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JAMB GOVERNMENT PAST QUESTIONS (PT.1) 1. The development of attitudes A. interdependence of states beliefs about a B. state responsibilities to society political and C. power vested in minority system is _____ parties A. political emancipation D. popular consultation B. political socialization C. political participation **5.** Private ownership of the means D. political orientation of production is central to _____ A. fascism **2.** Political behaviour is governed B. feudalism by _____ C. capitalism A. political socialization D. communism B. political ideology C. political economy 6. A system based on hierarchies D. political culture of land ownership is 3. In a nation, sovereignty is A. feudalism B. totalitarianism vested in the C. communism D. fascism A. community B. state C. elite Which following 7. of the

D. electorate

4. Which of the following is a feature of democracy?

performs quasi-legislative functions?

A. The JudiciaryB. The Traditional Institutions

C. The Civil Service D. The Executive

8. A major weakness of confederation is _____

A. over-concentration of authority

- B. tendency towards secession
- C. lack of local independence

D. lack of common currency

9. Members of a parliament are required to report the proceedings of the house to their _____

- A. constituencies
- B. local government chairmen
- C. traditional rulers
- D. political parties

10. Which of the following Country is a unitary state?

- A. Nigeria
- B. India
- C. United States of America
- D. Ghana

11. Ending a session of parliament by royal proclamation means the _____

- A. expiration of parliament
- B. prorogation of parliament
- C. adjournment of parliament
- D. dissolution of parliament

12. A main feature of the parliamentary system is that _____

A. the executive consists of all party membersB. judges are drawn from the ruling partyC. electoral commissioners leave at the end of their tenure

D. the executive is appointed by the legislature

13. In a socialist economy, private accumulation of wealth is

A. prohibitedB. regulatedC. limited

D. encouraged

C. ministers and lawmakers work **14.** The earliest classification of constitutions was the work of together D. it hastens the implementation of policy A. Aristotle B. J.J. Rouseau **17.** One essential duty of a citizen C. K.C. Wheare to his state is to _____ D. Plato A. support the government in **15.** Constitutionalism refers to power B. recite the pledge C. pay his tax A. the process of drafting a D. encourage other citizens constitution B. amendment of an existing **18.** Franchise in an electoral constitution process means the _____ C. the process of operating a constitution A. right to vote D. strict adherence B. ownership of means of to а constitution production C. the sovereignty of a nation 16. An advantage of delegated D. rights and duties of a citizen legislation is that 19. The type of party system in A. much time is saved in the practice is defined by the _____ process B. technical issues are handled by relationship between Α. the parties and electorate experts B. structure of the political parties

C. manner in which the parties operate

D. number of political parties in a country

20. Pressure groups harmonize different individual concerns through _____

A. interest formulation

B. interest manipulation

C. interest mobilisation

D. interest aggregation

21. Opinion polls are organized to find out the _____

A. benefits derived by people from government

B. people's thought about a particular government policy

C. people's expectations from the government

D. feelings of people about particular issues and policies

22. In pre-colonial Igboland, autocratic rule was made difficult by the _____

A. fear of dethronement

B. absence of a centralized system of authority

C. pressure from age grades

D. activities of cult societies

23. The Yoruba traditional system of government was _____

- A. republican
- B. democratic
- C. monarchical
- D. egalitarian

24. Under the pre-colonial Sokoto Caliphate system, the next in command to the sultan was the

- A. Alkali
- B. Galadima
- C. Madaki

D. Waziri

25. Which of the following societies was classified as acephalous?

A. Benin

| B. Ibibio | 29. The presidential system of |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| C. Igbo | government was introduced in |
| D. Ijaw | Nigeria with the Constitution of |
| 26. Indirect rule encouraged | |

- A. 1989
- B. 1999
- C. 1960
- D. 1979

30. The Action Group crisis of 1963 led to the formation of _____

- A. UPP
- B. NEPU
- C. NPC
- D. NCNC

31. Under the 1963 Republican Constitution, the power of judicial review was vested in the _____

- A. President
- B. Chief Justice
- C. Supreme Court
- D. Parliament

32. The rules and regulations of the civil service are called _____

B. exploitation and oppressionC. inter-communal cooperation

A. communal integration

D. the rise of nationalism

27. The main achievement of the

nationalists in Nigeria was _____

A. registration of political parties

B. economic liberation of the nation

C. political liberation of the nation

D. building the nation

28. The major external factor that promoted nationalism in Nigeria was _____

- A. Pan-Africanism
- B. the Yom-Kippur War
- C. the Second World War
- D. Anti-apartheid Movement

A. General Order

B. Bureaucratic Order

C. Service Order

D. Administrative Order

33. The Code of Conduct Bureau was essentially established to

A. reduce corruption in public lifeB. protect the rights of public servants

C. enhance probity and accountability in public serviceD. ensure the independence of the public service

34. Which of the following political parties was the first to be formed when the ban on politics was lifted in 1978?

A. NPP

- B. PRP
- C. NPN
- D. UPN

35. The principle of federal character was adopted in order to

promote equitable allocation of

A. positions and appointments among people of various regions
B. appointments between the North and the South
C. opportunities between the males and females
D. revenue between groups in the country

36. The component units of the Nigerian Federation comprise

A. national assembly, military, police and civil service
B. constituency, ward, emirate and chiefdom
C. federal, state, local government and federal capital territory

D. federal capital territory,national assembly, SupremeCourt, and civil service

37. In Nigeria, privatization and commercialization policies were introduced to _____

A. hand over the control of commercial ventures to citizensB. increase the asset base of government

C. divest government major control of commercial ventures

D. allow government control of the private sector

38. An example of a public corporation in Nigeria is _____

A. National Universities Commission

B. Nigerian Television AuthorityC. National PopulationCommission

D. First Bank of Nigeria

39. Following the reform of the Native Authority system in Northern Nigeria, traditional rulers became _____

B. Chief-and-Council

- C. Prefects
- D. Chief-in-Council

40. Under whose regime were Akwa-Ibom and Katsina States created?

- A. Gen Murtala Muhammed
- B. Gen Ibrahim Babangida
- C. Gen Sani Abacha
- D. Gen Yakubu Gowon

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JAMB GOVERNMENT PAST QUESTIONS (PT.2)

1. The distinctive attribute of a state is the monopoly of _____

- A. control
- B. power

C. violence

D. justice

2. State as a political entity refers to _____

A. An organized group within a definite territory

B. An association of men in a given society

C. A branch of a nation

D. A geographical location

3. Political values are acquired in any given society through _____

- A. political re-orientation
- B. political campaign
- C. political socialization
- D. political indoctrination

4. In a democratic government, political sovereignty is vested in the _____

- A. legislature
- B. elite
- C. executive
- D. electorate
- 5. One judicial function performed
- by the executive is _____
- A. Granting of amnesty
- B. Implementing judicial orders
- C. Ensuring obedience to the law
- D. Appointing judges

6. A governmental system in which constitutional supremacy resides in the centre is _____

- A. federal
- B. confederal
- C. unitary
- D. parliamentary

7. A political system which empowers the leader with the

ultimate responsibility to execute laws is _____ A. parliamentarianism B. presidentialism C. dictatorship D. autocracy 8. A bill is a draft which is awaiting the consideration of the A. executive B. party caucus C. legislature D. judiciary 9. The private ownership of the means of production is a feature of _____

- A. capitalism
- B. socialism
- C. communalism
- D. communism

10. In a feudal system, the two major classes are the serfs and the _____

A. masses

- B. vassals
- C. lords
- D. elite

11. An example of a country with

- a flexible constitution is _____
- A. South Africa
- B. Britain
- C. Benin Republic
- D. the United States of America

12. The rule of law is negation of

- A. equality before the law
- B. supremacy of the law
- C. Limited power
- D. absolute power

13. To ensure the rights and freedom of citizens, the powers of the arms of government must be

- A. fused
- B. incorporated
- C. separated

D. rotated

14. Delegated legislation is madeby bodies others than the _____

- A. president
- B. governor

C. parliament

D. judiciary

15. The bringing of a session of a parliament to an end through royal proclamation is known as

- A. political impasse
- B. dissolution of parliament
- C. vote of no confidence
- D. prorogation of parliament

16. The right of citizens to participate in the affairs of government of their country is called _____

- A. economic right
- B. civil right
- C. political right
- D. social right

17. The commission charged with the conduct of federal elections in Nigeria is _____

A. NEC B. FEDECO C. INEC D. NECON

18. An electoral system in which parties are assigned seats in the parliament commensurate to the number of votes polled is _____

- A. Absolute majority
- B. Simple majority
- C. proportional representation
- D. indirect election

19. An intra-party activity for the selection of candidates for elective positions known as _____

- A. primary electionB. general election
- C. mid-term election
- D. bye-election

20. The primary aim of pressure groups is to _____

A. Attract people's attention

B. protects the interest of members

C. captured political power

D. fight corrupt officials

21. Which of the following is used in gauging public opinion?

- A. constitution
- B. educational institution
- C. mass media
- D. electoral college

22. A permanent structure that facilitates continuity and guarantees orderly conduct in governance is _____

- A. Bureaucracy
- B. public corporation
- C. ombudsman
- D. political party

23. In the Hausa pre- colonial political system, a district was headed by _____

- A. A hakimi
- B. a dagaci
- C. an alkali
- D. a waziri

24. Which of the following ensured the practice of democracy in the pre-colonial Yoruba political system?

- A. Checks and balances
- B. Fusion of power
- C. individual responsibility
- D. the rule of law

25. Colonization of Africa was mainly motivated by _____

- A. security considerations
- B. economic reasons
- C. religious reasons
- D. cultural factors

26. The French colonial system was underlined by the policy of

- A. assimilation
- B. paternalism
- C. socialism
- D. indirect rule

27. Radical nationalism in Nigeria is generally attributed to the influence of _____

- A. Aminu Kano
- B. Herbert Marcaulay
- C. Nnamdi Azikiwe
- D. Mbonu Ojike

28. Two foreigners that directly aroused nationalist feelings among Nigerians are _____

A. Edward Blyden and Payne Jackson

B. Casely Hayford and James Horton

C. W.E du Boise and H.O Davies

D. Marcus Garvey and Casely Hayford

29. Members of the Senate in Nigeria's First Republic were

- A. Elected directly by the people
- B. Elected by electoral college

C. Nominated by regional and federal governments

D. Nominated by the president of the house

30. In Nigeria, the agency mainly responsible for the maintenance of internal peace and security is the _____

- A. Army
- B. Navy
- C. Civil Defence Corps
- D. Police

31. The National Assembly in Nigeria is primarily responsible for

A. Executing laws

- B. interpreting laws
- C. Ratifying appointments
- D. Making laws

32. The major factor militating against the efficient operation of electoral commissions in Nigeria is

- A. Inadequate public support
- B. Population size
- C. Inadequate skilled manpower
- D. Excessive political interference

33. A major objective of the public Complaints Commission is

A. Training and promotion of public servants

B. Settlement of disputes among individuals

C. Addressing the grievances of individuals and groups

D. Fighting corruption and indiscipline

34. The three registered political parties at the inception of Nigeria's Fourth Republic were

A. PDP, DPP and PPA

B. PDP, AD and APPC. PDP, AD and PPAD. PDP, app and AC

35. The Sharia legal system was first introduced in the Fourth Republic in _____

- A. Kano State
- B. Katsina State
- C. Zamfara State
- D. Sokoto State

36. Quota system and federal character principles were entrenched in the 1979 constitution to ensure _____

- A. loyalty
- B. Economic empowerment
- C. Equity
- D. Even development

37. Workers in the public corporations are known as _____

- A. civil servants
- B. private employees
- C. public servants

D. professional employees

38. The central objective of privatization in Nigeria is to _____

A. Reduce the retrenchment of workers

B. Encourage prompt payment of salaries

C. Improve standard of living

D. Improve the efficiency of enterprises

39. Military intervention in Nigeria arose from _____

A. perceived incapability of civilians to govern

B. international pressure for change

C. the desire for a military government

D. civilian's desire to relinquish power

40. The first institution introduced by the military to exercise legislative power was the _____

- A. supreme military council
- B. armed forces ruling council
- C. federal executive council
- D. provisional ruling council

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| JAMB GOVERNMENT PAST QUESTIONS (PT.3) | |
|---|---|
| 1. Power that is delegated is exercised | A. Military take-over of civilian government B. The transmission of political |
| A. By devolution | values |
| B. Directly | C. Political transition |
| C. By coercion | D. Free choice of party |
| D. Indirect | programmes |
| 2. De Jure sovereign is acquired through | 5. According to Aristotle, a form of government in which the few rule for the benefit of all is |
| A. Law | |
| B. Grant | A. Diarchy |
| C. Treaty | B. Aristocracy |
| D. Force | C. Autocracy |
| | D. polyarch |
| 3. A group of people who live together under a common law within a definite territory is a | 6. Rule by the old people is known as |
| | A. Monarchy |
| A. Community | B. Gerontocracy |
| B. Nation - State | C. Feudalism |
| C. Nation | D. Theocracy |
| D. State | |
| 4. Political socialization is | 7. As an executive, the commissioner is charged with the |

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associated with _____

responsibility of _____

- A. Implementing laws
- B. Writing laws
- C. Giving loans
- D. Making laws

8. Rules adjudication is a primary function of the _____

- A. Judiciary
- B. Executive
- C. Government
- D. Legislature

9. The judiciary controls the executive in federal state through

- A. Delegated legislation
- B. Judicial overview
- C. Judicial review
- D. Motions

10. One major advantage of the unitary system is that it tends of make government _____

- A. Free of controversy
- B. Distant from the people
- C. Popular among the masses

D. Strong and stable

11. The presidential system differs from the parliamentary system of government in that

A. The principle of collective responsibility applies
B. Executive and legislative powers are fused
C. Powers of the three arms of government are merged
D. The tenure of office of the president is limited

12. Which of the following advocates equitable distribution of wealth?

- A. Capitalism
- B. Aristocracy
- C. Socialism
- D. Plutocracy

13. A constitution that is difficult to amend is _____

A. Rigid

- B. Written
- C. Unwritten
- D. Flexible

14. Which of the following constitutions is more suitable for centralization of political power?

- A. Unwritten constitution
- B. Rigid constitution
- C. Written constitution
- D. Flexible constitution

15. The act of transferringautonomouspowerstosubordinate agencies is _____

- A. Concentration
- B. Deconcentration
- C. Delegation
- D. Devolution

16. Which of the following types of citizenship cannot be withdrawn?

- A. Citizenship by conquest
- B. Citizenship by birth
- C. Honorary citizenship

D. Citizenship by naturalization

17. The right of citizens to vote is

- A. Universal suffrage
- B. Nationality suffrage
- C. Electoral suffrage
- D. Adult suffrage

18. A political party is different from a pressure group in its

- A. Objective
- B. Organization
- C. Strategy
- D. Source of finance

19. One of the functions of pressure groups is to _____

- A. Nominate the president
- B. Prepare the budget
- C. Articulate the opinion of their members

D. Contest elections to serve the people

20. Public opinion refers to the

A. Aggregate views of groups on particular government activitiesB. views held by the president of a country

C. views of the chief justice of a country

D. Aggregate of attitudes held by members of the national assembly

21. The class that oversees the implementation of government decisions and policies is the

A. Executive

B. Clerical

C. Technical

D. Administrative

22. The performance of ritual rites in the Yoruba empire is the responsibility of the _____

A. Aare-Onakakanfo

C. Ogboni D. Oyo mesi

23. Under the emirate system, the commander of the army is the

A. Hakimi

B. Sarkin fada

C. Madawaki

D. Alkali

24. The indirect rule system of administration was more successful in the Northern Nigeria because _____

A. of the existence of an organized structure in the areaB. the Europeans ensures that the farmlands

C. the natives show little or no resistance

D. the people were mainly interested in being governed indirectly

B. Oba

25. The earliest nationalist activities in Nigeria were spearheaded by _____

- A. Trade unions
- B. Traditional rulers
- C. Political parties
- D. Educated elite

26. The first notable nationalist movement in West Africa was the

A. West African student union

B. Nigeria youth movement

C. Aborigines rights protection society

D. National congress of British West Africa

27. In Nigeria's first republic, the prime minister was both the

A. Head of state and commanderin-chief of the armed forcesB. Commander-in-chief of the armed forces and party leaderC. Head of state and party leader D. Head of government and a lawmaker

28. Under the 1979 Constitution, statutory allocation of revenue to local government councils is the responsibility of the _____

- A. House of Assembly
- B. National Economic Council
- C. Federal Legislature
- D. Council of State

29. Under Nigeria's Second Republic, the Senate was under the leadership of _____

A. J.S. Tarka B. Joseph Wayas C. Godwin Ume-Ezeoke D. John Wash Pam

30. The Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission is statutorily empowered to determine the remuneration of

A. Only elected representatives

B. Political office holders

C. Employees of public corporations

D. All civil servants

31. The primary function of the Code of Conduct Bureau is to

A. Ensure minimum standard of morality

B. Retain custody of declarations

C. Receive declaration of assets

D. Ensure due process by public officers

32. The party system practiced in Nigeria's Third Republic was

- A. Two-party
- B. Zero-party
- C. One-party
- D. Multi-party

33. Nigeria adopted the federal system of government because of

A. Uneven development

B. The availability of limited resources

C. The adoption of a stat religion

D. The fear of domination of minorities

34. The highest policy the making body under the Gowon Regime was _____

- A. Armed Forces Ruling Council
- B. Provisional Ruling Council
- C. Supreme Military Council
- D. Federal Executive Council

35. Nigeria became a federation of thirty-six state during the era of _____

- A. Abdulsalami Abubakar
- B. Yakubu Gowon
- C. Ibrahim Babangida
- D. Sani Abacha

36. Which of the following headed the committee that recommended the suitability of Abuja as a new federal city?

- A. Justice Baba Ardo
- B. Justice Atanda Fatai Williams
- C. Justice Udo Udoma
- D. Justice Akinola Aguda

37. A public corporation is managed by _____

- A. A minister
- B. A general manager
- C. The board of governors
- D. The board of directors

38. A major source of revenue in the post - 1976 local government in Nigeria is _____

A. Internally generated revenue

- B. the federation account
- C. Grants and loans

D. The joint state-local government account

39. The provisional Ruling Council was the highest ruling body during the regime of _____

- A. Muhammadu Buhari
- B. Ibrahim Babangida

C. Murtala Muhammed

D. Sani Abacha

40. Nigeria's non-alignment policy in the sixties lacked real substance because of her _____

- A. Afrocentric policy
- B. Poor economic potential
- C. Partnership with Asian countries
- D. Close ties with Britain

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JAMB GOVERNMENT PAST QUESTIONS (PT.4)

1. The necessary attributes of a state are _____

A. police, army, sovereignty and custom

B. resources, population, sovereignty and government

C. sovereignty, police, army and immigration

D. definite territory, population, sovereignty and government

2. The process of taking part in political and public affairs can be termed political _____

- A. socialization
- B. recognition
- C. culture
- D. participation

3. Membership of a society is

- A. constitutional
- B. conventional
- C. mandatory
- D. voluntary

4. In a democratic political system, the political sovereign is usually the _____

- A. legislature
- B. constitution
- C. political parties
- D. electorate

5. One basic feature of a monarchical form of government is that _____

A. the ruler has a fixed tenure powers is absolute

B. separation of powers is absolute

C. members of the executive are elected

D. succession is through heredity

6. One main advantage of bicameral legislature is that it

A. is not easy to manipulate hillsB. makes for quick deliberationduring emergencies

C. makes passage of bills easyD. is less cumbersome to passbills

7. The court that has ultimate power to interpret the constitution is the _____

- A. Court of Appeal
- B. Supreme Court

C. Magistrate Court

D. High Court

8. Unitary system of government is more suitable to a country

A. with a relatively small area and a homogenous population

B. that is sparsely populated

C. that possesses a strong and modern army

D. with a robust and dynamic economy

9. An example of a country ruled by a constitutional monarch is

A. Libya

- B. Uganda
- C. Morocco
- D. Italy

10. The development of a classless society is the goal of

- A. marxism
- B. conservation
- C. feudalism
- D. liberalism

11. A flexible constitution is one which is _____

- A. written by the parliament
- B. easily amended
- C. popular with the legislators
- D. known to all the citizens

12. Which of the following is a feature of checks and balances?

- A. Code of conduct
- B. Judicial precedent
- C. Judicial immunity
- D. Judicial review

13. Laws made by military governments at the state level are called _____

- A. acts
- B. decrees
- C. bye-laws
- D. edicts

14. Citizenship is acquired by an alien through _____

- A. naturalization
- B. registration
- C. birth
- D. conferment

15. The officer responsible for announcing the result of an election is known as _____

- A. electoral officer
- B. ballot officer
- C. presiding officer
- D. returning officer

16. The ultimate aim of political parties is to _____

A. formulate and implement policies

B. implement people-oriented programmes

C. acquire and exercise power

D. increase the political awareness of the electorate

17. The main objective of pressure groups is to _____

A. serve as opposition to the governmentB. promote the interest of political

parties

C. influence legislation for the benefit of their members

D. protect the interest of the country against foreigners

18. Which of the following is not a dimension of public opinion?

- A. Substance
- B. Polling
- C. Orientation
- D. Intensity

19. The body that is responsible for the appointment, discipline, promotion and dismissal of civil servants is the _____

A. Ministry of Labour and Productivity

B. Ministry of Establishment

C. Bureau for Public Service Reforms

D. Civil Service Commission

20. In the pre-colonial Hausa political system, the Madawaki performed the-function of _____

- A. Minister of Works
- B. Minister of Education
- C. Minister of Defence
- D. Minister of Interior

21. In the Old Oyo Empire, the Ajele _____

A. ensure the safety of all trade routes

B. ensure good governance of the districts

C. mobilized the army

D. was the Head of the army

22. The General Strike of 1945 was caused primarily by the _____

A. disparity in the criteria for employment

B. harshness in trade laws as it concerns the Africans

C. government's rejection of a demand for an increase of 50 percent in the cost of living allowance

D. persistent implementation of discriminatory laws

23. Before 1945, the component units of Nigeria were _____

- A. regions
- B. districts
- C. provinces

D. states

24. National agitation began in Nigeria with the _____

A. formation of West African Youth League

B. Lagos protest against waterrate in 1908

C. introduction of indirect rule

D. annexation of Lagos in 1861

25. The emergence of nationalism was essentially the result of the ills of _____

- A. imperialism
- B. independence
- C. slavery
- D. colonialism

26. Which of the following nationalists was the founder of Nigeria's first political party?

- A. Herbert Macaulay
- B. Abubakar Tafawa Balewa
- C. Ahmadu Bello
- D. Nnamdi Azikiwe

27. The division of powers between the federal and regional governments into exclusive, concurrent and residual lists was done by the _____

A. 1979 Constitution

- B. 1999 Constitution
- C. Independence Constitution
- D. Republican

28. The Nigerian Independence Constitution was modified by the

- A. 1979 Constitution
- B. 1963 Constitution
- C. 1999 Constitution
- D. 1989 Constitution

29. The President of Nigeria was indirectly elected through secret ballot for a period of five years by the senate in _____

- A. A.1979 B. 1983 C. 1960
- D. 1963

30. The main function of the Federal Character Commission in Nigeria is _____

A. providing free social services to the citizens

B. ensuring fair representation of all states in the public service

C. reviewing unfair administrative decisions

D. settling disputes among societies

31. The power of appointing the chairman of the Independent National Electoral Commission is vested in the _____

- A. Senate
- B. Judicial Council
- C. Council of State
- D. President

32. The NCNC and the NPC facilitated the creation of the

- A. Eastern Region
- B. Mid-west Region
- C. Northern Region
- D. Western Region

33. One of the major problems of Nigerian federalism is _____

A. pre-colonial administrativestructure among the units offederation

B. lack of revenue to cater for the demands of the federation

C. inadequate manpower to fill vacancies

D. imbalance in the structure and sizes of units of federation

34. Which of the following was done during the Gowon administration to reduce regional structural imbalance in the federation?

- A. Formation of political parties
- B. Appointment of ministers
- C. Creation of states
- D. Increase in revenue allocation

35. A problem of public corporations in Nigeria is _____

A. wastage of resourcesB. choice of leadership

C. public control

D. emphasis on subsidies

36. One feature of public corporations that was weakened by privatization is

A. government control

- B. social control
- C. national integration

D. social harmony

37. One of the main duties of theLocal Government ServiceCommission is to _____

A. handle requests for the creation of more local governments

B. supervise and manage the personnel a local government

C. conduct election into Local Council

D. create an enabling working environment for council workers

38. The option A4 model was used in the conduct of the _____

A. 1999 elections

- B. 2007 elections
- C. 1983 elections
- D. 1993 elections

39. The review of Nigerian foreign policy under the Murtala-Obasanjo regime was done by

- A. Phillips Commission
- B. Udoji Committee
- C. Aboyade Committee
- D. Adedeji Committee

40. Which of the following is a guiding principle of Nigeria's foreign policy?

A. Decolonisation of all African states

B. Total opposition to the Cold War

C. Posting of only carrier diplomats as envoys

D. interference in the affairs of African countries

JAMB GOVERNMENT PAST QUESTIONS (PT.5)

1. The tenure of an elected chairman of local government is determined by the _____

A. Federal Executive Council
B. National Union of Local
Government Employees
C. National Assembly

D. State House of Assembly

2. The 1976 Reforms made the local government the _____

- A. Second-tier of government
- B. first-tier of government
- C. fourth-tier of government
- D. Third-tier of government

3. Decision making in the traditional lgbo political system was conferred on the basis of

- A. Privilege
- B. age
- C. gender
- D. Status

4. The political party that originated from JamiyyarMutanem Arewa was _____

- A. UMBC
- B. BYM
- C. NEPU
- D. NPC

5. A major consequence of colonialism on Nigeria is _____

A. Economic dependenceB. the attainment of equal status

with Europe

- C. suppression of state structures
- D. The upliftment of its image

6. The judiciary contributes to the development of constitutions through _____

A. Judicial reviewB. historical recordsC. bye-lawsD. Acts of parliament

7. The upper house of the legislature is responsible for the

- A. Assent to bill
- B. signing of treaties
- C. approval declaration
- D. Passage of appropriation bill

8. Which of the following political parties contested the 1993Presidential Election?

- A. NRC and SDP
- B. AD and APP
- C. UNCP and NDP
- D. PRP and DPP

9. A mode of production in which the resources of a community are pooled together for the general well-being of the people is called

- A. Communism
- B. communalism
- C. socialism
- D. Capitalism

10. Which of these international organizations was Nigeria a founding member?

- A. UNO
- B. The Commonwealth
- C. NATO
- D. ECOWAS

11. Nigeria's role in ECOWAS was significant in dispute resolution in

- A. Liberia
- B. Nigeria
- C. the Gambia
- D. Senegal

12. An example of civil right of a citizen is the right to _____

- A. be voted for
- B. property and justice
- C. peaceful assembly
- D. Vote

13. In the judicial parlance, writ means _____

A. Restraining order

B. prohibitive order

C. acquitting order

D. Sentencing order

14. Public corporations are controlled by the legislature through _____

A. Daily monitoring of their activities

B. discipline of staff

C. approval of their annual budgets

D. Recruitment of staff

15. One of the reasons for the adoption of Africa as the centre piece of Nigeria's foreign policy is to _____

A. Encourage rivalry in AfricaB. monopolize African economiesC. protect her domestic environment

D. Challenge the major powers

16. Elective principle was first introduced in Nigeria by the _____

A. Lyttleton Constitution

B. Richards Constitution

C. Clifford Constitution

17. The type of pressure group that champions the interest and the right of the under privileged is known as the _____

- A. Professional pressure groups
- B. promotional interest groups
- C. economic interest groups

D. Educational pressure groups

18. A major innovation of the 1979 Constitution was the _____

A. Increase in constitutional power of elected officialsB. creation of more stateC. prohibition of cross-carpetingD. Introduction of presidential system

19. The organ of the AU that prepares for the meeting of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government is the _____

A. Commission of Mediation, Conciliation and Arbitration

- B. African Parliament
- C. Council of Ministers
- D. General Secretariat

20. One of the features of a fascist government is that _____

A. Political power is decentralized

B. it gives room for opposition

C. the state defines the rights of individuals

D. Sovereignty is identified with landed property

21. Promotion and discipline of civil servants is the responsibility of the _____

- A. Federal Character Commission
- B. Ministry of Labour

C. Civil Service Commission

D. Public Complaints Commission

22. Under the unitary arrangement, the centre is vested with _____

A. Limited power over the constituent units
B. equal power with the constituent units
C. insignificant power
D. Absolute power

23. Which of these international organizations is Nigeria a member majorly because of her economic interest?

- A. UN
- B. Commonwealth
- C. AU
- D. OEC

24. Abolition of civil liberty is an attribute of _____

- A. Presidential government
- B. parliamentary government
- C. military government
- D. Republic government

25. One of the agencies introduced by the military to promote national interest was the

A. National Youth Service Corps B. Directorate of Mass Mobilization for Social and Economic Reconstruction C. Directorate of Food, Roads and Rural Infrastructure

D. National Directorate for Employment

26. One of the main objectives of OPEC is to _____

A. Assist multinational companies to monopolize market

B. protect the interest of multinational companies

C. stabilize the income of developing nations

D. Fix and allocate production to member nations

27. Nigeria's foreign relation with Britain was strained during the Buhari Regime because _____

A. Britain tested atomic bomb in the Sahara-desert

B. Britain refused to recognize the regime

C. Nigeria refused to export crude oil to Britain

 D. Nigeria wanted to forcefully extradite Alhaji Umar Dikko from Britain

28. The Babangida Regime differed from Buhari Regime because in the former _____

A. Governors were assisted by commissioners

B. ministers executed government policies

C. governors were members of the National Council of StateD. The post of Chairman, JointChiefs of Staff was created

29. A feature of the presidential system is that _____

A. The president has an indefinite term of officeB. there is a separate election for the executive and the legislature

C. the president is a member of the legislature

D. The cabinet is collectively accountable to the legislature

30. The Chairman of the Federal Character Commission is appointed by the _____

A. Secretary to the Government of the Federation

B. National Assembly

C. Minister of Labour and Productivity

D. President

31. A form of government in which the sovereign power to rule is vested in a small number of people considered as the best qualified to rule is _____

- A. Autocracy
- B. theocracy
- C. gerontocracy
- D. Aristocracy

32. One of the major shortcomings of ECOWAS is _____

A. Expansion of market

- B. Trade liberalization
- C. curbing smuggling
- D. Fostering of unity

33. The party that formed a coalition with the NPC in the First Republic was _____

- A. AG
- B. NDC
- C. NEPU
- D. NCNC

34. Personal authority is synonymous with _____

- A. Charismatic authority
- B. instruments; authority
- C. sacred authority
- D. Legal authority

35. The administrative system used by the British in her colonies was _____

- A. Indignant system
- B. direct rule
- C. indirect rule

36. An electoral system in which a candidate with the highest number of votes in a constituency is declared winner is _____

A. Alternative vote system

B. second ballot system

C. absolute majority system

D. Simple majority system

37. Which of the following belongs to the administrative cadre in the civil service?

- A. Executive Officers
- B. Surveyors
- C. Medical Director
- D. Deputy Director

38. Aristocracy is described as a form of government in which

- A. Popular citizens rule
- B. the clergy rules
- C. few citizens rule
- D. Best citizens rule

39. The head of the Old Oyo Empire was the _____

- A. Alaafin
- B. Bashorun
- C. Ooni
- D. Are-Ona-kakanfo

40. The Babangida Regime reestablished diplomatic ties with

- A. France
- B. Germany
- C. Israel
- D. Britain

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JAMB GOVERNMENT PAST QUESTIONS (PT.6)

Citizenship is acquired by an alien through _____

A. registration

B. birth

- C. naturalization
- D. conferment

2. The upper house in most federal systems is created to

A. prevent excesses of the executive

B. enable experienced elders make inputs to governance

C. oversee and check the lower house

D. ensure equality of federating units

3. Public Complaints Commission is responsible for _____

A. investigating the use of false document

B. entertaining complaints against public servant C. arresting public servant

D. sentencing erring public servants

4. The earliest nationalist activities in Nigeria ere spearheaded by _____

A. trade unions

B. educated elites

- C. political parties
- D. traditional rulers

5. The organ of UN that promotes voluntary co-operation among member states in diverse areas is the _____

- A. General Assembly
- B. International Court of Justice
- C. Security Council
- D. Economic and Social Council

6. The officer responsible for announcing the result of an election is referred to as the _____

A. electoral officer

B. presiding officer

C. returning officer

D. ballot officer

7. Under the emirate system, the commander of the army is the

- A. Sarkin Fada
- B. Hakimi
- C. Alkali
- D. Madawaki

8. Which of the following is a feature of checks and balances?

- A. Code of conduct
- B. Judicial review
- C. Judicial immunity
- D. Judicial precedent

9. Cross-carpeting was first outlawed in which of the following constitutions?

- A. 1963 constitution
- B. 1979 constitution
- C. 1960 constitution
- D. 1999 constitution

10. The performance of ritual rites in the Yoruba empire is the responsibility of the _____

A. Aare-ona KakanfoB. OyomesiC. OgboniD. Oba

11. The development of a classless society is the goal of

- A. marxism
- B. feudalism
- C. liberalism
- D. conservatism

12. The indirect rule system of administration was more successful in Northern Nigeria because _____

A. the Europeans ensured that the farmlands of the natives were not confiscated

B. of the existence of an organised structure in the area

C. the natives showed little or no resistance

D. the people were mainly interested in being governed indirectly

13. As an executive, the commissioner is charged with the responsibility of _____

- A. writing laws
- B. implementing laws
- C. giving loans
- D. law making

14. A good example of a country that operates a cabinet system of government is _____

- A. France
- B. Cameroun
- C. Nigeria
- D. Britain

15. In it bids to reduce regional structural imbalance in the federation, Gowon administration

- A. formed political parties
- B. increased allocation
- C. created states
- D. appointed ministers

16. The administrative head of a public corporation is the _____

- A. General Manager
- B. Permanent Secretary
- C. Chairman
- D. Chief Executive

17. Which of these is an attribute of the state?

- A. Dress mode
- B. Language
- C. Religion
- D. Population

18. The utmost goal of nationalism in Africa was _____

- A. representation
- B. independence
- C. development
- D. Patriotism

19. The centre piece of Nigeria's foreign policy covers only _____

- A. Africa
- B. Europe
- C. Asia
- D. Latin America

20. A representative of a commonwealth country in another member state is known as _____

- A. Consul-General
- B. High Commissioner
- C. Attache
- D. Ambassador

21. The review of Nigerian foreignpolicy under the Murtala-Obasanjo regime was done by

- A. Udoji committee
- B. Aboyade committee
- C. Okigbo committee
- D. Adedeji committee

22. Nigeria placed Africa at the centre of her foreign policy because of her _____

A. role in Congo crisis

- B. size and wealth
- C. desire to dominate the continent
- D. potential role in Africa

23. Rule adjudication is a primary function of the _____

- A. judiciary
- B. legislature
- C. government
- D. executive

24. Franchise in an electoral process means the _____

A. sovereignty of a nationB. rights and duties of citizensC. ownership of means of productionD. right to vote

25. Which of these is not a dimension of public opinion?

- A. Substance
- B. Intensity
- C. Orientation
- D. Polling

26. The process through which citizens acquire political values is

- A. education
- B. acculturation
- C. socialization
- D. participation

27. The main objective of pressure groups is to _____

A. serve as opposition to the government

B. protect the interest of the country against foreigners

C. promote the interest of political parties

D. influence legislation for the benefit of their members

28. The three-tier system ofNigerian Federalism wasformalised by the _____

A. 2004 Pension reform
B. 1963 Republic Constitution
C. 1951 Hicks-Phillipson
Commission's Report
D. 1976 local government reform

29. A flexible constitution is one which is _____

- A. known to all the citizens
- B. popular with the legislators
- C. easily amended
- D. written by the parliament

30. The main representative body of the United Nations is the

- A. Security Council
- B. Secretariat
- C. Trusteeship
- D. General Assembly

31. One feature of public corporations that was weakened by privatization was

A. social harmony

- B. national integration
- C. social control

32. One of the main duties of the Local Government Service Commission is to _____

A. create enabling working environment for council workers
B. conduct election into Local Council

C. supervise and manage the personnel of local governmentsD. handle request for the creation of more local governments

33. According to Aristotle, a form of government in which the few rule for the benefit of all is _____

- A. aristocracy
- B. polyarchy
- C. diarchy
- D. autocracy

34. One of the major problems of Nigerian federalism is _____

A. pre-colonial administrative structure among the units of federation
B. imbalance in the structure and sizes of units of federation
C. lick of revenue to cater for the demands of the federation
D. inadequate manpower to fill vacancies

35. Which of the following
countries pioneered the
establishment of ECOWAS
alongside Nigeria?

- A. Ghana
- B. Cameroun
- C. Algeria
- D. Togo

36. The NCNC and NPC facilitated the creation of the _____

- A. Eastern Region
- B. Northern Region
- C. Western
- D. Mid-West Region

37. A problem of public corporation in Nigeria is _____

- A. Wastage of resources
- B. Choice of leadership
- C. Public control
- D. Emphasis on subsidies

38. Nigeria's non-alignment policy in the sixties lacked real substance because of her _____

- A. poor economic potential
- B. dose ties with Britain
- C. Afro centric policy

D. partnership with Asian countries

39. The type of authority that is based on personal qualities is

- A. charismatic
- B. Legal
- C. traditional
- D. coercive

40. The judiciary controls the executive in federal systems through _____

- A. judicial overview
- B. motions
- C. delegated legislation
- D. judicial review

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JAMB GOVERNMENT PAST QUESTIONS (PT.7)

1. Which of the following is a foremost right of a citizen?

- A. Religious right
- B. Academic right
- C. Right to life
- D. Private life.

2. Which of the following is a merit of aristocracy?

A. Leaders must have military experience

B. The best citizen is in control of government

C. Organised few control the government

D. Majority control the government.

3. Which of the following is a strategy of foreign policy implementation?

- A. Cultural integration
- B. Democratic elections
- C. Political representation

D. Propaganda

4. The Structural Adjustment Programme was introduced under the _____

- A. Babangida Regime
- B. Obasanjo Regime
- C. Buhari Regime
- D. Abacha Regime

5. To facilitate the effective achievement of its objectives,
 ECOWAS is operationally structured with _____

- A. councils
- B. panels
- C. committees
- D. commissions
- **6.** Shortage of trained personnel is a major problem of the _____
- A. Federal Government
- B. State Governments
- C. Regional Governments
- D. Local Governments

A. written and flexible **7.** The right of a state is known as B. rigid and written C. unwritten and rigid D. flexible and rigid A. authority B. power **11.** The political achievement of C. sovereignty D. legitimacy UN is the promotion of _____ A. economic development 8. The popularity of a political B. educational development party in given democracy rests on international its _____ C. peace and security D. democratic institution A. constitution B. manifesto C. ideology 12. Elective principle in Nigeria D. number of branches was first introduced by _____ 9. A system of local council that A. Richards Constitution allows for rotational leadership is B. Macpherson Constitution known as _____ C. Littleton Constitution D. Clifford Constitution A. single executive **13.** The three major political B. dual executive C. multi executive parties of the First Republic can D. collegiate executive be said to have had _____ **10.** A type of constitution that is A. national outlook difficult to amend is described as B. regional and ethnic undertone C. governmental funding

D. religious and sectional appeals A. Power Distribution Company of Nigeria Development of the Civil B. Nigeria Mining Corporation 14. Service relies on C. Nigerian Railway Corporation D. Nigerian Postal Services A. impartiality 18. In 1987, Nigeria attained a B. anonymity C. pro notability federation of D. neutrality A. 19 states **15.** The chief executive system is B. 12 states associated with _____ C. 21 states D. 30 states A. federalism B. presidentialism **19.** The Ombudsman aims at C. parliamentary D. unitarism A. offering qualitative educational **16**. Public Corporations services are mainly funded through B. rendering alternative dispute resolution services providing qualitative A. foreign aid job C. B. shareholders fund opportunities C. internally generated funds D. entertaining complaints on D. government subvention abuse of public office 20. The apex body under the **17.** Which of the following is the military regime of Yakubu Gowon oldest Public Corporation in Nigeria? was _____

A. Supreme military Council

B. Federal Executive Council

C. The Armed Forces Ruling Council

D. The national Council of State

21. Which of the following was adjudged as the most free and fair election in Nigeria?

A. 1999 elections

B. 1993 elections

C. 2007 elections

D. 1982 elections

26. Laws made by military governors are called _____

A. acts

B. bye-laws

C. edicts

D. decrees

27. A problem of public corporations in Nigeria is _____

A. wastage of resources

B. pubic control

C. emphasis on subsidies

D. choice of leadership

28. The pro-west orientation of Nigeria's foreign policy was mainly because of her _____

- A. historical development
- B. geographical locations
- C. social structure
- D. economic under-development

29. A sovereign state is one _____

A. whose government decisions are made independent of foreign interference

B. whose constitution can be changed by a military governmentC. in which authority is vested in the military

D. where its citizens can speak without fear or favour

30. In Nigeria's First Republic, the prime minister was both the

A. Head of state and party leader

B. Head of government and a lawmaker

C. Commander-in-chief of the armed forces and party leader

D. Head of state and commanderin-chief of the armed forces

31. The AU differs from the OAU in having _____

A. no permanent headquarters

B. effective mechanisms for enforcing its decisions

C. a minimum of divergent viewpoints

D. no assembly of Heads of state

32. Under Nigeria's Second Republic, the Senate was under the leadership of _____

A. Joseph Wayas B. John Wash Pam C. J.S. Tarka D. Godwin Ume-Ezeoke

33. The ultimate aim of political parties is to _____

A. implement people-oriented programmes

B. acquire and exercise power

C. formulate and implement policies

D. increase the political awareness of the electorate

34. Rule by the old people is known as _____

A. gerontocracy

- B. theocracy
- C. monarchy
- D. feudalism

35. A feature of communalism is that _____

A. Ownership of land is vested in the community

B. a landowner can employ landless men

C. landless men have no privileges as citizens

D. Sovereignty is identified with landed property

36. In the Hausa pre-colonial system, the officer in charge of fishing activities was the _____

- A. Sarkin Noma
- B. Sarkin Dogarai
- C. Sarkin Ruwa
- D. Sarkin Pawa

37. The social and Cultural Affairs Commission is a specializes agency of the _____

- A. OPEC
- B. Commonwealth
- C. UN
- D. ECOWAS

38. Which of the following assists the president in the formulation of foreign policies?

- A. Ministry of Foreign Affair
- B. Ministry of Interior
- C. Ministry of Defence
- D. Ministry of justice
- **39.** Rule by divine right is a basis of _____

- A. Absolute monarchy
- B. representative democracy
- C. the republican system
- D. the feudal system

40. An important ingredient of the civil service is _____

- A. Hierarchy
- B. imbalance
- C. nepotism
- D. Partisanship

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