

## **Sri Lankan music – Answers**

### **Geta Beraya**

- 1267. (2) Geta Beraya
- 1268. (3) Magul Beraya
- 1269. (2) Buddhist ceremonies
- 1270. (3) Perahera
- 1271. (2) Kandyan
- 1272. (2) To provide rhythmic accompaniment
- 1273. (1) Cylindrical
- 1274. (1) TWO hands
- 1275. (3) Indian Raga
- 1276. (2) Kandyan dancers

### **Yak Beraya**

- 1277. (2) Yak Beraya
- 1278. (3) Pokuru Beraya
- 1279. (2) Rituals such as Thovil and Bali
- 1280. (3) Low-country
- 1281. (1) Two hands
- 1282. (2) Bali and Thovil
- 1283. (4) Rabana
- 1284. (2) Call upon deities
- 1285. (3) Wood and animal skin

### **Daula**

- 1286. (3) Daula
- 1287. (2) Ada Beraya

1288. (3) With a hand and a stick

1289. (1) Kadippuwa

### **Thammettama**

1290. (2) Pokuru beraya

1291. (3) With two sticks

### **Uddakkiya**

1292. (1) Uddakkiya

1293. (3) With one hand

### **Bummediya**

1294. (2) Bummediya

1295. (2) A pot

1296. (2) Folk music

### **Raban**

1297. (2) Hand Raban

1298. (1) Banku Raban

1299. (2) Sinhala Aluth Aurudu

### **Common questions about drus of sri lanka**

1300. (4) Rabanna

1301. (2) Geta Beraya

1302. Davula (Daula)

1303. Mala Beraya

1304. With one hand and one stick

- 1305.** Kadippuwa
- 1306.** Tammattama
- 1307.** Played with two sticks
- 1308.** Hourglass shape
- 1309.** Played by tightening and loosening the string with one hand while striking with the fingers of the other hand
- 1310.** Bummediya
- 1311.** Folk or traditional Sinhala folk music
- 1312.** Banku Rabanna and Hand Rabanna
- 1313.** Hand Rabanna
- 1314.** Banku Rabanna
- 1315.** Sinhala Aluth Aurudu
- 1316.** Sabaragamuwa dance tradition
- 1317.** Hevisi ensemble
- 1318.** Mala Beraya
- 1319.** It is used in funeral ceremonies ("Mala" means death)
- 1320.** One hand and one stick
- 1321.** Twin drum
- 1322.** Two sticks
- 1323.** Two drums
- 1324.** Bummediya
- 1325.** Hourglass shape
- 1326.** Folk and traditional festivals
- 1327.** It is larger and usually played in a group setting
- 1328.** Hands (palms and fingers)
- 1329.** Virindu singing
- 1330.** Two sticks
- 1331.** Folk music and rituals

- 1332. Buddhist ceremonies and Kandyan dance
- 1333. Yak Beraya
- 1334. Yak Bera, Ruhunu Beraya, Ritual Drum
- 1335. Pahatharata Dancing
- 1336. Both Hands
- 1337. Its unique tuning system, mechanism
- 1338. Hevisi
- 1339. Rituals and traditional ceremonies
- 1340. Cowhide or goat skin
- 1341. Sabaragamuwa dance tradition
- 1342. Hevisi ensemble
- 1343. Kadippuwa
- 1344. Pokuru beraya
- 1345. Two sticks
- 1346. Temple ceremonies and peraheras
- 1347. Two drums
- 1348. Fingers and palm, using tension adjustments
- 1349. Buddhist rituals and temple offerings
- 1350. Uddakkiya
- 1351. High-pitched, sharp tone
- 1352. Folk dances, folk songs

## **Wannam**

**1353.** (2) Rhythmic and descriptive dance forms

**1354.** (1) 18

**1355.** (3) Gajaga Wannama

**1356.** (2) 24

**1357.** (2) Mayura Wannama

**1358.** (2) Bera

**1359.** (2) The movement of a snake

**1360.** (2) Hanuma Wannama

**1361.** (4) All of the above

**1362.** (3) Savula Wannama

**1363.** (3) 32

**1364.** (1) Tala

**1365.** (3) Kandyan Wannama

**1366.** (2) Their movements and behaviors

**1367.** (2) Up-country, Sabaragamuwa, and Low-country

**1368.** (2) Classical Sri Lankan dance

**1369.** (3) Ukussa Wannama

**1370.** (3) Gajaga Wannama

**1371.** (2) Low-country

**1372.** (2) It conveys emotions and enhances storytelling

**1373.** Wannams are rhythmic and descriptive traditional dance compositions in Sri Lankan classical dance that depict the behaviors and characteristics of animals, nature, or heroic figures.

**1374.** Up-country, Sabaragamuwa, and Low-country Wannams.

- 1375.** There are 18 Wannams in the Up-country tradition.
- 1376.** There are 24 Wannams in the Sabaragamuwa tradition.
- 1377.** There are 32 Wannams in the Low-country tradition.
- 1378.** The purpose of Wannam in traditional Sri Lankan dance is to train dancers in rhythm, expression, and technique while portraying animals, natural elements, and legendary stories through movement and music.
- 1379.** Elephant, Peacock, Monkey.
- 1380.** Gajaga Wannama represents the strength and majestic movements of the elephant.
- 1381.** Mayura Wannama represents the graceful movements of the peacock.
- 1382.** Bera (drum), Thalampota.

### **Prashasthi**

- 1383.** (2) Praise songs dedicated to kings
- 1384.** (3) King Vijayabahu I
- 1385.** (3) Kotte Period
- 1386.** (3) King Sri Wickrama Rajasinghe
- 1387.** (1) To glorify the king's reign and achievements
- 1388.** (1) King's palace
- 1389.** (3) A music director (Kapellmeister) responsible for royal performances
- 1390.** (3) Sinhala
- 1391.** (2) A special place (stage) in the palace for cultural and musical events
- 1392.** (2) Perakumba Siritha
- 1393.** (1) Kolam dance

**1394.** (3) Royal family and courtiers

**1395.** (1) Waramathi Subha Charithe

**1396.** Prashasthi songs are praise songs dedicated to kings, composed to honor their achievements and reign.

**1397.** King Vijayabahu I.

**1398.** The purpose of Prashasthi songs was to glorify the king's reign, achievements, and heroic deeds.

**1399.** Ilangamrala was a music director (Kapellmeister) responsible for organizing and leading royal musical performances.

**1400.** Ilangammaduwa was a special stage in the royal palace used for cultural and musical events.

**1401.** Thedini viraja and Waramathi Subha Charithe.

**1402.** Prashasthi songs were performed in the king's palace during ceremonial or cultural occasions.

### **Nadagan**

**1403.** (4) C. Don Bastian

**1404.** (2) Tamil Therukkuththu drama

**1405.** (2) Ehelepola

**1406.** (2) Seven days

**1407.** (1) In open-air theatres after the harvest

**1408.** (2) To narrate and introduce characters

**1409.** (2) Innisaya

**1410.** (1) Bahubuthaya (Kolama)

**1411.** (3) 50–60

**1412.** (2) Uruttuwa

1413. (1) Violin
1414. (3) Peduru Silva
1415. (1) Gambira thedethi
1416. (2) To entertain and narrate historical or religious stories
1417. (3) Biblical stories
1418. (2) Sellapillai
1419. (2) Because people had leisure time
1420. (1) Nadagam is performed outdoors, while Nurthi is performed on a proscenium stage
1421. (1) Maddala
1422. (1) Mechanically controlled props
1423. Philip Singho
1424. Two Nadagam plays translated from Tamil drama are *Mathalan* and *Singhawalli*.
1425. Seven days.
1426. *Innisaya* is the speech-like singing style used in Nadagam plays.
1427. Maddala, Horanewa, and Thalampota.
1428. The main purpose of Nadagam drama is to entertain and narrate historical or religious stories.
1429. *Uruttuwa* is a fast-tempo musical section in Nadagam, similar to the style used in Nurthi.
1430. Nadagam performances were held in open-air theatres after the harvest of paddy.
1431. Any answer. - Peduru Silva, Philip Singho
1432. any Nadagam song ex - **Gambira thedethi**.

## Nurthi

1433. (3) C. Don Bastian  
1434. (2) 1877  
1435. (3) Indian Parsi Theatre  
1436. (1) Proscenium stage  
1437. (3) Hindustani classical music  
1438. (4) all of these  
1439. (2) Uruttuwa  
1440. (1) John de Silva  
1441. (3) Sirisangabo  
1442. (2) Ramayanaya  
1443. (2) Sri Wickrama  
1444. (1) Nurthi was performed indoors with props  
1445. (2) C. Don Bastian  
1446. (3) Gajaga Wannama  
1447. (1) It was influenced by Hindustani music  
1448. (1) John de Silva and Charles Dias

## Short Answer Questions

1449. C. Don Bastian introduced Nurthi drama to Sri Lanka.  
1450. Nurthi was introduced in the year 1877.  
1451. Indian Parsi Theatre influenced Nurthi.  
1452. Harmonium and Tabla are two instruments used in Nurthi performances.  
1453. "Dohora" in Nurthi drama is a type of song form where two characters sing in question and answer style.  
1454. "Uruttuwa" is the fast-tempo concluding section of a Nurthi performance.  
1455. Two Nurthi dramas written by C. Don Bastian are *Rolina* and *Remio and Juliet*.

- 1456.** A famous Nurthi drama written by John de Silva is *Seethabharana*. (or other his song)
- 1457.** *Sri Wickrama* is a historical Nurthi drama based on a Sri Lankan king.
- 1458.** Nurthi differed from Nadagam by being performed on a proscenium stage with scripts, props, and musical arrangements influenced by Hindustani classical music, unlike the more folk-based, open-air Nadagam.
- 1459.** Nurthi performances used the proscenium stage.
- 1460.** One reason for the decline of Nurthi theatre was the rise of modern cinema and new theatrical styles.
- 1461.** A commonly used musical instrument in Nurthi is the Harmonium.

### **Light song**

- 1462.** (3) 1950
- 1463.** (3) Gramophone records
- 1464.** (1) Amaradeva
- 1465.** (3) Mythology
- 1466.** (1) Sunil Santha
- 1467.** (4) Edward Jayakody
- 1468.** (2) Simple and melodious
- 1469.** (1) W.D. Amaradeva
- 1470.** (3) Family gatherings
- 1471.** (3) Ludwig van Beethoven
- 1472.** (3) "Symphony No. 5"
- 1473.** (3) Easy to sing
- 1474.** (3) Radio and television programs
- 1475.** (2) Light Songs are simpler and easy to understand
- 1476.** (4) all of these

1477. (1) Ananda Samarakoon

1478. (2) Love and happiness

1479. Sarala Gee

1480. Two main themes found in Light Songs are **love** and **nature**.

1481. Two famous pioneers of Sri Lankan Light Songs are W.D. Amaradeva and Sunil Santha.

1482. simple and melodious tunes, meaningful lyrics, easy to sing, and use of both traditional and modern instruments.

1483. Olu Pipila

1484. Basa seethala gagule pina pina namuko nago

1485. Light Songs are commonly performed at family gatherings, radio/TV programs, and cultural events.

1486. Nanda Malini , Ananda Samarakoon

1487. The main difference between Light Songs and Classical Music is that Light Songs are simpler, easy to understand, and more focused on emotion and melody.

1488. Akke Akke Ara Balannako and Olu pipila

1489. Instruments commonly used in Light Songs include the violin, guitar, tabla, flute, and harmonium.

### **Folk song**

1490. (2) Jana Kavi

1491. (2) Orally from generation to generation

1492. (2) To express daily life, customs, and traditions

- 1493.** (4) Aria
- 1494.** (2) Cart drivers
- 1495.** (1) Songs sung while farming
- 1496.** (1) Songs used in traditional games
- 1497.** (2) Enhancing the fun of games
- 1498.** (2) Farmers
- 1499.** Jana Kavi
- 1500.** They were preserved orally by passing from generation to generation.
- 1501.** Karatta Kavi and Paaru Kavi
- 1502.** Daily life and cultural traditions
- 1503.** Paaru Kavi
- 1504.** Pthal Kavi are sung during work at the harbor or on land, while Paaru Kavi are sung while rowing boats.
- 1505.** Because they were part of an oral tradition and not formally notated.
- 1506.** A rhythmic feature of Mehe Gee is a steady, repetitive beat matching farming actions.
- 1507.** Mehe Gee helps farmers stay energized and uplifted while working in the paddy fields, making hard physical labor more enjoyable. And Singing together creates a sense of community and teamwork among farmers,
- 1508.** Keli Gee are songs sung during traditional games to increase enjoyment and engagement.
- 1509.** Onchili Waram and Olida keliya
- 1510.** Folk songs are traditional songs that reflect the lives, beliefs, and customs of ordinary people.
- 1511.** They are categorized by Mehe gee, keli gee, Daru nalavili gee and Se gee
- 1512.** These are examples of folk songs for specific purposes:
- Mehe Gee – farming songs

- Keli Gee – game songs
- Daru Nalavili Gee – lullabies for children

**1513.** The purpose is to express culture, share knowledge, provide entertainment, and accompany daily tasks.

**1514.** They were initiated by the common people, especially farmers, laborers, and villagers. Today, they are used in cultural performances, education, and heritage preservation.

### **Baila and Virindu**

**1515.** (2) Portugal

**1516.** (2) Kaffringna

**1517.** (3) Waly Bastian

**1518.** (1) 6/8

**1519.** (3) Horanewa

**1520.** (2) Viridu

**1521.** (2) Rabana

**1522.** (3) Both villages and towns

**1523.** (1) Rabana

**1524.** (2) Folk songs

**1525.** (2) Fast and rhythmic beats

**1526.** (2) Street singers and folk artists

**1527.** (2) As a solo performance with Rabana

- 1528. Kaffringna
- 1529. Waly Bastian
- 1530. 6/8
- 1531. Banjo
- 1532. Mandolin/Guitar
- 1533. Folk song
- 1534. Both villages and towns
- 1535. Banjo, Bongo,
- 1536. Bongo