

His Ashoka, The Emperor Who Gave Up War

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1. Who was the emperor Ashoka's grandfather?

- (A) Bimbisara (B) Chandragupta Maurya (C) Satyakama (D) None of them

2. Name the wise man present in Chandragupta Maurya's empire.

- (A) Vedvyas. (B) Birbal. (C) Tenali Ram. (D) Chanakya.

3. The capital of Chandragupta's empire was _____.

- (A) Patliputra (B) Ayodhya (C) Mathura (D) None of them

4. How are empires different from kingdoms?

- (A) Empires are larger than Kingdoms
(B) Empires need more resources than Kingdoms
(C) Empires need more officials who collect more taxes than Kingdoms
(D) All of them

5. From whom did the emperor collect taxes?

- (A) Farmers (B) Herders (C) Craftsperson (D) All of the above

6. How do we come to know about the administration of the Mauryan Empire?

- (A) From Arthashastra (B) From Bible (C) From Ramayana (D) From Mahabharat

7. Who was sent to the court of Chandragupta Maurya by the Greek ruler of West Asia named Seleucus Nicator?

- (A) Alexander (B) Hercules (C) Megasthenes (D) None of them

8. What is the modern name of Patliputra?

- (A) Patna (B) Gujarat (C) Rajasthan (D) Punjab

9. Which ruler tried to convey his message to the people through inscriptions?

- (A) Bimbisara (B) Ajatasattu (C) Ashoka (D) None of them

10. _____ is the ancient name of coastal Orissa.

- (A) Kalinga (B) Harappa (C) Mohen-jo-daro (D) Kutch

11. Why did Ashoka decide to give up wars?

- (A) He wanted to take samnyas
(B) He was horrified by the violence and bloodshed caused because of wars.
(C) He was old
(D) All of them

12. What is the Prakrit word for 'Dharma'?

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(A) Dhamma (B) Karna (C) Dharti (D) All of them

13. Ashoka was inspired by the teachings of _____.

(A) Mahavira (B) Satyakama (C) Buddha (D) Panini

14.

What are the various problems that troubled Ashoka. Choose the correct answer from code given below.

(i) People in the empire followed different religions, and this sometimes led to conflict.

(ii) Animals were sacrificed

(iii) Slaves and servants were ill treated

(iv) There were quarrels in families and amongst neighbours.

(A) Only (i) and (ii) (B) Only (ii) and (iii) (C) Only (iv) (D) All of them

15. Who were appointed by Ashoka as officials?

(A) Dhamma Mahamatta (B) Mahatma (C) Both 'a' and 'b' (D)

None of them

16. Where were Ashoka's message inscribed?

(A) Roof (B) Rocks (C) Pillars (D) Both 'b' and 'c'

17. Where did Ashoka send his messengers to spread ideas about 'dhamma'. Choose the correct answer from the code given below :

(i) Syria (ii) Egypt (iii) Greece (iv) Sri Lanka

(A) Only (i) (B) Only (ii) and (iii) (C) Only (iv) (D) All of them

18. _____ was a gateway to the north-west, including Central Asia.

(A) Holland (B) Greece (C) Taxila (D) Mathura

19. What do you know about 'Dynasty'?

(A) The family in which, members become rulers one after another.

(B) A group of twenty or more people

(C) An association of large number of families

(D) None of them

20. A tribute was given _____.

(A) forcefully (B) willingly (C) kindly (D) generously

21. What things were provided to Mauryan officials by people living in forest areas?

(A) Timber (B) Elephants (C) Honey and wax (D) All of them

22. According to the description of Patliputra, written down by Megasthenes, it has _____.

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- (A) 570 towers and 64 gates (B) 120 towers and 28 gates
(C) 450 towers and 32 gates (D) None of them

23. Chanakya was also known as _____.

- (A) Ajatsattu (B) Chanda (C) Kautilya (D) All of them

24. What is Arthashastra?

- (A) Book (B) Place (C) King (D) None of them

25. Mauryan empire began more than _____ years ago.

- (A) 1,200 (B) 1,400 (C) 2,000 (D) 2,300

26. Which area was under the direct control of the emperor?

27. Which city of the Mauryan empire was the gateway to the northwest?

28. Name some of the important cities of the Mauryan empire?

29. What was the capital of the Mauryan empire?

30. What is the name of the book in which ideas of Kautilya were written down?

31. Who was sent to the court of Chandragupta as an ambassador by the Greek ruler of West Asia named Seleucus Nicator?

32. How did Ashoka convey his message to the people?

33. Who was the most famous Mauryan ruler?

34. What was the ancient name of coastal Orissa?

35. What was the language used in the Ashokan inscriptions?

36. What is the equal word for *Dhamma* in Sanskrit?

37. According to the inscription of Ashoka, he conquered Kalinga after how many years of becoming the king?

38. Which one of the following place is not one where the Ashokan inscription found?

- (A) Maski (B) Kalinga (C) Sanchi (D) all of them

39. The Rampurwa bull which was part of the Ashokan pillar is kept where at present?

- (A) Rashtrapati Bhavan (B) Delhi Museum (C) Art gallery in London (D) Sanchi

40. Where is the Great wall located?

(A) China (B) Japan (C) America (D) Italy

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41. What is the difference between tribute and taxes?

42.a) How empires were different from kingdoms?

b) Who were three important rulers of the Mauryan dynasty?

43. What is dynasty?

44. Who was the wise man who supported Chandragupta Maurya?

45. What were the resources collected as tribute from south India and the north-west by the emperor?

46. Who found the Mauryan empire and when?

47. What was the relation of the people who lived in the forest areas with the empire?

48. What were the welfare measures taken by Ashoka?

49. Who were appointed by Ashoka to spread *dhamma*?

50. According to the inscription how many people were killed in the Kalinga war?

51. By whom was Chandra gupta maurya supported? What was the book written by him?

52. Who was Megasthenes? What was the book written by him

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<\$>What were the facilities provided by Ashoka to the people?

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55. Write in brief about Pataliputra?

56. Why did Ashoka want to spread dhamma?

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57. What was Ashoka's *dhamma* - explain.

58. Why did Ashoka give up fighting wars?

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59. What is the decision taken up by Ashoka after Kalinga war?

60. What are the messages given by Ashoka to the people?

61. a) Name some of the countries where Ashoka sent his officials to spread *dhamma*.

b) What were the other methods followed by Ashoka to spread *dhamma*?