

Staff Selection Commission Stenographers (Grade 'C' & 'D')

Examination

December 2013 Question Paper (Fully Solved)

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE AND REASONING

Directions (Qs. 1 & 2): Select the related word which cannot be formed using the letters of the given word.

1. CONCEPTUALIZATION
(A) PETROL (B) TOTAL
(C) ACTUAL (D) PETAL
2. MISAPPREHENSION
(A) PERSON (B) SENSES
(C) RESPONSE (D) HAPPINESS
3. If MILITARY can be written as 1, 2, 3, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, how can LIMIT be written in the code?
(A) 1 2 3 2 4 (B) 4 2 1 2 5 (C) 3 2 1 2 4 (D) 4 2 1 2 3
4. In a certain code, DOWNBEAT is written as TABEWNDO. How will the word PROSPECT be written in that code?
(A) TCPESOPR (B) TCPEOSRP
(C) TCEPSORP (D) TCPEOSPR
5. If SENSATIONAL can be written as 1 2 3 1 4 5 6 7 3 4 8, how will STATION be written in that code?
(A) 1 5 5 4 6 7 3 (B) 1 5 4 5 6 7 3
(C) 1 4 5 5 6 7 3 (D) 1 5 4 5 7 6 3
6. If the word DIPLOMAT is written as FKRNQOCV, then AMBASSDOR can be written as
(A) COCBOOFQS (B) COADQQFRS
(C) COECMMFQS (D) CODCUUFQT
7. If $5 + 7 = 21$ and $9 + 4 = 31$, what is $7 + 9 = ?$
(A) 61 (B) 71 (C) 41 (D) 51

8. If $532 + 781 = 21$ and $862 + 910 = 21$, then what is the value of $796 + 355 = ?$
 (A) 31 (B) 22 (C) 21 (D) 30
9. If '_' stands for '÷'; '+' stands for '×'; '÷' stands for '-' and '×' stands for '+', which one of the following is correct?
 (A) $10 \times 5 \div 5 + 5 - 5 = 10$ (B) $10 \div 5 \times 5 \div 5 = 5$
 (C) $10 + 5 - 5 \div 5 \times 5 = 10$ (D) $10 - 5 + 5 \div 5 \times 5 = 25$

Directions (Qs. 10 & 11): Select the missing number from the given responses.

10.

6	18	9
12	36	18
24	?	36

(A) 54 (B) 60 (C) 18 (D) 72

11.

3	5	8
5	7	6
4	2	?
60	70	144

(A) 3 (B) 4 (C) 18 (D) 48

12. Brinda goes 30 km towards North from a fixed point. Then after turning to her right she goes 30 km. After this she goes 30 km after turning to her right. How far and in what direction is she from the starting point?
 (A) 60 km West (B) 30 km South
 (C) 60 km East (D) 30 km East
13. Prem, Rakesh, Roshan, Sanjay, Tanuj, Udit are sitting at equal distances in a circle and are facing the centre. Roshan is third from Prem in the right. Rakesh is third from Tanuj from the left. Udit is between Prem and Tanuj and Sanjay is third from Udit in the left and right. Who is opposite Tanuj?

(A) Rakesh (B) Sanjay (C) Roshan (D) Prem

Directions (Qs. 14 to 16): One/ two statement(s) are given, followed by two/three conclusions I, II and III. You have to consider the statement(s) to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. You have to decide which of the given conclusions, if any, follow from the given statement(s).

14. **Statements:** 1. All sportsmen have good physique.

2. Some employees are sportsmen.

Conclusions: I. All employees have good physique.

II. Some men with good physique are not sportsmen.

- (A) Both the conclusions follow
- (B) None of the conclusions follows
- (C) Only conclusion I follows
- (D) Only conclusion II follows

15. Statement: Should seniority be the only criterion for the promotion?

Conclusions:

I. No, it would be an injustice to those juniors who are more deserving.

II. Yes, otherwise senior employees feel humiliated.

III. Yes, senior employees are more experienced and must be rewarded.

- (A) I and III are most appropriate
- (B) I and II are most appropriate
- (C) III is most appropriate
- (D) I is most appropriate

16. Statement:

To be happy in life, you should solve your problems than try to avoid them.

Conclusions:

I. Life will be dull if you don't have problems.

II. To avoid problems you should have solutions ready.

- (A) Neither conclusion I nor II follows
- (B) Both conclusions I and II follow
- (C) Only conclusion I follows
- (D) Only conclusion II follows

Directions (Qs. 17 to 22) : Select the related letter/ word / number from the given alternatives.

17. 57913 : EGIM :: 35816 : ?

- (A) CEHQ
- (B) CEHP
- (C) CDIR
- (D) BCHP

18. 8 : 39 :: 72 : ?

- (A) 351
- (B) 300
- (C) 64
- (D) 312

19. 16 : 36 :: 64 : ?

- (A) 8
- (B) 100
- (C) 4
- (D) 6

20. Cup : Coffee :: Bowl : ?

- (A) Milk
- (B) Food
- (C) Dish
- (D) Soup

21. Ink : Pen :: Petrol : ?

- (A) Train (B) Tractor (C) Bus (D) Car

22. MAD : JXA :: RUN : ?

- (A) UXQ (B) ORK (C) OSQ (D) PRJ

Directions (Qs. 23 to 27): Select the one which is different from the other three responses.

23. 48, 80, 120, 144, 192, 208

- (A) 144 (B) 192 (C) 80 (D) 120

24. (A) Uncle (B) Father (C) Nephew (D) Niece

25. (A) KCOG (B) FKOR (C) HAMF (D) VNYQ

26. (A) VALT (B) TORE (C) AIUE (D) PIRE

27. (A) 291 (B) 322 (C) 51 (D) 171

Directions (Qs. 28 & 29): Which one of the given responses would be a meaningful order of the following?

28. 1. Son

2. Husband

3. Grandfather

4. Brother

5. Father

(A) 1, 4, 2, 5, 3

(B) 1, 2, 4, 5, 3

(C) 1, 5, 2, 4, 3

(D) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

29. 1. Adult

2. Old age

3. Adolescent

4. Childhood

(A) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

(B) 3, 4, 5, 1, 2

(C) 5, 4, 3, 1, 2

(D) 1, 5, 4, 3, 2

30. Which one set of letters when sequentially placed at the gaps in the given letter series shall complete it?

aa _ aabb_ b_ aa_ aabb_ bb_

(A) babba

(B) aabbb

(C) abbab

(D) bbbba

31. Arrange the following words as per order in the dictionary:

1. Command
2. Commit
3. Connect
4. Conceive
5. Conduct
6. Commerce

(A) 1 6 2 4 5 3

(B) 1 2 6 5 3 4

(C) 6 2 1 5 4 3

(D) 6 1 2 4 5 3

Directions (Qs. 32 to 34): In these questions, a series is given, with one number/ letter missing. Choose the correct alternative form the given ones that will complete the series.

32. B A F E J I P O ? U

(A) S

(B) Q

(C) V

(D) T

33. 112, 124, 156, 208, ?

(A) 292

(B) 304

(C) 316

(D) 280

34. 96, 101, 126, 187, ?

(A) 300

(B) 297

(C) 296

(D) 306

35. The age of Sunita's father today is four times as that of her age. After 8 years, the age of her father will be three times that of her age. What is Sunita's age today?

(A) 18 years

(B) 16 years

(C) 24 years

(D) 20 years

36. A woman has only 25 p and 50 p coins in her bag. If in all she has 40 coins which total Rs. 12.75, then the number of 50 p coins is

(A) 11

(B) 13

(C) 15

(D) 17

37. (i) A and B can speak Tamil and Malayalam.

(ii) C and D can speak English and Hindi

(iii) B and D can speak Malayalam and Hindi.

(iv) A and C can speak Tamil and English

One who speaks English, Hindi and Malayalam is

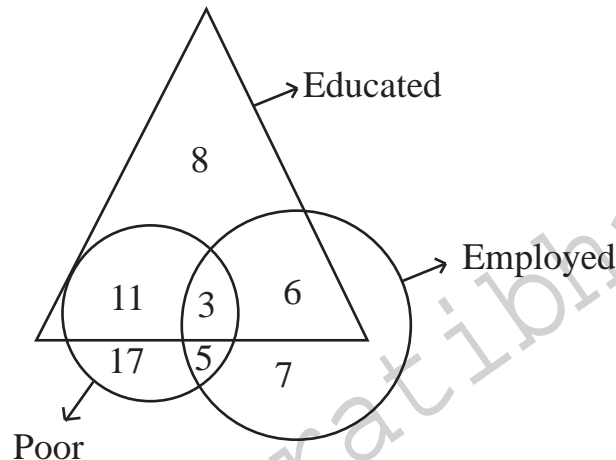
(A) C

(B) D

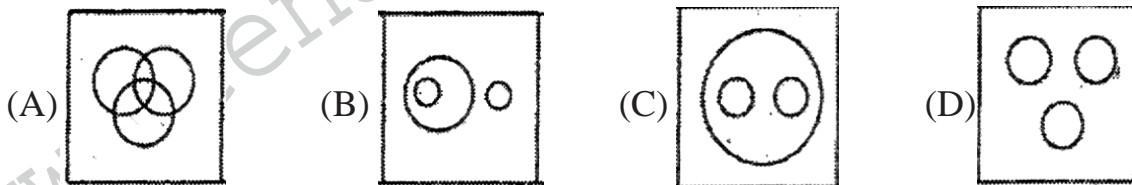
(C) A

(D) B

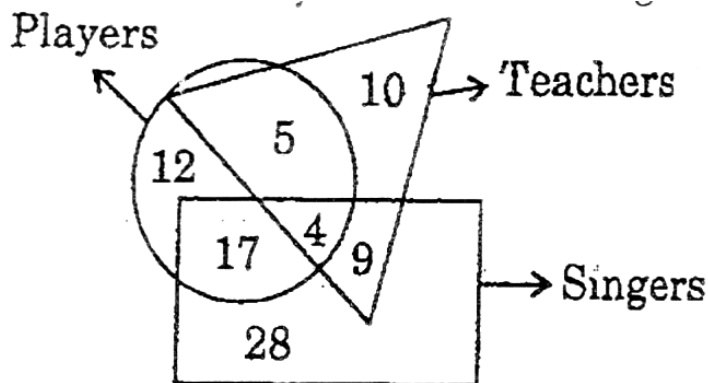
38. The figure represents three classes of youth in a village. How many educated youth are poor?



- (A) 6 (B) 19 (C) 14 (D) 9
39. Find out the figure which best represents the relationship among Garden, Rose and Jasmine.

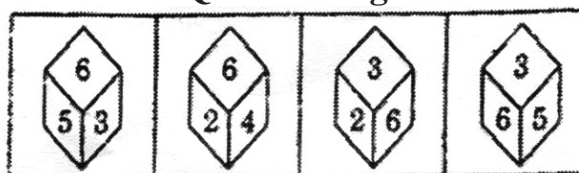


40. The diagram represents Teachers, Singers and Players. Study the diagram and find out how many Teachers are also Singers.



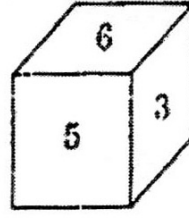
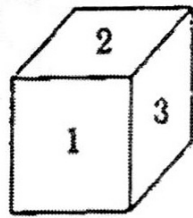
- (A) 9 (B) 13 (C) 4 (D) 5
41. Four positions of a dice are given below. Identify the number at the bottom when top is 2.

Question Figures



- (A) 6 (B) 5 (C) 1 (D) 4

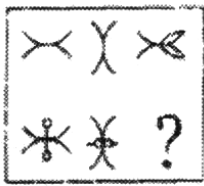
42. Which digit will appear on the face opposite to the face with number 4?



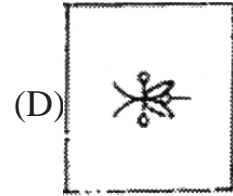
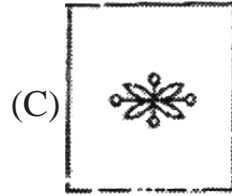
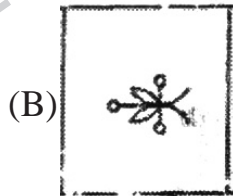
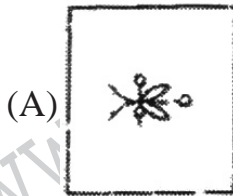
- (A) 6 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) 5

Directions (Qs. 43 to 45): Which answer figure will complete the pattern in the question figure?

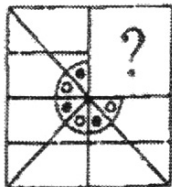
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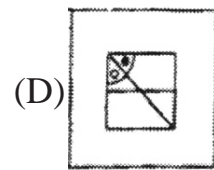
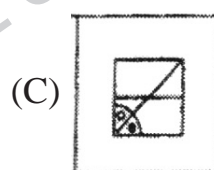
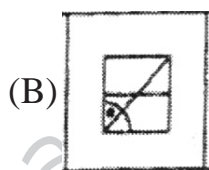
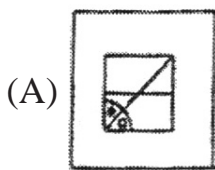
Answer Figures



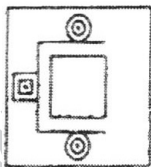
44. Question Figure



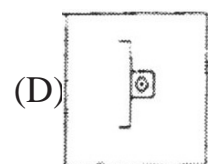
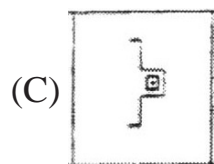
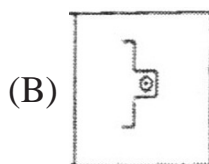
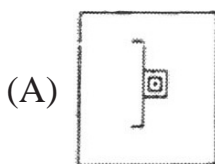
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45. Question Figure



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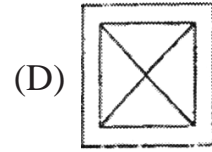
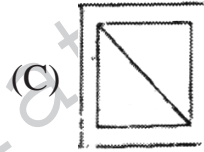
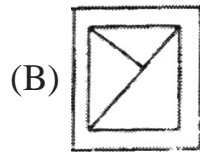
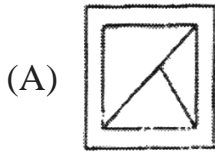


Directions (Qs. 46 & 47): In these questions, from the given answer figures select the one in which the question figure is hidden / embedded.

46. Question Figure



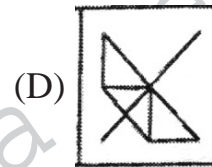
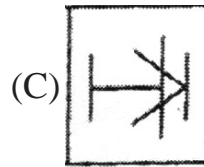
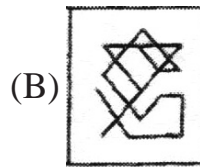
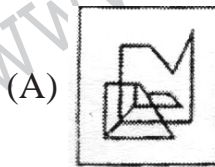
Answer Figures



47. Question Figure

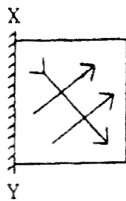


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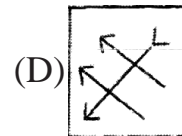
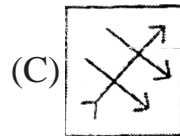
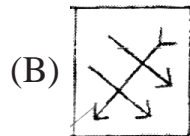
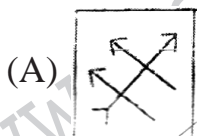


48. If a mirror is placed on the line XY, then which of the answer figures is the correct image of the given question figure?

Question Figure

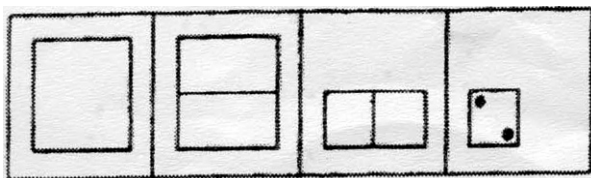


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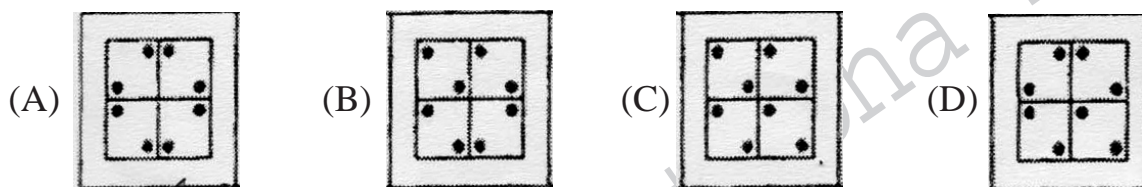


49. A square sheet of paper is folded and punched as shown below in question figures. Choose from amongst the following four answer figures, how will it appear when opened?

Question figures

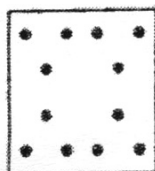


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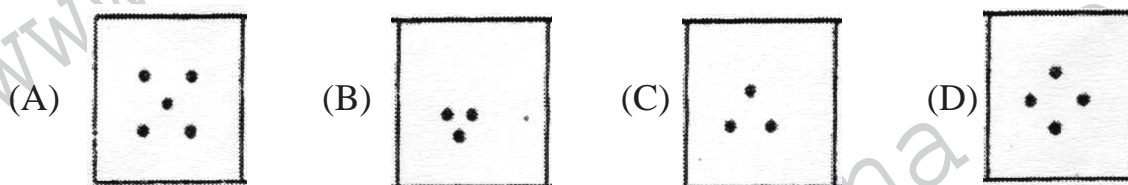


50. A sheet of paper when folded, punched and opened shows the question figure. Choose from the answer figures which punched hole pattern gives this figure.

Question Figure (Open Pattern)



Answer Figures (Punched hole patterns)



GENERAL AWARENESS

51. Hexachlorobenzene is known as
 (A) Pyrene (B) Artificial silk
 (C) Gammexane (D) Artificial camphor
52. The percentage of fresh water on the Earth's surface is nearly
 (A) 4 (B) 3 (C) 8 (D) 5
53. Which of the following is not an operating system from Microsoft?
 (A) Windows NET (B) Windows 7
 (C) Windows 2000 (D) Windows XP
54. Electromagnetic wave coming out of the nucleus of a natural radioactive atom is
 (A) Alpha ray (B) Beta ray
 (C) Gamma ray (D) Microwave

55. In contact process, the gas produced is
(A) Nitric oxide (B) Nitrous oxide
(C) Sulphur trioxide (D) Ammonia
56. The name of Lavoisier is associated with the gas
(A) Oxygen (B) Carbon monoxide
(C) Carbon dioxide (D) Nitrogen
57. The principle of light based on which shadow is formed, is
(A) Rectilinear propagation (B) Diffraction
(C) Reflection (D) Refraction
58. If a light and a heavy body have equal momentum, then kinetic energy is
(A) greater for heavier body (B) independent of momentum
(C) greater for lighter body (D) lesser for lighter body
59. The distance between two crests in a wave is given by
(A) Wave number (B) Wave velocity
(C) Amplitude (D) Wavelength
60. Acting on a non-rigid body, a force can
(A) produce dimensional change
(B) Produce change in direction of motion
(C) start motion
(D) stop motion
61. Four bits in a computer memory is equal to a
(A) Kilobyte (B) Megabyte (C) Nibble (D) Byte
62. In which phylum of animals does respiration take place by gill, called Ctenidia?
(A) Echinodermata (B) Chordata
(C) Arthropoda (D) Mollusca
63. Who among the following was not a member of Subhas Chandra Bose's Azad Hind Fauj?
(A) Captain Mohan Singh (B) G.S. Dhillon
(C) P.K. Sahgal (D) Shah Nawaz Khan
64. Which of the following foreign banks has the maximum number of branches in India?
(A) City Bank (B) ABN – Amro Bank
(C) Standard Chartered Bank (D) HSBC

65. Which of the following has been the fastest growing State during the last seven years (2005–06 to 2011–12) ?
(A) Madhya Pradesh (B) Tamil Nadu
(C) Bihar (D) Gujarat
66. The phenomenon of radioactivity was discovered in 1898 A.D. by
(A) Henri Becquerel (B) J.J. Thomson
(C) Marie Curie (D) Pierre Curie
67. Television was discovered by
(A) Marconi (B) J.L. Baird
(C) Humphrey Duguit (D) Peterson
68. The Prime Minister of Japan is
(A) Yoshihiko Noda (B) Naoto Kan
(C) Shinzo Abe (D) None of these
69. At the oscar Awards ceremony in 2012, the Best Picture Award was given for the film
(A) The Artist
(B) The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo
(C) Rango
(D) Hugo
70. Who composed "Ai – hole" prasasti?
(A) Harisena (B) Nayanikar (C) Kautilya (D) Ravikirti
71. Buddha was born in
(A) 623 B.C. (B) 602 B.C. (C) 523 B.C. (D) 563 B.C.
72. 'Chhau' dance is a form of dancing found in
(A) Bihar (B) Uttar Pradesh (C) Maharashtra (D) West Bengal
73. Which among the following is the renewable source of energy?
(A) Petroleum (B) Coal (C) Wood (D) Atomic fuel
74. In pitcher plant, pitcher is developed from
(A) Flower (B) Apical bud (C) Stem (D) Leaf
75. Which one of the following is a bio-fertiliser?
(A) Bone meal (B) Rhizobium cultures
(C) Green manure (D) Vermi compost

76. Swami Vivekananda was associated with
(A) Ramakrishna Mission (B) Brahmo Samaj
(C) Arya Samaj (D) Prarthana Samaj
77. Which of the following countries has a Presidential form of Government?
(A) U.K. (B) U.S.A. (C) India (D) Nepal
78. According to Gandhiji, Satyagraha may take the form of
(A) Coercion (B) Civil disobedience
(C) Violent strike (D) revolution
79. Who will legislate on the subjects which have not been mentioned in any of the three lists of the Indian Constitution?
(A) State Legislatures
(B) Parliament
(C) Both Parliament and State Legislatures
(D) None of the above
80. The last ruler of Delhi Sultanate was
(A) Jalal Khan Lodi (B) Ibrahim Lodi
(C) Bahlul Lodi (D) Sikander Lodi
81. Who was the guardian of Akbar?
(A) Abul Fazl (B) Amir Khusrau
(C) Bairam Khan (D) Bahlul Lodi
82. Which one of the following pairs is an example for joint supply?
(A) Tea and coffee (B) Pen and pencil
(C) Paddy and straw (D) Car and petrol
83. The concept of 'Sarvodaya' is commonly associated with
(A) Subhas Chandra Bose (B) Vallabhbhai Patel
(C) Gandhi (D) Nehru
84. Who had said, "Property is theft"?
(A) Prince Kropotkin (B) Michael Bakunin
(C) Thomas Moore (D) Prodhon
85. In economics, the central problem is
(A) Population (B) Consumption
(C) Allocation (D) Scarcity

86. Extension in demand occurs when the
(A) price increases (B) price of the substitute increases
(C) quantity demand increases (D) demand increases
87. In case of perfectly inelastic demand, the degree of elasticity is
(A) = 0 (B) = 1 (C) > 0 (D) < 0
88. An indifference curve with 'L' shape represents
(A) Perfect substitutability (B) Perfect complementarity
(C) Imperfect substitutability (D) No complementarity
89. Gene is
(A) Particular DNA segment which determines heredity of a particular trait
(B) Half DNA segment of somatic cells
(C) Whole DNA
(D) Half DNA segment
90. The percentage of tribal population to total population is maximum in
(A) Jharkhand (B) Chhattisgarh
(C) Nagaland (D) Arunachal Pradesh
91. "Origin of Species" is written by
(A) Darwin (B) Weismann (C) Muller (D) Mendel
92. An orchid is considered to be a/an
(A) symbiont (B) endophyte (C) parasite (D) epiphyte
93. 'Amniocentesis' should be strictly followed to
(A) improve the health of the foetus
(B) provide for easy birth of the child
(C) detect hereditary abnormalities of the foetus
(D) determine the sex of the foetus
94. The confirmatory test for HIV virus causing AIDS is
(A) CDR Count (B) Western blot test
(C) ELISA test (D) PCR
95. Which one of the following is an example of igneous rock?
(A) Marble (B) Sandstone (C) Gabbro (D) Limestone
96. Which one of the following pairs is correctly matched?
(A) Bushmen - Atacama (B) Tuaregs - Kalahari
(C) Bedouins - Sahara (D) Binidibus - Australian desert

97. Name a cold desert region of India.

- (A) Baramulla (B) Dun Valley
(C) Ladakh (D) Shillong Plateau

98. The largest number of Roman coins have been found from

- (A) Kerala (B) Tamil Nadu
(C) Both ((A) and ((B) above (D) West Bengal

99. Which of the following dynasties was ruling over Sindh at the time of Arab invasion?

- (A) Brahman (B) Pratihara (C) Shahiya (D) Rai

100. Which State has the largest population of Scheduled Tribes?

- (A) Madhya Pradesh (B) Bihar
(C) Odisha (D) Rajasthan

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Directions (Qs. 101 to 105): Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

101. Incredible

- (A) unbelievable (B) impossible
(C) incredulous (D) sceptical

102. Stable

- (A) firm (B) durable (C) adamant (D) enduring

103. Turmoil

- (A) chaos (B) quiet (C) tranquillity (D) peace

104. Emerge

- (A) Appear (B) recede (C) simulate (D) emulate

105. Predicament

- (A) document (B) trying situation
(C) comment (D) lament

Directions (Qs. 106 to 110): Choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word.

106. Obscure

- (A) concealed (B) zealous (C) hidden (D) obvious

107. Inflammable

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| (A) Flammable | (B) excitable |
| (C) Combustible | (D) non - flammable |

108. Hasty

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| (A) rapid | (B) cautious | (C) harsh | (D) unhurried |
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109. Attachment

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| (A) detachment | (B) reversion |
| (C) attraction | (D) rejection |

110. Uniform

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| (A) unfamiliar | (B) a measure |
| (C) variable | (D) Common |

Directions (Qs. 111 to 115): Four alternatives are given for the Idiom/ Phrase. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/ Phrase.

111. To pay heed

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| (A) to care for | (B) to understand |
| (C) to submit | (D) to listen |

112. To eat the humble pie

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| (A) feel rejected | (B) feel glorified |
| (C) feel humiliated | (D) feel abandoned |

113. A tall order

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| (A) a simple task | (B) an easy task |
| (C) too difficult a task | (D) a normal task |

114. Hue and cry

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| (A) a burst of anger | (B) plenty of tears |
| (C) lot of laughter | (D) an uproar |

115. To win laurels

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| (A) to win praise | (B) to win a lottery |
| (C) to achieve success | (D) to win the hearts of ladies |

Directions (Qs. 116 to 120): In these questions, the 1st and the last parts of the sentence are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the parts and find out which of the four combinations is correct and select your answer accordingly

116. 1. So the swallow

P. while the beggars

Q. making merry in their houses

R. flew over the great city

S. and saw the rich

6. were sitting at the gates

(A) RSQP

(B) QRSP

(C) SQRP

(D) PRSQ

117. 1. They admitted

P. obtained

Q. that

R. the information

S. they had

6. from unreliable sources.

(A) QPRS

(B) QSRP

(C) QSPR

(D) QRPS

118. 1. Planning

P. as a method for

Q. has been declared in India

R. a body of common aims

S. achieving and evolving

6. and techniques to be pursued on national scale.

(A) QPSR

(B) PRSQ

(C) QRSP

(D) SQRP

119. 1. My dear wife

P. but she was calm

Q. as I thus spoke to my sons-

R. could not hide the tears

S. and knelt down to pray

6. while the boys clung round her.

(A) QPRS

(B) RSQP

(C) RQPS

(D) QRSP

120. 1. My work

P. will be finished if I succeed

Q. in carrying the conviction to the human family

R. that every man or woman, however weak in body,

S. is the guardian of his or her self-respect

6. and liberty.

(A) RQSP

(B) SPRQ

(C) PQRS

(D) SRQP

Directions (Qs. 121 to 130): A sentence has been given in Active/Passive Voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/ Active.

121. Give the order.

(A) Order given

(B) Let the order be given

(C) An order was given by someone

(D) Order was given

122. My neighbour described his history to me.

(A) Description of his history to me was done by my neighbour.

(B) My neighbour's history was described to me by himself.

(C) His history had been described by my neighbour to me.

(D) His history was described to me by my neighbour.

123. Many cities had been destroyed by the invaders in those days.

(A) Many invaders destroyed cities in those days.

(B) In those days the invaders had destroyed many cities.

(C) The invaders destroy many cities in these days.

(D) Many cities were destroyed in those days by invaders.

124. She will bring cakes.

(A) Cakes are to be brought by her.

(B) Cakes will be bought by her.

(C) Cakes will be brought by her.

(D) Cakes are to be bought by her.

125. Promises should be kept.

(A) You had to keep promises.

(B) Promises should have been kept.

(C) You should have kept your promises.

(D) One must keep one's promises.

126. People believed that witches communicated with the devil.

- (A) Witches communicated with the devil in front of people.
- (B) Witches and the devil communicated.
- (C) Devils widely believe in communication with people.
- (D) It was believed that witches communicated with the devil.

127. The police victimise the innocent commoners.

- (A) The innocent commoners are victimised by the police.
- (B) No victimisation of the innocent commoners.
- (C) The police are victimised by the innocent commoners.
- (D) The innocent commoners victimised the police.

128. His suggestion was received by me with disdain.

- (A) Disdainful suggestion was received by me from him.
- (B) I received his suggestion with disdain.
- (C) I disdainly received the suggestion.
- (D) I was received with suggested disdain.

129. He offered me all the money at his command.

- (A) I was offered all the money at his command.
- (B) I took all his money at his command.
- (C) He commanded all the money at his hand to me.
- (D) All money at his command was given to me.

130. Bad companions tempted him to drink heavily.

- (A) He drunk heavily in the bad company of his friends.
- (B) He succumbed to the temptation of heavy drinking due to bad companions.
- (C) He was tempted to drink heavily by bad companions.
- (D) He had to drink heavily because of his bad companions.

Directions (Qs. 131 to 140): In these questions, a part of the sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part at ((A), ((B) and ((C) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed, your answer is ((D).

131. The politician surprisingly confessed the responsibility for the accident.

- (A) agreed
- (B) acknowledged
- (C) owned up
- (D) No improvement

132. He never thought so sad as when he had made a blunder.

- (A) cried (B) caused
(C) looked (D) No improvement

133. The man taken to the hospital by an ambulance.

- (A) took (B) is taking
(C) was taken (D) No improvement

134. I am looking forward to see you soon.

- (A) looking forward for seeing
(B) looking forward to seeing
(C) looking forward towards seeing
(D) No improvement

135. English in India has acquired distinct identity as a regional variety and is known as Indian English.

- (A) a distinct (B) a special
(C) an distinct (D) No improvement

136. It is said that Oscar Wilde was most sincere artistically when he depicts insincere characters.

- (A) were (B) have been
(C) is (D) No improvement

137. A person who wants to go out to work should be given the possibility to do so

- (A) opportunity (B) preference
(C) chance (D) No improvement

138. Unless he does not leave this house, I will not say anything

- (A) left (B) leaves
(C) has left (D) No improvement

139. She abandoned the idea of marrying him.

- (A) forsake (B) left
(C) deserted (D) No improvement

140. Indian democracy is a great attention for overseas investors.

- (A) demand (B) avocation
(C) attraction (D) No improvement

Directions (Qs. 141 to 150): A sentence has been given in Direct/ Indirect form. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/ Direct form.

141. The teacher said to the students, "You should obey your parents. You should be of help to them".

- (A) The teacher requested the students to obey their parents and added they should be of help to them.
- (B) The teacher advised the students that they should obey their parents and should be of help to them.
- (C) The teacher advised the students to obey their parents and added that they should be of help to them.
- (D) The teacher commanded the students to obey their parents and further added that they should be of help to them.

142. He said "I will return tomorrow".

- (A) He said that he would return the next day.
- (B) He said that I would return the next day.
- (C) He said that he will return tomorrow.
- (D) He said that he would return tomorrow.

143. "What a wonderful time we had there!" She exclaimed.

- (A) She exclaimed that they had had quite a wonderful time there.
- (B) She that they have quite a wonderful time there.
- (C) She exclaimed that she had quite a wonderful time there.
- (D) She exclaimed that she had had quite a wonderful time there.

144. The watchman warned the boys not to go deep into the sea.

- (A) The watchman said, "Boys didn't go deep into the sea".
- (B) The watchman said to the boys, "Why do you go deep into the sea?"
- (C) The watchman said to the boys, "You are not going deep into the sea."
- (D) The watchman said, "Boys, don't go deep into the sea".

145. My mother said, "Please go to the shop".

- (A) My mother requested me going to the shop.
- (B) My mother asked me to be going to the shop.
- (C) My mother told me to please go to the shop.
- (D) My mother requested me to go to the shop.

146. The reporter said, "We have been following the matter closely for a month".

- (A) The reporter said that they have been following the matter closely for a month.
- (B) The reporter said that they has been following the matter closely for a month.
- (C) The reporter said that they had been following the matter closely for a month.
- (D) The reporter said that we had been following the matter closely for a month.

147. "What are you doing?" she asked me.

- (A) She wants to know what I was doing here.
- (B) She wanted to know what I was doing there.
- (C) She asked what I was doing here.
- (D) She wanted to know what I am doing here.

148. The lawyer said to his client, "We will win the case".

- (A) The lawyer told the client that they should win the case.
- (B) The lawyer told the client that they would win the case.
- (C) The lawyer told to his client that they would win the case.
- (D) The lawyer said that the client would win the case.

149. She asked her brother if he could give her some money then.

- (A) She said to her brother, "Can you give me some money now?"
- (B) She asked her brother, "Give me some money now".
- (C) She said to her brother, "Could I give you some money now?"
- (D) She said to her brother, "Can you give me some money then?"

150. The shopkeeper told me to be kind enough to pay for the tape-recorder in cash.

- (A) The shopkeeper exclaimed to me, "Be kind enough to pay for the tape-recorder in cash".
- (B) The shopkeeper ordered me, "Please be kind enough to pay for the tape-recorder in cash".
- (C) The shopkeeper said to me, "Will you pay for the tape-recorder kindly in cash?"
- (D) The shopkeeper said, "Be kind enough to pay for the tape-recorder in cash".

Directions (Qs. 151 to 170): You have the following two passages in which some of the words have been left out. First read the passage over and try to understand

what it is about. Then fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given.

Passage – I

The Indian Ocean earthquake of 2004, also ... (151)... as the Sumatra - Andaman earthquake, was an undersea earthquake that ... (152)... on the morning of 26 December 2004. It had a... (153)... of 9.15 on the Richter scale, which makes it one of the most ... (154)... earthquakes ever recorded. The only known earthquake of ... (155)... magnitude was the Great Earthquake of Chile (magnitude 9.5) in 1969. The Indian Ocean earthquake ... (156).. more than 2,83,100 people, making it one of the deadliest ... (157)... in modern history. It lasted ... (158) ... to ten minutes, when most earthquakes last no more than a few seconds. It caused the ... (159)... planet to move off its course by at least a few centimetres and ... (160) ... earthquakes elsewhere, as far away as Alaska.

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| 151. (A) recognized | (B) referred |
| (C) known | (D) called |
| 152. (A) occurred | (B) began |
| (C) happened | (D) arose |
| 153. (A) height | (B) reference |
| (C) dimension | (D) magnitude |
| 154. (A) wonderful | (B) powerful |
| (C) great | (D) beautiful |
| 155. (A) comparable | (B) likewise |
| (C) different | (D) distinct |
| 156. (A) saved | (B) killed |
| (C) destructed | (D) murdered |
| 157. (A) failures | (B) breakdowns |
| (C) blows | (D) disasters |
| 158. (A) open | (B) nearby |
| (C) close | (D) near |
| 159. (A) complete | (B) total |
| (C) full | (D) entire |

160. (A) triggered (B) invited
(C) prompted (D) elicited

Passage – II

Socrates who was a great thinker and ... (161) ... never liked to write ... (162) ... He wanted to make people ... (163) ... well. Plato was the most ... (164) ... pupil of Socrates. With boundless love and ... (165) ... for his ... (166) ..., Plato wrote all the teachings of Socrates. Years ... (167) ... when printing was invented, Plato's books were also ... (168) ... They have been ... (169) ... into many ... (170) ...

161. (A) speaker (B) announced (C) teacher (D) preacher
162. (A) books (B) poems (C) letters (D) essays
163. (A) act (B) play (C) speak (D) think
164. (A) obedient (B) famous (C) known (D) loving
165. (A) anger (B) hatred (C) kindness (D) respect
166. (A) master (B) servant (C) pupil (D) guardian
167. (A) before (B) over (C) later (D) after
168. (A) sold (B) printed (C) published (D) released
169. (A) written (B) published (C) changed (D) translated
170. (A) languages (B) sizes (C) ways (D) varieties

Directions (Qs. 171 to 185): In these questions, you have two brief passages with 10/5 questions following each passage. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

Passage – I

As soon as Japan entered the war, Subhas Chandra Bose received a call from Rash Behari Bose, the veteran revolutionary who had settled down in Japan and had organised the Indians in South-East Asia to work for India's freedom, under the Indian Independence League. Subhas left Germany in a German U-boat for Madagascar, where he was transferred to a Japanese submarine. He arrived in Tokyo, met General Tojo, the Japanese Prime Minister, and persuaded him to issue a declaration promising full Independence to India in case Japan defeated Britain. Reaching Singapore, he took over the leadership of the Indian Independence movement and set up a provisional Government of Free India which was recognised immediately by Japan, Germany, Italy, Burma, Thailand, Nationalist China and the Philippines.

Thus began the most glorious chapter in the life of Subhas Chandra Bose. He displayed tremendous energy and organisational skill in recruiting, training and financing the Indian National Army. The Indian soldiers and civilians in South-East Asia at once declared their allegiance to him and began to call him 'Netaji'. He gave them the inspiring call of 'Jai Hind' and 'Dilli Chalo'.

171. Who declared that India will get full Independence in the event of Japan defeating Britain in the World War II?

- (A) Rash Behari Bose
- (B) Japanese King
- (C) Japanese Prime Minister
- (D) Subhas Chandra Bose

172. Who was Rash Behari Bose?

- (A) A Bengali Civil Servant
- (B) A radical leader
- (C) A veteran bureaucrat
- (D) A British citizen

173. How did Subhas Chandra Bose reach Japan?

- (A) First he took a U-boat until Madagascar and then a submarine.
- (B) By land.
- (C) In a Japanese U-boat and then in a German submarine.
- (D) In a German aircraft and then in a Japanese submarine via Madagascar.

174. Who established Indian Independence League?

- (A) General Tojo
- (B) Adolf Hitler
- (C) Subhas Chandra Bose
- (D) Rash Behari Bose

175. What was the most glorious chapter in 'Netaji' Bose's Life?

- (A) Organization of the Indian National Army
- (B) Organization of the Indian Independence League
- (C) Collaboration with the Germans
- (D) Collaboration with the Japanese

176. Who became the head of the Provisional Government of Free India?

- (A) Rash Behari Bose
- (B) Mahatma Gandhi
- (C) General Tojo
- (D) Subhas Chandra Bose

177. Where was the Provisional Government of Free India headquartered?

- (A) India
- (B) Singapore
- (C) Tokyo
- (D) Germany

178. Which of the following countries did not recognize the Provisional Government of Free India?

- (A) Britain
- (B) Thailand
- (C) Japan
- (D) Germany

179. Name the slogan associated with Subhas Chandra Bose?

- (A) Quit India
- (B) Jai Jawan Jai Kisan
- (C) Dilli Chalo
- (D) Garibi Hatao

180. What triggered a collaboration between the Japanese and Subhas Chandra Bose?

- (A) Japanese entry in the World War
- (B) Rash Behari Bose's suggestion
- (C) Germany's unwillingness
- (D) Japanese intolerance

Passage – II

On October 13, 1945, a citizen of Durham, North Carolina was brought before Judge Wilson of Traffic court for parking his car on a restricted street right in front of a sign forbidding parking. But instead of pleading guilty, the defendant protested that he was not extracting ore from underneath the street.

This was not a fictitious reply, for when the sign was brought as an evidence, the defendant triumphantly pointed out that it read "No Stopping" and "stopping" he was able to prove with the help of an unabridged dictionary (P.2.845 Webster's New International) means "extracting ore from a stope or loosely underground".

"Your honour", said the defendant, "I am a law-abiding citizen. When I saw the sign I thought whatever you do, don't extract any ore - it's against the law. I did not do any stopping - and I move the case be dismissed." The judge understood the inconvenience caused by a mere drop of the single letter and that the defendant had lived up to the letter of the law. Therefore the case was dismissed.

181. The sign board read

- (A) No Stopping
- (B) parking
- (C) No parking
- (D) No stopping

182. The dictionary gives the meaning for the word "Stopping" as

- (A) School zone
- (B) Halt and go
- (C) Parking
- (D) Extracting ore

183. The accused was really

- (A) a knowledgeable person who converts an inconvenient situation into a convenient one
- (B) a criminal
- (C) a law-abiding citizen
- (D) an innocent person

184. The case was dismissed because the defendant

- (A) did not possess a car at all
- (B) lived upto the letter of the law
- (C) was found not guilty
- (D) pleaded innocence

185. The citizen was brought before the Traffic Court for Parking because

- (A) he extracted ore unlawfully
- (B) he parked his car on a restricted street
- (C) he exceeded the speed limit
- (D) he did not possess a license

Directions (Qs. 186 to 195): In these questions, some parts of the sentences have errors and some have none. Find out which part of a sentence has an error and mark that letter (A), (B), (C) as your answer. If there is no error, then mark (D) as your answer.

186. No sooner did (A)/ the police arrive (B)/ when the robbers ran away. (C)/ No error (D)

187. I know (A)/ a doctor (B)/ you are referring to. (C)/ No error (D)

188. Smoke from diesel engines (A)/ become visible (B)/ as the carbon content increases. (C) / No error (D)

189. The moon (A)/ is shining (B)/ brightly tonight, is it? (C)/ No error (D)

190. There was great excitement (A)/ on planet of Mars this week, (B)/ wasn't there ? (C)/ No error (D)

191. I met (A)/ him (B)/ four weeks before. (C) / No error (D)

192. I shall wait for you (A)/ till you will (B)/ finish your lunch. (C)/ No error (D)

193. The price of cars (A)/ have been reduced (B)/ recently. (C)/ No error (D)

194. The teacher has (A)/ not yet entered (B)/ into the classroom. (C) / No error (D)

195. Vijay is (A)/ very cleverer (B)/ than Ram. (C)/ No error (D)

Directions (Qs. 196 to 200): Sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.

196. The government has identified food processing as the key rapid industrialisation in Bihar.

- (A) of
- (B) in
- (C) for
- (D) to

197. Rajan was too tired he could not walk.

- (A) that (B) still (C) as (D) than

198. Raju willingly my request for financial assistance.

- (A) complied on (B) complied for
(C) complied to (D) complied with

199. My friend at seven this morning.

- (A) left up (B) kept on
(C) took away (D) got up

200. A lady I know helped me.

- (A) which (B) that (C) who (D) whom

ANSWERS

1-A; 2-B; 3-C; 4-D; 5-B; 6-D; 7-A; 8-D; 9-C; 10-D; 11-A; 12-D; 13-A; 14-B; 15-D;
16-A; 17-B; 18-A; 19-B; 20-D; 21-D; 22-B; 23-A; 24-D; 25-D; 26-C; 27-B; 28-A;
29-C; 30-A; 31-A; 32-C; 33-D; 34-A; 35-B; 36-A; 37-B; 38-C; 39-C; 40-B; 41-B;
42-C; 43-D; 44-C; 45-A; 46-D; 47-B; 48-D; 49-A; 50-C; 51-C; 52-B; 53-A; 54-C;
55-C; 56-A; 57-A; 58-C; 59-D; 60-A; 61-C; 62-D; 63-A; 64-C; 65-C; 66-A; 67-B;
68-C; 69-A; 70-D; 71-A; 72-D; 73-C; 74-D; 75-B; 76-C; 77-B; 78-C; 79-B; 80-B;
81-C; 82-C; 83-C; 84-D; 85-D; 86-C; 87-C; 88-B; 89-A; 90-B; 91-A; 92-A; 93-C;
94-C; 95-C; 96-D; 97-C; 98-C; 99-D; 100-A; 101-A; 102-A; 103-A; 104-A; 105-B;
106-D; 107-D; 108-D; 109-A; 110-C; 111-D; 112-C; 113-C; 114-D; 115-A; 116-A;
117-C; 118-A; 119-C; 120-C; 121-B; 122-B; 123-B; 124-C; 125-D; 126-D; 127-A;
128-B; 129-A; 130-C; 131-C; 132-D; 133-C; 134-B; 135-A; 136-C; 137-A; 138-B;
139-D; 140-C; 141-B; 142-A; 143-A; 144-D; 145-D; 146-C; 147-B; 148-B; 149-A;
150-D; 151-C; 152-A; 153-D; 154-B; 155-A; 156-B; 157-D; 158-C; 159-D; 160-A;
161-C; 162-A; 163-C; 164-B; 165-D; 166-A; 167-C; 168-C; 169-D; 170-A; 171-C;
172-B; 173-A; 174-D; 175-A; 176-D; 177-B; 178-A; 179-C; 180-A; 181-A; 182-D;
183-C; 184-B; 185-B; 186-C; 187-B; 188-B; 189-C; 190-B; 191-C; 192-B; 193-B;
194-C; 195-B; 196-D; 197-A; 198-D; 199-D; 200-D;