MA Degree Examinations

HY010101 -Perspectives on Historiography

- 1. Modern historiography is based on which principle?
 - a) Fundamental
 - b) Scientific
 - c) Socio-cultural
- 2. The New nature of History was written by?
 - a) E H Carr
 - b) Marc Bloc
 - c) Arthur Marwick
- 3. Name the historian who introduced Concepts, thesis, anti- thesis and synthesis?
 - a) Ranke
 - b) Spengler
 - c) Hegel
- 4. 'History is a science no less and no more' who said this?
 - a) J B Bury
 - b) Herder
 - c) Thomas Carlyle
- 5. Feudal Society and Historian's craft is the seminal works of?
 - a) Rene Descartes
 - b) Marc Bloch
 - c) Benito Croce
- 6. What is 'Muqqadima' in Arab historiography?
 - a) Cultural History
 - b) Universal History
 - c) Social History

7. 'Man is born free, and he is everywhere in chain' Rousseau quoted this on his which work?

- a) Discourses
- b) On the origin of Inequality
- c) Social Contract
- 8. What is Scienza Nouva?

- a) Scientific History
- b) A book by Vico
- c) A journal by Ranke

9. The historian who considered objectivity as the central problem of historical reconstruction?

- a) Hegel
- b) Ranke
- c) Herder

10. Ithihasa - purana was complied in which period?

- a) Mourya
- b) Gupta and post Gupta
- c) Mughal

11. Who is considered as the founder of historical materialism?

- a) Karl Marx
- b) Federic Engles
- c) Spengler
- 12. Who is the author of 'The Discourse on Method'?
 - a) Francis Bacon
 - b) Rene Descartes
 - c) Giambattista Vico

13. Who defines positivism as 'Philosophy acting in the service of natural science, as in the Middle Ages philosophy acted in the service of theology?'

- a) R G Collingwood
- b) Auguste Comte
- c) Henry Thomas Buckle

14. In which work Marx stated the theory of surplus value?

- a) Das Capital
- b) The Critique of Political Economy
- c) The communist manifesto
- 15. 'The Decline of the West' is written by?
 - a) Arnold Toynbee
 - b) Oswald Spengler
 - c) Benedetto Croce

16. Who put forwarded the concept of Hegemony?

- a) Antonio Gramsci
- b) Marc Bloch
- c) R G Collingwood

17. The decline and fall of Roman Empire is the monumental work of?

- a) Edward Gibbon
- b) St. Augustine
- c) Vico

18. Who was the founder of Modern Scientific History?

- a) J B Bury
- b) Ranke
- c) Gibbon

19. The collection of memories and personal commentaries of a past incident is known as?

- a) Oral History
- b) Local History
- c) Narrative History
- 20. What is considered as the first historical chronicle of Kerala?
 - a) Rajatarangini
 - b) Mushakavamsa kavvya
 - c) Harshacharita
- 21. Renajit Guha belongs to which school of historical thought?
 - a) Imperialist
 - b) Marxist
 - c) Subaltern
- 22. In which century the philosophical approach in historiography did start?
 - a) 18th Century
 - b) 19th Century
 - c) 20th Century
- 23. Kitab-ul-Hind is the most famous work of?
 - a) Al-Biruni
 - b) Ibn Batuta
 - c) Ibn Khaldoun
- 24. Who called Herodotus as the father of History?
 - a) Cicero
 - b) Augustus

c) Vico

25. Name the historian who compared science of history with science of culture?

- a) Ibn Khaldun
- b) St. Augustine
- c) Ranke

26. Who is considered as the father of structuralism?

- a) Lucien Febvre
- b) Arnold Toynbee
- c) Ferdinand de Saussure

27. Zia Ud Din Barani was the court adviser of?

- a) Ghiyasudhin Thughlaq
- b) Firoz Sha Thughlaq
- c) Muhammed bin Thuglaq

28. Fatwa - i- Jahandari is written in which language?

- a) Arabic
- b) Persian
- c) Hindi

29. History of Greco- Persian war was the work of?

- a) Thucydides
- b) Herodotus
- c) Livvy

30. Who is considered as the founder of anti- cartesianism?

- a) Descartes
- b) Vico
- c) Ranke
- 31. Philological criticism is the impact of?
 - a) Enlightenment
 - b) Renaissance
 - c) Romanticism

32. Name the historian who is not the part of Enlightenment Historiography?

- a) Voltaire
- b) David Hume
- c) Rousseau

- 33. City of God and Confessions is the works of?
 - a) St. Augustine
 - b) Auguste Comte
 - c) St. Simon
- 34. Which among these is not the right assessment of Positivism?
 - a) A corrective to the Rankean Approach
 - b) Elimination of subjective elements
 - c) Historical knowledge and power
- 35. Annales School of historiography originated in?
 - a) France
 - b) Germany
 - c) Italy

36. Name the Orientalist historian who tried studies on Vedas?

- a) James Mill
- b) Max Muller
- c) James Prinsep

37. Asiatic Society of Bengal was found in which year?

- a) 1784
- b) 1774
- c) 1764

38. Shih Chi is the work of?

- a) Confucius
- b) Szuma Ch'ien
- c) Szuma Kuang

39. 'History is a narrative of what civilized men have thought or done in past time' who defined this?

- a) Lord Acton
- b) Will Durant
- c) G.R. Elton

40. Local narratives are the product of?

- a) Postmodernism
- b) Berlin revolution
- c) Positivism

- 41. Who is considered as the founder of Indology?
 - a) James Mill
 - b) James Princep
 - c) William Jones

42. The logoraphers are the part of which historiography?

- a) Indian historiography
- b) Arab historiography
- c) Greek historiography
- 43. Find out the historian who doesn't belong to Marxist School of thought?
 - a) Irfan Habeeb
 - b) R C Majumdar
 - c) Sumit Sarkar

44. Who is the author of Urban Decay in India?

- a) Romila Thapar
- b) R S Sharma
- c) Bipan Chandra

45. Lucien Febvre and Marc Bloch represents which school of historical thought?

- a) Cambridge
- b) Annals
- c) Postmodern

46. The materialistic interpretation of History is known as?

- a) Marxist historiography
- b) Annals school of thought
- c) Imperialist historiography
- 47. The Romantic Idealist historical movement was started with?
 - a) Hegel
 - b) Rousseau
 - c) Herder

48. Who quoted Cogito ergo sum?

- a) Ranke
- b) Descartes
- c) Vico

49. Christian Historiography is associated with which age?

- a) Ancient
- b) Medieval
- c) Modern

50. The Rise and Growth of Economic Nationalism is the work of?

- a) Bipan Chandra
- b) R C Dutt
- c) R P Dutt

51. Geo structural history is associated with?

- a) Marc Bloch
- b) Lucien Febvre
- c) Ferdnand Braudel

52.

- a) Micro History
- b) Macro History
- c) Local History

53. Dipavamsa and Maha vamsa are part of?

- a) Jain tradition
- b) Buddhist tradition
- c) Ithihasa purana tradition
- 54. Which among these is not comes under Tamil epics of Sangam literature?
 - a) Silappadikaram
 - b) Sivaga Sindamani
 - c) Tolkappiyam

55. 'Meta History' is the book of which Postmodern Historian?

- a) Michel Foucault
- b) Hayden White
- c) Ankersmith

56. The concept of contrasting memory and History is associated with?

- a) Keith Jenkins
- b) Pierre Nora
- c) Robert Mandrou
- 57. Name the British Historian who believed in the idea of 'History from below'?
 - a) E P Thompson
 - b) Paul Ricoeur

- c) Lynn Hunt
- 58. 'Historiography in the Modern World: Western and Indian Perspectives' is the book of?
 - a) Sabyasachi Bhattacharya
 - b) Romila Thapar
 - c) Shashi Bhushan Upadhyay
- 59. Jain literature / Jain Agamas are written in?
 - a) Pali
 - b) Ardhamagadhi
 - c) Sankrit
- 60. Economic determinism and Dialectical Motion of Society are the concept of?
 - a) Imperialist Historiography
 - b) Annals School
 - c) Marxist School
- 61. Archaeology of Knowledge is written by?
 - a) Michel Foucault
 - b) Arnold Toynbee
 - c) Ferdinand de Saussure
- 62. Name the work which narrates the story of Buddha's birth and previous life?
 - a) Buddhavamsa
 - b) Vinayapitaka
 - c) Jatakas

63. Recorded interviews between a narrator with personal experience of historically significant events and a well-informed interviewer are known as?

- a) Oral history
- b) Local History
- c) Narrative History

64. Name the genre of history that focuses on small units of research, such as an event, community, individual or a settlement?

- a) Micro History
- b) Macro History
- c) Social History

65. History of mentalities is closely associated with?

- a) Annales School
- b) Marxist School

- c) Postmodern school
- 66. Historiography under Sultanate is written in which language?
 - a) Urdu
 - b) Persian
 - c) Arabic

67. Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel is the Historian from which country?

- a) Germany
- b) Italy
- c) France

68.' Interpretation of myths is necessary in order to study early cultures' who stated this?

- a) R S Sharma
- b) D D Kosambi
- c) Romila Thapar
- 69. Ballads and epics are examples of?
 - a) Quasi History
 - b) Local History
 - c) Social History
- 70. Name the historian who translated Rajatarangini into Persian?
 - a) Zain-ul-Abidin
 - b) Al-Biruni
 - c) Ibn Batuta

Answer key: Perspectives on Historiography

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