FINAL ANSWER KEY

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- 1. The primary function of a prescription is to
- A) Dilute drugs
- B) Authorize medication use
- c) Prepare containers
- D) Sift powders

Correct Answer: Option B

- 2. Which system of weight is NOT commonly used in pharmacy?
- A) Metric
- B) Apothecary
- **C**) Troy
- **D**) Imperial

Correct Answer: Option C

- **3.** The usual solvent for oral liquid preparations is
 - A) Olive oil
 - B) Water
 - c) Alcohol
 - D) Ether

Correct Answer: Option B

- 4. The term "Homogenization" is associated with
 - A) Even mixing
 - B) Sterilization
 - c) Size increase
 - **D**) All of the above

Correct Answer: Option A

- 5. The Indian Pharmacopoeia serves as
- A) Medical dictionary
- B) Book of official standards
- c) Drug pricing guide

D) Marketing tool

Correct Answer: Option B

- **6.** The alligation method is used for
- A) Calculating average
- B) Mixing solutions of different strengths
- c) Temperature measurement
- **D**) Powder sifting

Correct Answer: Option B

- 7. The main excipient for hard gelatine capsules is
- A) Water
- B) Starch
- c) Gelatin
- D) Cellulose

Correct Answer: Option C

- **8.** Fluidized bed dryer is mainly used for
 - A) Tablets
 - B) Powders
 - c) Capsules
 - D) Creams

Correct Answer: Option B

- **9.** Which property determines isotonicity in large-volume parenterals?
 - A) Viscosity
 - B) pH
 - c) Osmotic pressure
 - **D**) Color

Correct Answer: Option C

- **10.** What is metrology?
- A) Study of weather
- B) Science of weights and measures
- c) Microbial study
- **D**) Drug interaction study

- 11. Sodium chloride is used as
- A) Antiseptic
- B) Isotonic agent
- c) Antacid
- D) Diuretic

Correct Answer: Option B

- **12.** The main impurity in pharmaceutical water is
- A) Chloride
- B) Nitrate
- c) Sulfate
- **D**) Ammonia

Correct Answer: Option A

- **13.** The buffer system in blood is mainly due to
 - A) Bicarbonate
 - B) Chloride
 - c) Sulfate
 - **D**) Iron

Correct Answer: Option A

- **14.** Which is NOT a pharmaceutical acid?
 - A) Hydrochloric acid
 - B) Sulfuric acid
 - c) Boric acid
 - D) Nitric acid

Correct Answer: Option D

- 15. Which reagent is used in iron salt assay?
- A) Potassium permanganate
- B) Sulfuric acid
- c) Silver nitrate
- D) Ammonia

Correct Answer: Option A

- **16.** An example of a systemic alkalizer is
- A) Sodium acetate
- **B**) Sodium bicarbonate
- c) Magnesium oxide
- **D**) Iron sulfate

- 17. Which inorganic acid is used medicinally as a buffer?
- A) Acetic acid
- B) Sulphuric acid
- c) Citric acid
- D) Boric acid

Correct Answer: Option D

- 18. Sodium bisulfite acts as
 - A) Astringent
 - B) Antacid
 - c) Antiemitic
 - **D**) Antioxidant

Correct Answer: Option D

- **19.** Which one of the following is the most common source of impurities in pharmaceutical substances?
- A) Manufacturing process
- B) Packaging materials
- c) Storage materials
- D) Raw materials

Correct Answer: Option D

- 20. For a drug with both acidic and alkaline groups, which buffer system offers highest stability?
 - A) Ammonia buffer
 - B) Boric acid buffer
 - c) Citrate buffer
 - **D**) Phosphate buffer

Correct Answer: Option D

- 21. Pharmacognosy deals with
- A) Medicinal plants

- B) Clinical pathology
- c) Chemical analysis
- **D**) Human body parts

- 22. Digitalis is used mainly for
- A) Skin infections
- B) Fever/Inflamation
- c) Eye drops
- **D**) Cardiac ailments

Correct Answer: Option D

- **23.** The synonym of isabgol is
 - A) Ephedra
 - B) Eucalyptus
 - c) Senna
 - D) Psyllium

Correct Answer: Option D

- **24.** Which plant is a source of morphine?
 - A) Clove
 - B) Neem
 - C) Poppy
 - **D**) Tulsi

Correct Answer: Option C

- **25.** The color of powdered ginger is
- A) Brownish-yellow
- B) Red
- c) Green
- D) Blue

Correct Answer: Option A

- **26.** Which plant drug is best evaluated using Thin-Layer Chromatography and UltraViolet detection methods for standardization?
 - A) Rauwolfia
 - B) Digitalis
 - c) Senna

D) Opium

Correct Answer: Option B

- **27.** Fennel is effective as
- A) Cardiovascular drug
- B) Carminative
- c) Laxative
- D) Hematinic

Correct Answer: Option B

- 28. Surgical dressings are identified by testing for
- A) Alkaloids
- B) Protein content
- c) Volatile oils
- **D**) Fiber microscopy

Correct Answer: Option D

- 29. Organoleptic evaluation involves
- A) Chemical tests
- B) Chromatography
- c) Physical observation
- D) Spectroscopy

Correct Answer: Option C

- **30.** Nux vomica is known for
- A) Oils
- B) Glycosides
- c) Flavonoids
- **D**) Alkaloids

Correct Answer: Option A

- **31.** Which coenzyme is involved in oxidative deamination
 - A) NAD+
 - B) FAD
 - c) CoA
 - D) Biotin

- 32. In glucose tolerance test, fasting plasma glucose above ____ mmol/L is diagnostic of diabetes mellitus.
- **A**) 5.6
- **B**) 6.5
- **c**) 7.0
- **D**) 7.8

Correct Answer: Option D

- **33.** The storage form of glucose in animals is
- A) Starch
- B) Glycogen
- c) Cellulose
- D) Lactose

Correct Answer: Option B

- **34.** Which test detects protein in urine?
 - A) Benedict's
 - B) Barfoed's
 - c) Bial
 - **D**) Biuret

Correct Answer: Option D

- 35. Normal pH of blood is
 - **A**) 4.5
 - **B**) 5.4
 - **c**) 7.4
 - **D**) 8.5

Correct Answer: Option C

- **36.** A qualitative test for carbohydrate is
- A) Millon's
- B) Biuret
- c) Salkowski
- **D**) Molisch's

Correct Answer: Option D

- **37.** Electrolyte important in muscle contraction
- A) Zinc
- **B**) Magnesium
- c) Chloride
- D) Calcium

- **38.** The enzyme that digests starch in saliva is
- A) Amylase
- B) Lipase
- c) Protease
- D) Maltase

Correct Answer: Option A

- **39.** Which test detects creatinine in urine?
- A) Barfoed's test
- B) Benedict's test
- c) Jaffe's test
- D) Molisch test

Correct Answer: Option C

- **40.** The deficiency of which vitamin leads to pellagra?
 - A) Thiamine
 - B) Riboflavin
 - c) Niacin
 - D) Folic acid

Correct Answer: Option C

- 41. Which gland controls metabolic rate?
 - A) Adrenal gland
 - B) Pancreas
 - c) Pituitary gland
 - **D**) Thyroid gland

Correct Answer: Option D

- **42.** Which cranial nerve supplies the diaphragm?
 - A) Vagus
 - B) Phrenic

- c) Hypoglossal
- D) Accessory

- 43. What is the main neurotransmitter at neuromuscular junctions?
- A) Serotonin
- B) Norepinephrine
- c) Dopamine
- D) Acetylcholine

Correct Answer: Option D

- 44. Function of insulin is all EXCEPT
- A) Positive regulation of glycolytic process
- B) Negative regulation of protein kinase B signalling
- c) Raise blood pressure
- **D**) Stimulate heart

Correct Answer: Option B

- 45. The movement of food through the digestive system is called
 - A) Peristalsis
 - B) Osmosis
 - c) Filtration
 - **D**) Diffusion

Correct Answer: Option A

- 46. Which valve is present between left atrium and left ventricle?
- A) Tricuspid
- B) Mitral
- c) Aortic
- **D**) Pulmonary

Correct Answer: Option B

- 47. Which part of brain controls voluntary activity?
 - A) Cerebrum
 - B) Cerebellum
 - c) Medulla
 - D) Pons

- **48.** The largest organ in the human body is
 - A) Brain
 - B) Heart
 - c) Liver
 - D) Skin

Correct Answer: Option D

- 49. Exchange of gases occurs in
 - A) Trachea
 - B) Pleura
 - c) Bronchi
 - D) Alveoli

Correct Answer: Option D

- **50.** Red blood cells are produced in the
 - A) Liver
 - B) Bone marrow
 - c) Spleen
 - **D**) Lymph nodes

Correct Answer: Option B

- **51.** The most effective method for family planning in India is
 - A) Chemical
 - B) Hormonal
 - c) Surgical
 - **D**) Behavioral

Correct Answer: Option C

- Major indicator of healthcare in a community is:
 - (i) Hospital beds per capita; (ii) Immunization coverage; (iii) Literacy rate
 - A) (i) and (ii) only
 - B) (i) and (iii) only
 - c) (ii) and (iii) only
 - **D**) All of the above

Correct Answer: Option A

- 53. Epidemiology deals with
- A) Drug pricing
- B) Treatment of patients
- c) Disease distribution
- D) Hospital layout

- **54.** Which is NOT a method to control arthropodborne diseases?
- A) Insecticide spraying
- B) Vaccination
- c) Using bed nets
- **D**) Increasing noise levels

Correct Answer: Option D

- **55.** Natural history of disease does not include
- A) Incubation period
- B) Convalescence
- c) Prevention
- **D**) Symptom onset

Correct Answer: Option C

- **56.** Which is key for prevention of hospital acquired infection?
 - A) Overcrowding
 - B) Disinfection
 - c) Late ambulation
 - **D**) Poor ventilation

Correct Answer: Option B

- **57.** The concept of herd immunity and its application in preventing epidemics is
 - A) All individuals are immune
 - B) Immunity acquired by the majority protects vulnerable individuals
 - c) Immunity only through vaccination
 - **D**) Immunity by isolation

Correct Answer: Option B

- **58.** Which country uses the yellow card Scheme?
 - A) United States of America
 - B) United Kingdom

- c) Australia
- **D**) India

- **59.** The primary vector for dengue is
- A) Culex mosquito
- B) Aedes mosquito
- c) Anopheles mosquito
- **D**) Sandfly

Correct Answer: Option B

- 60. First aid for burns includes
- A) Immediate application of butter
- B) Flushing with cold water
- c) Popping blisters
- **D**) Covering with ice

Correct Answer: Option B

- **61.** Main excipient in effervescent powder is
 - A) Lactose only
 - B) Citric acid only
 - c) Sodium bicarbonate only
 - D) Both Citric acid and Sodium bicarbonate

Correct Answer: Option D

- **62.** The main ingredient of calamine lotion is
- A) Magnesium oxide
- B) Zinc oxide
- c) Ferric oxide
- D) Boric acid

Correct Answer: Option B

- **63.** The main disadvantage of medicine in powder form is
- A) Easily contaminated
- B) Stable
- c) Dose flexibility
- **D**) Faster dissolution

- **64.** Incompatibility that results in turbidity is
- A) Physical
- B) Chemical
- c) Therapeutic
- **D**) Synergism

Correct Answer: Option A

- **65.** A label "Store in a cool place" means
- A) 2-8°C
- B) 8-15°C
- c) 15-25°C
- D) Below 0°C

Correct Answer: Option B

- **66.** The process of geometric dilution is important for
 - A) Liquid preparation
 - B) Tablet coating
 - c) Capsule filling
 - **D**) Powder mixing

Correct Answer: Option D

- 67. Which test is essential for tablet quality?
 - A) Redox
 - B) Fusion
 - c) Dissolution
 - **D**) Melting point

Correct Answer: Option C

- 68. Parenteral dosage forms require
- A) Colorants
- B) Flavors
- c) High viscosity
- **D**) Sterility

Correct Answer: Option D

- 69. For accurate pediatric dosing, which calculation method is preferred?
- A) Age-based
- B) Surface area calculation
- c) Gender-based
- **D**) Route of administration

- **70.** Which regulatory standard governs drug labeling and storage of vaccines in India?
- A) Schedule C only
- B) Schedule P only
- c) Schedule X only
- D) Both Schedule C and Schedule X

Correct Answer: Option A

- 71. What is a cachet?
- A) Liquid dosage form
- **B**) Hard capsule for powders
- c) Film coating
- **D**) Vaccine Vial

Correct Answer: Option B

- **72.** Which is a reducing agent?
 - A) Potassium permanganate
 - B) Hydrogen peroxide
 - c) Sodium thiosulphate
 - **D**) Silver nitrate

Correct Answer: Option C

- **73.** Limit test for sulphate is confirmed by
 - A) White precipitate
 - B) Red precipitate
 - c) Black precipitate
 - **D**) Green precipitate

Correct Answer: Option A

- **74.** Benzalkonium chloride acts as
 - A) Analgesic
 - **B**) Anticoagulant

- c) Antiinflammatory
- **D**) Disinfectant

- **75.** Thiacetazone belongs to
- A) Antitubercular drugs
- B) Antimalarial drugs
- c) Tranquilizers
- **D**) Diuretics

Correct Answer: Option A

- 76. Nystatin is classified as a
 - A) Antimalarial
 - B) Antifungal
 - c) Antibiotic
 - **D**) Antitubercular

Correct Answer: Option B

- **77.** For solubility determination of organic drugs, which property is most important?
- A) Absorption spectrum
- B) Melting point
- c) Functional group
- **D**) Boiling point

Correct Answer: Option C

- 78. Methotrexate's major adverse effect relates to
- A) Hepatic toxicity
- B) Nephrotoxicity
- c) Myelosuppression
- **D**) Allergic reactions

Correct Answer: Option C

- **79.** Example(s) of a complexometric titration in pharmaceutical analysis is(are)
 - A) Magnesium determination only
 - B) Iron determination only
 - c) Calcium determination only
- **D**) Both Magnesium determination and Iron determination

- **80.** Proflavine is used as
- A) Antiseptic
- B) Antibiotic
- c) Anthelminthic
- **D**) Supplements

Correct Answer: Option A

- **81.** Which is NOT an autacoid?
- A) Histamine
- B) Serotonin
- c) Prostaglandin
- D) Paracetamol

Correct Answer: Option D

- **82.** Poisoning by heavy metals is treated using
- A) Adsorbent
- B) Betablocker
- c) Chelating agents
- **D**) Diuretic

Correct Answer: Option C

- **83.** Which is a loop diuretic?
 - A) Amiloride
 - B) Furosemide
 - c) Spironolactone
 - **D**) Thiazide

Correct Answer: Option B

- **84.** The route of administration that is quickest in action is
- A) Oral
- B) Subcutaneous
- c) Intravenous
- **D**) Transdermal

Correct Answer: Option C

- 85. The absorption process for oral drugs is most influenced by
- A) Color
- B) Enzyme absence
- c) pH
- **D**) All of the above

- **86.** Main organ for drug metabolism
- A) Kidney
- B) Lungs
- c) Liver
- D) Heart

Correct Answer: Option C

- 87. Antihypertensive drugs commonly used are
- A) Alpha methyl dopa
- B) Clofibrate
- c) Quinidine
- **D**) All of the above

Correct Answer: Option A

- **88.** Anticholinergic drugs are mainly used for
 - A) Parkinsonism
 - B) Asthma
 - c) Diabetes
 - **D**) Hypertension

Correct Answer: Option A

- 89. Which drug is NOT a plasma expander?
 - A) Dextran
 - B) Mannitol
 - c) Gelatin
 - D) NaCl

Correct Answer: Option D

- **90.** The rationale of combination therapy in tuberculosis is
 - A) Promote resistance
 - B) Decrease efficacy

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 - C) Shorten treatment durationD) All of the above

- 91. The "red line" on medicine packs means
- A) Cosmetics
- B) Sterile items
- c) Not for internal use
- D) Prescription drug

Correct Answer: Option D

- 92. Pharmacist's oath is related to
- A) Business
- B) Drug design
- c) Drug dispensing
- D) Ethics

Correct Answer: Option D

- 93. Magic remedies act relates to
 - A) False advertisements
 - B) Drug export
 - c) Drug import
 - **D**) Formulation of Drug

Correct Answer: Option A

- 94. The regulatory body for registration of drugs in India
- A) ICMR
- B) PCI
- c) DCGI
- D) MCI

Correct Answer: Option C

- 95. The Pharmacy Act was passed in
 - **A)** 1980
 - **B**) 1961
 - **c**) 1955
 - **D**) 1948

- **96.** Latest Drug Price Control Order is enforced by
 - A) Indian Medical Council
 - B) Pharmacy Council of India
 - c) National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority
 - D) National Medical Council

Correct Answer: Option C

- 97. The Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act was enacted in
 - **A)** 1940
 - **B**) 1955
 - c) 1971
 - **D**) 1985

Correct Answer: Option D

- **98.** Which one of the following is true about Schedule H or Schedule X drugs?
- A) Both are for prescription drugs
- B) X are habit forming, more strictly regulated
- c) H used for general diseases
- **D**) X is for vaccine regulation

Correct Answer: Option B

- **99.** The life period (shelf life) of a drug is dealt in which schedule of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act?
- A) Schedule M
- B) Schedule N
- c) Schedule P
- **D**) Schedule Q

Correct Answer: Option C

- **100.** The Pharmacy Act requires reconstitution of the council after every
 - A) 2 years
 - B) 3 years
 - c) 5 years
 - **D**) 10 years

Correct Answer: Option C

- **101.** The simplest method of inventory control is
- A) VED
- B) ABC
- c) Maximum-minimum
- **D**) Just-in-time

- **102.** Economic order quantity is related to
- A) Sales
- B) Inventory
- c) Purchase
- D) Manufacturing

Correct Answer: Option B

- 103. Missed sales due to lack of stock is
- A) Overstock
- B) Stock out
- c) Inventory
- **D**) Purchase

Correct Answer: Option B

- 104. Trial Balance is used for
- A) Checking accounting accuracy
- B) Asset valuation
- c) Drug pricing
- D) Personnel management

Correct Answer: Option A

- 105. Inventory lead time refers to
- A) Consumption period
- B) Storage period
- c) Manufacturing period
- **D**) Reorder period

Correct Answer: Option D

- 106. Main objective of inventory control is
- A) Profit maximization
- B) Safety stock maintenance

- c) Product development
- **D**) Accounting

- **107.** The main aim of budgeting is
- A) Planning
- B) Investment
- c) Recruitment
- **D**) All of the above

Correct Answer: Option A

- 108. Window display is for
- A) Stocking
- B) Advertisement
- c) Cash handling
- D) Billing

Correct Answer: Option B

- **109.** The double entry system is used in
- A) Bookkeeping and accounting
- B) Inventory control
- c) Marketing
- **D**) Human resources

Correct Answer: Option A

- 110. The ABC analysis in inventory is used to
- A) First Aid management
- B) Arrange by shelves
- c) Arrange by efficiency
- **D**) Arrange by cost

Correct Answer: Option D

- 111. The system for safe drug administration is
- A) Three checks
- B) Four rights
- c) Six rights
- D) Seven Checks

112. Clinical pharmacy emphasizes

- A) Direct patient care
- B) Drug manufacturing
- c) Marketing
- **D**) All of the above

Correct Answer: Option A

113. Adverse Drug Reaction (ADR) is

- A) Harmful unintended response
- B) Side effect only
- c) Toxic effect only
- D) Occurs in increased dose intake

Correct Answer: Option A

114. Drug Distribution System in hospital does NOT include

- A) Floor stock
- B) Individual prescription
- c) Billing
- **D**) Unit dose system

Correct Answer: Option C

115. Admixtures in hospital refer to

- A) IV fluids mixed with drugs
- B) Combinations of oral drugs
- **c**) Herbal preparations
- D) Topical creams

Correct Answer: Option A

- **116.** The term "unit dose system" refers to
- A) Repacking injectables for ward use
- B) Manufacturing tablets in batches
- **c**) Dispensing medications in single-use packaging
- **D**) Bulk compounding of ointments

Correct Answer: Option C

- 117. The ISO class for critical areas like clean rooms in pharmacy manufacturing is generally
- A) ISO 5 or lower
- B) ISO 9 or higher
- c) ISO 7 or lower
- **D**) ISO 10

- 118. "Recall" in hospital pharmacy refers to
- A) Asking for a medication history
- B) Collecting old case files
- c) Recalling staff from leave in emergencies
- **D**) Removal of a specific batch of drug due to defect

Correct Answer: Option D

- 119. Pyrogens in injectable preparations are substances originating from
- A) Dead or living microbes
- B) Dissolved gases
- c) Electrolyte solutions
- **D**) All of the above

Correct Answer: Option A

- **120.** For proper functioning, a hospital pharmacy should be located
- A) Adjacent to the cafeteria
- B) Outside the hospital premises
- c) Centrally within the hospital building
- **D**) Near the parking lot

Correct Answer: Option C