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May GA Quiz 15

Directions: Study the following questions carefully and answers the questions given below:

1. Which of the following airline companies has been rebranded as 'Go First'?

- A. IndiGo B. GoAir C. SpiceJet
D. Air India E. None of these

2. 2021 International Day of Families was observed on which date?

- A. May 15 B. May 16 C. May 14
D. May 13 E. None of these

3. Which of the following persons took out top spot in Fortune's 50 World's Greatest Leaders list?

- A. Sanna Marin B. Maria Ohisalo C. Katri Kulmuni
D. Jacinda Ardern E. None of these

4. Who among the following has been appointed Head Coach of Indian Women's Cricket team?

- A. Ramesh Powar B. Murali Kartik C. Amol Muzumdar
D. Ajit Agarkar E. None of these

5. Which state police has launched 'Mission Hausla' to help COVID-19 patients get oxygen, beds, plasma?

- A. Punjab Police B. Haryana Police C. Uttarakhand Police
D. Rajasthan Police E. None of these

6. "Malerkotla" has been declared as 23rd District of which state?

- A. Rajasthan B. Punjab C. Haryana
D. Jharkhand E. None of these



7. Who among the following has been named 'People's advocate for Climate Change' Ahead of COP26?

- A. David Attenborough B. Richard Attenborough C. Robert Attenborough
D. Susan Attenborough E. None of these

8. Which of the following countries has become the world's first country to ban synthetic cannabinoids?

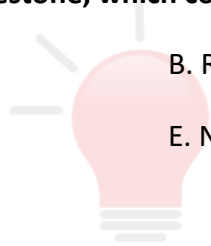
- A. India B. Japan C. China
D. Canada E. None of these

9. As per the WHO's report, Coronavirus Strain Found in which country is a 'Variant of Concern'?

- A. France B. USA C. China
D. India E. None of these

10. In major milestone, which country's first Mars Rover, "Zhu Rong" successfully landed on Mars?

- A. USA B. Russia C. Japan
D. India E. None of these



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11. Which Indian organization has developed an Oxycare system to regulate oxygen in patients body?

- A. DRDO B. BHEL C. NTPC
D. ISRO E. None of these

12. Mingma Tenji Sherpa, created a world record by scaling Mount Everest twice in the shortest span of time within a season is from which country?

- A. Tibet B. India C. Nepal
D. Bhutan E. None of these

13. Who among the following has been named as first woman to head Italy secret service?

- A. Lucrezia Reichlin B. Elisabetta Belloni C. Paola Severino
D. Luciana Lamorgese E. None of these



14. AYUSH Department has recently launched statewide wellness programme 'AYUSH Ghar Dwar' for COVID-19 patients in Sloan district of which state?

- A. West Bengal B. Rajasthan C. Tamil Nadu
D. Uttar Pradesh E. None of these

15. Which of the following states has decided to fund the education of those students who lost their parents or guardians to the Covid-19 pandemic in the past year?

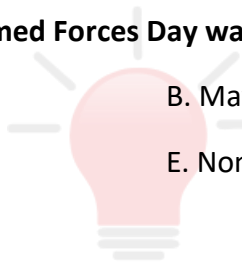
- A. Madhya Pradesh B. West Bengal C. Odisha
D. Chhattisgarh E. None of these

16. "My Village - Corona Free Village" campaign was launched in which state?

- A. Rajasthan B. Kerala C. Gujarat
D. Jharkhand E. None of these

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18. Which company has topped the 4G speed chart with a data download rate of 20.1 MBbps?

- A. Airtel B. Vodafone C. Reliance Jio
D. Idea E. None of these

19. Which of the following banks has committed a record USD 3.92 billion in sovereign loans for 13 projects to India in 2020, including USD 1.8 billion in COVID-19 related projects to support the government's pandemic response?

- A. New Development Bank B. World Bank C. Asian Development Bank
D. A and B Both E. None of these

20. The World Bank has extended USD 80.5 million to which country for its COVID-19 vaccination drive?

- A. Bangladesh B. India C. Sri Lanka
D. Maldives E. None of these



Correct answer:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
B	A	D	A	C	B	A	C	D	E	A	C	B	E	D	C	C	C	C	C

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: GoAir

What: rebrands as Go First in a shift to ultra-low-cost airline model

When: published on 14th May 2021

After being in the skies for 15 years, Wadia Group-owned GoAir has rebranded itself as 'Go First' as the airline focuses on ultra-low-cost business model amid the aviation industry grappling with pandemic headwinds.

The announcement on Thursday also comes amid reports that the airline was preparing for an initial share sale to raise funds for its ambitious expansion plans. The Go First as ULCC (ultra-low-cost carrier) would operate single aircraft type across its fleet, which currently has both Airbus A320 and A320Neos (new engine option) planes in operation, it said in a said.

With a 7.8 market share per cent in March, the city-based airline breached the 10 per cent market share threshold for the first time in June 2014 and barring a few occasions it kept hovering in the sub-10 per cent range till the emergence of the pandemic last year.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. [\(Read more\)](#)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: International Day of Families

What: was observed on 15th May 2021

International Day of Families is annually observed by the United Nations across the world on May 15. The day is commemorated to highlight the important affairs central to the welfare of families, such as health, education, gender equality, rights for children, and social inclusion among others.

The prolonged Covid-19 pandemic has demonstrated the significance of digital technologies in spheres like work, education, and communication. It has also led to an acceleration in technological changes that had already been in the pipeline for society and at work including the increased use of digital platforms and related technological innovations like cloud computing and the use of big data and algorithms.

United Nations is preparing for the thirtieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family, 2024, which aims to raise awareness of megatrends and responsive family-oriented policies to



tackle their effects. Megatrends including new technologies, demographic shifts, rapid urbanization, and migration trends, as well as climate change, have been dramatically shaping our world.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)

3. Hints to remember

Who: Jacinda Ardern

What: takes out top spot in Fortune's 50 World's Greatest Leaders list

When: published on 14th May 2021

The eighth annual list celebrates leaders - some well-known and others who aren't so familiar - who made a difference amid the "truly unprecedented times" of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Fortune said in its reasoning that Ardern had "already sealed her position as a great leader early in her premiership" by "empathetically steering her country through the aftermath of a terror attack and the deadly eruption of a volcano".

"Then the Covid-19 pandemic struck, and Ardern targeted not just suppression of the virus, but its complete elimination."

The magazine also praised Ardern's adoption of "world-leading climate and gender-equity policies" which saw New Zealand become the first country in the world to legally require banks and financial firms to disclose climate change's effect on businesses.

She was followed on the list by the pioneers of vaccine delivery system messenger RNA (mRNA), used by the Pfizer/BioNTech and Moderna Covid-19 vaccines.

Hence, the correct answer is option D. [\(Read more\)](#)

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Once shown the door, Powar

What: becomes women's team head coach again

When: published on 13th May 2021

The appointment of former India spinner Ramesh Powar as India women's cricket team head coach came as a surprise on Thursday after the Cricket Advisory Committee (CAC) chose him for the post, replacing WV Raman. The CAC, comprising Madan Lal and Sulakshna Naik interviewed eight candidates for the post, before picking Mumbai-based Powar.



The 42-year-old Powar was the head coach of the team in 2018 before he and ODI captain Mithali Raj became embroiled in a public spat. The fight began after Raj was dropped from the T20 World Cup semi-final against England, a match that India eventually lost.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Uttarakhand Police

What: has launched 'Mission Hausla' to help COVID-19 patients get oxygen, beds, plasma

When: published on 11th May 2021

The Uttarakhand Police has launched a drive called "Mission Hausla" to help people get oxygen, beds and plasma for COVID-19 patients.

Besides this, the police are also helping the public in getting ration, ambulance, cremation of bodies as part of the mission, said Director General of Police Ashok Kumar.

While speaking to ANI DGP Ashok Kumar said there are many people in the society who want to help, and there are many people who need help, the police is working as a nodal agency to merge these two.

"We started this mission on May 1 and it has completed 10 days. So far we have received 4 thousand 365 calls in 10 days and on Sunday, we received 649 calls in the state alone," he said.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Punjab CM Amarinder Singh

What: announces creation of new district of Malerkotla

When: published on 14th May 2021

Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh on Friday announced Malerkotla as the state's new district and noted that a long-pending demand of the people has been fulfilled.

Malerkotla will be the 23rd district of the state.

Addressing a state-level function virtually to greet the people on the occasion of Eid-ul-Fitr, the chief minister also announced a Rs 500 crore medical college for Malerkotla, a women's college, a new bus stand and a women police station.

Malerkotla, a Muslim majority town, was till now part of Sangrur district and is located nearly 35 km from the district headquarters in Sangrur.



While announcing the new district, the chief minister said, I know this has been a long-pending demand.

He said at the time of the country's Independence Punjab had 13 districts.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. [\(Read more\)](#)

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Sir David Attenborough

What: Named 'People's Advocate for Climate Change' Ahead of COP26

When: published on 11th May 2021

Sir David Attenborough has been named the "People's Advocate" of the UN Climate Change Conference or COP26, which the UK is hosting in Glasgow in November.

The renowned broadcaster, nature historian, and staunch climate advocate has been tasked with the role of "inspiring action" ahead of the summit, the British government said in a statement.

Attenborough's role will involve making the "compelling case for climate action" to both global leaders and the public, where his job will also be "to evidence the progress underway, and to highlight the actions decision makers will need to take ahead of and at COP26."

Attenborough said he was "greatly honoured" to be given the role, in a video statement released in response to the announcement.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)

8. Hints to Remember

Who: China

What: becomes the world's first country to ban synthetic cannabinoids

What: published on 11th May 2021

China will regulate all cannabinoid substances, the country's National Narcotics Control Commission (NNCC) announced on Tuesday. This makes China the first country in the world to do so, showing the country's continued efforts to crack down on new psychoactive substances, after it regulated all fentanyl-related substances in 2019.

Deng Ming, deputy head of the NNCC, said at a Tuesday press conference that China will add 18 substances, including synthetic cannabinoid substances and ketamine, to the narcotic and psychotropic drugs regulation list.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)



9. Hints to Remember

Who: Coronavirus Strain Found in India

What: Is a 'Variant of Concern,' WHO Says

When: published on 10th May 2021

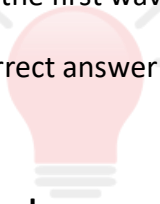
The World Health Organization on Monday classified a coronavirus variant first spotted in India as a global "variant of concern," saying preliminary studies showed it may be more transmissible than some other variants.

The WHO didn't report any evidence suggesting that currently authorized vaccines would be less effective against the variant.

The variant, known as B.1.617, is being studied by scientists around the world as they try to figure out its role in the fast growing Covid-19 surge in India, which reported more than 366,000 new daily cases on Monday. The variant has already spread to more than 30 countries, according to the WHO, including the U.S., the U.K., France and Japan.

The surge in India rose rapidly last month, overwhelming hospitals in the country's hardest-hit cities. Anecdotally speaking, "the pattern now is that one person in the family gets it, the whole family seems to get it," said Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, the WHO's chief scientist, in an interview. "This is unlike the first wave. And so I think what we're seeing is more transmissible."

Hence, the correct answer is option D. ([Read more](#))



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10. Hints to Remember

Who: China's first Mars rover, Zhu Rong

What: successfully landed on Mars

When: published on 14th May 2021

China's Zhurong Mars rover, mounted atop a rocket-powered lander, dropped away from its orbiting Tianwen-1 mothership Friday and descended to touchdown on the red planet, official news agencies confirmed, a superpower feat that highlights the growing prowess of the Chinese space program.

The China National Space Administration confirmed Zhurong, named after the god of fire in Chinese mythology, landed on a broad plain known as Utopia Planitia Friday at 7:18 p.m. EDT (7:18 a.m. Saturday Beijing time) after a fiery plunge through the thin martian atmosphere.

Thomas Zurbuchen, NASA's director of space science at NASA Headquarters, congratulated China on the successful landing, tweeting, "together with the global science community, I look forward to the important contributions this mission will make to humanity's understanding of the Red Planet."

Hence, the correct answer is option E. ([Read more](#))



11. Hints to Remember

Who: DRDO

What: develops an Oxycare system to regulate oxygen in patients body

When: published on 15th May 2021

The Defence Research and Development Organisation, DRDO has developed an Oxycare system to regulate oxygen being administered to the patients based on the sensed values of oxygen saturation in the body. The intelligent configuration of this Oxycare system provides automatic regulation of oxygen through a Low Pressure Regulator and Electronic Control System.

The Oxycare system developed by DRDO optimises consumption of oxygen based on oxygen saturation in the body. It reduces the workload of hospital staff eliminating the need of routine measurement and manual adjustment of oxygen flow. It is integrated with Non-Rebreather Masks saving oxygen by 30 to 40 per cent. The Oxycare system with audio warning for various failure scenarios can be used at homes, Quarantine Centres, COVID Care Centres and hospitals. DRDO has transferred the technology to multiple industries in the country for production. PM-CARES Fund has accorded sanction for the procurement of 1,50,000 units of Oxycare System at a cost of over 322 crore rupees.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Nepali Sherpa

What: Sets World Record by Scaling Everest Twice in Shortest Time in the Same Season

When: published on 14th May 2021

Mingma Tenji Sherpa, a 43-year-old Nepali mountain guide, has created a world record by scaling Mount Everest twice in the shortest span of time within a season, organisers said here on Thursday.

Sherpa, a resident of Sankhuwasabha district of eastern Nepal, first reached the summit of Everest in the evening of May 7 as a member of a rope-fixing team, and then scaled the world's highest mountain again on the morning of May 11, said Mingma Sherpa, chairman of Seven Summit Treks, which organised the expedition.

Second time Sherpa reached atop Everest as the mountain guide of a 16-member expedition team led by Bahrain prince Sheikh Mohammed Hamad Mohammed Al Khalifa, he said.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)



13. Hints to Remember

Who: Elisabetta Belloni

What: named as first woman to head Italy secret service

When: published on 13th May 2021

Italy has for the first time appointed a woman, career diplomat Elisabetta Belloni, to head the country's secret service, Prime Minister Mario Draghi announced Wednesday.

Belloni, who has already been the first woman to hold key foreign ministry posts, will now lead Italy's Security Intelligence Department (DIS), reporting directly to the cabinet, said the statement.

The DIS's brief includes handling intelligence and security matters at home and abroad as well as counter-espionage and cybersecurity.

Belloni came to public prominence when she led the foreign ministry's crisis unit between 2004 and 2008, taking responsibility for operations involving Italians injured or killed abroad, whether in attacks or natural disasters.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))

14. Hints to Remember

Who: AYUSH Dept

What: launches statewide wellness programme 'AYUSH Ghar Dwar' for COVID-19 patients in Sloan district of Himachal Pradesh

When: published on 14th May 2021

In Himachal Pradesh, AYUSH Department launched a state-wide wellness programme 'AYUSH Ghar Dwar' for COVID-19 patients, in Sloan district today. AIR Correspondent reports that the initiative aims to provide a Holistic Healthcare Approach through AYUSH to ensure not only physical but also mental, social and spiritual wellbeing to COVID patients through AYUSH.

AIR Correspondent reports, the Ayush Ghar Dwar program is being launched by AYUSH Vibhag Himachal Pradesh in collaboration with the Art of Living Organization. Under this program around 1000 virtual groups will be made on different social media platforms through which trained instructors on Ayurveda will conduct virtual sessions on Yoga, Pranayam, Breathing Exercises, Meditation, therapies, medicines and practices to calm the mind besides others.

Hence, the correct answer is option E. ([Read more](#))



15. Hints to Remember

Who: Chhattisgarh govt

What: to fund education of students orphaned due to Covid-19

When: published on 14th May 2021

The government of Chhattisgarh has decided to fund the education of those students who lost their parents or guardians to the Covid-19 pandemic in the past year. The government will be providing a fixed stipend to these students to fund their school education.

The state government has decided to launch the 'Chhattisgarh Mahtari Dular Yojna' for children who have lost their parents due to the Covid-19 pandemic, an official release said. This scheme will motivate students not to leave their studies in the middle, even after they have lost their parents.

The state government will also fund the education of the children who have lost the breadwinner of the family to Covid-19. Such children will also get priority in admission to the state-run Swami Atmanand English Medium Schools, it added.

Hence, the correct answer is option D. [\(Read more\)](#)

16. Hints to Remember

Who: Gujarat: 'My Village - Corona Free Village' campaign

What: helped in checking spread of Covid-19 in rural areas

When: published on 14th May 2021

In Gujarat, 'Maru Gam - Corona Mukta Gam' or My Village - Corona Free Village - campaign launched by the state government has helped in checking the spread of Covid-19 in rural areas. Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani had launched this 15-day campaign on the 1st of May on the occasion of the state's foundation day. AIR Ahmedabad correspondent reports that 'My village - Corona Free Village' campaign was launched with the aim to check the spread of Covid19 infection in the villages.

Chief Minister Vijay Rupani described this campaign as very successful. Recently, during the virtual interaction with the District Development officers and Chief District Medical Officers, Mr. Rupani said that efforts are on to ensure primary healthcare medicines and facilities continue to reach villages. The administration has been directed to provide adequate stock of medicines in the rural areas.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read More\)](#)



17. Hints to Remember

Who: Armed Forces Day

What: was observed 15th May

May 15 this year 2021, commemorates the very special Armed Forces Day. Celebrated on the third Saturday of May every year, this is a very crucial day dedicated to honour the US military forces for relentlessly providing security and protection to the nation. The US military constitutes of the following 6 branches -Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, and the Space Force. In addition to the above branches, the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard are reserve components of their services and function, partially, under state authority.

It is to acknowledge the effort of all the people working in these branches that the Armed Forces Day is celebrated unanimously among the US military. The inception of this day goes back to several years. The Defense Secretary Louis Johnson in 1949 on August 31, stated the concept of single-day observation as the Armed Forces Day in order to substitute separate Army, Navy and Air Force Days. As a result, all the armed forces were put together under one unified agency name — the Department of Defense.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Reliance Jio

What: tops in 4G download speed, Vodafone in upload: TRAI

When: published on 14th May 2021

Reliance Jio topped the 4G speed chart with a data download rate of 20.1MBbps, while Vodafone was ahead of others in upload speed at 6.7 Mbps in April, according to the latest data from telecom regulator TRAI.

Jio has almost three times higher download speed compared to its closest competitor Vodafone.

Though Vodafone and Idea Cellular have merged their mobile business as Vodafone Idea Ltd, the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai) still releases separate network speed data of both the entities.

Vodafone recorded a download speed of 7 Mbps in April, according to Trai's data updated on May 11. It was followed by Idea and Bharti Airtel with download speeds of 5.8 Mbps and 5 Mbps, respectively.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)



19. Hints to Remember

Who: ADB

What: commits record USD 3.92 billion loan to India in 2020

When: published on 14th May 2021

The Asian Development Bank on Friday said it has committed a record USD 3.92 billion in sovereign loans for 13 projects to India in 2020, including USD 1.8 billion in COVID-19 related projects to support the government's pandemic response.

As part of the pandemic support to India, the Manila-headquartered multilateral agency said it has provided emergency assistance to contain the disease and establish social protection measures for relief to the poor and other vulnerable groups.

ADB also approved financing to help the government improve equitable access to comprehensive primary health care in urban areas.

This is ADB's highest-ever annual lending commitment to India since the start of its lending operations in 1986, it said, adding it has also committed USD 356.1 million through its non-sovereign operations to India, including three COVID-19 support projects.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)

20. Hints to Remember

Who: World Bank

What: extends USD 80.5 million to Sri Lanka for COVID-19 vaccination drive

When: published on 14th May 2021

The World Bank on Friday extended USD 80.5 million to Sri Lanka for its COVID-19 vaccination drive.

"This useful and timely resource will help us ensure equitable vaccine deployment among the eligible populations of Sri Lanka," said Health Minister Pavithra Wanniarachchi, after the agreement was signed with the global financial body.

World Bank, Country Director of Sri Lanka, Faris Hadad-Zervos said: "The World Bank remains responsive to the health priorities of Sri Lanka as well as emergency needs. Effective deployment of the vaccines will help Sri Lanka protect people, build human capital and facilitate inclusive economic recovery."

Sri Lanka has so far inoculated 1.1 million people with the first dose of the coronavirus vaccine, of whom 244,000 people have been given the second dose.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)





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