

CUET PG 2026 Art & Aesthetics Memory Based Question Paper

Time Allowed :1 Hour 30 Mins	Maximum Marks :300	Total Questions :75
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General Instructions

1. The exam lasts 90 minutes (1 hour 30 minutes).
2. There are 75 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) to be answered.
3. +4 marks for every correct answer. -1 mark (negative marking) for every incorrect answer. 0 marks for unanswered or un-attempted questions.
4. For any discrepancy in questions, the English version is considered final (except for language-specific papers).
5. Click one of the four options to choose an answer.
6. You must click "Save & Next" to confirm your response. Only saved answers are considered for evaluation.
7. Use "Mark for Review & Next" to flag a question for later. You can unselect or change your answer using the "Clear Response" button.
8. All calculations must be done on the Rough Sheets provided at the centre. These must be returned to the invigilator after the exam.

1. Which ancient Indian text is considered the foundational treatise on performing arts, including dance, music, and drama?

- (A) Arthashastra
- (B) Natyashastra
- (C) Manusmriti
- (D) Shilpa Shastra

2. The "Rasa Theory," essential to Indian aesthetics, was primarily developed by which scholar?

- (A) Bharata Muni
- (B) Kalidasa
- (C) Abhinavagupta
- (D) Panini

3. Which school of miniature painting is famous for the masterpiece "Radha (Bani-Thani)"?

- (A) Mughal School
- (B) Kangra School

- (C) Kishangarh School
 - (D) Mewar School
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4. The "Dancing Girl" figurine, a landmark of ancient Indian sculpture, belongs to which civilization?

- (A) Mauryan Civilization
 - (B) Gupta Civilization
 - (C) Indus Valley Civilization
 - (D) Vedic Civilization
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5. Who is often credited as the father of the Bengal School of Art?

- (A) Raja Ravi Varma
 - (B) Abanindranath Tagore
 - (C) Nandalal Bose
 - (D) Jamini Roy
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6. Which Western art movement is characterized by a focus on light and its changing qualities, featuring artists like Claude Monet?

- (A) Cubism
 - (B) Impressionism
 - (C) Surrealism
 - (D) Expressionism
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7. In the context of Indian classical dance, what does the term "Abhinaya" refer to?

- (A) Footwork techniques
 - (B) Expression and communication of emotions through gestures and facial expressions
 - (C) Rhythmic patterns used in dance
 - (D) Costumes and ornaments used by dancers
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8. Which Mughal Emperor's reign is considered the golden age of Mughal architecture, specifically for the construction of the Taj Mahal?

- (A) Akbar
 - (B) Jahangir
 - (C) Shah Jahan
 - (D) Aurangzeb
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9. What is the primary purpose of a "pyrometric cone" in a ceramic kiln?

- (A) To decorate ceramic surfaces during firing
 - (B) To measure the exact temperature inside the kiln
 - (C) To indicate the heat work (combined effect of temperature and time) during firing
 - (D) To regulate airflow within the kiln
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10. The film movement "Dogme 95" originated in which country?

- (A) France
 - (B) Italy
 - (C) Denmark
 - (D) Germany
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11. Which Greek philosopher wrote "The Poetics," which discusses the concept of "Catharsis" in tragedy?

- (A) Socrates
 - (B) Plato
 - (C) Aristotle
 - (D) Pythagoras
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12. The Ajanta caves are predominantly famous for which type of artistic expression?

- (A) Stone architecture
 - (B) Fresco paintings and murals
 - (C) Bronze sculptures
 - (D) Terracotta figurines
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13. Which modern Indian artist is known for his "Horse" series and was a founding member of the Progressive Artists' Group?

- (A) Jamini Roy
 - (B) M. F. Husain
 - (C) Tyeb Mehta
 - (D) S. H. Raza
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14. In aesthetic theory, the term "Mimesis" refers to what concept?

- (A) Emotional purification through art
 - (B) Imitation or representation of reality in art
 - (C) Spiritual symbolism in artistic expression
 - (D) Use of abstract geometric forms in painting
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15. Which dance form uses Jayadeva's Gita Govinda extensively in its repertoire?

- (A) Kathak
 - (B) Bharatanatyam
 - (C) Odissi
 - (D) Manipuri
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