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**CONCURSUL JUDEȚEAN
DE CULTURĂ ȘI CIVILIZAȚIE BRITANICĂ „QUEEN VICTORIA”**

CLASA a X-a

I. Circle the correct answer:

- 1.The Commonwealth was formally constituted by the London Declaration in what year?
A.1950 B.1945 C.1943 D.1949
- 2.The Commonwealth consists of how many member of states?
A.48 B. 59 C.54 D.55
- 3.Which of the following countries does not belong to the Commonwealth?
A.Canada B.Togo C.Solomon D.Uganda
- 4.As a rule, all member states have been subject to direct or indirect British rule or have had close administrative links to other Commonwealth countries. Which member, a former Portuguese colony, is the only exception?
A. Cyprus B. Mozambique C. Belize D. Tonga
- 5.How often are the Commonwealth Games held?
A. every five years B. every year C. every two years D. every four years
- 6.The former colonies that formed the basis for the ‘Commonwealth of nations’ adopted by prime ministers at the 1926 Imperial conference were previously known as what?
A. British fiefdoms B. British treasures
C. British subjects D. British dominions
- 7.Where was Henry VI murdered?
A.The Tower of London B.Bosworth Field C.Westminster Abbey D.Bamburgh Castle
- 8.Who was the first Lancaster king to rule England?
A.Richard of Cornwall B.Henry IV C.Edmund Crouchback D.John of Gaunt
- 9.Who was the last English monarch to have been killed in the battle of "The War Of Roses"?
A.Richard I of England B.Richard III of England C.John, King of England D.Harold Godwinson
- 10.Edward IV, the son of Richard of York, won the Battle of Towton in 1461 and gained the throne. What else was significant about it?
A. It was the bloodiest battle ever fought on English soil
B. Only 200 men were involved
C. It was the shortest battle ever fought on English soil
D. It was fought on Edward's birthday
- 11.Henry Tudor married this Yorkist, thus uniting the Houses of York and Lancaster:
A. Anne Neville B. Elizabeth of York C. Mary of York D. Margaret of York
- 12.Who led the Lancastrian forces during the Wars of the Roses?
A. Henry VI B. Margaret of Anjou C. Edward IV D. Richard, Duke of York

13. In what year was the Battle of Tewkesbury fought?
 A. 1470 B. 1471 C. 1485 D. 1487
14. Which kings were restored to the throne, after losing it?
 A. Henry VI B. Edward IV C. Edward V D. Richard III
15. Richard Duke of York first served as Lord Protector in 1453/4 because Henry VI was...
 A. Away on crusade in the Holy Land B. Captured and imprisoned in France
 C. Incapacitated due to mental illness D. Visiting Rome to pay homage to the new Pope
 Nicholas V
16. At which battle in 1487, sometimes considered the final battle of the Wars of the Roses, did Henry VII defeat the last large Yorkist rebellion?
 A. Battle of Barnet B. Battle of Wakefield
 C. Battle of Blore Heath D. Battle of Stoke Field
17. Henry VIII's longed for a son and on 12th October 1537 one was finally born. Henry was jubilant and named the boy of someone he admired. Who was it?
 A. Jane's brother Edward Seymour B. Edward the Confessor
 C. His maternal grandfather, Edward IV D. His Plantagenet ancestor, Edward III
18. Who is the current head of The House of Windsor?
 A. Elizabeth II B. Prince Charles C. Elizabeth I D. Prince Harry
19. In a constitutional monarchy such as Britain's, the powers of the monarch are:
 A. limited by the constitution B. unlimited/absolute C. there is no democracy D. limited by the Parliament
20. Who is the head of state of Canada?
 A. The President of the USA B. The Queen of England C. The President of Canada D. The Prime Minister of Canada
21. Beowulf had to defeat another demon the day after he fought Grendel. What relationship did this demon share with Grendel?
 A. Father B. Mother C. Brother D. Sister
22. How did Hrothgar reward Beowulf for killing the second demon?
 A. Twelve treasures were awarded to him B. He was made king of the kingdom C. Hrothgar gave him land
 D. Beowulf got his pick of any woman in the land
23. Which of the following is NOT one of the fairy servants in 'A Midsummer night's dream'?
 A. Mustardseed B. Cobweb C. Moth D. Dandelion
24. Bottom's head is transformed by the mischievous Puck into ...
 A. A goat B. A donkey C. A lion D. A chicken
25. What is the title of the Mechanicals' play?
 A. Troilus and Cressida B. Pyramus and Thisbe C. Oscar and Lucinda D. Hermia and Lysander
26. Who says 'the course of true love never did run smooth' in the play?
 A. Lysander B. Oberon C. Bottom D. Puck

27. Gulliver's travels literary genre is

- A. adventure and fantasy
- B. romance
- C. fantasy and satire
- D. horror

28. How did Gulliver describe the Houyhnhnms and their society?

- A. rational, wise, virtuous
- B. superstitious, fanciful
- C. proud, corrupt
- D. paranoid, aggressive, provoking

29. The argument between the Big-Endians and the Small-Endians was about ...

- A. Ships
- B. Eggs
- C. Shoes
- D. Politics

30. After returning home to England, with what race from all his travels did Gulliver equate Englishmen?

- A. The people of Glubbudrib
- B. Houyhnhnms
- C. Yahoos
- D. The people of Lilliput

II. Write a text based on the picture below (200 - 250 words).

Please remember to give a title to your text.

