancient Hindu lore
 - c) the story of the power struggle between two Aryan
 - d) the court intrigues at the time of Chandragupta
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Q4. Which of the following pairs indicating the contents of the sacred Buddhist Pitakas is not correctly matched?

- a) Abhidhamma Pitaka — philosophical development of the Buddha's teachings
- b) Vinaya Pitaka — rules of monastic discipline
- c) Sutra Pitaka — Stories of the Buddha's previous births (Jataka stories)
- d) Dhammapada — The original sermon of the Buddha of Sarnath

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Q5. Which one of the following periods is also known as Chalcolithic Age?

- a) Old Stone Age
- b) New Stone Age
- c) Copper Age
- d) Iron Age

Q6. Consider the following statements: Al-Beruni's Kitab-ul-Hind is

- A sympathetic study of Indian civilization.
- Mainly a political history of India.
- Critical of Mahmud Ghaznavi's plundering raids of India.
- Mainly a study of India's cultural, social and intellectual history.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

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

Q7. The first cereal used by man was

- a) Wheat

- b) Rice
 - c) Barley
 - d) Sorghum
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Q8. The earliest evidence of Silk in India comes from the archaeological site of

- a) Nevasa
 - b) Bhagwanpura
 - c) Rangpur
 - d) Ropar
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Q9. Which of the following Brahmana texts belongs to Atharvaveda?

- a) Aitareya
 - b) Shatpatha
 - c) Gopatha
 - d) Panchavinsh
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Q10. Most of the Upanishads seem to have been composed by whom?

- a) Kshatriyas
 - b) Brahmins
 - c) Buddhists
 - d) Non-aryans
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Q11. Who wrote a book 'Return of the Aryans' ?

- a) L.D. Kalla
 - b) Bhagvan Das Gidvani
 - c) Avinash Chandra Das
 - d) D.S. Trivedi
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Q12. Name the site which has revealed the earliest evidence of settled life?

- a) Dholavira
- b) Kile Gul Mohammad
- c) Kalibangan
- d) Mehrgarh

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Q13. The famous dialogue between Nachiketa and Yama is mentioned in the :

- a) Mundakopnishad
- b) Chhandogyopanishad
- c) Kathopanishad
- d) Kenopanishad

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Q15. Mrichchhakatikam, written by Shudraka deals with

- The love affair of a rich merchant with the daughter of a courtesan.
- The military expedition of Samudragupta.

Which of the above is **correct**?

- a) 2 only
- b) 1 only
- c) Both 1 and 2

d) Neither 1 nor 2

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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (c)

The correct match list is:

1. Aryabhata — Invention of the digit zero.
2. Bhaskaracharya — Time taken by the earth to orbit the sun.
3. Budhayana — Calculation of the value of π (Pi)
4. Gyandeva — The game of snakes and ladders
5. Zero was invented in India by Indian mathematicians dating as early as the 5th century. They widely used it in calculations, astronomy, and astrology. Zero was spread by Arabians to Europe and thereon it was spread all over.

The famous Hindu mathematician, Bhaskaracharya, in his treatise Surya Siddhanta, calculated the time taken for the earth to orbit the sun to nine decimal places (365.258756484 days).

Bhaskaracharya rightly calculated the time taken by the earth to orbit the sun hundreds of years before the astronomer Smart. His calculations were – Time taken by earth to orbit the sun (5th century): 365.258756484 days.

The value of π was first calculated by Budhayana, and he explained the concept of what is known as the Pythagorean Theorem.

The game of snakes and ladders is most popular in almost all houses and across all countries of the world. The credit for the game should go to the 13th century Marathi saint-poet composer Gyanadev, Jnanadeva, also known as Jnanashwar. When the saint invented the game it was called Mokshapat.

Q2. Answer: (b)

Q3. Answer: (d)

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Q4. Answer: (d)

Q5. Answer: (c)

Q6. Answer: (b)

Q7. Answer: (c)

Q8. Answer: (a)

Q9. Answer: (c)

The Gopatha Brahmana is the only Brahmana, a genre of the prose texts describing the Vedic rituals, associated with the Atharvaveda.

Q10. Answer: (a)

Q11. Answer: (b)

Q12. Answer: (d)

Q13. Answer: (c)

The famous dialogue between Nachiketa and Yama about transmigration of soul is mentioned in the Kathopanishad.

Q14. Answer: (a)

Q15. Answer: (b)

Mrichchhakatikam is attributed to Sudraka it is a ten act drama. It deals with the love story of a rich merchant with the daughter of a courtesan.

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