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General English

Instructions

In the following passage there are blanks which are numbered. Below the passage against these words, a choice of four words, marked (A), (B), (C) and (D) is given, One of which fits the blank appropriately. Find the appropriate word.

Primitive man was perhaps more concerned (1) fire as a source of warmth and as a means of cooking food than as a source of light. (2) he discovered less laborious ways of making fire, he had to (3) it and (4) he went on journey he carried a firebrand with him. His discovery that the firebrand, from which the torch may well have developed, (5) used for illumination was probably (6) to the (7) purpose of preserving a flame. Lamps, too, were developed by accident. Early man (8) his first conception of lamp (9) watching a twig or fibre burning in the molten fat (10) from a roasting carcass. All he had (11) was to fashion a vessel to contain fat and float a lighted reed in it. Such lamps, which were made of stones or sea shells have persisted in identical form up to (12) recent times.

Question 1

(1)

- A With
- B Of
- C In
- D By

Answer: A

Question 2

(2)

- A As
- B As soon as
- C No sooner
- D Sooner

Answer: B

Question 3

(3)

- A Keep
- B Retain
- C Preserve
- D Bear

Answer: C

Question 4

(4)

- A Whenever
- B Whichever

C Whoever

D However

Answer: A

Question 5

(5)

A Could be

B Can be

C Will be

D Had been

Answer: A

Question 6

(6)

A Incidental

B Accidental

C Primary

D Secondary

Answer: B

Question 7

(7)

A Fundamental

B Real

C Primary

D Imaginary

Answer: A

Question 8

(8)

A Have had

B May have had

C Has had

D May had

Answer: B

Question 9

(9)

- A When
- B As
- C While
- D What

Answer: C

Question 10

(10)

- A Dropping
- B Dropped
- C Has Dropped
- D Had dropped

Answer: A

Question 11

(11)

- A Done
- B To do
- C By doing
- D While Doing

Answer: B

Question 12

(12)

- A Quite
- B Quiet
- C Well
- D Nearer

Answer: A

Instructions

A struggle for power began with Bimbsara and Ajatsatru of the kingdom of Magadh. In the 4 Century BC, the Nandas came to power, with their capital at Patliputra. The latter were replaced by Mauryas at the close of same century. This came about partly as a result of Alexander 's invasion and decline of Iranian strength in India. Chandra Gupta Maurya took advantage of unsettled conditions and with the help of advisor Kautilya, built the first great empire of India. Under him and his two great successors Bindusar and Ashoka, almost the whole of India with the exception of farthest south, was unified into one empire.

Many important developments took place in the social, economic and cultural life of the Indian people in this period. Particularly important was the spread of Buddhism, which had been introduced earlier.

The decline of the Mauryan empire after the rule of Ashoka was followed by a long period of new invasions and the formation of small states. Of the foreign invasions, the first was that of the Greeks who were the rulers of Bactria. They conquered the Punjab and part of Sind and their contact had a lasting influence on the culture of India. Gandhara style of art emerged and flourished. The greatest Greek ruler in India was Menander in 2 century BC who became Buddhist. The Greek invasion was followed by Sakas. The saka displaced the Greek in Bactria and spread their power in western India. One of the Saka king was Rudradaman who as name suggests, was a devotee of Shiva. He was responsible for important irrigation works in Saurashtra. The Sakas, like other invaders, became a part of Indian life and played an important role in the development of Indian culture.

Another group of Invaders in central India was that of the Kushans. The Greatest of Kushan ruler was Kanishka who according to some historians started Saka era. Kanishka ruled his vast empire in India and central Asia from Purusapura for 40 years. Kanishka's Empire brought to India the cultural tradition of Iran, Greece and Rome. It also provided a stimulus to trade between India and other parts of the World. Kanishka patronized the Mahayana form of Buddhism. It spread to central Asia during this period and from there to China, Korea and Japan. The Kushana Empire declined in the third century.

Question 13

Who was the greatest Greek ruler in India:

- A Ajatashatru
- B Bimbsara
- C Bindusara
- D Milinda

Answer: D

Question 14

The cultural traditions of Iran, Greece and Rome came to India during the rule of :

- A Ashoka
- B Kanishka
- C Menander
- D Rudradaman

Answer: B

Question 15

The successors of the Nandas, whose capital was at Patliputra, were the

- A Greeks
- B Iranians
- C Mauryas
- D Sakas

Answer: C

Question 16

Gandhara style of Art emerged and flourished during the reign of:

- A Greeks

- B Nandas
- C Maurayan
- D Kushans

Answer: A

Question 17

Who patronized the Mahayana form of Buddhism?

- A Bindusara
- B Chandragupta Maurya
- C Kanishka
- D Ashoka

Answer: C

Question 18

In the following question four sentences are given. Choose the correct sentence among the alternatives:

- A The jury was divided in this case.
- B There is no room on this bench.
- C Each student must bring their book.
- D A few men are free from fault.

Answer: B

Question 19

In the following question four sentences are given. Choose the correct sentence among the alternatives:

- A I can run as fast as, if not faster, than you
- B Man is the only animal who can talk.
- C It is I who has done it.
- D Each man and each boy is responsible for their action

Answer: A

Question 20

**Identify the correct form of reported speech of the following sentence among the following alternatives:
He said, "Shall I begin the discussion?"**

- A He inquired if he should begin the discussion.
- B He said if he would begin the discussion.
- C He told if he would begin the discussion.
- D He asked if he would begin the discussion.

Answer: B

Instructions

In these questions, each passage consists of six sentences. The first (S1) and the sixth Sentences (S6) are given in the beginning. The middle four sentences in each passage have been removed and jumbled up. These are labeled as P, Q, R and S. You are required to find out the proper sequence of these sentences from the given alternatives (A), (B), (C) and (D) in order to form a meaningful paragraph.

Question 21

S1. India led the battle of freedom against imperialism.

S6. Some countries are still slave

P. We also Championed the cause of other countries.

Q. We fought it with a special technique.

R. We are happy that they too achieved freedom.

S. That technique brought success. The correct sentence should be:

A P R Q S

B Q S R P

C P Q R S

D Q S P R

Answer: D

Question 22

S1. Punishing the corrupt is a difficult task.

S6. This is possible if we are men of integrity having honesty of purpose.

P. It is difficult to prove the charge Q. Those conventions must be respected

R. The law is not effective in dealing with it

S. So some conventions will have to be built up.

A R P S Q

B Q S P R

C R S P Q

D Q P S R

Answer: A

Question 23

S1. Planning in India is a difficult task. S6. But without planning no nation can make progress.

P. So planners can not decide the size of the plan.

Q. The gap between what people want and what can be done is big.

R. Moreover Resources are limited.

S. Plan can be drawn on the basis of actual resources.

A R P Q S

B Q S R P

C R S Q P

D Q P R S

Answer: C

Question 24

S1. It is our policy that the regional languages should prosper.

S6. India 's unity lies in diversity.

P. Rather they should be medium of instruction.

Q. They should never be replaced by some other language.

R. Such an arrangement would give diversity.

S. The official language should be regional language.

A SPQR

B RQPS

C SQPR

D RPQS

Answer: C

Instructions

In this question, find out which part of the sentence has an error. The error may be grammatical or idiomatic. If there is no mistake, then mark your answer as (D) i.e., No error.

Question 25

Though she was sick (A)/ but (B)/ she went to work (C)/ No Error (D)

A Though she was sick

B but

C she went to work

D No Error

Answer: B

Question 26

Taking pity (A)/ on the mice (B)/ the sage transformed it into a cat (C)/ No error (D)

A Taking pity

B on the mice

C the sage transformed it into a cat

D No error

Answer: B

Question 27

To make him succeed (A)/ the correct thing to do (B)/ is to punish him until he does not try (C)/ No error (D)

A To make him succeed

B the correct thing to do

C is to punish him until he does not try

D No error

Answer: C

Question 28

Hardly had we (A)/ settled down for the night 's rest (B)/ when we were started by loud noises outside the house (C)/ No error (D)

- A Hardly had we
- B settled down for the night 's rest
- C when we were started by loud noises outside the house
- D No error

Answer: D

Instructions

There is a certain relation between given words. From the given alternatives choose a pair depicting similar relationship.

Question 29

Whale : Mammal as

- A Oak : Tree
- B Coat : Tie
- C Flower : Leaf
- D Ant : Hill

Answer: A

Question 30

Bee : Hive as

- A Dog : Show
- B Rider : Bicycle
- C Cow : Barn
- D Hors
- E Carriage

Answer: C

Instructions

Against each key word are given four suggested meanings. Choose the word or phrase which is opposite in meaning to the key word ?

Question 31

Chaffing:

- A Achieving
- B Serious
- C Capitalistic

D Expensive

Answer: B

Question 32

Descent

A Parentage

B Rise

C Sinking

D Disconcerting appearance

Answer: B

Question 33

Kingly:

A Lowly

B Magnificent

C Absurd

D Strange

Answer: A

Question 34

Vagrant:

A Vagabond

B Biased

C Gentleman

D Tramp

Answer: C

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 35

Fill in the blanks.

Rita was habitually so docile and _____ that her friends could not understand her sudden _____ her employers.

A Accommodating, outburst against

B Calm, anger for

C Truculent, Virulence toward

D Quiet, annoyance toward

Answer: A

Question 36

Fill in the blanks.

As several shops have _____ across the street, the old directory is _____

- A Relocated, Obsolete
- B Moved, wasteful
- C Transferred, Useless
- D Travelled, redundant

Answer: A

Question 37

Fill in the blank with suitable preposition:

Ram was a heir _____ a big fortune.

- A Of
- B To
- C In
- D With

Answer: B

Question 38

Fill in the blank with suitable preposition:

I am tired _____ working for six hours continuously.

- A Of
- B With
- C In
- D By

Answer: B

Question 39

Fill in the blank with suitable preposition:

Ram parted _____ his friends.

- A With
- B By
- C From
- D Upon

Answer: C

Question 40

In the following question out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can not be substituted for the given word/ sentence.

Possessing unlimited powers:

- A Omniscient
- B Omnipotent
- C Omnipresent
- D Omni competent

Answer: B

Question 41

Against Each key word are given some suggested meanings. Choose the word or phrase which is nearest in meaning to the given word.

Aromatic:

- A Crippled
- B Fragrant
- C Sentimental
- D Stinking

Answer: B

Question 42

Against Each key word are given some suggested meanings. Choose the word or phrase which is nearest in meaning to the given word.

Sadistic:

- A Depressed Personality
- B Sorrowful Event
- C Pretends to be happy in the hour of sadness
- D Given to deriving pleasure from inflicting pain on others

Answer: D

Question 43

Against Each key word are given some suggested meanings. Choose the word or phrase which is nearest in meaning to the given word.

Penchant:

- A Disability
- B Like
- C Eagerness
- D Dislike

Answer: B

Question 44

Against Each key word are given some suggested meanings. Choose the word or phrase which is nearest in meaning to the given word.

Compunction:

- A Regret
- B Appreciate
- C Wonder
- D Anger

Answer: A

Question 45

Choose the exact meanings of the underlined idioms/ phrases:

All the political parties are tarred with the same brush.

- A Treated, Equally
- B Profess the same policies
- C Have the same merits
- D Possess the same defects

Answer: D

Question 46

Choose the exact meanings of the idioms/phrases:

Kavita exhibited remarkable sang friod during crisis

- A Temper
- B Composure
- C Irritation
- D Anger

Answer: B

Question 47

Choose the correct spelt word.

- A Practitioner
- B Practitionor
- C Practitionar
- D Practisionar

Answer: A

Question 48

Choose the correct spelt word.

- A Repercussion
- B Reparussion
- C Repurcusion
- D Repurcussien

Answer: A

Explanation:

DIRECTIONS: In the following question, a sentence or part of a sentence is printed underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined sentence/ part of the sentence at (A), (B) and (C) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed, your answer is (D).

Question 49

The room is smoky.

- A By smokes
- B Filled with smokes
- C With smokes
- D No improvement

Answer: B

Question 50

Identify the incorrect sentence among the alternatives:

- A Either Ram or Shyam will give his book.
- B All the students of the class are friendly; they love one another.
- C Ram I am you have finished our studies.
- D Ram is older than all other boys of this area.

Answer: C

Instructions

In the following question, a sentence or part of a sentence is printed underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined sentence/ part of the sentence at (A), (B) and (C) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed, your answer is (D).

Question 51

They prevented me from danger.

- A Was preventing
- B Were preventing
- C Protected
- D No improvement

Answer: C

Question 52

We saw one tiger approached to us.

- A Approaching to us
- B Approaching us
- C Approaching towards us
- D No improvement

Answer: B

Instructions

In the following question, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

Question 53

The scientific study of mankind its societies and customs is

- A Pedagogy
- B Anthropology
- C Philanthropy
- D Humanism

Answer: B

Question 54

One who hates mankind

- A Philanthropist
- B Misogynist
- C Humanitarian
- D Misanthrope

Answer: D

Instructions

Choose the appropriate word or word phrase to complete the sentences.

Question 55

Thunderstorm and lightning posed a significant threat to the safety of the performers on stage so they had to ____ the show.

- A Call off
- B give in
- C go on
- D live on

Answer: A

Question 56

Every region's linguistic and cultural identity is quite ____ from that of the rest of the country.

- A aggressive
- B diligent
- C distinct
- D coward

Answer: C

Instructions

In the following question, the sentence has been given in active/passive voice. From the given alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the given sentence passive/active voice.

Question 57

They objected to my proposal:

- A My proposal objected them
- B My proposal was objected by them
- C My proposal was objected to by them
- D Their proposal was objected by me

Answer: C

Question 58

People believe him to be innocent.

- A Him is believed to be innocent by the people.
- B He is believed to be innocent.
- C He is believed innocent by the people
- D Him to be innocent is believed by the people.

Answer: C

Instructions

In the question a part of the sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the bold part A, B and C which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed, your answer is (D).

Question 59

The greater the demand, higher the price:

- A High
- B The High
- C The Higher
- D No Improvement

Answer: C

Question 60

Find out the correctly spelt word.

- A** Reconnaissance
- B** Reconaisence
- C** Reconnaissance
- D** Reconnaissance

Answer: A

