

GM CET Entertainment Media Knowledge

Sample Paper – 4

Duration: 15 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 25

Instructions

- This paper contains **25** Multiple Choice Questions (Single Correct Answer), modelled on the **Entertainment Media Knowledge** section of **GM CET** (Global Media Common Entrance Test).
- Each correct answer carries **+1 mark**. There is **no negative marking**. Unattempted questions receive **0** marks.
- Only **one** option is correct. Choose carefully.
- Syllabus level: **Indian & world cinema, music, television, OTT, awards and entertainment-media general awareness.**
- Use of mobile phones, calculators, or electronic gadgets is strictly prohibited.

Q1. Which celebrated composer, known as the “Maestro” (Isaignani), has scored music for over a thousand Indian films?

- (A) Bappi Lahiri
- (B) Anu Malik
- (C) Ilaiyaraaja
- (D) Naushad

Q2. Which Indian playback singer is famed for having made a record number of recordings over her career?

- (A) Asha Bhosle
- (B) Alka Yagnik
- (C) Kavita Krishnamurthy
- (D) Sunidhi Chauhan



- Q3.** The renowned maestro **Ustad Amjad Ali Khan** is celebrated worldwide for his mastery of which musical instrument?
- (A) Tabla
 - (B) Santoor
 - (C) Shehnai
 - (D) Sarod
- Q4.** Which legendary Carnatic vocalist became the **first musician** to be awarded the Bharat Ratna?
- (A) Gangubai Hangal
 - (B) M. S. Subbulakshmi
 - (C) Kishori Amonkar
 - (D) D. K. Pattammal
- Q5.** **The Beatles**, one of the most influential bands in history, originated from which city?
- (A) Liverpool
 - (B) Manchester
 - (C) London
 - (D) Birmingham
- Q6.** The music genre **jazz**, with its roots in blues and ragtime, originated in which country?
- (A) France
 - (B) Germany
 - (C) United States
 - (D) Italy
- Q7.** **Spotify** is best known as a popular service for:
- (A) online shopping



- (B) music streaming
- (C) video calling
- (D) food delivery

Q8. The symbol shown below is used in written music. It is called a:

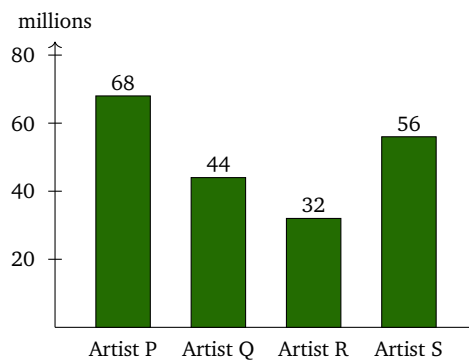


- (A) clef
- (B) bar line
- (C) rest
- (D) musical note

Q9. **Coke Studio** is best described as a well-known:

- (A) cooking competition
- (B) televised music programme
- (C) news bulletin
- (D) dance reality show

Q10. The bar chart shows worldwide album sales (in millions) of four artists. Which artist sold the **most** albums?



- (A) Artist P
- (B) Artist Q

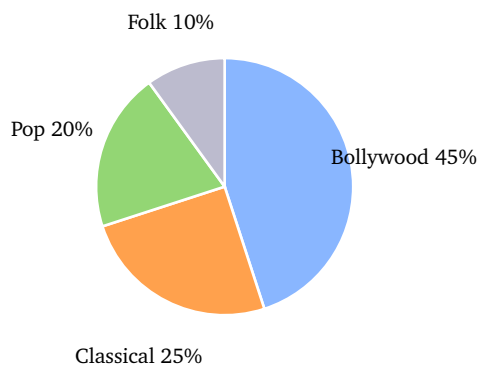


- (C) Artist R
- (D) Artist S

Q11. In Western classical music, a **violin** belongs to which family of instruments?

- (A) Woodwind
- (B) String
- (C) Percussion
- (D) Brass

Q12. The pie chart shows radio listenership by music genre. Which genre has the **largest** listenership?



- (A) Bollywood
- (B) Classical
- (C) Pop
- (D) Folk

Q13. In Indian classical music, the term “**raga**” most nearly refers to a:

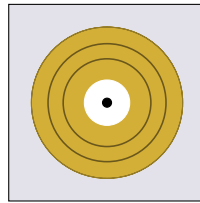
- (A) type of drum
- (B) dance posture
- (C) melodic framework
- (D) stage costume



Q14. The famous “**Symphony No. 5**” (with its iconic four-note opening) was composed by:

- (A) Mozart
- (B) Bach
- (C) Chopin
- (D) Beethoven

Q15. The framed golden disc award shown below is presented to recognise high sales of a:



- (A) music record (album/single)
- (B) motion picture
- (C) video game
- (D) newspaper

Q16. The **BRIT Awards** are an annual celebration of popular music held in which country?

- (A) United States
- (B) United Kingdom
- (C) Australia
- (D) Canada

Q17. When a song is played on a streaming app such as Spotify, each individual play is commonly counted as a:

- (A) download
- (B) subscription



- (C) playlist
- (D) stream

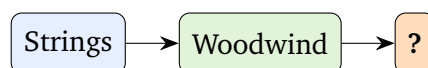
Q18. Which Indian music director, fondly nicknamed “**Pancham Da**”, is celebrated for his innovative Bollywood film songs?

- (A) R. D. Burman
- (B) Madan Mohan
- (C) Shankar–Jaikishan
- (D) Laxmikant–Pyarelal

Q19. The legendary **Pandit Jasraj** earned worldwide fame in which field of Indian classical music?

- (A) Flute playing
- (B) Sarangi playing
- (C) Hindustani classical vocal music
- (D) Veena playing

Q20. The diagram shows three main sections of a symphony orchestra in order. Which section fills the blank?



- (A) Lighting
- (B) Percussion
- (C) Costume
- (D) Audience

Q21. The music genre **reggae**, popularised worldwide by Bob Marley, originated in which country?

- (A) Cuba
- (B) Brazil



- (C) Jamaica
- (D) Nigeria

Q22. In a song, the **tempo** of the music refers to its:

- (A) loudness
- (B) pitch
- (C) lyrics
- (D) speed

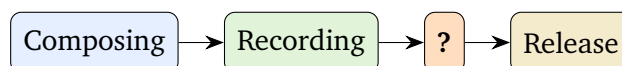
Q23. The renowned exponent **Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia** is a maestro of which instrument?

- (A) Bansuri (flute)
- (B) Sitar
- (C) Mridangam
- (D) Harmonium

Q24. The rock anthem “**Bohemian Rhapsody**” was performed by which British band?

- (A) The Rolling Stones
- (B) Queen
- (C) Pink Floyd
- (D) Led Zeppelin

Q25. The diagram shows the stages of producing a song in order. Which stage fills the blank?



- (A) Casting
- (B) Ticketing
- (C) Mixing & mastering
- (D) Catering



Detailed Solutions

Q1.

Solution

Concept — Indian film-music composers: A few composers dominate South Indian and Hindi film music.

Key fact: *Ilaiyaraaja*, called the “Maestro” (Isaignani), has composed music for well over a thousand films and is one of India’s most celebrated film-music composers.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) Bappi Lahiri, (B) Anu Malik and (D) Naushad were notable composers, but the “Maestro” title and the thousand-film record belong to Ilaiyaraaja.

Final Answer: Ilaiyaraaja ⇒ C

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q 1](#)

Q2.

Solution

Concept — Playback singing legends: Indian playback singers have recorded enormous numbers of songs.

Key fact: *Asha Bhosle* is celebrated for an extraordinary number of recordings across many languages over her long career.

Why other options are wrong:

- (B) Alka Yagnik, (C) Kavita Krishnamurthy and (D) Sunidhi Chauhan are popular singers, but the record-number-of-recordings distinction is linked to Asha Bhosle.

Final Answer: Asha Bhosle ⇒ A

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q 2](#)



Q3.

Solution

Concept — Indian classical instruments: Each maestro is tied to one signature instrument.

Key fact: *Ustad Amjad Ali Khan* is a renowned *sarod* maestro who has carried the instrument to global concert stages.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) Tabla, (B) Santoor and (C) Shehnai have other famous exponents; Amjad Ali Khan is identified with the sarod.

Final Answer: Sarod ⇒

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q 3](#)

Q4.

Solution

Concept — Bharat Ratna in music: India's highest civilian award has gone to a few musicians.

Key fact: *M. S. Subbulakshmi*, the legendary Carnatic vocalist, was the first musician to be awarded the Bharat Ratna.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) Gangubai Hangal, (C) Kishori Amonkar and (D) D. K. Pattammal were eminent vocalists but were not the first musician to receive the Bharat Ratna.

Final Answer: M. S. Subbulakshmi ⇒

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q 4](#)

Q5.

Solution

Concept — Global rock history: The Beatles are the most famous British rock band.

Key fact: *The Beatles* were formed in *Liverpool*, England, in 1960.

Why other options are wrong:



- (B) Manchester, (C) London and (D) Birmingham are major UK cities, but the Beatles are famously from Liverpool.

Final Answer: Liverpool ⇒

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q 5](#)

Q6.

Solution

Concept — Global music genres: Many genres are tied to a country of origin.

Key fact: *Jazz* originated in the *United States*, growing out of blues and ragtime traditions.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) France, (B) Germany and (D) Italy are associated with other musical traditions; jazz is American in origin.

Final Answer: United States ⇒

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q 6](#)

Q7.

Solution

Concept — Digital music platforms: Streaming apps let users listen on demand.

Key fact: *Spotify* is a popular music-streaming service offering songs and podcasts on demand.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) online shopping, (C) video calling and (D) food delivery are unrelated services; Spotify is for music.

Final Answer: music streaming ⇒

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q 7](#)



Q8.

Solution

Concept — Reading musical notation: A note shows a pitch to be played for a duration.

Key fact: The symbol with an oval head, a stem and a flag is a *musical note* (here, an eighth note / quaver).

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) a clef sets the pitch range; (B) a bar line divides measures; (C) a rest marks silence, not a note.

Final Answer: musical note \Rightarrow

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q 8](#)

Q9.

Solution

Concept — Music TV programmes: Some shows present live studio recordings of songs.

Key fact: *Coke Studio* is a well-known televised music programme featuring live studio-recorded performances by various artists.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) a cooking competition, (C) a news bulletin and (D) a dance reality show describe other formats, not Coke Studio.

Final Answer: televised music programme \Rightarrow

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q 9](#)

Q10.

Solution

Concept — Reading a bar chart: Compare the heights of the bars.

Step 1 — Values: Artist P = 68, Artist Q = 44, Artist R = 32, Artist S = 56 (millions).

Step 2 — Compare: The tallest bar is *Artist P* at 68 million, the highest seller.



Why other options are wrong:

- (B) Q (44) and (D) S (56) are below P; (C) R (32) is the lowest.

Final Answer: Artist P \Rightarrow

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q 10](#)

Q11.

Solution

Concept — Orchestra instrument families: Instruments are grouped by how they make sound.

Key fact: The *violin* is a bowed *string* instrument and forms the backbone of the string section.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) Woodwind (e.g. flute), (C) Percussion (e.g. drums) and (D) Brass (e.g. trumpet) are other families; the violin is a string instrument.

Final Answer: String \Rightarrow

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q 11](#)

Q12.

Solution

Concept — Reading a pie chart: The largest slice is the biggest share.

Step 1 — Shares: Bollywood 45%, Classical 25%, Pop 20%, Folk 10%.

Step 2 — Compare: The biggest slice (45%) is *Bollywood*.

Why other options are wrong:

- (B) Classical (25%), (C) Pop (20%) and (D) Folk (10%) are all smaller than Bollywood.

Final Answer: Bollywood \Rightarrow

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q 12](#)



Q13.

Solution

Concept — Indian classical music basics: A raga organises the melody.

Key fact: A *raga* is a melodic framework — a set of notes and rules used to build and improvise a melody.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) a drum is an instrument; (B) a dance posture and (D) a stage costume are not melodic concepts.

Final Answer: melodic framework ⇒

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q 13](#)

Q14.

Solution

Concept — Western classical composers: Each composer is tied to landmark works.

Key fact: *Ludwig van Beethoven* composed Symphony No. 5, famous for its four-note “short-short-short-long” opening.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) Mozart, (B) Bach and (C) Chopin are great composers, but Symphony No. 5 is Beethoven’s.

Final Answer: Beethoven ⇒

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q 14](#)

Q15.

Solution

Concept — Music sales awards: A golden disc honours strong record sales.

Key fact: A *gold record* (gold disc) is awarded to a *music record* — an album or single — that reaches a high sales threshold.

Why other options are wrong:

- (B) a motion picture, (C) a video game and (D) a newspaper are not recog-



nised with a gold disc; the award is for music sales.

Final Answer: music record (album/single) ⇒

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q 15](#)

Q16.

Solution

Concept — National music awards: Many countries have a flagship pop-music awards show.

Key fact: The *BRIT Awards* are the United Kingdom's annual popular-music awards.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) the United States has the Grammys; (C) Australia has the ARIA Awards; (D) Canada has the Juno Awards.

Final Answer: United Kingdom ⇒

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q 16](#)

Q17.

Solution

Concept — Streaming terminology: Online listening is measured in plays.

Key fact: On services like Spotify, each individual play of a track is counted as a *stream*.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) a download saves a file offline; (B) a subscription is the paid plan; (C) a playlist is a saved list of songs.

Final Answer: stream ⇒

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q 17](#)



Q18.

Solution

Concept — Bollywood music directors: Some composers are known by affectionate nicknames.

Key fact: *R. D. Burman*, fondly called “Pancham Da”, is celebrated for his innovative and trend-setting Hindi film songs.

Why other options are wrong:

- (B) Madan Mohan, (C) Shankar–Jaikishan and (D) Laxmikant–Pyarelal were great composers, but “Pancham Da” is R. D. Burman.

Final Answer: R. D. Burman ⇒

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q 18](#)

Q19.

Solution

Concept — Indian classical maestros: Each artist is famous for one discipline.

Key fact: *Pandit Jasraj* was a legendary *Hindustani classical vocalist*, celebrated worldwide for his singing.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) Flute, (B) Sarangi and (D) Veena are instruments with other exponents; Pandit Jasraj was a vocalist, not an instrumentalist.

Final Answer: Hindustani classical vocal music ⇒

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q 19](#)

Q20.

Solution

Concept — Sections of an orchestra: An orchestra is grouped into instrument families.

Key fact: The main orchestral sections include *Strings*, *Woodwind*, *Percussion* (and Brass); the blank after Strings and Woodwind is *Percussion*.

Why other options are wrong:



- (A) Lighting, (C) Costume and (D) Audience are not instrument sections of an orchestra.

Final Answer: Percussion ⇒

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q 20](#)

Q21.

Solution

Concept — Global music genres: Many genres are tied to a country of origin.

Key fact: *Reggae* originated in *Jamaica* and was carried worldwide by Bob Marley.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) Cuba is linked to salsa; (B) Brazil to samba; (D) Nigeria to Afrobeat — not reggae.

Final Answer: Jamaica ⇒

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q 21](#)

Q22.

Solution

Concept — Basic music terms: A few terms describe how music sounds.

Key fact: *Tempo* is the *speed* (pace) at which a piece of music is played.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) loudness is dynamics/volume; (B) pitch is how high or low a note is; (C) lyrics are the words, not the speed.

Final Answer: speed ⇒

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q 22](#)



Q23.

Solution

Concept — Indian classical wind instruments: Each maestro is paired with one instrument.

Key fact: *Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia* is a maestro of the *bansuri* (Indian bamboo flute).

Why other options are wrong:

- (B) Sitar, (C) Mridangam and (D) Harmonium are different instruments; Chaurasia is the flute maestro.

Final Answer: Bansuri (flute) ⇒

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q 23](#)

Q24.

Solution

Concept — Classic rock anthems: Famous songs are tied to famous bands.

Key fact: “*Bohemian Rhapsody*” was written by Freddie Mercury and performed by the British band *Queen*.

Why other options are wrong:

- (A) The Rolling Stones, (C) Pink Floyd and (D) Led Zeppelin are legendary bands, but this song is Queen’s.

Final Answer: Queen ⇒

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q 24](#)

Q25.

Solution

Concept — Song-production workflow: A song moves through clear stages before release.

Key fact: A typical flow is *Composing* → *Recording* → *Mixing & mastering* → *Release*; the blank is *Mixing & mastering*.

Why other options are wrong:



- (A) Casting and (D) Catering are not music-production steps; (B) Ticketing relates to live shows, not making the track.

Final Answer: Mixing & mastering ⇒

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Answer Key

Q	Ans	Q	Ans	Q	Ans	Q	Ans	Q	Ans
1	C	2	A	3	D	4	B	5	A
6	C	7	B	8	D	9	B	10	A
11	B	12	A	13	C	14	D	15	A
16	B	17	D	18	A	19	C	20	B
21	C	22	D	23	A	24	B	25	C

