

**Read the passage given below and answer the questions.**

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Swami Vivekananda's inspiring personality was well known both in India and in America during the last decade of the twentieth century. The unknown monk of India suddenly leapt into at the parliament of religions in Chicago in 1893, at which he represented Hinduism. His vast knowledge of Eastern and Western culture as well as his deep spiritual insight, fervid eloquence, brilliant conversation, his broad human sympathy, colorful personality and handsome figure made an irresistible appeal to the many types of Americans who came in contact with him. People who saw or heard Vivekananda even once still cherish his memory after a lapse of more than half a century. In America Vivekananda's mission was the interpretation of India's spiritual culture, especially in its Vedantic setting. He also tried to enrich the religious consciousness of the Americans through the rational and humanistic teachings of the Vedanta philosophy. In America he became India's spiritual ambassador and pleaded eloquently for better understanding between India and the new world in order to create a healthy synthesis of East and West, of Religion and Science.

Q1. When and where was the parliament of religion held?

Q.2. Mention two qualities of Vivekananda's personality.

Q.3. How did Vivekananda impress people who came in contact with him?

Q.4. How did Vivekananda become India's Spiritual ambassador?

Q.5. Find from the passage the word which means messenger or representative.

**Read the following short paragraph and answer the questions given below.**

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Now, I come to the next thing, viz. that prayer is the very core of man's life, as it is the most vital part of religion. Prayer is either petitional, or, in its wider sense, is inward communion. Even when it is petitional, the petition should be for the cleansing and purification of the soul, for freeing it from the layers of ignorance and darkness that envelop it. He, therefore, who hungers for the awakening of the divine in him must fall back on prayer.

Q.6. How is prayer the very core of man's life?

Q.7. What should we pray for?

Q.8. How can the awakening of the divine be brought about?

Q.9. Write the word from the passage which means lack of knowledge'.

**Read the following short paragraph and answer the questions given below:**

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Human ear is meant for receiving sound of normal range of decibels. Sound received beyond that measure would not only be jarring but also damaging to our hearing sense organs. How many of us take care of this? It may be a TV programme or a radio broadcast, playing a tape recorder or any other instrument. even a gossip or a chit-chat in a company. all are heard at a very high pitch. We may be used to it but what about those living around us. Our neighbour may be a serious student, a sick person, or a peace-loving being.

Q.10. What is the unit for measuring sound intensity?

- Q.11. Mention human generated sound pollution.
- Q.12. Who are agonised by sound pollution?
- Q.13. Write from the passage the word which means unpleasant effect.
- Q.14. You are Anu /Ajay, write a formal email letter to the principal of your school at [principalgsss@gmail.com](mailto:principalgsss@gmail.com) requesting to arrange an online counselling on how to face board examination. 5
- Q.15. Write a paragraph on a visit to a village fair. 6
- Q.16. Write a short paragraph in about 75 words “ the game you like most.” 5
- Q.17. Fill up correct form 3
- i. She .....(accompany) her parents on pilgrimage every year.
- ii. Man .....(reach) the mars by the end of this century.
- iii. Look! The river .....(flow) very fast now.
- Q.18. Join the sentences with correct relatives pronoun. 4
- i. a. I know Mohan.  
b. You have given him your (whom)
- ii. a. Tom is a carpenter  
b. He works hard(who)
- Q.19. Change the following sentences into passive voice. 4
- i. Mr. Sharma teaches us English.
- ii. Shut all the gates.
- Q.20. Change into indirect speech. 4
- i. He said to me, “ I visited Agra yesterday.”
- ii. Anil Said to me, “ can you cook?”
- Q.21. fill up modals( can,could,may,must) 4
- i. My brother who is wrestler .....lift this big pole.
- ii. There are not clouds in the sky so it ..... rain today.
- Q.22. Answer anyone of the two questions. 5
- i. Draw a character sketch on Swami ( a hero)

**or**

- What do you learn from this tale ( the tale of Bishnois)
- Q.23. Why did think tank express his peevishness with noodle. ( a book that saved the earth) 3
- Q.24. Explain with reference to context. 5
- My courage revived , in my fortune’s despite and my hand was as strong  
As my spirit was light.  
It raised me from sorrow. It saved me from pain.  
It fed me and clad me, again and again.
- Q.25. Why did Gulnaz send the older boy to Bodos? ( Feast of dead) 4
- Q.26. Write a short note “on safe driving” 5
- Q.27. Draw a character sketch n Bholi. ( Bholi) 5
- Q.28. Griffin was rather lawless scientist: explain it ( Foot prints without feet) 5