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English Language and Comprehension

Instructions

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number.

In spite of all the honours that were heaped upon him, Pasteur remained a simple man (1)_____ heart. Perhaps the memories of his boyhood days, when he (2)_____ the familiar scenes of his birthplace, and the (3)_____ to be a great artist never wholly left him. He did (4)_____ a great artist but after his sixteenth year he (5)_____ the brush forever. He put his soul and energy (6)_____ his work, and it was this very energy that in the end (7)_____ him out. For him, each sufferer was more than (8)_____ a case that was to be cured. He looked upon the (9)_____ against hydrophobia as a battle and he was (10)_____ to win at any cost.

Question 1

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 1.

- A on
- B at
- C in
- D by

Answer: B

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Question 2

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 2.

- A drew
- B draw
- C drawn
- D draws

Answer: A

Question 3

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 3.

- A itching
- B longing
- C wishing
- D loathing

Answer: B

Question 4

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 4.

- A become

- B became
- C becomes
- D becoming

Answer: A

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Question 5

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 5.

- A discharged
- B abandoned
- C released
- D expelled

Answer: B

Question 6

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 6.

- A over
- B among
- C inside
- D into

Answer: D

Question 7

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 7.

- A cut
- B wore
- C blew
- D let

Answer: B

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Question 8

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 8.

- A exactly
- B just

- C but
- D absolutely

Answer: B

Question 9

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 9.

- A mutiny
- B scuffle
- C rivalry
- D fight

Answer: D

Question 10

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 10.

- A devised
- B developed
- C determined
- D decided

Answer: C

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Instructions

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number.

Sandra. I went up (2)_____ her and touched her on the arm. (3)_____, when the woman turned round, it wasn't Sandra (4)_____ all! I just said, "I am sorry. I (5)_____ you for a friend." She stared at my face and (6)_____. To be honest, her face shocked me. She (7)_____ me of a witch from a children's (8)_____, with her long nose and staring eyes! (9)_____ I could realise what she was up to, she (10)_____ my purse and escaped.

Question 11

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 1.

- A which
- B who
- C such
- D how

Answer: B

Question 12

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 2.

- A for
- B into
- C by
- D to

Answer: D

Question 13

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 3.

- A Surprisingly
- B Smoothly
- C Correctly
- D Gladly

Answer: A

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Question 14

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 4.

- A by
- B at
- C of
- D with

Answer: B

Question 15

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 5.

- A disguised
- B mistook
- C misjudged
- D recognised

Answer: B

Question 16

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 6.

- A stooped
- B scared

- C snored
- D scowled

Answer: D

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Question 17

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 7.

- A was reminding
- B remind
- C reminded
- D reminds

Answer: C

Question 18

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 8.

- A story
- B epic
- C anecdote
- D myth

Answer: A

Question 19

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 9.

- A As soon
- B Before
- C No soon
- D After

Answer: B

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Question 20

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 10.

- A was snatching
- B snatch
- C snatched

D snatches

Answer: C

Instructions

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

The term 'dietary fibres' refers collectively to indigestible carbohydrates present in plant foods. The importance of these dietary fibres came into the picture when it was observed that the people taking a diet rich in these fibres had low incidence of coronary heart disease, irritable bowel syndrome, dental caries and gall stones.

The foodstuffs rich in these dietary fibres are cereals and grains, legumes, fruits with seeds, citrus fruits, carrots, cabbage, green leafy vegetables, apples, melons, peaches, pears etc. These dietary fibres are not digested by the enzymes of the stomach and the small intestine. They have the property of holding water and because of it, these get swollen and behave like a sponge as these pass through the gastrointestinal tract. The fibres add bulk to the diet and increase transit time in the gut and decrease the time of release of ingested food in the colon. These fibres hold water so the stools are soft, bulky and readily eliminated.

In recent years, it has been considered essential to have some amount of fibres in the diet. Their beneficial effects lie in preventing heart disease and decreasing cholesterol level. The fibres like gum and pectin are reported to decrease post prandial (after meals) glucose level in blood. They are also recommended for the management of certain types of diabetes. The fibres increase motility of the small intestine and the colon and so there is less time for exposure of the mucosa to harmful toxic substances. Therefore, there is a less desire to eat and the energy intake can be maintained within the range of requirement. This phenomenon helps in keeping a check on obesity.

The dietary fibres may have some adverse effects on nutrition by binding some trace metals like calcium, magnesium, phosphorus, zinc and others and therefore preventing their proper absorption. This may pose a possibility of nutritional deficiency especially when diets contain marginal levels of mineral elements. This may put constraints on increasing dietary fibres. It is suggested that an intake of 40 gram dietary fibres per day is desirable.

Question 21

What are dietary fibres?

- A Indigestible carbohydrates in plant foods
- B Enzymes present in the stomach
- C Easily digestible healthy food
- D Ingested food in the colon

Answer: A

Question 22

Which of the following is NOT rich in dietary fibres?

- A Citrus fruits
- B Leafy vegetables
- C Glucose
- D Cereals

Answer: C

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Question 23

The dietary fibres behave like a sponge because they:

- A can absorb water and swell up
- B prevent the absorption of trace metals
- C reduce the craving for food
- D increase the motility of the small intestine

Answer: A

Question 24

What is the theme of the passage?

- A Importance of dietary fibres
- B Functioning of intestines
- C Benefits of a balanced diet
- D Sources of dietary fibres

Answer: A

Question 25

Which of the following statements is NOT true?

- A Dietary fibres help in relieving constipation.
- B Dietary fibres help in preventing heart disease.
- C Dietary fibres help in absorption of trace metals.
- D Dietary fibres help in regulating glucose levels in the body.

Answer: C

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Instructions

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number.

'Make in India' is a call to the global manufacturers (1)_____ at making India a manufacturing (2)_____. It is a national programme designed (3)_____ facilitate investment, foster innovation, enhance skill (4)_____ and build best-in-class manufacturing (5)_____. The programme lays emphasis on various sectors with focus on job creation.

Question 26

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 1.

- A aimed
- B assisted
- C conducted
- D managed

Answer: A

Question 27

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 2.

- A seat
- B hub
- C heart
- D surface

Answer: B

Question 28

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 3.

- A for
- B with
- C at
- D to

Answer: D

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Question 29

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 4.

- A decline
- B development
- C agreement
- D progress

Answer: B

Question 30

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank no. 5.

- A footing
- B groundwork
- C fundamental
- D infrastructure

Answer: D

Instructions

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

The methods of embalming, or treating the dead body, that the ancient Egyptians used is called 'mummification'. Using special

processes, the Egyptians removed all moisture from the body, leaving only a dried form that would not easily decay. It was important in their religion to preserve the dead body in as life-like a manner as possible. The mummification process took seventy days. Special priests worked as embalmers, treating and wrapping the body. Beyond knowing the correct rituals and prayers to be performed at various stages, the priests also needed a detailed knowledge of human anatomy. The first step in the process was the removal of all internal parts that might decay rapidly. The brain was removed by carefully inserting special hooked instruments up through the nostrils in order to pull out bits of brain tissue. The embalmers then removed the organs of the abdomen and chest through a cut usually made on the left side of the abdomen. They left only the heart in place, believing it to be the center of a person's being and intelligence. The other organs were preserved separately, with the stomach, liver, lungs and intestines placed in special boxes or jars, today called 'canopic jars'. These were buried with the mummy.

The embalmers next removed all moisture from the body. This they did by covering the body with 'natron', a type of salt which has great drying properties, and by placing additional natron packets inside the body. When the body had dried out completely, embalmers removed the internal packets and lightly washed the natron off the body. The result was a very dried-out but recognizable human form. To make the mummy seem even more life-like, sunken areas of the body were filled out with linen and other materials and false eyes were added. Next the wrapping began. Each mummy needed hundreds of yards of linen. The priests carefully wound the long strips of linen around the body, sometimes even wrapping each finger and toe separately before wrapping the entire hand or foot. In order to protect the dead from mishap in after life, amulets were placed among the wrappings and prayers and magical words written on some of the linen strips. Often the priests placed a mask of the person's face between the layers of head bandages. At last, the priests wrapped the final cloth or shroud in place and secured it with linen strips. The mummy was complete. It was then placed in the tomb along with food, furniture, vessels, perfumes, jewels and other things required in the after life.

Question 31

Mummification was done to:

- A study the cause of death
- B preserve dead bodies in a life-like manner
- C perform rituals and prayers
- D test the drying properties of natron

Answer: B

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Question 32

Why was the knowledge of anatomy important for the priests?

- A To delay the decay of the body for seventy days
- B To wrap each part of the body
- C To remove internal organs from the body
- D To place natron packets in the body

Answer: C

Question 33

What was the initial step in the process of mummification?

- A Completely drying the body
- B Placing a face mask between the head bandages
- C Wrapping the body with strips of linen

D Removal of the internal parts

Answer: D

Question 34

Hooked instruments were inserted through the nostrils to extract the:

A liver

B brain

C heart

D lungs

Answer: B

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Question 35

Which of the following was NOT buried with the mummies?

A Amulets

B Perfumes

C Embalmers

D Canopic jars

Answer: C

Instructions

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

When Tao Ying rides on the bus alone, quite often she does not bother to buy a ticket. Why should she? Without her, the bus would still be stopping at every stop, a driver and a conductor would still have to be employed, and the same amount of petrol used. Clearly Tao Ying has to be astute. When the bus conductor looked like the responsible type, she would buy a ticket as soon as she got on board. But if he appeared to be casual and careless, she would not dream of paying, considering it a small punishment for him and a little saving for herself.

Today she is with her son Xiao Ye. She follows him onto the bus. As the doors shut her jacket is caught, ballooning up like a tent behind her. She twists this way and that, finally wrenching herself free. 'Mama, tickets!' Xiao Ye says. Children are often more conscious of rituals than adults. Without a ticket in his hand, the ride doesn't count as a proper ride. On the peeling paint of the door somebody has painted the shape of a pale finger. It points at a number: 1.10 m. Between Xiao Ye's round head and the tip of the painted digit setting out the height requirement for a ticket rests the beautiful slender fingers of Tao Ying. 'Xiao Ye, you are not quite tall enough, still one centimetre away,' she tells him softly.

'Mama! I'm tall enough, I'm tall enough!' Xiao Ye shouts at the top of his voice, stamping on the floor as if it were a tin drum. 'You told me the last time I could have a ticket the next time, this is the next time. You don't keep your word!' He looks up at his mother angrily. Tao Ying looks down at her son. A ticket costs twenty cents. Twenty cents is not to be scoffed at. It can buy a cucumber, two tomatoes or, at a reduced price, three bunches of radishes or enough spinach to last four days. But Xiao Ye's face is raised up like a half-open blossom, waiting to receive his promise from the sun. She says, 'Two tickets, please.' The fierce conductor has beady eyes. 'This child is one centimetre short of requiring a ticket.'

Xiao Ye shrinks, not just one but several centimetres— the need for a ticket has all of a sudden become interwoven with the pride of a small child. To be able to purchase self-esteem with twenty cents is something that can only happen in childhood and certainly no mother can resist an opportunity to make her son happy. 'I would like to buy two tickets,' she says politely.

Question 36

Xiao Ye was eager to buy a bus ticket because he:

- A had grown taller than 1.10 m
- B wanted to feel like a grown up
- C had saved money for it
- D was very responsible

Answer: B

Question 37

Which of the following statements is NOT true?

- A Tao Ying was travelling with her son.
- B Tao Ying boarded the bus after her son.
- C Twenty cents was a sum that mattered to Tao Ying.
- D Tao Ying actually needed to buy two tickets.

Answer: D

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Question 38

For the child, the ticket was a symbol of:

- A determination
- B self esteem
- C freedom
- D courage

Answer: B

Question 39

"Xiao Ye shrinks, not just one but several centimetres" - Why?

- A He feels humiliated and hurt
- B He is angry with the conductor
- C He feels proud of his height
- D He feels happy at his achievement

Answer: A

Question 40

Why does Tao Ying buy two tickets?

- A To make up for the times when she didn't buy a ticket.
- B To spite the conductor

- C To make her son happy
- D To show off her wealth

Answer: C

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Instructions

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

My grandmother and I were good friends. My parents left me with her when they went to live in the city and we were constantly together. She used to wake me up in the morning and get me ready for school. She said her morning prayer in a monotonous sing-song while she bathed and dressed me in the hope that I would listen and get to know it by heart; I listened because I loved her voice but never bothered to learn it. Then she would fetch my wooden slate which she had already washed and plastered with yellow chalk, a tiny earthen ink-pot and a red pen, tie them all in a bundle and hand it to me. After a breakfast of a thick, stale chapatti with a little butter and sugar spread on it, we went to school. She carried several stale chapattis with her for the village dogs.

My grandmother always went to school with me because the school was attached to the temple. The priest taught us the alphabet and the morning prayer. While the children sat in rows on either side of the verandah singing the alphabet or the prayer in a chorus, my grandmother sat inside reading the scriptures. When we had both finished, we would walk back together. This time the village dogs would meet us at the temple door. They followed us to our home growling and fighting with each other for the chapattis we threw to them. When my parents were comfortably settled in the city, they sent for us. That was a turning-point in our friendship. Although we shared the same room, my grandmother no longer came to school with me. I used to go to an English school in a motor bus. There were no dogs in the streets and she took to feeding sparrows in the courtyard of our city house. As the years rolled by we saw less of each other. For some time she continued to wake me up and get me ready for school. When I came back she would ask me what the teacher had taught me. I would tell her English words and little things of western science and learning, the law of gravity, Archimedes' Principle, the world being round, etc. This made her unhappy. She could not help me with my lessons. She did not believe in the things they taught at the English school and was distressed that there was no teaching about God and the scriptures.

Question 41

What does the narrator refer to as the 'turning point'?

- A Grandmother feeding sparrows
- B He and his grandmother shifting to the city
- C Learning western science
- D Going to an English school

Answer: B

Question 42

Why did grandmother carry stale chapattis with her?

- A To feed the stray dogs
- B To give away to poor people
- C To feed her grandson
- D To serve as her lunch

Answer: A

Question 43

Grandmother sang the morning prayer in a monotonous tone so that:

- A her grandson would learn it too
- B her grandson would wake up with the sound
- C her melodious voice echoed in the house
- D her children would return home soon

Answer: A

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Question 44

Why did the grandmother accompany her grandson to school every day?

- A To ensure he wouldn't run away to play in the streets
- B To read scriptures in the temple while he studied
- C To spend more time with him
- D To keep him safe from stray dogs

Answer: B

Question 45

What kind of woman was the grandmother?

- A Illiterate
- B Modern
- C Self-centred
- D Religious

Answer: D

Instructions

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Vasco Da Gama was the first European to find an ocean trading route to India. He accomplished what many explorers before him could not do. His discovery of this sea route helped the Portuguese establish a long-lasting colonial empire in Asia and Africa. The new ocean route around Africa allowed Portuguese sailors to avoid the Arab trading hold in the Mediterranean and Middle East. Vasco da Gama opened a new world of riches by opening up an Indian Ocean route. His voyage and explorations helped change the world for Europeans. Vasco da Gama's maritime career was during the period when Portugal was searching for a trade route around Africa to India. The Ottoman Empire controlled almost all European trade routes to Asia. This meant they could, and did, charge high prices for ships passing through ports. When Manuel I became King of Portugal in 1495, he continued efforts to open a trade route to India by going around Africa. Although other people were considered for the job, Manuel I finally chose 37-year-old Vasco da Gama for this task.

On 8 July 1497, Vasco da Gama sailed from Lisbon with a fleet of four ships and a crew of 170 men. Da Gama commanded the Sao Gabriel. Paulo da Gama - brother to Vasco - commanded the São Rafael, a three mast ship. They sailed past the Canary Islands, and reached the Cape Verde islands and then continued sailing, though storms still delayed them for a while. They rounded the cape of Good Hope on 22 November and anchored at Mossel Bay, South Africa. They began sailing again and continued until they reached the Rio dos Bons Sinais (River of Good Omens). Here they erected a statue in the name of Portugal. They stayed here for a month because much of the crew were sick from scurvy - a disease caused by lack of Vitamin C. Da Gama's fleet eventually began sailing again. Finally, on 20 May 1498 they reached India. They headed for Kappad, near the large city of Calicut. In Calicut, da Gama met with the king. But the king of Calicut was not impressed with da Gama, and the gifts he brought as offering. They spent several months trading

in India, and studying their customs. They left India at the end of August.

Question 46

In which month did Vasco da Gama's ship reach the Cape of Good Hope?

- A November
- B August
- C July
- D May

Answer: A

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Question 47

From where did Vasco da Gama embark upon his journey?

- A Mossel Bay
- B Cape of Good Hope
- C Canary Islands
- D Lisbon

Answer: D

Question 48

Who controlled the European trade routes to Asia before 1497?

- A Paulo da Gama
- B King of Calicut
- C Manuel I
- D Ottoman Empire

Answer: D

Question 49

Why did Vasco da Gama's crew stay at Rio dos Bons Sinais for a month?

- A It was an auspicious place.
- B Several crew members were suffering from scurvy.
- C To erect a statue in the name of Portugal
- D There were severe storms in the area.

Answer: B

Question 50

Which of the following statements is NOT true?

- A Sao Rafael was a ship with three masts.
- B Vasco da Gama impressed the King of Calicut with his gifts.
- C Scurvy is caused by deficiency of vitamin C.
- D Vasco da Gama was the commander of the ship, Sao Gabriel

Answer: B

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 51

**Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.
The embezzlement in the company's accounts has come to light.**

- A been concealed
- B been rewarded
- C been revealed
- D been punished

Answer: C

Question 52

**Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.
A person who shows people their seats**

- A usher
- B guard
- C watchman
- D cameraman

Answer: A

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Instructions

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.

Question 53

You have to see it to believe it.

- A It has to be seen to being believed.
- B It has to be seen to be believed.
- C It needs to being seen to be believed.

D It have to be seen to believe.

Answer: B

Question 54

People say he has lived on liquid diet for years.

- A He has said to have lived on liquid diet for years.
- B He is said to have been living on liquid diet for years.
- C He is said to have lived on liquid diet for years.
- D He is said to live on liquid diet for years.

Answer: C

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 55

**Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.
The little girl said that those butterflies were very colourful.**

- A The little girl said, "Those butterflies were very colourful."
- B The little girl said, "These butterflies are very colourful."
- C The little girl says, "How colourful were these butterflies!"
- D The little girl said, "Are those butterflies very colourful?"

Answer: B

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Question 56

**Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Nobody will help you if you are rude.**

- A You will not been helped by nobody if you are rude.
- B You will not be helped by anybody if you are rude.
- C You are not helped by anybody if you are rude.
- D You are not being helped by anybody if you are rude.

Answer: B

Question 57

**Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
He says, "Some goods are of poor quality."**

- A He says that some goods were of poor quality.
- B He said that some goods are of poor quality.

- C He says that some goods are of poor quality.
- D He said that some goods were of poor quality.

Answer: C

Question 58

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. Santosh's parents were affluent landowners who could afford to send their children to the best schools.
- B. So, she decided to fight the matter in her own quiet way when the right moment arrived.
- C. At sixteen, most of the girls in her village used to get married.
- D. But in line with the custom of the family, Santosh was sent to the local village school.
- E. And, the right moment came when she turned sixteen.
- F. But a marriage at that age was the last thing on Santosh's mind.

- A ADBECF
- B AECDBF
- C ACEBDF
- D ABDCEF

Answer: A

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Question 59

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
He said to me, "What can I do for you?"

- A He asked me what I could do for him.
- B He asked me what he could do for me.
- C He asked me that what could I do for you.
- D He asked me what he can do for me.

Answer: B

Question 60

Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
AGGRAVATE

- A intensify
- B illustrate
- C illuminate
- D influence

Answer: A

Question 61

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
Much of us / lack the / important virtue / of patience.

- A of patience
- B lack the
- C Much of us
- D important virtue

Answer: C

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Question 62

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.
Mother ordered the children to stop playing then.

- A Mother said to the children, "Please stop playing then."
- B Mother said to the children, "Stop playing now."
- C Mother said to the children, "Don't play then."
- D Mother said to the children, "Can you stop playing now?"

Answer: B

Question 63

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
You need / to sign / these important documents / by ink.

- A these important documents
- B to sign
- C by ink
- D You need

Answer: C

Question 64

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

He lost his heart because he could not cope with the difficult situation.

- A No substitution
- B loss the heart
- C lost heart
- D lose his heart

Answer: C

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Question 65

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.
In times of economic recession, the demand for goods is on the wane.

- A on the rise
- B on the decline
- C out of control
- D at the peak

Answer: B

Question 66

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. It then came to the main road and smashed all the stalls selling fruits, mud pots and clothes.
- B. Finally, the elephant entered a school ground, breaking through the brick wall.
- C. The people on the main road ran helter-skelter in panic.
- D. The wild elephant first reached the outskirts of our town, breaking down fences like matchsticks.

- A CADB
- B BDAC
- C CBDA
- D DACB

Answer: D

Question 67

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
Are the attendance rules being relaxed by the authorities?

- A Have the authorities relaxed the attendance rules?
- B Are the authorities relaxing the attendance rules?
- C Have the authorities been relaxing the attendance rules?
- D Are the authorities going to relax the attendance rules?

Answer: B

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Question 68

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
The news / of his involvement / in illegal activities / have shocked everybody.

- A have shocked everybody

- B in illegal activities
- C of his involvement
- D The news

Answer: A

Question 69

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.

The government is distributing free food grains among the poor.

- A Free food grains are being distributed among the poor by the government.
- B Free food grains were distributed among the poor by the government.
- C Free food grains are distributed among the poor by the government.
- D Free food grains have been distributed among the poor by the government.

Answer: A

Question 70

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.

The new CEO is in favour of giving plenty of elbow room to the managers.

- A huge salaries and perks
- B leave to go on vacation
- C freedom to do what one wants
- D tough competition

Answer: C

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Question 71

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.

The manager lauded the salesman and said that his performance had been exceptional.

- A The manager said to the salesman, "Oh! Your performance had been exceptional."
- B The manager said to the salesman, "Well done! Your performance has been exceptional."
- C The manager said to the salesman, "Well done! Your performance has being exceptional."
- D The manager said to the salesman, "Bravo! How exceptional his performance is!"

Answer: B

Question 72

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.

She exclaimed that I had grown very tall.

- A She said to me, "How tall I have grown!"

- B She said to me, "How tall are you?"
- C She said to me, "You have grown very tall."
- D She said to me, "How tall you have grown!"

Answer: D

Question 73

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.

Once upon a time, / a beautiful princess / has fallen in love / with a poor farmer.

- A has fallen in love
- B with a poor farmer
- C Once upon a time
- D a beautiful princess

Answer: A

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Instructions

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

Question 74

He is determined in expanding his business.

- A No substitution
- B determined to expand
- C determined at expansion
- D determining for expanding

Answer: B

Question 75

The prisoner was set at freedom early.

- A set free
- B set to being free
- C sent for freedom
- D No substitution

Answer: A

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 76

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
The breakfast will have been finished by nine.

- A They will have finished the breakfast by nine.
- B They will be finishing the breakfast by nine.
- C They will finish the breakfast by nine.
- D They will have finish the breakfast by nine.

Answer: A

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Question 77

Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
CONTRADICT

- A shorten
- B refute
- C advise
- D agree

Answer: B

Question 78

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.
A statement open to more than one interpretation

- A ambiguous
- B axiom
- C apparent
- D absurd

Answer: A

Question 79

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
He could not / get a job / despite of / his best efforts.

- A his best efforts
- B get a job
- C despite of
- D He could not

Answer: C

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Question 80

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
The teacher said, "Too many cooks spoil the broth."

- A The teacher said too many cooks spoils the broth.
- B The teacher said that too many cooks spoil the broth.
- C The teacher told too many cooks had spoilt the broth.
- D The teacher said that too many cooks spoiled the broth.

Answer: B

Question 81

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

He promised to deliver the goods yesterday, did he?

- A didn't he
- B would he
- C No substitution
- D isn't it

Answer: A

Question 82

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
They agreed that the elections should be postponed.

- A It has been agreed by them that the elections should be postponed.
- B It had been agreed by them that the elections should be postponed.
- C It was agreed by them that the elections should be postponed.
- D It is agreed by them that the elections should be postponed.

Answer: C

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Question 83

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
She speaks / very highly / of both her / daughter-in-laws.

- A She speaks
- B daughter-in-laws
- C very highly

D of both her

Answer: B

Question 84

Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

CONDENSE

A reduce

B constrict

C expand

D repel

Answer: C

Question 85

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

A. The flute seller stands in a corner of the square near the hotel.

B. From time to time, he stands the pole on the ground, selects a flute and plays a tune.

C. In his hand is a pole from which protrude about fifty flutes in all directions.

D. They are all made from hollow bamboo stems.

A ABCD

B ACDB

C CBDA

D BDAC

Answer: B

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Question 86

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

A. A great treat for Toto monkey in cold weather was the large bowl of warm water given to him for his bath.

B. He would then rush straight to the kitchen fire to dry himself.

C. When the water became cold, he would get out and run as quickly as he could.

D. He would cunningly test the temperature with his hand and then step into the bath gradually.

E. Once comfortable, he would take the soap in his hands or feet and rub himself all over.

F. But if anyone made fun of his activities, he would feel hurt.

A ACEBDF

B ABCEDF

C ADECBF

D ADBCEF

Answer: C

Instructions

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Question 87

You _____ carry all the books to school daily.

- A would not
- B have not
- C ought not
- D need not

Answer: D

Question 88

Poverty was staring her _____ the face.

- A to
- B in
- C at
- D on

Answer: B

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Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 89

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.

His loyalty / and honesty / are above / suspect.

- A suspect
- B and honesty
- C His loyalty
- D are above

Answer: A

Question 90

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.

The young man exclaimed that it was a great feast.

- A The young man said, "What a great feast it is!"
- B The young man said, "It has being a great feast!"
- C The young man says, "It is a great feast."
- D The young man said, "Is it a great feast?"

Answer: A

Question 91

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. One day I went to school with four rupees in my pocket to pay the school fees.
- B. All through the day, the coins sat quietly in my pocket.
- C. So, I was told that the fees would be collected the next day.
- D. When school got over, the coins in my pocket began to speak.
- E. But the teacher who was to collect the fees was absent.
- F. They said that money was meant to be spent on good things like hot 'jalebis'.

- A ABCDEF
- B AECBDF
- C ADEBCF
- D ACBEDF

Answer: B

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Question 92

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.
A speech expressing one's thoughts aloud to oneself

- A sacrilege
- B soliloquy
- C harangue
- D hyperbole

Answer: B

Question 93

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.
I cannot take up any new assignment as I have my hands full.

- A am very rich
- B need to seek help
- C am very busy
- D am short of time

Answer: C

Question 94

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
The farmers are using / HYV seeds / so then they can get / a better yield.

- A The farmers are using

- B so then they can get
- C a better yield
- D HYV seeds

Answer: B

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Question 95

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
I have nobody _____ I can confide in.

- A whoever
- B which
- C whom
- D whose

Answer: C

Question 96

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

The river overflowed it's banks in the monsoon.

- A overflow its bank
- B overflows it's banks
- C No substitution
- D overflowed its banks

Answer: D

Question 97

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. When the train pulled in at Chennai Central, it took Velu some time to get off.
- B. So, he sat down on a nearby bench that was unoccupied.
- C. In all his eleven years he had not seen so many people except at the village fair.
- D. When he finally stood on the platform, his legs felt wobble.
- E. He put his small bundle beside him on the bench and looked around.
- F. Near him, a group of people sat on their luggage staring at a TV hanging from the roof.

- A AEDCBF
- B ABECDF
- C ACBDEF
- D ADBECF

Answer: D

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Question 98

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
As soon he heard / the sound of thunder, / he hid / under the bed.

- A the sound of thunder
- B As soon he heard
- C he hid
- D under the bed

Answer: B

Question 99

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.
The teacher asked the students if they could prepare for the debate by the following week.

- A The teacher said to the students, "Can you prepare for the debate by next week?"
- B The teacher asked to the students, "Could you prepare for the debate by the following week?"
- C The teacher said to the students, "Are you prepared for the debate by next week?"
- D The teacher said to the students, "Will you prepare for the debate by the following week?"

Answer: A

Question 100

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.
It is time we should have done something useful.

- A did
- B No substitution
- C would do
- D have done

Answer: A

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Question 101

Select the misspelt word.

- A relevent
- B surrender
- C distinct
- D beseech

Answer: A

Question 102

Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

AMATEUR

- A apprentice
- B novice
- C learner
- D professional

Answer: D

Question 103

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

Have all the bills been verified by someone?

- A Has someone verify all the bills?
- B Has someone verified all the bills?
- C Is someone verifying all the bills?
- D Have someone verified all the bills?

Answer: B

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Question 104

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.

She said, "I will finish reading the novel today."

- A She said she will finish reading the novel today.
- B She said that she would finish reading the novel that day.
- C She said that I would finish reading the novel today.
- D She said that she will finished reading the novel that day.

Answer: B

Question 105

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

The animals in the zoo should not be fed.

- A Feed not the animals in the zoo.
- B Don't feed the animals in the zoo.
- C Don't fed the animals in the zoo.
- D Don't be feeding the animals in the zoo.

Answer: B

Question 106

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Either side of the road _____ lined by toy shops.

- A is
- B are
- C have
- D has

Answer: A

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Question 107

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
Parul is / ten years / elder than / her sibling.

- A elder than
- B Parul is
- C her sibling
- D ten years

Answer: A

Question 108

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
Her health has being / steadily improving / since she started / practising yoga.

- A Her health has being
- B since she started
- C practising yoga
- D steadily improving

Answer: A

Question 109

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. A singer called Mukandan Misra and his wife lived in Behat near Gwalior.
- B. Tired, the group settled down to rest in a shady grove.
- C. Once Swami Haridas was travelling through the forest with his disciples.
- D. Tansen, their only child was very naughty.
- E. Often he would run away to the woods and soon learnt to imitate the calls of birds and animals.
- F. Tansen thought it would be fun to frighten the resting men with the roar of a tiger.

- A ABDECF

- B ADECBF
- C ACEBDF
- D AEBCDF

Answer: B

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Question 110

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
No sooner / did the chairman arrived / than the / proceedings commenced.

- A proceedings commenced
- B did the chairman arrived
- C than the
- D No sooner

Answer: B

Question 111

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
May you be blessed with good health!

- A May God be blessing you with good health!
- B May God bless you with good health!
- C May God blessed you with good health!
- D May you bless God with good health!

Answer: B

Question 112

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. The event was held to raise funds for the slum adopted by the school.
B. The Principal thanked everyone for the contributions which would help in the development activities.
C. The contributions from the parents and teachers were amazing.
D. The school Cultural Society organised a musical night last week.

- A CBDA
- B ADBC
- C BCAD
- D DACB

Answer: D

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Question 113

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. Timothy, the tiger cub was discovered by Grandfather in the Terai jungle near Dehra.
- B. Grandfather picked him and brought him home.
- C. One day when Grandfather was strolling in the jungle, he spotted a little tiger about 18 inches long.
- D. The tiger cub was named Timothy by Grandfather and initially brought up entirely on milk.
- E. The frightened animal was hiding among the intricate roots of a banyan tree.
- F. Later, he was put on a diet of raw mutton and cod liver oil.

A ADCEBF

B ABEDCF

C AEBCDF

D ACEBDF

Answer: D

Question 114

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Some were big and floated around while others were small and popped immediately.
- B. Nancy's uncle gifted her a bubble shooter for her birthday.
- C. She chased them around, trying to hold them in her hands.
- D. Now, Nancy could blow bubbles of all sizes.

A DCAB

B CABD

C BACD

D BDAC

Answer: D

Question 115

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.

He told you that he had not known that it was your birthday that day.

- A He said to you, "I do not know that it was your birthday that day."
- B You said to him, "I do not know that it is your birthday today."
- C He said to you, "You did not know that it was my birthday today."
- D He said to you, "I did not know that it is your birthday today."

Answer: D

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Question 116

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Suddenly in the evening, a dark and menacing storm quickly gathered.
- B. Prashant had gone to Ersama, a coastal town in Odisha, to spend the day with a friend.
- C. The destruction wrought by the storm continued for the next 36 hours, although the wind speed reduced.
- D. Winds beat against the houses with a fury never witnessed before.

- A BCDA
- B BADC
- C DBCA
- D CADB

Answer: B

Question 117

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.

He runs for two hours at a stretch to build his stamina.

- A continuously
- B painfully
- C easily
- D comfortably

Answer: A

Question 118

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.

He is / afraid from / all insects / that crawl.

- A He is
- B that crawl
- C all insects
- D afraid from

Answer: D

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Question 119

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. Dr. Sadao Hoki's house was built on a spot of the Japanese coast where he had played as a little boy.
- B. His father had said, "Those islands are the stepping stones to the future for Japan."
- C. His father had taken him to the islands of those seas and taught him things he had not forgotten.
- D. As a boy, Sadao had climbed the pines, supporting himself on his bare feet as the men did in the South Seas.
- E. The square stone house was set upon rocks above a beach outlined with bent pines.
- F. "Where shall we step from them?" Sadao had asked seriously.

- A AEDCBF
- B ACDBEF
- C ADCEBF
- D ABEDCF

Answer: A

Question 120

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
He is _____ poorer than all his friends.

- A much
- B very
- C more
- D most

Answer: A

Question 121

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.
He replied mine letter after a month.

- A replied to mine letter
- B No substitution
- C reply my letter
- D replied to my letter

Answer: D

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Question 122

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
My neighbour is / an young businessman / who is very friendly / with everyone.

- A who is very friendly
- B an young businessman
- C My neighbour is
- D with everyone

Answer: B

Question 123

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The Allies _____ the war in 1945.

- A won
- B win
- C have won
- D were winning

Answer: A

Question 124

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
I am trusted by all my friends.

- A I trust all my friends.
- B All my friends trust me.
- C All my friends trusted me.
- D I have trusted all my friends.

Answer: B

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Question 125

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
He is / too immature / for handle / the situation.

- A He is
- B too immature
- C the situation
- D for handle

Answer: D

Question 126

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.
India's problem boils down to just one thing - lack of infrastructure for health services.

- A fulfils something
- B adapts to something
- C heats up to
- D sums up to

Answer: D

Question 127

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. The zip on the bag got jammed and wouldn't open no matter how hard I pulled at it.
- B. We were flying to England for a week.
- C. I also remembered that I had put the frequent flyer card in the carry-on bag hanging around my neck.
- D. As we were checking in, I remembered that I was a member of the frequent flyer programme.

- A DBAC
- B BACD
- C ABDC
- D BDCA

Answer: D

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Question 128

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.

They are providing shelter to the homeless.

- A The homeless are been provided shelter.
- B The homeless are being provided shelter.
- C The homeless have been provided shelter.
- D The homeless will be provided shelter.

Answer: B

Question 129

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

Nobody was being ridiculed by me.

- A I am not ridiculing anybody.
- B I was not ridiculing anybody.
- C I did not ridicule anybody.
- D I were not ridiculing nobody.

Answer: B

Question 130

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.

He wanted to know / the reason / why his low score / in Mathematics.

- A why his low score
- B He wanted to know
- C the reason

D in Mathematics

Answer: A

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Question 131

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.

People who work together at the same place

- A rivals
- B colleagues
- C agents
- D friends

Answer: B

Question 132

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. It was the advertisement for a metal detector called Wonder Sweeper 5000.
- B. Jacob believed he could find the buried treasure of the pirates if he had that detector.
- C. Jacob was reading one of his comic books when he came upon something interesting.
- D. So, he decided to save every penny till he had enough money to buy one.

- A BDCA
- B BADC
- C CBDA
- D CABD

Answer: D

Question 133

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

This unfair proposal is objected to by us.

- A We are objecting this unfair proposal.
- B We object to this unfair proposal.
- C We object this unfair proposal.
- D We have objected to this unfair proposal.

Answer: B

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Question 134

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.

To give one's authority to another

- A shirk
- B supervise
- C usurp
- D delegate

Answer: D

Question 135

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
He said to me, "What a pity! You missed the party."

- A He exclaimed that it was a pity I had missed the party.
- B He exclaimed that it was a pity you missed the party.
- C He exclaimed what a pity it was that you missed the party.
- D He told to me that it was a pity I had missed the party.

Answer: A

Instructions

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

Question 136

His fine voice has never heard in this hall again.

- A No substitution
- B never be heard
- C will never be heard
- D will never hear

Answer: C

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Question 137

She asked from me that I had seen the movie or not.

- A to me that I saw
- B from me if I have
- C me whether I had seen
- D No substitution

Answer: C

Question 138

I am much taller than I was a year ago.

- A that I were a year ago
- B as I was the year before
- C No substitution
- D than a year before

Answer: C

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 139

**Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
He said to his employee, "Do not provoke me unnecessarily."**

- A He warned his employee not to provoke him unnecessarily.
- B He requested his employee do not provoke him unnecessarily.
- C He told his employee not to provoke me unnecessarily.
- D He told to his employee to not provoke him unnecessarily.

Answer: A

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Question 140

**Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
The building was surrounded by special commandos.**

- A Special commandos surround the building.
- B Special commandos are surrounding the building.
- C Special commandos have surrounded the building.
- D Special commandos surrounded the building.

Answer: D

Question 141

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. His job was to keep an eye on the activities at the work site.
- B. Mahendra was a junior supervisor in a firm.
- C. So far, he had worked at stone quarries, coal mines, construction sites and chemical plants.
- D. The work sites changed often so he had to move from place to place.

- A ACBD
- B CADB
- C DBCA
- D BADC

Answer: D

Question 142

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

Please hear to what I am saying.

- A No substitution
- B be hearing which
- C listen to what
- D listen me when

Answer: C

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Question 143

Select the misspelt word.

- A business
- B originate
- C pursuit
- D suprimacy

Answer: D

Question 144

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.

He said, "Manan came to college yesterday."

- A He said that Manan had came to college yesterday.
- B He said that Manan had come to college the previous day.
- C He said that Manan came to college the previous day.
- D He said Manan was coming to college yesterday.

Answer: B

Question 145

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Some of these substances may be added to increase the weight of food-stuffs and may not be injurious to health.
- B. They are often imperceptible but can have far-reaching effects.
- C. The evil effects of adulteration of food on our health are often slow in their onset and may go un-noticed.
- D. The danger obviously depends upon the substances added to adulterate food.

- A CADB
- B DBCA

C CBDA

D BDAC

Answer: C

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Question 146

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
All meetings are held in the conference room.

A We will hold all meetings in the conference room.

B We are holding all meetings in the conference room.

C We held all meetings in the conference room.

D We hold all meetings in the conference room.

Answer: D

Question 147

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.
This is / only mistake / he has made / in the dictation.

A only mistake

B in the dictation

C he has made

D This is

Answer: A

Question 148

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
I said to the postman, "Is there a letter for me?"

A I asked the postman if there was a letter for me.

B I asked the postman if there is a letter for me.

C I asked the postman was there a letter for me.

D I asked the postman that is there a letter for me.

Answer: A

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Question 149

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
I request the favour of _____ granting me two days' leave.

A your

- B yours
- C you
- D yourself

Answer: A

Question 150

**Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Do not allow strangers into the society complex.**

- A Let strangers must not allow into the society complex.
- B Strangers should not be allowed into the society complex.
- C Let strangers should be not allowed into the society complex.
- D Strangers should not have been allowed into the society complex.

Answer: B

Question 151

**Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.
The Principal asked Kamal how it was that he was always late for school.**

- A The Principal said to Kamal, "How it is he was always late for school?"
- B The Principal said to Kamal, "How are you always late for school?"
- C The Principal said to Kamal, "How it was that he was always late for school?"
- D The Principal said to Kamal, "How is it that you are always late for school?"

Answer: D

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Question 152

**Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
DISGRACE**

- A dispute
- B disgust
- C dishonour
- D discord

Answer: C

Question 153

**Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
Let the medicine be administered every four hours.**

- A You have administered the medicine every four hours.

- B You are administering the medicine every four hours.
- C Let you administer the medicine every four hours.
- D Administer the medicine every four hours.

Answer: D

Question 154

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.
She told me that she had given my message to my mother.

- A She said to me, "I gave my message to your mother."
- B She said to me, "I gave your message to your mother."
- C She said to me, "She gave my message to my mother."
- D I said to her, "I gave your message to my mother."

Answer: B

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Question 155

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
He is both diligent _____ efficient.

- A yet
- B and
- C also
- D but

Answer: B

Question 156

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.
The maid asked me if she could get me a glass of juice.

- A The maid said to me, "Can she get me a glass of juice?"
- B The maid said to me, "Can I get you a glass of juice?"
- C The maid said to me, "I can get you a glass of juice."
- D The maid said to me, "Could you get me a glass of juice?"

Answer: B

Question 157

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
You said, "I scored four goals."

- A You said that you scored four goals.

- B You said that you had scored four goals.
- C You said that you have scored four goals.
- D You said that I had scored four goals.

Answer: B

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Question 158

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. Suddenly I noticed smoke pouring in through the seams of the ceiling.
- B. Groping our way to the front door we all ran out into the front yard.
- C. The smoke began to fill the room so quickly that we could barely see.
- D. I ran to the neighbours to call the fire department.
- E. By the time we made our way outside, the whole roof was engulfed in flames.
- F. I saw mother run back into the house and I screamed, "Mom! No!"

- A ACBEDF
- B ABCDEF
- C ADEBCF
- D AEDCBF

Answer: A

Question 159

Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
The entire area was being given a face-lift.

- A They will be giving a face-lift to the entire area.
- B They are giving a face-lift to the entire area.
- C They were giving a face-lift to the entire area.
- D They have given a face-lift to the entire area.

Answer: C

Question 160

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.
One who rides horses in races

- A jockey
- B sprinter
- C athlete
- D porter

Answer: A

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Question 161

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

He went to foreign for higher education.

- A went to abroad
- B has gone to foreign
- C No substitution
- D went abroad

Answer: D

Question 162

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.

Introductory section of a literary work

- A dialogue
- B monologue
- C prologue
- D epilogue

Answer: C

Question 163

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.

The wedding preparations are in full swing.

- A hard to arrange
- B in great difficulty
- C at the height of activity
- D very costly affair

Answer: C

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Question 164

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.

"Let us go to the hills for a vacation," Mother said to us.

- A Mother ordered us to go to the hills for a vacation.
- B Mother said that should we go to the hills for a vacation.
- C Mother suggested that let us go to the hills for a vacation.

D Mother suggested that we should go to the hills for a vacation.

Answer: D

Question 165

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Send these books at my new address.

- A These books are being sent at my new address.
- B These books should have been sent at my new address.
- C Let these books be sent at my new address.
- D These books must be send at my new address.

Answer: C

Question 166

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
She said to Madhu, "Please post this letter."

- A She ordered Madhu that post this letter.
- B She said Madhu to post that letter.
- C She requested Madhu to post that letter.
- D She told Madhu to post this letter.

Answer: C

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Question 167

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.
He knows the ins and outs of the case and has been chosen to defend the accused.

- A high stakes
- B expense involved
- C time needed to complete
- D complete details

Answer: D

Question 168

Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.
LANGUID

- A indolent
- B energetic
- C sluggish

D lethargic

Answer: B

Question 169

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.

A fictitious name used by an author

A alibi

B namesake

C homonym

D pseudonym

Answer: D

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Question 170

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.

The committee has discussed the matter for several days.

A The matter has been discussed by the committee for several days.

B The matter has discussed by the committee for several days.

C The matter is being discussed by the committee for several days.

D The matter was discussed by the committee for several days.

Answer: A

Question 171

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

I wished I have tried more harder.

A had tried harder

B No substitution

C have tried hardest

D had tried more hard

Answer: A

Question 172

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.

He told you that he would discuss the matter that evening.

A He said to you, "I will discuss the matter today evening."

B You said to him, "I will discuss the matter this evening."

C He told to you, "He will discuss the matter that evening."

D You said to him, "He would discuss the matter today evening."

Answer: A

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Question 173

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.
When the miscreants saw the police they beat a retreat.

- A attacked fiercely
- B protested strongly
- C marched ahead
- D ran away

Answer: D

Question 174

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

Don't lose sight of your goal lest you should fail.

- A such that you should
- B unless you shouldn't
- C lest you shouldn't
- D No substitution

Answer: D

Question 175

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.

One who studies God and religion

- A theologian
- B atheist
- C theist
- D theorist

Answer: A

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Question 176

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. She looked very excited when she saw me get off the bus.
- B. It was quite a long time since I had met my grandmother.
- C. I found her standing at the village bus stand to receive me.
- D. She hugged me and tears of joy flowed down her cheeks.

- A BCAD
- B BDCA
- C CDAB
- D CADB

Answer: A

Question 177

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.
Sania said to me, "Tomorrow is my convocation."

- A Sania told to me that the next day is her convocation.
- B Sania told me that tomorrow was her convocation.
- C Sania told me that the next day was her convocation.
- D I told Sania that her convocation was the next day.

Answer: C

Question 178

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
They will cancel the football tournament this year.

- A The football tournament was cancelled this year.
- B The football tournament will be cancelled this year.
- C The football tournament has been cancelled this year.
- D The football tournament is being cancelled this year.

Answer: B

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Question 179

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. The King and Queen of Siam had several daughters.
- B. So, the King named his daughters January, February, March till he came to the youngest whom he named September.
- C. The princesses were very proud of their parrots and spent time teaching them to talk.
- D. One year on his birthday, the King gave each of his daughters a green parrot in a cage.
- E. The Queen said it confused her to remember so many names.
- F. In a short while all the parrots could say "God save the King".

- A ADBECF
- B ACDBEF
- C ABECDF
- D AEBDCF

Answer: D

Question 180

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given group of words.
Someone taken a prisoner to fulfil demands

- A dealer
- B hostage
- C guest
- D host

Answer: B

Question 181

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Someone robbed the man of all his possessions.

- A Someone has been robbed by the man of all his possessions.
- B The man was being robbed of all his possessions by someone.
- C The man was robbed of all his possessions by someone.
- D The man is robbed all his possessions by someone.

Answer: C

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Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

Question 182

It is time for the children to go to bed.

- A to being in bed
- B should be in bed
- C No substitution
- D for going in bed

Answer: C

Question 183

None other beside you are knowing the truth.

- A No substitution
- B but you are knowing
- C beside you is knowing

D than you knows

Answer: D

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 184

Given below are six sentences A-F, of which A and F are static and B-E have been jumbled. Pick the option that gives the correct order of the jumbled sentences.

- A. Absulum, the reindeer elf worked in the reindeer barn.
- B. He also had to keep the reindeer well groomed.
- C. He had to clean it every day and that was hard work.
- D. He had to give them all a bath and brush their fur.
- E. It was such a dirty job to mop, slop, scour and scrape every corner.
- F. He worked his fingers to the bone but it seemed that no one cared.

A ADCEBF

B ACDBEF

C ACEBDF

D AEBDCF

Answer: C

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Question 185

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

What kind of the book do you want?

A kinds of a book

B No substitution

C kind of the books

D kind of book

Answer: D

Question 186

Select the misspelt word.

A glorify

B inherit

C ascertain

D discrete

Answer: D

Instructions

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select

'No substitution'.

Question 187

They who wants to play should leave the class.

- A Those who want
- B They whom wants
- C Those who wants
- D No substitution

Answer: A

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Question 188

There is no exception with these rule.

- A to this rule
- B about this rule
- C No substitution
- D for these rule

Answer: A

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 189

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.

How can I forget your generosity?

- A How can your generosity be forgot by me?
- B How has your generosity been forgotten by me?
- C How your generosity can be forgot by me?
- D How can your generosity be forgotten by me?

Answer: D

Question 190

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.

Please switch off / all the lights / before you / are leaving the room.

- A Please switch off
- B before you
- C all the lights
- D are leaving the room

Answer: D

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Question 191

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
The doctor advised her a week's rest.

- A She was advised a week's rest by the doctor.
- B The doctor was advised a week's rest by her.
- C She has been advised a week's rest by the doctor.
- D She is being advised a week's rest by the doctor.

Answer: A

Question 192

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

No sooner she had put the baby to sleep when a loud noise woke him up.

- A Scarcely had she
- B No substitution
- C No sooner she did
- D As soon as she had

Answer: A

Question 193

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence.

Anu said that she wanted to see if she could do a back-flip.

- A Anu said, "I want to do a back-flip if I can."
- B Anu said, "Let her see if I could do a back-flip."
- C Anu said, "I want to see if I can do a back-flip."
- D Anu said, "I wanted to see her doing a back-flip."

Answer: C

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Question 194

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

I am your true friend, _____?

- A isn't it
- B aren't i

C is it

D am i

Answer: B

Question 195

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

The porter denied to take the money.

A denied taking

B denied from taking

C denied for taking

D No substitution

Answer: A

Question 196

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.

I said to my daughter, "Why are you angry with me?"

A I asked to my daughter why was she angry with me.

B I asked my daughter why you are angry with me.

C I asked my daughter why she was angry with me.

D I said to my daughter that why she was angry with me.

Answer: C

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Question 197

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.

I saw several / French colonial villas / within my visit / to Puducherry.

A French colonial villas

B within my visit

C I saw several

D to Puducherry

Answer: B

Question 198

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.

You must seize the opportunity to make amends for your earlier curtness.

A to correct a mistake

B to give a suggestion

C to make a proposal

D to offer a deal

Answer: A

Question 199

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error.

I asked Dhruv / when he has plan / to settle / the dues.

A to settle

B I asked Dhruv

C when he has plan

D the dues

Answer: C

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Question 200

Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution'.

Accordingly to my opinion your essay is the best.

A According to me

B No substitution

C According to mine opinion

D In mine opinion

Answer: A

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