

SSC CPO T-I Similar Paper (Held on 10 Dec 2025 S2)

Q1. Direction: These Questions are based on the following information.

There is a family of 7 members: Puja, Payal, Paras, Preet, Palak, Pia and Parth. In that family, there are 3 generations having 2 married couples among them. Preet is brother-in-law of Paras. Puja is daughter-in-law of Pia. Pia and Parth are a married couple who have only 1 son. Palak is sister of Payal. Payal is daughter of Paras. Parth is father of Paras.

Who is mother of Paras?

- (a) Puja
- (b) Pia
- (c) Preet
- (d) Payal

Ans.(b)

Q2. In a recruitment test, candidates from one state had their interviews scheduled in the morning, while others had theirs in the late evening after delays. Which inference is most valid?

- (a) Candidates chose their slots
- (b) Evening slots are better
- (c) Morning candidates perform better
- (d) Scheduling favoured one state

Ans.(d)

Q3. Which of the following is the ODD one out?

- (a) 11
- (b) 17
- (c) 23
- (d) 27

Ans.(d)

Q4. Find the ODD one out.

- (a) Asia
- (b) Africa
- (c) Europe
- (d) Gulf

Ans.(d)

Q5. You're working on a deadline but get an urgent family call. What's the best decision?

- (a) Answer to assess urgency
- (b) Ignore the call
- (c) Leave work without informing
- (d) Switch off the phone

Ans.(a)



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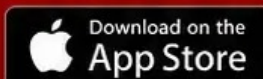


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Q6. A dealer marked his goods 20% above cost price. He allows two successive discounts of 10% and 5%. What is his overall profit or loss percentage?

- (a) 2.6% loss
- (b) 2.6% profit
- (c) 5% profit
- (d) 5% loss

Ans.(b)

Q7. Raj visited a city on an even day before both Meenu and Kavya. If Meenu went on 18th and Kavya on 20th, when did Raj go?

- (a) 22nd
- (b) 17th
- (c) 15th
- (d) 12th

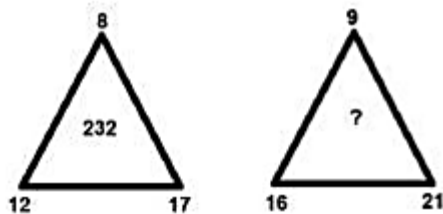
Ans.(d)

Q8. Four neighbours A, B, C, D in a row. B is second; C is between B and D; who is first?

- (a) D
- (b) C
- (c) B
- (d) A

Ans.(d)

Q9. What will come in place of question mark (?) following the same pattern as given below?



- (a) 288
- (b) 333
- (c) 345
- (d) 272

Ans.(b)

Q10. Find the missing letter.

A	P	H
D	S	K
G	V	?

- (a) M
- (b) H
- (c) P
- (d) N

Ans.(d)

Q11. In a code, MOON is written as NPPM. How is STAR written?

- (a) TUBS
- (b) TUBF
- (c) TUBQ
- (d) TUBR

Ans.(c)

Q12. The seminar in Chandigarh was held 3 days before the Delhi seminar. The seminar in Lucknow was 2 days after the Chandigarh seminar. If the Delhi seminar was on 10th March, when was the Lucknow seminar?

- (a) 6th March
- (b) 7th March
- (c) 8th March
- (d) 9th March

Ans.(d)

Q13. Which is not hardware?

- (a) Monitor
- (b) Scanner
- (c) Excel
- (d) Printer

Ans.(c)

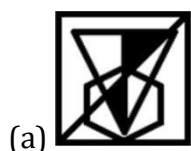
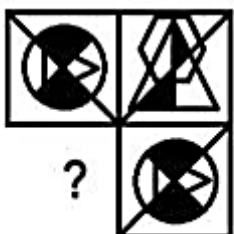
Q14. What comes next in the series?

2, 5, 3, 6, 4, 7, 5, 8, 6, 9, 7, 10, 8, ?

- (a) 11
- (b) 12
- (c) 9
- (d) 15

Ans.(a)

Q15. Select the figure from the options that can replace the question mark (?) and complete the given pattern.



- (b) 
- (c) 
- (d) 

Ans.(d)

Q16. Select the option that does NOT belong to the same category:

42, 56, 63, 84

- (a) 42
(b) 56
(c) 63
(d) 84

Ans.(c)

Q17. In the following question, two statements are followed by two conclusions. You have to assume the given statements to be true, even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts. Read both the conclusions and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the statements.

Statements:

Some boys are engineers.

All engineers are intelligent.

Conclusions:

I. Some boys are intelligent.

II. All intelligent are engineers.

- (a) Only conclusion I follows
(b) Only conclusion II follows
(c) Both conclusions I and II follow
(d) Neither conclusion I nor II follows

Ans.(a)

Q18. In a family, there are 7 members – A, B, C, D, E, F, and G. D is the wife of F. G is the maternal grandfather of B. E is the only son of F. A is the mother of F. B is the daughter of D and sister of C. How is F related to G?

- (a) Grandson
(b) Father-in-law
(c) Son
(d) Son-in-law

Ans.(d)

Q19. Statements:

All tables are furniture.

Some furniture is broken.

Which conclusion is true?

- (a) Some tables are broken
- (b) All tables are broken
- (c) No table is broken
- (d) Some furniture are tables

Ans.(d)

Q20. The price of a commodity increases 5% annually from 400. What will be the approximate price at the end of the 4th year?

- (a) 470
- (b) 486
- (c) 494
- (d) 496

Ans.(b)

Q21. Given 'M \$ N' means 'M is not greater than or equal to N', what can be concluded?

- (a) $M < N$
- (b) $M \leq N$
- (c) $M > N$
- (d) $M = N$

Ans.(a)

Q22. Read the following statement carefully and identify the conclusion that follows.

Statement:

All engineers are graduates.

Some graduates are teachers.

No teacher is a doctor.

Conclusions:

I. Some engineers may be teachers.

II. Some doctors are not engineers.

- (a) Only I follows
- (b) Only II follows
- (c) Both I and II follow
- (d) Neither I nor II follows

Ans.(a)

Q23. If "A1B2" is coded as "C3D4", then how will "E5F6" be coded?

- (a) G7H8
- (b) g2h8
- (c) I9J10
- (d) j9i10

Ans.(a)

Q24. In a row of 21 girls, when Rita was shifted by five places towards the right, she became 12th from the left end. What was her earlier position from the right end of the row?

- (a) 15
- (b) 17
- (c) 18
- (d) 19

Ans.(a)

Q25. 'A % B' means 'A is the husband of B'.

'A @ B' means 'A is the mother of B'.

'A \$ B' means 'A is the sister of B'.

'A & B' means 'A is the parent of B'.

If, 'J % R, S \$ J, P % D & S', then how is P related to R?

- (a) Father
- (b) Uncle
- (c) Father-in-law
- (d) Brother

Ans.(c)

Q26. A school offers advanced classes to more students from affluent backgrounds than from poor backgrounds. What inference is valid?

- (a) Poor students lack interest
- (b) Affluent students perform better
- (c) Possible socio-economic discrimination
- (d) Classes are too full

Ans.(c)

Q27. Midway through a large event, you see a safety hazard, but the program is running smoothly. What is the best decision?

- (a) Ignore and hope for the best
- (b) Pause the event briefly to resolve the safety issue
- (c) Wait until the event ends
- (d) Delegate without inspecting

Ans.(b)

Q28. Which word can be formed using all the letters of T R O A I N L A?

- (a) RATIONAL
- (b) NOTARIL
- (c) ORALINT
- (d) TRINALO

Ans.(a)

Q29. A train 180 meters long takes 20 seconds to cross a platform 120 meters long. What is the speed of the train in km/h?

- (a) 54 km/h
- (b) 48 km/h
- (c) 60 km/h
- (d) 72 km/h

Ans.(a)

Q30. Statements:

All metals are elements.

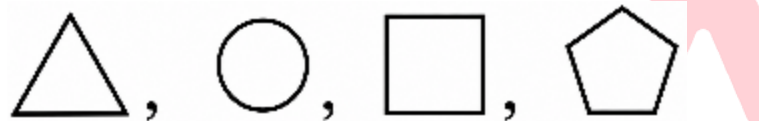
Some elements are liquids.

Which conclusion logically follows?

- (a) All liquids are metals
- (b) Some metals are liquids
- (c) Some liquids are metals
- (d) Cannot say

Ans.(d)

Q31. Select the option that does NOT belong to the same category:



- (a) Triangle
- (b) Circle
- (c) Square
- (d) Pentagon

Ans.(b)

Q32. A boat covers 30 km downstream in 2 hours and the same distance upstream in 3 hours. Find the speed of the boat in still water.

- (a) 10 km/h
- (b) 12.5 km/h
- (c) 11 km/h
- (d) 8 km/h

Ans.(b)

Q33. In the following question, two statements are followed by two conclusions. You have to assume the given statements to be true, even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts. Read both the conclusions and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the statements.

Statements:

No poets are dancers.

Some dancers are singers.

Conclusions:

- I. Some singers are poets.
- II. No singer is poet.

- (a) Only conclusion I follows
(b) Only conclusion II follows
(c) Both conclusions I and II follow
(d) Neither conclusion I nor II follows

Ans.(d)

Q34. If % = addition, * = multiplication, # = subtraction, \$ = division; calculate:

$$20 \% 6 * 3 \# 8 \$ 4$$

- (a) 38
(b) 36
(c) 40
(d) 32

Ans.(b)

Q35. Trivandrum hosted its seminar on Wednesday. Kochi held its seminar 2 days before Trivandrum, Kozhikode hosted it 3 days after Trivandrum, and Alappuzha hosted it on the same day of the week as Kochi. On which day was Alappuzha's seminar?

- (a) Monday
(b) Wednesday
(c) Friday
(d) Sunday

Ans.(a)

Q36. The population of a town is 120,000, increasing 6% yearly. Estimate the population after 5 years.

- (a) 170,000
(b) 160,587
(c) 170,980
(d) 180,000

Ans.(b)

Q37. X is the son of Y, who is the brother of Z. How is X related to Z?

- (a) Son
(b) Nephew
(c) Cousin
(d) Brother

Ans.(b)

Q38. Complete the analogy:

$$7^3 : 343 :: 6^3 : ?$$

- (a) 36
(b) 216
(c) 343
(d) 1296

Ans.(b)

Q39. In a certain code language, "HATCH" is coded as "12, 5, 24, 7, 12", "DEMON" is coded as "8, 9, 17, 19, 18". How is "READER" coded in the same language?

- (a) 21, 12, 16, 8, 9, 22
- (b) 22, 19, 5, 8, 9, 22
- (c) 22, 9, 5, 8, 9, 22
- (d) 23, 21, 26, 15, 23

Ans.(c)

Q40. You are short of a key item during a presentation. What should you do?

- (a) Stop presentation
- (b) Borrow loudly from the audience
- (c) Cancel and reschedule
- (d) Improvise with available resources

Ans.(d)

Q41. Symbols: $P \& Q \rightarrow P \leq Q$, $P \% Q \rightarrow P > Q$

Statement: $D \& E \% F$

Which is correct?

- (a) $D < F$
- (b) $D > F$
- (c) $D = F$
- (d) Cannot be determined

Ans.(d)

Q42. If \$ = division, @ = addition, # = subtraction, and % = multiplication, then what is $36 \$ 6 @ 4 \% 3 \# 5$?

- (a) 14
- (b) 16
- (c) 15
- (d) 13

Ans.(d)

Q43. In six houses numbered 1–6: X lives in an odd-numbered house above W; Z lives between W and Y; Y does not live in an even-numbered house; V is at the top. Who lives at house 4?

- (a) W
- (b) Z
- (c) Y
- (d) X

Ans.(b)

Q44. Complete the analogy:

Bread : Flour :: Brick : ?

- (a) Stone
- (b) Clay
- (c) Water

(d) Sand

Ans.(b)

Q45. In a coded inequality system, $A \$ B \rightarrow A = B$, $A \# B \rightarrow A > B$

Statement: $A \$ B \# C$

Which inequality is correct?

(a) $A = B$ and $B > C$

(b) $A > C$ and $B = C$

(c) $A > B$ and $C < A$

(d) Cannot be determined

Ans.(a)

Q46. If MANGO is written as OGNAM, how is GUAVA written?

(a) GVUAG

(b) AVUAG

(c) AVUUG

(d) AVAUG

Ans.(d)

Q47. Find the odd one out in the given semantic series:

Eagle, Emu, Peacock, Parrot

(a) Eagle

(b) Emu

(c) Peacock

(d) Parrot

Ans.(b)

Q48. Three of the following words are alike in some manner and hence form a group. Which word does NOT belong to that group?

(the words must be considered as meaningful English words and must not be grouped based on the number of letter/number of consonants/vowels In the word).

(a) Bhutan

(b) Nepal

(c) Singapore

(d) China

Ans.(c)

Q49. What comes next?

AZ, CY, EX, ?

(a) HV

(b) GW

(c) IU

(d) JT

Ans.(b)

Q50. If % = multiplication, @ = subtraction, \$ = addition, and # = division, what is

50 % 4 \$ 20 @ 15 # 5 ?

- (a) 217
- (b) 240
- (c) 248
- (d) 275

Ans.(a)

Q51. Consider the following Assertion (A) and Reason (R) and choose the CORRECT option. Assertion (A) - Modern technological development plays a very important role in determining the location of urban settlements. Reason (R) - The location of the earliest urban settlement was dependent upon water, building material and fertile land.

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- (b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- (c) A is true, but R is false.
- (d) A is false, but R is true.

Ans.(b)

Q52. In which city is the headquarters of the Squash Rackets Federation of India (SRFI) situated?

- (a) Chennai
- (b) New Delhi
- (c) Mumbai
- (d) Kolkata

Ans.(a)

Q53. Identify the correctly matched pairs.

- 1. Kalibangan - Fire altars
- 2. Megasthenes - Arthashastra
- 3. Chalcolithic culture - Use of both copper and stone

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3

Ans.(a)

Q54. Who is known as Sungam Tavirtta Cholan?

- (a) Kulottunga I
- (b) Rajendra III
- (c) Rajaraja I
- (d) Kulottunga III

Ans.(a)

Q55. On 6th July 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi paid tribute to which leader known for founding the Bharatiya Jana Sangh and sacrificing his life for India's unity and integrity?

- (a) Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya

- (b) Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee
(c) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
(d) Lala Lajpat Rai

Ans.(b)

Q56. Match the government schemes with their correct objectives and choose the correct option:

Government schemes:	Objectives:
A. Dak Karmayogi	i. Infra monitoring
B. India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)	ii. Capacity building for government personnel
C. Aadhaar-enabled Payment System (AePS)	iii. Aadhaar-based cashless banking
D. PRAGATI	iv. Financial inclusion through doorstep banking

- (a) A-ii, B-iv, C-iii, D-i
(b) A-ii, B-i, C-iv, D-iii
(c) A-iv, B-iii, C-i, D-ii
(d) A-i, B-iii, C-ii, D-iv

Ans.(a)

Q57. What is the primary focus of the Sohrai festival celebrated in Jharkhand?

- (a) Worshiping rivers
(b) Worshiping cattle
(c) Tributing forest deities
(d) Honoring tribal warriors

Ans.(b)

Q58. The TV-D1 test flight validated which system for the Gaganyaan mission?

- (a) RCS
(b) LRA
(c) CES
(d) APXS

Ans.(c)

Q59. Read the statements given below carefully: Statement 1: The Northern Plain is sparsely populated due to its frequent flooding and infertile soil. Statement 2: The plain lies adjacent to the Himalayas and is made up of rocky and arid terrain. Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
(b) Only 2
(c) Both 1 and 2 are correct
(d) Neither 1 nor 2 is correct

Ans.(d)

Q60. Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are given below. Choose the correct option: Assertion (A): Improvements in nutrition and public health reduce mortality rates. Reason (R): Lower mortality leads to an immediate fall in birth rates.

- (a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A

- (c) A is true, but R is false
(d) A is false, but R is true

Ans.(c)

Q61. Which of the following criteria is a primary requirement for a beach or marina to receive the international Blue Flag certification?

- (a) Presence of luxury resorts and high-end tourism facilities.
(b) Exclusive access for private members or residents.
(c) High standards of water quality, environmental management, safety, and services.
(d) Location within a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Ans.(c)

Q62. Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct option regarding Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Assertion (A): Tax reforms post-1991 included lowering income tax rates. Reason (R): Lower tax rates were believed to increase tax compliance and reduce evasion.

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
(b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
(c) A is true but R is false.
(d) A is false but R is true.

Ans.(a)

Q63. How often are the National Games of India held?

- (a) Annually
(b) Every 2 years
(c) Every 3 years
(d) Every 4 years

Ans.(b)

Q64. The "Moin-ud-Dowla Gold Cup" is associated with which sport in India?

- (a) Cricket
(b) Hockey
(c) Football
(d) Polo

Ans.(a)

Q65. In which Indian state is Onam celebrated?

- (a) Karnataka
(b) Andhra Pradesh
(c) Kerala
(d) Maharashtra

Ans.(c)

Q66. What does the principle of victim-centric justice emphasize?

- (a) Emphasizing the rights of the victim, including speedy justice and rehabilitation
(b) Prioritizing the media coverage of the case

- (c) Punishing the accused without trial
- (d) Allowing victims to determine the punishment

Ans.(a)

Q67. Who was appointed as the Defence Secretary of India in November 2024?

- (a) Ajay Kumar
- (b) Anil Baijal
- (c) Rajesh Kumar Singh
- (d) Giridhar Aramane

Ans.(c)

Q68. Which genre of music is commonly associated with Kathak?

- (a) Carnatic music
- (b) Hindustani music
- (c) Folk music
- (d) Western classical music

Ans.(b)

Q69. The Indian Independence Act of 1947 marked the end of British rule but also led to the partition of India. Critically evaluate the arguments for and against the partition, considering the political, social, and economic consequences that followed.

- (a) The partition was a universally welcomed decision that led to immediate peace and prosperity in both India and Pakistan.
- (b) While advocated by the Muslim League as the only way to secure Muslim interests, the partition resulted in widespread violence, displacement, and long-lasting socio-political tensions, with arguments against it focusing on the potential for a united India with adequate minority safeguards.
- (c) The British government unilaterally imposed the partition without any significant consultation with Indian leaders or consideration of its consequences.
- (d) The partition was solely driven by economic factors, with both sides seeking control over specific resources and territories.

Ans.(b)

Q70. Which dance from Assam involves a group of dancers performing in circles or rows, often accompanied by drums and pipes, to celebrate the Bihu festival?

- (a) Bagurumba
- (b) Bihu
- (c) Dhol Cholom
- (d) Hojagiri

Ans.(b)

Q71. Consider the following statements:

1. Parliament can bar the jurisdiction of courts over inter-state water disputes.
2. Article 262 empowers the Inter-State Council to adjudicate water disputes.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1

- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans.(a)

Q72. Based on the classification of industries by raw material source, which option below is correctly paired?

- (a) Tea - Mineral-based industry
- (b) Petrochemicals - Mineral-based industry
- (c) Coffee - Mineral-based industry
- (d) Woollen textile - Mineral-based industry

Ans.(b)

Q73. Which of the following freedom fighters is also known as 'Mother Teresa of Western Odisha'?

- (a) Parbati Giri
- (b) Rama Devi
- (c) Sarala Devi
- (d) Annapurna Maharana

Ans.(a)

Q74. Which devotional song form in simple Kannada, promoted by the Haridasa Movement in Karnataka, is a cornerstone of its Carnatic music tradition?

- (a) Devara Nama
- (b) Vachana
- (c) Janapada Geete
- (d) Bhajan

Ans.(a)

Q75. Which key compound gives garlic its characteristic sharp taste and strong smell?

- (a) Allyl isothiocyanate
- (b) Allicin
- (c) Capsaicin
- (d) Thymol

Ans.(b)

Q76. What is the primary function of the Solar Wind Ion Spectrometer (SWIS), included in the ASPEX payload on Aditya-L1?

- (a) Records UV imagery of solar flare activity
- (b) Monitors tremors and vibrations on the solar surface
- (c) Observes changes in the Earth's geomagnetic field
- (d) Detects directional flow of solar wind protons and helium nuclei

Ans.(d)

Q77. Which of the following regions in India is best known as the "Ruhr of India" due to its rich mineral resources, particularly coal, and industrial development?

- (a) Chota Nagpur Plateau
- (b) Malwa Plateau
- (c) Deccan Plateau
- (d) Thar Desert

Ans.(a)

Q78. The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) introduces significant changes regarding the use of technology in criminal justice. Which of these is a key technological integration mandated by Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS)?

- (a) Mandatory use of Artificial Intelligence for investigations.
- (b) Videography of search and seizure operations and crime scenes.
- (c) Robot-assisted policing.
- (d) Automated judgment delivery system.

Ans.(b)

Q79. Read the following statements about the de Broglie hypothesis and wave-particle duality:

1. As a particle's momentum increases, its associated de Broglie wavelength becomes shorter.
2. The de Broglie wavelength is significant for macroscopic objects moving at high speeds.
3. The wave-particle duality applies to photons but not to material particles. Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans.(a)

Q80. Read the below statements about synaptic transmission:

1. Synaptic cleft is the gap between two neurons.
2. Neurotransmitters are released from presynaptic terminals.
3. Axon hillock receives impulses from the next neuron. Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only 1 and 2 are correct
- (b) Only 1 and 3 are correct
- (c) Only 2 and 3 are correct
- (d) 1, 2 and 3 all are correct

Ans.(a)

Q81. Which of the following best describes the concept of 'opportunity cost' in microeconomics?

- (a) The cost of producing goods in the future
- (b) The net gain from an investment
- (c) The value of leisure forgone
- (d) The value of the best alternative forgone

Ans.(d)

Q82. Which of the following is an example of a capital receipt for the Indian government?

- (a) Income tax collection
- (b) Dividends received from Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)
- (c) Disinvestment proceeds from selling shares of PSUs
- (d) Goods and Services Tax (GST) collection

Ans.(c)

Q83. Read the following statements and mark the correct option: Assertion (A): U Kiang Nangbah was hanged for revolting against British rule in the Jaintia Hills. Reason (R): He led a successful revolt against British opium trade in the Khasi Hills.

- (a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
- (b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- (c) A is true, but R is false.
- (d) A is false, but R is true.

Ans.(c)

Q84. Which Mughal emperor prohibited the practice of Sati and issued farmans to that effect?

- (a) Babur
- (b) Humayun
- (c) Akbar
- (d) Aurangzeb

Ans.(c)

Q85. Which organization provides coral bleaching alert services for Indian coral regions based on sea surface temperature data?

- (a) Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI)
- (b) Zoological Survey of India (ZSI)
- (c) Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS)
- (d) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

Ans.(c)

Q86. What was the primary objective of the "Gadgil Formula"?

- (a) To determine the allocation of central assistance for state plans in India
- (b) To focus on industrial growth in economically weaker states
- (c) To provide equal financial support to all regions, regardless of their specific needs
- (d) To distribute resources according to the state's economic outputs

Ans.(a)

Q87. Which of the following industrial sectors were prioritized during the Second Five-Year Plan?

- (a) Textile industry and advertising industry
- (b) Iron and steel industry, fertilizer industry, heavy engineering, and lignite projects
- (c) Cottage industry and consumer goods industry
- (d) Handicrafts and Information technology

Ans.(b)

Q88. What role did Small-Scale Industries (SSIs) play in the 6th Five-Year Plan's trade strategy?

- (a) They were discouraged in favor of large-scale units
- (b) They were expected to focus only on local markets
- (c) They were promoted as key exporters and employment generators
- (d) They were merged with public sector units

Ans.(c)

Q89. In cricket, what is the term for a delivery that swings away from a right-handed batsman after pitching?

- (a) In swinger
- (b) Off-spinner
- (c) Out swinger
- (d) Googly

Ans.(c)

Q90. The main purpose of the introduction of the railway network in India by the British was to:

- (a) Facilitate the movement of Indian pilgrims across the country.
- (b) Promote tourism and cultural exchange among different regions of India.
- (c) Enhance the efficient transportation of raw materials and finished goods for British economic interests and to facilitate troop movement.
- (d) Connect remote rural areas to urban centers for the benefit of local trade.

Ans.(c)

Q91. SHC scheme is implemented by which ministry?

- (a) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)
- (b) Ministry of Jal Shakti
- (c) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (MoA&FW)
- (d) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOSPI)

Ans.(c)

Q92. What does the Finance Bill presented in the Budget mainly contain?

- (a) Details of government borrowing plans
- (b) Proposals related to tax changes or rules
- (c) Estimates of state-level expenditure only
- (d) Monetary policy statements of RBI

Ans.(b)

Q93. Governments are trying to make rules for businesses simpler and easier to understand. This approach is known as:

- (a) Making rules harder
- (b) Streamlining regulations
- (c) Ignoring rules
- (d) Creating more rules

Ans.(b)

Q94. The Women, Business and the Law Index 2025 is published by which international institution?

- (a) UNDP
- (b) UN Women
- (c) World Bank
- (d) OECD

Ans.(c)

Q95. The Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2025 evaluates countries based on their performance in:

- (a) GHG Emissions, Renewable Energy, Energy Use, Climate Policy
- (b) Carbon Sequestration, Water Conservation, Biodiversity, Pollution Control
- (c) Disaster Preparedness, Adaptation Strategies, Mitigation Funding, Policy Implementation
- (d) Green Buildings, Sustainable Transport, Waste Management, Circular Economy

Ans.(a)

Q96. Neither Malik Kafur nor Alauddin Khalji led campaigns against:

- (a) Devagiri
- (b) Warangal
- (c) Vijayanagara
- (d) Madurai

Ans.(c)

Q97. Which Article empowers Parliament to alter state boundaries and form new states?

- (a) Article 1
- (b) Article 2
- (c) Article 4
- (d) Article 3

Ans.(d)

Q98. Which Indian-origin author's debut novel, *We Need New Names*, was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize in 2013?

- (a) NoViolet Bulawayo
- (b) Chigozie Obioma
- (c) Aravind Adiga
- (d) Jhumpa Lahiri

Ans.(a)

Q99. Which Nobel-winning British author explored apartheid-era South Africa in her 1974 novel *"The Conservationist"*?

- (a) Nadine Gordimer
- (b) Doris Lessing
- (c) Bessie Head
- (d) J.M. Coetzee

Ans.(a)

Q100. In which of the following regions is convectional rainfall generally more intense due to higher availability of moisture?

- (a) Over deserts
- (b) On inland plateaus
- (c) Over oceans
- (d) Over leeward slopes

Ans.(c)

Q101. Simplify: $\sqrt{12} + \sqrt{48}$

- (a) $\sqrt{3}$
- (b) 1.21
- (c) 6
- (d) $6\sqrt{3}$

Ans.(d)

Q102. If a regular triangle and a regular square have the same perimeter, which has the longer side?

- (a) Triangle
- (b) Square
- (c) Both equal
- (d) Depends on area

Ans.(a)

Q103. If the height of a cylinder is decreased by 10% and radius increased by 10%, then volume changes by:

- (a) decreases by 1%
- (b) increases by 8.9%
- (c) decreases by 5.7%
- (d) no change

Ans.(b)

Q104. A cylinder's radius and height are in the ratio 2:5. Its volume is $2000\pi \text{ cm}^3$. Find the radius.

- (a) 6.57 cm
- (b) 8.29 cm
- (c) 9.28 cm
- (d) 10.99 cm

Ans.(c)

Q105. Which pair of numbers has a sum of 13 and whose squares differ by 65?

- (a) 6 and 7
- (b) 5 and 8
- (c) 4 and 9
- (d) 3 and 10

Ans.(c)

Q106. A cylinder and a hemisphere have the same radius. If the curved surface area of the hemisphere is 128 cm^2 , calculate the base area of the cylinder.

- (a) 64 cm^2
- (b) 54 cm^2
- (c) 62 cm^2
- (d) 42 cm^2

Ans.(a)

Q107. Find the diameter of a circle if the tangent length is 9 m and the distance from center to external point is 12 m. ($\sqrt{7} \approx 2.64$)

- (a) 2.64 m
- (b) 5.28 m
- (c) 15.84 m
- (d) 10.56 m

Ans.(c)

Q108. A right prism has a square base of side 5 cm and a height of 12 cm. What is its total surface area?

- (a) 340 cm^2
- (b) 440 cm^2
- (c) 370 cm^2
- (d) 290 cm^2

Ans.(d)

Q109. A cylindrical container, 16 cm in radius, holds milk to a depth of 30 cm. If a solid hemisphere is submerged, the liquid level rises by 9 cm. Find the radius of the hemisphere.

- (a) $18\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}$
- (b) $16\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}$
- (c) $22\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}$
- (d) $12\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}$

Ans.(d)

Q110. A retailer offers 2 successive discounts of 15% and 10% on a product marked at Rs. 1000. If cost price is Rs. 700, what is profit or loss percentage?

- (a) 10.29% profit
- (b) 10.29% loss
- (c) 9.29% loss
- (d) 9.29% profit

Ans.(d)

Q111. If an angle is 4 times its complement, what is the angle?

- (a) 36°
- (b) 72°
- (c) 172°
- (d) 7°

Ans.(b)

Q112. What percentage of the circle is covered by a sector with central angle $5\pi/3$ radians?

- (a) 50%
- (b) 83.33%
- (c) 90.54%
- (d) 75%

Ans.(b)

Q113. A brass hemispherical bowl has an inner diameter of 14 cm. Find the cost of painting its inner surface at ₹20 per cm^2 .

- (a) ₹5360
- (b) ₹5260
- (c) ₹6160
- (d) ₹4160

Ans.(c)

Q114. A rhombus has all sides 10 cm and one diagonal 12 cm. Find the other diagonal.

- (a) 16 cm
- (b) $\sqrt{176}$ cm
- (c) 12 cm
- (d) 20 cm

Ans.(a)

Q115. Two alloys contain copper and zinc in the ratios 3:2 and 5:3. If equal masses of both are mixed, what is the ratio of copper to zinc in the final alloy?

- (a) 18:51
- (b) 18:43
- (c) 49:31
- (d) 49:37

Ans.(c)

Q116. In a circle, chords AB and CD intersect at E inside the circle. AE = 3 cm, EB = 2 cm, CE = 6 cm. Find ED.

- (a) 1 cm
- (b) 2 cm
- (c) 3 cm
- (d) 4 cm

Ans.(a)

Q117. Complement of an angle is 12° more than twice the angle. Find the angle.

- (a) 18°
- (b) 22°
- (c) 24°
- (d) 26°

Ans.(d)

Q118. An item is sold at 20% profit. If CP and SP increase by Rs. 50 and Rs. 30 respectively, profit becomes 10%. Find original CP.

- (a) Rs. 100
- (b) Rs. 450
- (c) Rs. 600
- (d) Rs. 250

Ans.(d)

Q119. A recipe ratio A:B:C = 5:3:2. If A = 400 g, total mixture?

- (a) 600 g
- (b) 800 g
- (c) 1000 g
- (d) 1200 g

Ans.(b)

Q120. A seller marks up his product by 50% and offers two consecutive discounts of 10% each. What is his profit percentage?

- (a) 20.5%
- (b) 21.5%
- (c) 22.5%
- (d) 23.5%

Ans.(b)

Q121. If a line intersects the x-axis at (6, 0) and the y-axis at (0, -4), what is the slope of the line?

- (a) $1/2$
- (b) $1/3$
- (c) $3/2$
- (d) $2/3$

Ans.(d)

Q122. In a rectangle, if length increases by 20% and breadth decreases by 20%, what is the percentage change in area?

- (a) 4% decrease
- (b) 4% increase
- (c) No change
- (d) 10% decrease

Ans.(a)

Q123. If $\angle A$ and $\angle B$ are complementary and $\angle A = 40^\circ$, what is $\angle B$?

- (a) 30°
- (b) 40°
- (c) 50°
- (d) 60°

Ans.(c)

Q124. If a line has x-intercept 4 and y-intercept -2, what is its equation in standard form?

- (a) $x - 2y = 4$
- (b) $-x - 2y = 4$
- (c) $-x + 2y = 4$
- (d) $x + 2y = 4$

Ans.(a)

Q125. A rope forms a square of area 100 m^2 and 20 m rope remains. Original length?

- (a) 60 m
- (b) 80 m
- (c) 100 m
- (d) 120 m

Ans.(a)

Q126. If $a + b = 7$, find the value of $a^3 + b^3 + 21ab$.

- (a) 231
- (b) 443
- (c) 121
- (d) 343

Ans.(d)

Q127. If $(a + b + c) = 20$ and $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = 200$, find the value of $(a - b)^2 + (b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2$.

- (a) 300
- (b) -200
- (c) 200
- (d) 123

Ans.(c)

Q128. A cone has base radius 6 cm and slant height 10 cm. If a conical frustum is cut from it, the top radius is 3 cm and height is proportionally scaled. Find the height of the frustum.

- (a) 4 cm
- (b) 6 cm
- (c) 8 cm
- (d) 10 cm

Ans.(a)

Q129. What will be the ratio of simple interest earned by a certain amount at the same rate of interest for 14 years and 18 years?

- (a) 1 : 3
- (b) 5 : 9
- (c) 9 : 11
- (d) 7 : 9

Ans.(d)

Q130. What is the lateral surface area of a square pyramid with base side 10 cm and slant height 6 cm?

- (a) 180 cm^2
- (b) 280 cm^2
- (c) 240 cm^2
- (d) 120 cm^2

Ans.(d)

Q131. 20% population migrates, then 25% of remaining leaves. Final population = 48,000. Original population?

- (a) 80,000
- (b) 75,000
- (c) 70,000
- (d) 72,000

Ans.(a)

Q132. Each interior angle of a regular polygon exceeds its exterior angle by 150° . Find number of sides.

- (a) 23
- (b) 26
- (c) 25
- (d) 24

Ans.(d)

Q133. Solve: $\frac{2}{5} + 0.75^2$

- (a) 0.9625
- (b) 0.8625
- (c) 1.9652
- (d) 0.6259

Ans.(a)

Q134. The principal is 1600, the interest rate is 8%, and the time is 5 years. What will be the simple interest?

- (a) 640
- (b) 620
- (c) 600
- (d) 590

Ans.(a)

Q135. The union of rational and irrational numbers is equal to:

- (a) Real Numbers
- (b) Natural Numbers
- (c) Complex Numbers
- (d) Whole Numbers

Ans.(a)

Q136. A reduction of 20% in sugar price enables buying 5 kg more for Rs. 200. Original price per kg?

- (a) Rs. 20
- (b) Rs. 10
- (c) Rs. 5
- (d) Rs. 15

Ans.(b)

Q137. Radius = 15 cm, chord = 24 cm. Distance from center to chord?

- (a) 9 cm
- (b) 10 cm
- (c) 12 cm
- (d) 13 cm

Ans.(a)

Q138. Red : Blue : Green = 3 : 4 : 5, total balls = 48. How many are green?

- (a) 15
- (b) 20
- (c) 25
- (d) 18

Ans.(b)

Q139. A jar is $\frac{3}{5}$ full. After adding 3.2 liters, it becomes $\frac{7}{8}$ full. What is the total capacity?

- (a) 24 L
- (b) 20.5 L
- (c) 11.64 L
- (d) 18.28 L

Ans.(c)

Q140. A sum of money at simple interest doubles in 8 years. It will become four times in:

- (a) 24 years
- (b) 22 years
- (c) 28 years
- (d) 18 years

Ans.(a)

Q141. A man spends 80% of his income. His income increases by 25%, expenditure remains same. By what percent have savings increased?

- (a) 125%
- (b) 150%
- (c) 100%
- (d) 200%

Ans.(a)

Q142. The area of a circle is $121\pi \text{ cm}^2$. Find radius.

- (a) 11 cm
- (b) 10 cm
- (c) 12 cm
- (d) 13 cm

Ans.(a)

Q143. The base of a right prism is a regular hexagon with side length 6 cm. The height is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ cm. Find the volume.

- (a) 54 cm^3
- (b) 58 cm^3
- (c) 63 cm^3
- (d) 67 cm^3

Ans.(a)

Q144. The speeds of A and B are in the ratio 4 : 7. A takes 30 minutes more than B to reach a destination. Time in which A reaches the destination?

- (a) 72 minutes
- (b) 55 minutes
- (c) 65 minutes
- (d) 70 minutes

Ans.(d)

Q145. A, B, and C invested ₹50,000, ₹70,000, and ₹90,000. After 6 months, C withdrew half. Find ratio of profits.

- (a) 20:28:27
- (b) 20:27:28
- (c) 28:20:27
- (d) 27:28:20

Ans.(a)

Q146. A sector of radius 14 cm has central angle 135° . Find area.

- (a) 331 cm^2
- (b) 241 cm^2
- (c) 235 cm^2
- (d) 231 cm^2

Ans.(d)

Q147. The total surface area of a cone is 616 cm^2 and its base radius is 7 cm. Find the slant height.

- (a) 22 cm
- (b) 21 cm
- (c) 20 cm
- (d) 18 cm

Ans.(b)

Q148. If $4^{(x+2)} + 7 = 1031$, find the value of x.

- (a) 2
- (b) 3
- (c) 7
- (d) 5

Ans.(b)

Q149. A rectangular water tank is 1.5 m long, 1.2 m wide, and 0.8 m deep. How many liters of water can it hold?

- (a) 1440 liters
- (b) 144 liters
- (c) 14.4 liters
- (d) 14400 liters

Ans.(a)

Q150. A storage container in the shape of a cuboid has a square base with sides of 7 cm and height of 10 cm. What is the difference between its total surface area and its lateral surface area?

- (a) 49 cm^2
- (b) 98 cm^2
- (c) 140 cm^2
- (d) 196 cm^2

Ans.(b)

Q151. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. Covert

- (a) Secret
- (b) Hidden
- (c) Clandestine
- (d) Overt

Ans.(d)

Q152. Change the following from active to passive:

Did they invite you to the party?

- (a) Were you invited to the party by them?
- (b) Are you invited to the party by them?
- (c) Have you been invited to the party by them?
- (d) Had you been invited to the party by them?

Ans.(a)

Q153. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word:

The ancient patera was discovered near the temple ruins.

- (a) The curator displayed a silver patera from Hellenistic Syria.
- (b) The historian cited a patera in a Latin votive inscription.
- (c) The botanist studied the shape of the leaf's patera.
- (d) The archaeologist cataloged a bronze patera for libation.

Ans.(c)

Q154. Select the correct option:

Her lecture ranged ___ quantum mechanics to cognitive linguistics.

- (a) from
- (b) between
- (c) among
- (d) over

Ans.(a)

Q155. Rearrange the following sentences in correct order to make a logical passage.

1. The employee training program is created to improve skills.
2. Feedback is gathered after training to assess effectiveness.
3. The program is implemented and employees begin their training.
4. Adjustments are made based on the feedback collected.

- (a) 1-4-2-3
- (b) 3-2-4-1
- (c) 1-3-2-4
- (d) 2-1-3-4

Ans.(c)

Q156. Change the following from active to passive:

Will investors have perceived the subtle shift in policy?

- (a) Will the subtle shift in policy be perceived by investors?
- (b) Will the subtle shift in policy have perceived by investors?
- (c) Will the subtle shift in policy has been perceived by investors?
- (d) Will the subtle shift in policy have been perceived by investors?

Ans.(d)

Q157. Which of these is the correct spelling of a radical equality concept from Rawls?

- (a) Egaliterianism
- (b) Egalitarianism
- (c) Egalatarianism
- (d) Egalitairianism

Ans.(b)

Q158. Fill in the blank with the appropriate article.

Many experts argue that without ____ unequivocal global consensus, climate mitigation efforts will be severely undermined.

- (a) a
- (b) an
- (c) the
- (d) no article

Ans.(b)

Q159. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word: EXCULPATE

- (a) Condemn
- (b) Blame
- (c) Exonerate
- (d) Punish

Ans.(c)

Q160. Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:

The economist's analysis (1)/ was replete with insights (2)/ yet lacked the adequate context (3)/ for policy formulation. (4)/

- (a) (1)
- (b) (2)
- (c) (3)
- (d) (4)

Ans.(c)

Q161. Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:

Among all the diplomatic envoys stationed in the conflict zone, (1)/ she is undoubtedly more trusted and relied upon (2)/ by both factions of the civil war (3)/ than any other ambassador. (4)

- (a) (1)
- (b) (2)
- (c) (3)
- (d) (4)

Ans.(b)

Q162. Find the word that is spelled correctly and refers to an artistic viewpoint valuing beauty.

- (a) Aesthetics
- (b) Aestheticks
- (c) Asthetic
- (d) Atheistic

Ans.(a)

Q163. Spot the correct spelling of cross-species organ grafting.

- (a) Xenotransplantation
- (b) Xenotransplantation
- (c) Zentransplantation
- (d) Xenotransplantasion

Ans.(b)

Q164. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. Tedious

- (a) Dull
- (b) Boring
- (c) Exciting
- (d) Tiresome

Ans.(c)

Q165. Choose the most suitable option to replace the highlighted part of the sentence:

I have seen him yesterday.

- (a) seen him yesterday
- (b) had seen him yesterday
- (c) saw him yesterday
- (d) have saw him yesterday

Ans.(c)

Q166. Which of the given options arranges the following sentences in the most logical sequence to form a meaningful paragraph?

1. James Watson and Francis Crick, building on Rosalind Franklin's X-ray diffraction images, proposed the model in 1953.
2. Understanding DNA's structure has led to developments in medicine, forensic science, and evolutionary research.
3. Their findings demonstrated how DNA stores genetic information through base pairing.
4. This discovery revolutionized biology, paving the way for advances in genetic engineering and biotechnology.
5. The discovery of DNA's double-helix structure was a major breakthrough in genetics.

- (a) 5-1-3-4-2
- (b) 2-4-3-1-5
- (c) 3-1-4-2-5
- (d) 1-2-4-3-5

Ans.(a)

Q167. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word:

The cleric wore a pallium for the festival.

- (a) The theologian interpreted the pallium as a symbol of grace.
- (b) The physician noted a pallium over the patient's brain.
- (c) The vestment included the ancient pallium from Rome.
- (d) The bishop draped the pallium ceremonially.

Ans.(b)

Q168. Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:

In response to an alarming spike in fraudulent transactions, (1)/ the bank introduced mechanism (2)/ to verify customer identities using two-factor authentication, (3)/ biometric checks, and behavioural patterns. (4)

- (a) (1)
- (b) (2)
- (c) (3)
- (d) (4)

Ans.(b)

Q169. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. Disparate

- (a) Alike

- (b) Different
- (c) Contrasting
- (d) Dissimilar

Ans.(a)

Q170. Choose the correct one-word substitution for the blank in the sentence below.

Despite knowing the importance of the assignment, Rahul kept delaying it until the last minute — a clear case of _____.

- (a) exaggeration
- (b) procrastination
- (c) temptation
- (d) negotiation

Ans.(b)

Q171. A sentence is provided in indirect speech. From the four given options, choose the one that most accurately conveys the sentence in its corresponding direct speech.

The philosopher remarked that, had the syllogism been valid, the paradox would not have arisen.

- (a) The philosopher said, "If the syllogism is valid, the paradox does not arise."
- (b) The philosopher said, "Had the syllogism been valid, the paradox would not arise."
- (c) The philosopher said, "Had the syllogism been valid, the paradox would not have arisen."
- (d) The philosopher said, "If syllogism is valid, paradox should not arise."

Ans.(c)

Q172. Change the following from active to passive:

No one could have anticipated such a diplomatic backlash.

- (a) Such a diplomatic backlash could not be anticipated.
- (b) Such a diplomatic backlash have not been anticipated.
- (c) Such a diplomatic backlash was unanticipated.
- (d) Such a diplomatic backlash could not have been anticipated.

Ans.(d)

Q173. Select the correct option:

They treated the interim guidelines as ___, pending formal ratification.

- (a) provisional
- (b) provisionally
- (c) provisioned
- (d) provision

Ans.(a)

Q174. Convert the sentence provided below from its passive voice structure to an active voice structure:

A new strategy had been devised by the marketing team to increase sales.

- (a) The marketing team has devised a new strategy to increase sales.
- (b) The marketing team devises a new strategy to increase sales.
- (c) The marketing team had devised a new strategy to increase sales.
- (d) The marketing team was devising a new strategy to increase sales.

Ans.(c)

Directions (175-179): In the given passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage intently and choose the most appropriate option to fill in each blank:

In the archipelago of epistemic fracture, where coherence is a relic and continuity a performative illusion, cognition unfolds not through linear causality but via stochastic pulses of informational detritus. Within this disjunctive matrix, agency is less a property of autonomous will than a side effect of algorithmic interpellation. Every action is (1)___ not as a result of volition but as an emergent behavior—calculated, inferred, and subtly modulated by systems of predictive design. Identity, in this terrain, ceases to be ontological and becomes computational: a fluid sequence of statistical probabilities encoded and re-encoded through bio-digital feedback loops. The notion of authorship is retrofitted, no longer a site of expression but a (2)___ node in a decentralized economy of semiotic production. Language, once the principal vessel of intentionality, now functions as a carrier signal for behavioral cues—optimized not for meaning but for engagement velocity. In this regime, dissent is not censored but (3)___—subtly realigned to serve the centripetal logics of monetized attention. The archive is not a memory but a battleground: past and present re-stitched according to the dictates of data retention, compliance heuristics, and platformed ontology. What remains is not truth but latency: the delay between perception and its (4)___ by computational governance. Thus, power no longer manifests through prohibition, but through calibration—redefining the limits of thinkability itself. In this technopsychic schema, liberation is not absent but (5)___: detectable only in its strategic simulation.

Q175. What should come in the place of blank number (1)?

- (a) instantiated
- (b) rationalized
- (c) evoked
- (d) repressed

Ans.(a)

Q176. What should come in the place of blank number (2)?

- (a) transactional
- (b) reflexive
- (c) proprietary
- (d) deterministic

Ans.(a)

Q177. What should come in the place of blank number (3)?

- (a) co-opted
- (b) inverted
- (c) obfuscated
- (d) delegated

Ans.(a)

Q178. What should come in the place of blank number (4)?

- (a) ratification
- (b) modulation

- (c) gratification
- (d) reconciliation

Ans.(b)

Q179. What should come in the place of blank number (5)?

- (a) relegated
- (b) aestheticized
- (c) emulated
- (d) phantomized

Ans.(b)

Q180. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word: ELUCIDATE

- (a) Confuse
- (b) Darken
- (c) Complicate
- (d) Clarify

Ans.(d)

Q181. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word: DISPARAGING

- (a) Complimentary
- (b) Belittling
- (c) Flattering
- (d) Kind

Ans.(b)

Q182. Convert the sentence provided below from its passive voice structure to an active voice structure:
Has the proposal been reviewed by the advisory board yet?

- (a) Is the advisory board reviewing the proposal?
- (b) Did the advisory board review the proposal already?
- (c) Has the advisory board reviewed the proposal yet?
- (d) The proposal is under review by the advisory board.

Ans.(c)

Directions (183-187): Read the passage and answer the questions:

The annals of mountaineering history are adorned with figures whose daring transcended mere athleticism, embodying philosophical quests for transcendence against Earth's most formidable landscapes. Each mountaineer — whether treading the snows of Everest, the granite of Patagonia, or the arid heights of the Atlas Mountains — etched a distinct narrative of audacity and introspection.

"Tenzing Norgay" and "Sir Edmund Hillary's" epochal 1953 Everest ascent immortalized human perseverance, but figures such as "Reinhold Messner" redefined the boundaries further. Rejecting supplemental oxygen, Messner's minimalist ethos emphasized purity over conquest, portraying mountains not as trophies but as sentient entities commanding reverence. Similarly, "Junko Tabei", the first woman to summit Everest, symbolized the intersection of resilience and quiet defiance in an era resistant to female adventurers.

The ethos of mountaineering diversified through the late 20th and early 21st centuries. Climbers like "Kilian Jornet", blending ultra-marathon endurance with technical ascents, and "Nirmal Purja", whose record-breaking summits shattered temporal assumptions, reveal a contemporary paradigm: mountains as arenas of rapid, almost transcendental athleticism. Meanwhile, indigenous climbers, long relegated to footnotes in expedition histories, increasingly assert their rightful place as stewards of sacred peaks.

Thus, the saga of mountaineering resists reduction to mere feats of strength. It weaves a tapestry of cultures, philosophies, and personal odysseys — each ascent a dialectic between human fragility and the immutable majesty of the mountains.

Q183. In the sentence:

"The annals of mountaineering history are adorned with figures whose daring transcended mere athleticism..."

What is the grammatical role of the clause "whose daring transcended mere athleticism"?

- (a) Adjective clause modifying "figures"
- (b) Adverbial clause modifying "history"
- (c) Noun clause acting as the subject
- (d) Adjective phrase modifying "mountaineering"

Ans.(a)

Q184. What is the meaning of the word "epochal" in the context:

"Tenzing Norgay and Sir Edmund Hillary's epochal 1953 Everest ascent..."

- (a) Trivial
- (b) Highly significant and historic
- (c) Ordinary and recurrent
- (d) Disastrous

Ans.(b)

Q185. What does the word "dialectic" most nearly imply in the phrase:

"...each ascent a dialectic between human fragility and the immutable majesty of the mountains"?

- (a) A silent observation
- (b) A hostile confrontation
- (c) A dialogue or interplay between opposing forces
- (d) A scientific measurement

Ans.(c)

Q186. Which of the following best summarizes the primary argument of the passage?

- (a) Mountaineering is solely a test of physical endurance.
- (b) Mountaineering history is dominated by Western adventurers.
- (c) Mountaineering represents a confluence of physical challenge, cultural identity, and philosophical exploration.
- (d) Technological advancements have made mountaineering effortless.

Ans.(c)

Q187. Which word could best replace "immutable" in the phrase "...the immutable majesty of the mountains..." without significantly changing the meaning?

- (a) Transient
- (b) Unchanging
- (c) Diminishing
- (d) Fragile

Ans.(b)

Q188. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word:
The bishop outlined the duties of a prebendary.

- (a) The prebendary read the Epistle during Sunday Mass.
- (b) The accountant filed taxes for a prebendary trust fund.
- (c) The canon and prebendary sat near the choir.
- (d) The cathedral housed relics named after a prebendary.

Ans.(b)

Q189. Choose the most suitable option to replace the highlighted part of the sentence:
I prefer tea than coffee.

- (a) over coffee
- (b) more than coffee
- (c) to coffee
- (d) instead of coffee

Ans.(c)

Q190. Choose the most suitable option to replace the highlighted part of the sentence:
The committee have submitted its final report.

- (a) has submitted its final report
- (b) have submitted their final reports
- (c) has submitted their final report
- (d) had submitted its final report

Ans.(a)

Q191. A sentence is provided in direct speech. From the four given options, choose the one that most accurately conveys the sentence in its corresponding indirect speech.

Tom said, "I have been working all day."

- (a) Tom said he had worked all day.
- (b) Tom said he had been working all day.
- (c) Tom said he has been working all day.
- (d) Tom said he was working all day.

Ans.(b)

Q192. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word: CAPITULATE

- (a) Defend
- (b) Attack

- (c) Resist
- (d) Surrender

Ans.(d)

Q193. Improve the following sentence by replacing the highlighted words with the correct phrasal verb.
After months of training, she was ready to go through the final exam.

- (a) go in for
- (b) go off
- (c) went through
- (d) go along

Ans.(a)

Q194. Fill in the blank with the appropriate article.

Despite efforts to standardize practices, ____ law remains subject to cultural interpretation in many regions.

- (a) a
- (b) an
- (c) the
- (d) no article

Ans.(c)

Q195. A sentence is provided in indirect speech. From the four given options, choose the one that most accurately conveys the sentence in its corresponding direct speech.

He said that he would be moving to the capital soon.

- (a) He said, "I would move to the capital soon."
- (b) He said, "I will be moving to the capital soon."
- (c) He said, "I shall move to the capital soon."
- (d) He said, "I was moving to the capital soon."

Ans.(b)

Q196. Choose the correct one-word substitute for: 'One who uses long or obscure words.'

- (a) Sesquipedalian
- (b) Garrulous
- (c) Sophist
- (d) Verbose

Ans.(a)

Q197. Rearrange the following sentences in correct order to make a logical passage.

1. This can lead to environmental degradation.
2. Rapid industrialization often brings economic growth.
3. However, it frequently comes at a significant cost to the environment.
4. Strict regulations are needed to mitigate these negative impacts.

- (a) 2-1-3-4
- (b) 3-4-2-1
- (c) 2-3-1-4

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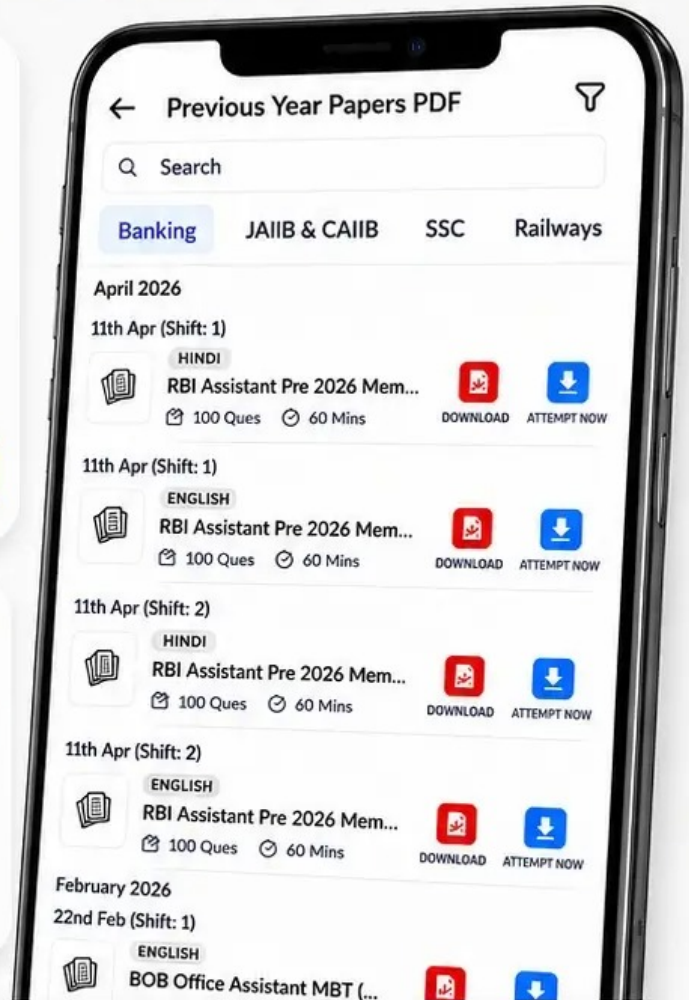
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(d) 2-4-1-3

Ans.(c)

Q198. Choose the correct one-word substitution for the blank in the sentence below.

Despite the rise of digital art, Maya chose to specialize in _____, dedicating hours to perfecting each elegant stroke by hand.

- (a) typography
- (b) calligraphy
- (c) cartography
- (d) photography

Ans.(b)

Q199. A sentence is provided in direct speech. From the four given options, choose the one that most accurately conveys the sentence in its corresponding indirect speech.

He said, "I wish I had not wasted those years."

- (a) He said he wished he had not wasted those years.
- (b) He said he wished not to waste those years.
- (c) He said that he did not waste those years.
- (d) He wished that he would not waste those years.

Ans.(a)

Q200. A sentence is provided in direct speech. From the four given options, choose the one that most accurately conveys the sentence in its corresponding indirect speech.

He said to me, "Where have you been all this while?"

- (a) He asked me where had I been all that while.
- (b) He asked me where I have been all that while.
- (c) He asked me where I had been all that while.
- (d) He asked where I was being all this while.

Ans.(c)