

Mahabharata quiz for kids

25 QUESTIONS WITH ANSWERS

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1. Why was Shakuntala named so by Rishi Kanva?

   A As a new born, she was surrounded and protected by Shakunta birds
   B She was born during the Shakunta festival
   C She had the qualities of a Shakunta bird
   D She was abandoned in the Shakunta forest

2. Who were Garuda's parents?

   A Surya and Saranya
   B Vasuki and Shatashirsha
   C Kashyapa and Vinata
   D Indra and Shachi

3. What was the colour of Uchchaisravas, the horse that emerged from samudra manthan?

   A Red
   B Black
   C Golden
   D White

4. Who was Vyasa's father?

   A Parashara
   B Gautama
   C Jamadagni
   D Bhrigu

5. Where was Drona born?

   A In a royal palace
   B In a forest hermitage
   C In a wooden vessel
   D In a cave

6. What was Kunti's birth name?

   A Kala
   B Satyavati
   C Vinata
   D Pritha

7. Karna was born with natural kavacha and kundala. What were they?

A Divine aura and shield
B Crown and belt
C Armour and earrings
D Crown and necklace

8. Disguised as a person of what caste did Karna learn under Parashurama?

A Brahmana
B Kshatriya
C Shudra
D Vaishya

9. Which Pandava was also called Vrikodara?

A Yudhishthira
B Bhima
C Arjuna
D Nakula

10. As part of Duryodhana's plan to kill the Pandavas in a fire, where did he build the palace of inflammable material?

A Hastinapura
B Varanavata
C Khandavprastha
D Indraprastha

11. Who was Vidura's friend Khanaka, who helped the Pandavas escape from the palace of lacquer (lakshagriha)?

A A royal advisor
B A tunnel digger
C A spy
D A warrior

12. Which demon lived in the forest where the Pandavas rested after their escape from the palace of lacquer (lakshagriha)?

A Kirmira
B Hidimba
C Jarasandha
D Bakasura

13. Who remarked that the child's head is as shiny as a ghata (pot) and named him Ghatotkacha?

A Kunti
B Draupadi
C Gandhari
D Hidimbi

14. Disguised as Brahmanas, where did the Pandavas live for a short time?

A Indraprastha
B Ekachakra
C Hastinapura
D Kurukshetra

15. Who was also known as Yajnaseni?

A Uttaraa
B Subhadra
C Kunti
D Draupadi

16. In the Sanskrit text of the Mahabharata, what was the challenge announced at Draupadi's swayamvara?

A Hit a target by shooting five arrows through a hole
B Defeat all the other suitors in a duel
C Lift and break the bow of Shiva
D Pierce the eye of a revolving fish

17. Grateful for saving his life at the fire in Khandava forest, what did the danava Maya do?

A He gifted a celestial horse called Meghapushpa to Arjuna
B He built an extraordinarily beautiful assembly hall for Yudhishthira
C He took Krishna and Arjuna on a tour of the danava kingdom in Himavat mountains
D He gifted the divine gada called Kaumodaki to Krishna

18. Who slipped into a pool of water at the Pandavas' palace in Indraprastha and felt humiliated?

A Duryodhana
B Drona
C Karna
D Shakuni

19. At their encounter in Gandhamadana, what did Lord Hanuman ask Bhima to do?

A Bring him the Sanjeevani plant
B Move his gada aside if he wished to pass
C Pray to Lord Rama
D Move Hanuman's tail aside if he wished to pass

20. Who carried an exhausted Draupadi on his shoulders and flew her to Badrikashrama?

A Krishna
B Bhima
C Ghatotkacha
D Garuda

21. During the last year of Pandavas' exile in King Virata's kingdom, what role did Bhima take to remain unidentified?

A Chief minister
B Combat instructor
C Dance teacher
D Royal cook

22. What is the name of Krishna's shankha (conch)?

A Anantavijaya
B Devadatta
C Panchajanya
D Paundra

23. Who was known as Haladhara?

A Krishna
B Arjuna
C Balarama
D Bhima

24. Who was Sanjaya?

A Dhritarashtra's counsellor, who narrated the war to him
B Arjuna's charioteer
C Krishna's charioteer
D Bhishma's charioteer

25. Who was Arjuna's grandson?

A Parikshit
B Abhimanyu
C Janamejaya
D Prativindhya

Answers

1.	A	As a new born, she was surrounded and protected by Shakunta birds
2.	C	Kashyapa and Vinata
3.	D	White
4.	A	Parashara
5.	C	In a wooden vessel
6.	D	Pritha
7.	C	Armour and earrings
8.	A	Brahmana
9.	B	Bhima
10.	B	Varanavata
11.	B	A tunnel digger
12.	B	Hidimba
13.	D	Hidimbi
14.	B	Ekachakra
15.	D	Draupadi
16.	A	Hit a target by shooting five arrows through a hole
17.	B	He built an extraordinarily beautiful assembly hall for Yudhishthira
18.	A	Duryodhana
19.	D	Move Hanuman's tail aside if he wished to pass
20.	C	Ghatotkacha
21.	D	Royal cook
22.	C	Panchajanya
23.	C	Balarama
24.	A	Dhritarashtra's counsellor, who narrated the war to him
25.	A	Parikshit