Environment Olympiad Workbook <u>Class 9</u>

- 1. Which of the following is considered as an alternate fuel?
 - a) CNG
 - b) Kerosene
 - c) Coal
 - d) Petrol
- 2. Solar radiation consists of
 - a) UV
 - b) Visible light
 - c) Infrared
 - d) All of these
- 3. Reduction in usage of fuels cannot be brought by:
 - a) Using alternate fuels
 - b) Changing lifestyles
 - c) Reducing car taxes
 - d) Both (a) and (b)
- 4. Which of the following is a hazard of a nuclear power plant
 - a) Accident risk when tankers containing fuel cause spill
 - b) Radioactive waste of the power plant remains highly toxic for centuries
 - c) Release of toxic gases during processing
 - d) All of these
- 5. The most important fuel used by nuclear power plant is
 - a) U-248
 - b) U-235
 - c) U-238
 - d) U-236
- 6. Biogas is produced by
 - a) Microbial activity
 - b) Harvesting crop
 - c) Both (a) and (b)
 - d) None of the above
- 7. Oil and gas are preferred because
 - a) Strong smell
 - b) Cheap
 - c) Easy transportation
 - d) All of these

- 8. Biomass power generation uses
 - a) Crops
 - b) Animal dung
 - c) Wood
 - d) All of these
- 9. Chernobyl nuclear disaster occurred in the year
 - a) 1984
 - b) 1952
 - c) 1986
 - d) 1987
- 10. Which of the following is not a renewable source of energy?
 - a) Fossil fuels
 - b) Solar energy
 - c) Tidal wave energy
 - d) Wind energy
- 11. Which of the following is a disadvantage of most of the renewable energy resources
 - a) Highly polluting
 - b) High waste disposable cost
 - c) Unreliable supply
 - d) High running cost
- 12. 'OTEC' is an energy technology that converts
 - a) Energy in large tides of ocean to generate electricity
 - b) Energy in ocean waves to generate electricity
 - c) Energy in ocean due to thermal gradient to generate electricity
 - d) Energy in the fast moving ocean currents to generate electricity
- 13. Which of the following source of energy is less eco-friendly?
 - a) Bio-gas
 - b) Wind
 - c) Solar
 - d) Nuclear
- 14. India's position in the Bio-gas plants globally
 - a) 5th
 - b) 2nd
 - c) 4th
 - d) 7th

- 15. Solar energy is stored in
 - a) Carbon-carbon bonds
 - b) Green leaves
 - c) Fossil fuels
 - d) Biomass
- 16. Which resources are in-exhaustible?
 - a) Renewable
 - b) Fossil fuel
 - c) Non-renewable
 - d) Mineral
- 17. Identify the non-renewable source of energy from the following
 - a) Coal
 - b) Fuel cells
 - c) Wind power
 - d) Wave power
- 18. Electromagnetic radiation can cause
 - a) Plague
 - b) Malaria
 - c) Cancer
 - d) Dengue fever
- 19. Harnessing the wind energy is done by
 - a) Wind mill
 - b) Ball mill
 - c) Flour mill
 - d) Pig mill
- 20. Wind farms are located in
 - a) River basin
 - b) Plain area
 - c) Hilly area
 - d) Valley areas
- 21. Wind energy generation depends on
 - a) Direction of wind
 - b) Velocity of wind
 - c) Humidity
 - d) Valley areas
- 22. With a minimum resource maximum energy can be created by
 - a) Solar radiation
 - b) Nuclear fuels
 - c) Wind
 - d) Tidal waves

- 23. Direct conversion of solar energy is attained by
 - a) Solar photo voltaic system
 - b) Solar diesel hybrid system
 - c) Solar thermal system
 - d) Solar air heater

24. In hydropower plants power is generated by

- a) Hot springs
- b) Wind
- c) Sun
- d) Water

25. Hydrogen energy can be tapped through

- a) Heat pumps
- b) Fuel cells
- c) Photo-voltaic cells
- d) Gasifiers

26. Problems of hydrogen fuel are

- a) Storage and distribution
- b) Availability of hydrogen
- c) Creates pollution
- d) None of the above
- 27. Nuclear power is being produced from
 - a) Carbon-14
 - b) Nuclear fission
 - c) Petroleum combustion
 - d) Natural gas
- 28. Nuclear fusion uses the following as a fuel
 - a) Carbon
 - b) Hydrogen
 - c) Oxygen
 - d) Nitrogen
- 29. Which is the source of energy that can be replaced at the same rate at which it is used?
 - a) Coal
 - b) Petroleum
 - c) Oil
 - d) Biomass
- 30. Biomass consists of
 - a) Lignin
 - b) Hemi-cellulose
 - c) Cellulose
 - d) All of the above

- 31. Which of the following is used as moderator in nuclear fuel
 - a) Graphite
 - b) Helium gas
 - c) Heavy water
 - d) All of the above

32. Nuclear waste is active for

- a) 5 years
- b) 10 years
- c) 50 years
- d) Centuries

33. Nuclear power plant in Karnataka is located at

- a) Bhadravathi
- b) Sandur
- c) Raichur
- d) Kaiga
- 34. Biomass energy in green plants is produced in presence of
 - a) Carbon dioxide
 - b) Water
 - c) Sunlight
 - d) All of the above
- 35. Fossil fuels are converted into energy by
 - a) Burning
 - b) Cooling
 - c) Sublimation
 - d) Melting

36. Natural gas contains

- a) Carbon dioxide
- b) Hydrogen
- c) Methane
- d) Nitrogen
- 37. In which place in India the tidal energy has been experimented
 - a) Goa
 - b) Karnataka
 - c) Kerala
 - d) Andhra Pradesh
- 38. Highest producer of oil and petroleum is
 - a) Middle east countries
 - b) America
 - c) China
 - d) India

- 39. Cow dung can be used
 - a) As manure
 - b) For production of biogas
 - c) As fuel
 - d) All of the above
- 40. The source of electromagnetic radiation is
 - a) Sun
 - b) Moon
 - c) Water
 - d) Stars
- 41. Biogas is gaseous fuel composed mainly of
 - a) Methane and carbon dioxide
 - b) Methane and hydrogen sulphide
 - c) Methane and carbon monoxide
- 42. Molasses from sugar industry is used to generate
 - a) Bio-diesel
 - b) Hydrogen
 - c) Bio-ethanol
 - d) Bio-methanol
- 43. The Karnataka state pollution control board(KSPCB) was established in the year
 - a) 1974
 - b) 1982
 - c) 1986
 - d) 1976
- 44. Environmental protection is the responsibility of
 - a) Govt. Of India
 - b) NGOs
 - c) Individual
 - d) All
- 45. 'Earth day' is observed on:
 - a) 1st December
 - b) 5th June
 - c) April 22nd
 - d) 1st January
- 46. ISO-14000 standards deal with:
 - a) Pollution management
 - b) Risk management
 - c) Environmental management
 - d) None of the above

- 47. An ecologist would expect to find a thermocline in a temperate lake in
 - a) Spring and summer.
 - b) Spring and fall.
 - c) Summer and winter.
 - d) Fall and summer.
 - e) Fall only.
- 48. Lake overturns bring
 - a) Oxygen and nutrients to the surface.
 - b) Oxygen and nutrients to the lake bottom.
 - c) Oxygen to the surface and nutrients to the lake bottom.
 - d) Oxygen to the lake bottom and nutrients to the surface.
 - e) Oxygen to the surface.
- 49. If you fish for trout, you would be most likely to seek out which part of a stream?
 - a) Headwaters
 - b) Middle elevations
 - c) Mouth
 - d) All sections equally
 - e) Middle and mouth
- 50. In which zone of a river would you most expect to find plants adapted to attach to rocks?
 - a) First
 - b) Second
 - c) Third
 - d) Benthic
 - e) Fourth

51. In which zone of a river would an ecologist look for a deep meandering stream?

- a) First
- b) Second
- c) Third
- d) Benthic
- e) Fourth

52. Inland wetlands are valuable for

- a) Recharging groundwater supplies.
- b) Recreation.
- c) Biogeochemical cycling of carbon, nitrogen, and sulphur.
- d) Water fowl habitat.
- e) All of these answers.
- 53. All of the following would be considered seasonal wetlands except
 - a) Flood plains
 - b) Bottomland hardwood swamps
 - c) Prairie potholes
 - d) Cypress swamps
 - e) None of the above.

54. Most of the wetlands that are lost are used for

- a) Mining.
- b) Urban development.
- c) Agriculture.
- d) Forestry.
- e) Recreation.

- 55. "mitigation banking" refers to
 - a) The federal policy of zero net loss of wetlands.
 - b) Creating or restoring as much wetlands as are destroyed.
 - c) The World Bank's support of wetlands protection policies.
 - d) Debt-for-nature swaps.
 - e) Auctioning wetlands.
- 56. Life in both saltwater and freshwater ecosystems can be limited by
 - a) Dissolved oxygen for respiration.
 - b) Temperature.
 - c) Access to sunlight for photosynthesis.
 - d) All of these answers.
 - e) None of these answers.
- 57. Which of the following illustrations does not match the accompanying ecological concept?
 - a) Coral reefs have high biodiversity.
 - b) Estuaries have high productivity.
 - c) Dissolved oxygen is a primary limiting factor in the upper layer of a stratified lake.
 - d) The open ocean is the least productive of aquatic life zones.
 - e) Littoral zones have high biodiversity.
- 58. Which of the following is not that caused a dramatic drop in aquatic biodiversity in Lake Victoria?
 - a) Invasive predatory fish species introduced which displaced native species.
 - b) Habit destruction by developing coastal wetlands.
 - c) Increase in algal blooms following nutrient runoff from farms.
 - d) Invasive water hyacinth which, among other things, blocked sunlight to reduce diversity of aquatic plant species.
 - e) Nile Perch decreased food supply and experienced massive dieback.
- 59. Which of the following do we know the least about?
 - a) Deep space
 - b) Deep ocean basins
 - c) Tropical rainforests
 - d) Antarctica
 - e) Arctic

60. Where is most of the marine biodiversity found?

- a) Deep ocean floor
- b) Salt flats
- c) Coral reefs
- d) Tide pools
- e) Estuaries
- 61. Approximately _____ percent of the human population depend on seas for their primary source of food.
 - a) 25
 - b) 33
 - c) 50
 - d) 75
 - e) 80

- 62. Which of the following conditions in the Himalayan watershed contribute(s) to flooding in Bangladesh?
 - a) Rapid population growth
 - b) Forest conservation
 - c) Dam construction
 - d) Sustainable farming practices
 - e) Low population growth
- 63. Overpopulation and poverty force people to live on floodplains and deplete mangrove forests. Chances of flooding increase and the death toll rises. This case best exemplifies
 - a) An accumulation.
 - b) Synergy.
 - c) A positive feedback loop.
 - d) A negative feedback loop.
 - e) Cooperation.
- 64. Increased flooding can be caused by
 - a) Heavy rainfall.
 - b) Rapid snowmelt.
 - c) Removal of vegetation.
 - d) Destruction of wetlands.
 - e) All of these answers.
- 65. Stream channelization
 - a) Increases the rate of water discharge.
 - b) Decreases erosion.
 - c) Is one form of irrigation.
 - d) Is the process of building ditches along natural streams.
 - e) Decreases the rate of water discharge.
- 66. Ecologically, the best way to approach flooding is
 - a) Flood control dams.
 - b) Artificial levees.
 - c) Channelization.
 - d) Floodplain management.
 - e) Dams.
- 67. Sustainable use of water involves
 - a) Participatory decision making.
 - b) Preservation of ecological integrity of water supply systems.
 - c) Efficient use of water.
 - d) Integrated governance of water pollution.
 - e) All of these answers.
- 68. Sustainable use of water
 - a) Requires integrated governance of water pollution among all users of a watershed.
 - b) Might be encouraged by water marketing.
 - c) Is discouraged by government subsidies of water.
 - d) Requires integrated governance of water use, sewage treatment among all users of a watershed.
 - e) All of these answers.

69. Of the following organisms, the group that is least likely to cause disease is

- a) Bacteria.
- b) Protozoa.
- c) Algae.
- d) Parasitic worms.
- e) Viruses.

70. A good indicator of water quality is the number of

- a) Ducks.
- b) Fish.
- c) Coliform bacteria.
- d) Snakes.
- e) Protozoa.
- 71. To be considered safe for drinking, a 100 mL sample of water should contain _____ colonies of Coliform bacteria.
 - a) 0
 - b) 5
 - c) 10
 - d) 100
 - e) 200
- 72. In which year UN Conference on Human Environment was convened?
 - a) 1971
 - b) 1972
 - c) 1991
 - d) 1982
- 73. Which international treaty was the first ever to deal with environment management and sustainable development?
 - a) Rio earth summit
 - b) Barcelona protocol
 - c) Montreal protocol
 - d) Geneva protocol
- 74. Which international treaty has been designed to protect the ozone layer?
 - a) Cartagena protocol
 - b) Kyoto protocol
 - c) Geneva protocol
 - d) Montreal protocol
- 75. Where was the UN conference on human environment convened?
 - a) Kyoto
 - b) Stockholm
 - c) Rio de Janeiro
 - d) Geneva
- 76. What is UN Conference on Human Environment better known as?
 - a) Montreal protocol
 - b) Kyoto protocol
 - c) Stockholm Conference
 - d) Convention on Biological diversity
- 77. June 5 remembers which particular event related to environmental issues?
 - a) UN Conference on Human Environment
 - b) B. Rio de Janeiro Earth summit

- c) C. Kyoto Protocol
- d) D. Montreal Protocol
- 78. The UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is better known as
 - a) Stockholm conference
 - b) Earth summit
 - c) Vienna convention
 - d) Ozone convention
- 79. When was the Earth Summit held?
 - a) 1972
 - b) 1997
 - c) 2005
 - d) 1992
- 80. Which International treaty aims at "stabilizing greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a level that would prevent dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system"?
 - a) UNFCCC
 - b) UNEP
 - c) UNCED
 - d) None Of These
- 81. What is the name of the protocol that aims at fighting greenhouse gas emissions and global warming?
 - a) Montreal protocol
 - b) Kyoto protocol
 - c) Cartagena protocol
 - d) Geneva protocol
- 82. On which date, Kyoto Protocol was opened for signing?
 - a) 16 february 2005
 - b) 22 april 2000
 - c) 17 june 1992
 - d) 11 december 1997
- 83. Which country supports almost 10% of biodiversity on the earth?
 - a) Austria
 - b) Australia
 - c) Zew Zealand
 - d) Afghanistan
- 84. How many of our mammals, reptiles and plants are endemic to Australia?
 - a) 56%
 - b) 80%
 - c) 32%
 - d) 12%
- 85. Which country has the worst rate of mammal extinction in the world?
 - a) Bahammas
 - b) China
 - c) Australia
 - d) Scotland
- 86. Which is the most biodiverse country in the world
 - a) Mexico

- b) Brasil
- c) Japan
- d) China
- 87. How many species are estimated to be extinct by the year 2050?
 - a) 34%
 - b) 99%
 - c) 30%
 - d) 12%
- 88. Acid rain is caused by the pollution of environment by
 - a) Carbon dioxide and nitrogen
 - b) Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide
 - c) Ozone and carbon dioxide
 - d) Nitrous oxide and sulphur dioxide
- 89. Which of the following ecosystems accounts for the largest amount of Earth's primary productivity?
 - a) Ocean
 - b) Savanna
 - c) Tropical rain forest
 - d) Salty marsh
- 90. Excessive release of the pollutant carbon monoxide (CO) into the air may produce a condition in which oxygen supply in the human body decreases. What causes this condition?
 - a) When inhaled into the human body, CO is converted into CO 2
 - b) The inhaled CO has much higher affinity for haemoglobin as compared to oxygen
 - c) The inhaled CO destroys the chemical structure of haemoglobin
 - d) The inhaled CO adversely affects the respiratory centre in the brain
- 91. Conservation of biodiversity outside the natural habitat is called as:
 - a) In-situ
 - b) In-vivo
 - c) Ex-situ
 - d) Ex-vivo
- 92. Consider the following statements regarding Earth Hour:
 - 1. It is an initiative of UNEP and UNESCO
 - 2. It is a movement in which the participants switch off the lights for one hour on a certain day every day
 - 3. It is a movement to raise the awareness about the climatic change and the need to save the planet

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 3
- b) 1, 2 and 3
- c) 2 only
- d) 2 and 3
- 93. The formation of ozone hole in the Antarctic region has been a cause of concern. What could be the reason for the formation of this hole?
 - a) Presence of prominent tropo-spheric turbulence; and inflow of chlorofluorocarbons
 - b) Presence of prominent polar front and stratospheric' clouds; and inflow of chlorofluorocarbons
 - c) Absence of polar front and stratospheric clouds; and inflow of methane and chlorofluorocarbons

- d) Increased temperature at polar region due to global warming
- 94. Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1974, industries are allowed to release waste in inland water having BOD level
 - a) 30 mg/
 - b) 80 mg/l
 - c) 100 mg/l
 - d) 300 mg/l
- 95. With reference to 'Global Environment Facility', which of the following statements is / are correct?
 - a) It serves as financial mechanism for 'Convention on Biological Diversity' and 'United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change'
 - b) It undertakes scientific research on environmental issues at global level
 - c) It is an agency under OECD to facilitate the transfer of technology and funds to underdeveloped countries with specific aim to protect their environment
 - d) Both (a) and (b)
- 96. Consider the following statements : Chlorofluorocarbons, known as ozone-depleting substances, are used
 - 1. In the production of plastic foams
 - 2. In the production of tubeless tyres
 - 3. In cleaning certain electronic components
 - 4. As pressurizing agents in aerosol cans

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- b) B) 4 only
- c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 97. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is mandatory under which one of the following India legislations:
 - a) Indian forest act
 - b) Air (prevention and control of pollution) act
 - c) Wildlife protection act
 - d) Environment (protection) act
- 98. Mercury is considered hazardous to human health. It damages brain, kidneys and lungs and also results in various diseases. Mercury pollution is a serious issue because:
 - a) Mercury is a pure metal and hard to digest.
 - b) Mercury accumulates and concentration increases high up the food chain.
 - c) Mercury is light and easily dispersed by wind.
 - d) Mercury is very soluble in water and easily absorbed by human body.
- 99. What is Eutrophication?
 - a) Thermal change in water
 - b) Filling up of water body with aquatic plants due to excessive nutrients
 - c) Pollution of water due to solid waste
 - d) None of the above
- 100. Which of the following is the remedial measure for acid rain?
 - a) Reducing the release of oxides of nitrogen and sulphur into the atmosphere
 - b) Use of coal, free from sulphur
 - c) Use of electro-static precipitator and catalytic converters
 - d) All of the above

- 101. The primary cause of acid rain around the world is
 - a) CFC
 - b) SO₂
 - c) CO
 - d) O₃
- 102. Acid rain can be controlled by
 - a) Reducing SO₂ and NO₂ emissions
 - b) Increasing number of lakes
 - c) Increasing the forest cover
 - d) Reducing oxygen emission
- 103. World Wetlands Day is celebrated on February 2nd every year to mark the adoption of the convention:
 - a) Paris convention
 - b) Biodiversity Convention
 - c) Vienna convention
 - d) Ramsar convention
- 104. Vienna Convention is aimed at:
 - a) Protection of ozone layer
 - b) Conservation of biodiversity
 - c) Sustainable utilization of wetlands
 - d) Reduction of pollutants
- 105. When did Vienna convention enter into force?
 - a) 1985
 - b) 1980
 - c) 1978
 - d) 1971
- 106. Which day is observed every year globally to commemorate the signing of the Montreal Protocol?
 - a) World environment day
 - b) World wetlands day
 - c) World biodiversity day
 - d) World ozone day
- 107. Which protocol is meant for prohibiting chemical and biological weapons in war?
 - a) Geneva protocol
 - b) Montreal protocol
 - c) Kyoto protocol
 - d) Madrid protocol
- 108. In which year was the Geneva Protocol signed?
 - a) 1918
 - b) 1928
 - c) 1921
 - d) 1925

- 109. What would be a good way to preserve biodiversity
 - a) By not littering
 - b) Reduce Reuse Recycle
 - c) Not driving as often
 - d) All of the above
- 110. What is a dead zone?
 - a) An area of water near the mouth of a major river where excess nutrients from fertilizer have led to the death of most or all living things
 - b) An area of water in the middle of the ocean where floating trash collects and kills seabirds and fish
 - c) An area of water in a river where heat pollution from power plants has driven most species away
 - d) A place like a desert where there is not much plant life
- 111. What role do non-governmental organizations (NGOs) play in protecting water quality?
 - a) They encourage passage of water protection laws and support their enforcement
 - b) They set specific standards for water protection laws, help people, businesses and other agencies follow them and enforce them when they are not followed
 - c) They pass water protection laws, assign protection to an agency and provide funding for enforcement
 - d) They decide if a water quality protection law or regulation is being broken
- 112. Which three characteristics mean a facility has to file a Toxics Release Inventory (TRI)?
 - a) 1) If they are in a specific industry sector;
 - 2) They have more than 10 employees;

3) They make more than 25,000 lbs or use more than 10,000 lbs of a listed chemical in a year

- 1) If they are in a specific industry sector;
 - 2) They have more than 5 employees;

3) Make or process more than 1000 lbs or use more than 100 lbs of a listed chemical in a year

c) 1) If they are in a specific industry sector;

2) They have more than 100 employees;

3) Make or process more than 25,000 lbs or use more than 10,000 lbs of a listed chemical in a year

- d) 1) If they are in a specific industry sector;
 - 2) They have more than 10 employees;

3) Make or process more than 100,000 lbs or use more than 40,000 lbs of a listed chemical in a year

113. How do algal blooms kill fish?

b)

- a) When the algae die, their decomposition uses up so much oxygen that fish suffocate.
- b) The fish aren't actually killed; they are just hard to see with all the algae.
- c) The algae are so dense that the fish can't find each other to mate and reproduce, so they go extinct locally.
- d) The algae provide lots of places for the normal food of the fish to hide, so the fish starve.

- 114. What governmental factors affect how vigorously water protection laws are carried out?
 - a) An administration's attitude towards the law and how much money congress or a legislature provides for enforcement
 - b) Whether human health concerns are worth the cost of cleaning up the pollution
 - c) Whether environmental concerns are worth the cost of cleaning up the pollution
 - d) Whether the courts think it is a good law or a bad law
- 115. Approximately __% of earth's water supply is available to us as liquid freshwater.
 - a) .02
 - b) .2
 - c) 2
 - d) 22
 - e) 42
- 116. The hydrologic cycle will naturally purify and recycle fresh water as long as humans don't
 - a) Pollute the water faster than it is replenished.
 - b) Withdraw water from groundwater supplies faster than it is replenished.
 - c) Overload it with slowly degradable and non-biodegradable wastes.
 - d) A and B only.
 - e) All of these answers.
- 117. Porous water-saturated layers of underground rock are known as
 - a) Aquifers.
 - b) Recharge areas.
 - c) Watersheds.
 - d) Runoff areas.
 - e) Water tables.
- 118. Which of the following statements is false?
 - a) Recharging of water is a slow process.
 - b) The water table moves down in dry weather.
 - c) Water in a confined aquifer is under pressure.
 - d) Groundwater is stationary and does not move.
 - e) The water table is located at the top of the zone of saturation.
- 119. Which of the following stages of cultural eutrophication occurs last?
 - a) Fish kills
 - b) Blooms of algae
 - c) Increase in aerobic bacteria
 - d) Increase in anaerobic bacteria
 - e) Increase of plants such as duckweed
- 120. What is scum?
 - a) The solids that are heavier than liquid wastewater and sink to the bottom
 - b) Insects that live under rocks in streams
 - c) The solids, like fats, grease, and oil, that float on top of liquid wastewater
 - d) The liquid part of wastewater

- 121. What do factories do with their wastewater before sending it to a wastewater treatment plant?
 - a) They pretreat it and then send it to a wastewater treatment plant
 - b) They don't send it to a plant, they just recycle it endlessly
 - c) They just send it directly to a wastewater treatment plant
 - d) They store it in large lagoons until the acids evaporate
- 122. What is the first thing that happens to wastewater at a wastewater treatment plant?
 - a) Large solid things are screened out
 - b) Liquid wastewater is mixed with air to help bacteria breakdown small particles of solid material
 - c) Treatment with chlorine or ultraviolet light to kill pathogens
 - d) Scum and sludge are separated from the liquid wastewater
 - 123. What happens in a septic system's drain field?
 - a) Sunlight disinfects the wastewater
 - b) Bacteria living on the surface of soil particles break down the waste in the wastewater
 - c) The scum and sludge are separated from the liquid part of the wastewater
 - d) Sunlight breaks down the waste in the wastewater
 - 124. Which branch of biodiversity provides 60% of all the worlds medicine
 - a) Animals
 - b) Bacteria
 - c) Plants
 - d) All of the above
- 125. Which of the following is causing the most extinction?
 - a) Pollution
 - b) Loss of habitat
 - c) Farts
 - d) They are dying of old age
- 126. Which of the following environments would you expect to have the most biodiversity?
 - a) Sahara Desert
 - b) Amazon Rainforest
 - c) North Pole
 - d) Mt Everest
- 127. Which of the following does biodiversity NOT contribute to
 - a) Food
 - b) Clothes
 - c) Wireless Internet
 - d) Petrol

- 128. How many new species are found every year?
 - a) 1 million
 - b) 15,000
 - c) 38
 - d) 200,000
- 129. Which among the following is a climatic factor?
 - a) Pressure
 - b) Humidity
 - c) Temperature
 - d) All of the above
- 130. The major atmospheric gas layer in stratosphere is
 - a) Hydrogen
 - b) Carbon dioxide
 - c) Ozone
 - d) Helium
- 131. Which atmospheric sphere is closest to the earth surface?
 - a) Troposphere
 - b) Stratosphere
 - c) Mesosphere
 - d) Exosphere
- 132. Which of the following is the terrestrial ecosystem?
 - a) Forest
 - b) Grassland
 - c) Desert
 - d) All of the above
- 133. Ecological pyramids are studies of
 - a) Pyramid numbers
 - b) Pyramid of biomass
 - c) Pyramid of energy
 - d) All of the above
- 134. World environment day is on
 - a) 5th May
 - b) 5th June
 - c) 18th July
 - d) 16th August
- 135. Factors responsible for balanced eco-system are
 - a) Balance between predator and prey
 - b) Balance between vegetation, herbivores and carnivores
 - c) Balance between competing species and biotic fators
 - d) All of the above

- 136. Which of the following is absorbed by green plants from the atmosphere?
 - a) Carbon dioxide
 - b) Water
 - c) Nutrients
 - d) All of the above
- 137. Habitat refers to
 - a) Physical conditions of the place where organisms live
 - b) Chemical conditions of the place where organisms live
 - c) Both A and B
 - d) None
- 138. Essential component of social security are
 - a) Meeting personal growth and development
 - b) Maintaining natural capital
 - c) Fairness and equity distribution of costs of resources
 - d) Community resilience
- 139. Socio-economic security in environmental aspects involves
 - a) Fairness and equity distribution costs for complete existing generation
 - b) Welfare of the present generation
 - c) Intra and intergenerational equity of resources
 - d) All of the above
- 140. A food web consists of
 - a) A portion of food chain
 - b) An organisms position in a food chain
 - c) Interlocking food chains
 - d) A set of similar consumers
- 141. Which of the following statements is true?
 - a) Man is not dependent on nature
 - b) Resources are unlimited, so one can use them as per one's wish
 - c) Energy can be converted from one form to another, but some percentage of it is lost into the environment
 - d) Matter can be generated afresh. It need not be recycled or reused
- 142. Which of the following conditions must be fulfilled to ensure food security?
 - a) Food must be available
 - b) Each person must have access to it
 - c) Food utilized/consumed must fulfil nutritional requirements
 - d) All of the above
- 143. Environmental (Protection) Act was enacted in the year
 - a) 1986
 - b) 1989
 - c) 1994
 - d) 1998

144. The Air(Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act was enacted in the year

- a) 1981
- b) 1974
- c) 1994
- d) 2004

145. An important NGO involved in global environmental protection is

- a) UNICEF
- b) Greenpeace
- c) WHO
- d) CPCB

146. The first international earth summit was held at

- a) Johannesburg
- b) Rio de Janeiro
- c) Kyoto
- d) Stockholm
- 147. What are cetaceans?
 - a) Whales and porpoises
 - b) Sea turtles
 - c) Seals
 - d) Penguins
 - e) Walruses
- 148. Which of the following countries has a significant whaling industry and whale meat market?
 - a) The United States
 - b) Australia
 - c) Great Britain
 - d) Japan
 - e) Russia
- 149. Under the International Whaling Commission's ban on whaling, who is still allowed to harvest whales?
 - a) Japanese
 - b) Russians
 - c) Eskimos
 - d) Irish
 - e) Norwegians
- 150. Of the 350 International Biosphere Reserves, how many include coastal marine habitats?
 - a) 30
 - b) 60
 - c) 90
 - d) 120
 - e) 150