MADRAS DAY 2020
Online QUIZ Contest

Questions with answers

1. Which part of Madras was known as Uyyakondacholapuram in honour of Rajendra Chola? **Ans. Poonamalli.**

2. Who arrived in Madras coast in his galleon named The Eagle? **Ans. Francis Day**

3. What stands today on the site of White Town's first burial ground? **Ans. The Madras Law college**

4. What is common to Pondicherry, Kunimedu and Covelong? **Ans. Alternative sites for EIC’s ware house chosen by Francis day**

5. The Nawab of Arcot built Marine Villa to serve as his bathing pavilion. It was demolished in 1930. What stands today on the site where the Nawab had his bath? **Ans. Library and research departments of Madras University constructed in 1930s.**

6. Who was the guardian of Tipu Sultan’s two sons when Cornwallis in Madras held them hostage? **Ans. John Doveton.**

7. What does Napoleon Bonaparte have to do with Fort St. George? **Ans. Fort St. George was one of the sites considered for the exile of Napoleon after Waterloo. He was ultimately exiled to the island of St. Helena.**

8. Which famous monument provided the inspiration for Chisholm’s Victoria Memorial Hall (now the Art Gallery) at Pantheon Road? **Ans. Buland Darwaza at Fatehpur Sikri.**

9. Where in Madras would one see a massive replica of the temple chariot of Thiruvarur? **Ans. At Valluvar Kottam.**

10. Which building was modeled on the Temple of Theseus in the Acropolis at Athens? **Ans. The Pachaiyappa’s Hall on NSC Bose Road which once housed the Pachaiyappa’s Central Institution.**
11. Identify the church

![Christ the King Church or Loyola College Church, Madras](image)

12. Identify the landscape

![People’s park (1859), Madras](image)
13. Identify the Shrine

Alwarpet Anjeneya Temple, TNSC Bank Campus, Chennai

14. Identify the following temple

Sai Baba Temple, Mylapore
15. Which temple near Chennai has this Aiyyanar Statue?

Pachaayyanar Temple, Tirumullaivoyal

16. Identify the building below

Agurchand Mansions (Khaleel Mansions), Mount Road, Chennai
17. Name the building in the below Photograph

![Brodie’s Castle (Music College), Adyar](image)

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18. Identify the below early colonial structure

![South Sea Gate, Fort St. George, Chennai](image)

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19. Identify the bridge in the picture below

Armenian Bridge (Marmalong Bridge) near St.Thomas Mount, Chennai

20. What is the name of the boat used by these fishermen in the below image

Catamaran
21. Can you name the only property in Madras still owned by the British?  
**Ans. Cottingely, in Nungambakkam. It is the residence of the British Deputy High Commissioner.**

22. Who lives in the palatial mansion once called Guindy Lodge?  
**Ans. Governor of Tamilnadu**

23. Two buildings, commemorated the Golden Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1887. One was the Victoria Memorial Hall. Which was the other?  
**Ans. Victoria Public Hall next to Ripon Buildings.**

24. The Banqueting Hall was built to celebrate two famous British victories. Which were they? **Ans. Srirangapattinam and Plassey. The second lord Clive, son of Robert Clive, constructed it. It is now called Rajaji Hall.**

25. Which locality was the Black Town of the Portuguese? **Ans. Mylapore.**

26. Which North Indian business community has given its name to a locality of Madras? **Ans. The Sahukarrs, the north Indian moneylenders, who funded the weavers, have lent their name to Sowcarpet.**

27. Esplanade and Adam’s Road were renamed as? **Ans. N.S.C. Bose Road and Swami Sivananda Salai.**

28. Which river was earlier called The Meilpore? **Ans. Adyar River.**

29. The Chettinad Palace stands on the largest ‘island’ in the mouth of the Adyar River. Can you name this ‘island’? **Ans. Quibble Island, now part of the mainland.**

30. What stood, first, atop the fort exchange, then took up two locations in the High Court Campus only to move once again to the beach? **Ans. The Madras lighthouse. The headless pillar in the High Court campus was the site of the second lighthouse. The third lighthouse was just a few yards away in the globe of the tallest tower of the High court.**

31. Which two seafront buildings did Robert Chisholm design to win a government-sponsored competition in 1864? **Ans. Presidency College and the Senate House. The latter is considered to be one of the finest examples of Indo-Saracenic architecture.**
32. What is the name of these small ferries in the picture below?

Masoolah boats

33. What were these Indian cooks in the below image called in British times?

Cuisinekara
34. Identify the following building which cares for health.

Egmore Women and Child Hospital, Chennai

35. Identify the book house in the below photograph

Higginbotham’s book shop, Chennai
36. Identify the building below.

Madras Medical College, Chennai

37. Where does the below inscription stand in Chennai

C.P. Ramaswami Aiyar Foundation, Alwarpet, Chennai
38. What is the name of the canal in the picture which connected north Madras with Ennore?

Ans. The Basin or Cochrane’s Canal (Buckingham Canal), a saltwater navigation canal from Madras North to Ennore, constructed in 1806 and financed by Basil Cochrane.

39. Which famous newspaper was published from this building?

The National Press Building (The Hindu), Mount Road, Chennai.
40. Name the big shots of Cinema in the image.

A.V. Meyyappan, S.S. Vasan, and B. Nagi Reddy, the big three of Tamil cinema in Madras