

Comprehension:

[Q1-Q5] Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow:-

Day had broken cold and grey when the man turned aside from the main Yukon trail. He climbed the high earth-bank where a little-travelled trail led east through the pine forest. It was a high bank, and he paused to breathe at the top. He excused the act to himself by looking at his watch. It was nine o'clock in the morning. There was no sun or promise of sun, although there was not a cloud in the sky. It was a clear day. However, there seemed to be an indescribable darkness over the face of things. That was because the sun was absent from the sky.

This fact did not worry the man. He was not alarmed by the lack of sun. It had been days since he had seen the sun. The man looked along the way he had come. The Yukon lay a mile wide and hidden under three feet of ice. On top of this ice were as many feet of snow. It was all pure white. North and south, as far as his eye could see, it was unbroken white. The one thing that relieved the whiteness was a thin dark line that curved from the pine-covered island to the south. It curved into the north, where it disappeared behind another pine-covered island. This dark line was the trail-the main trail. But all this-the distant trail, no sun in the sky, the great cold, and the strangeness of it all-had no effect on the man.

Q1. What was the primary color dominating the landscape?

- (a) White
- (b) Grey
- (c) Blue
- (d) Green

Q2. Why did the man pause at the top of the high earth-bank?

- (a) To admire the view
- (b) To look at the sun
- (c) To catch his breath
- (d) To decide which trail to take

Q3. What was the thin dark line visible in the unbroken whiteness of the landscape?

- (a) A river
- (b) A trail
- (c) A shadow of the trees
- (d) A crack in the ice

Q4. What was the man's attitude towards the cold weather?

- (a) He was fearful and hesitant to continue.
- (b) He was excited to face the challenge.
- (c) He was constantly worrying about the weather.
- (d) He was indifferent and did not see it as significant.

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[Q5-Q8] Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow:-

In 1991, the 87-year-old J.R.D. Tata had been the chairman of the Tata Group for over 50 years. The group was known for its stability but lacked energy and dynamism. That year, a relatively young Ratan Tata, aged 53, was chosen as the new chairman. His selection raised doubts about his capabilities and acceptability, especially among the older leadership. However, these questions were answered over time, and Ratan Tata gradually earned acceptance, often by making tough changes.

Two decades later, as Ratan Tata planned his retirement in 2012, the Tata Group had transformed into a symbol of vibrancy and innovation. Under his leadership, the group embraced daring ideas, expanded overseas, and maintained a tight brand discipline. As Rahul Bajaj remarked, "Ratan Tata has changed the DNA—almost entirely for the better."

When India began its journey of liberalization, globalization, and privatization in 1991, the Tata Group underwent a significant transition with Ratan Tata taking over from J.R.D. Tata. The older leadership, loyal to J.R.D., initially resisted the change, as Ratan Tata had no major achievements to inspire confidence. Still, J.R.D.'s decision went unquestioned, and Ratan Tata's era began.

With the introduction of a younger leadership, the Tata Group evolved into a forward-thinking organization, pioneering bold strategies and maintaining its status as a leader in Indian industry.

Q5. Select the characteristic that best describes the Tata Group before Ratan Tata's leadership:-

- (a) Dynamic and forward-thinking
- (b) Stable but lacking energy
- (c) Innovative and risk-taking
- (d) Global and expansion-focused

Q6. Why Ratan Tata's appointment as chairman initially raise doubts among the senior members of the board?

- (a) He was inexperienced and unfamiliar with the Tata Group.
- (b) He opposed the group's traditional methods.
- (c) He was young and had no major achievements to his credit.
- (d) He was unwilling to take on the role.

Q7. How did the Tata Group's leadership style change under Ratan Tata?

- (a) It emerged as a rigid and cautious enterprise.
- (b) It focused on preserving the traditions and culture.
- (c) It evolved into a vibrant and innovative organization.
- (d) It avoided any major risks or transformations.

Q8. Choose the statement that best reflects Ratan Tata's impact on the Tata Group:-

- (a) He introduced bold ideas and expanded the group globally.
- (b) He maintained the group's traditional approach without changes.
- (c) He focused solely on domestic markets to ensure stability.
- (d) He relied entirely on J.R.D.'s leadership style.

Comprehension:

[Q9-Q12] Read the given passage and answer the four questions that follow:-

He had no idea what it would be like, of course, and was pleased when Robinson Street proved to be leafy and relatively quiet, lined with large mansions. Number twenty-two was one of the older buildings, a massive four-story edifice, studded with graceful columned balconies: probably once the grandest building on the street, its Doric facade was now much bruised and discoloured, its plaster blacked with mildew. He went up to the fourth floor in a rattling birdcage of a lift that ascended through the center of a winding teak wood staircase. When the lift came to a stop, Murugan stepped gingerly on to the splintered planks of a wooden landing. A beam of sunlight, shining through a hole in a stained-glass window, revealed a small sign beside the tall door to his right. It said: 'The Robinson Guest House'. Beneath it was a nameplate for 'N. Aratounian'. Dragging his leather suitcase behind him, Murugan went to the door and rang the bell. Several minutes later, he heard footsteps on the other side. The door swung open, and he found himself looking at an ashen-faced, elderly woman in a frayed dressing gown and rubber slippers. 'Hi,' said Murugan, sticking out a hand. 'Any vacancies today?' Ignoring his hand, the woman looked him up and down, frowning through her gold rimmed bifocals.

Q9. Match the expressions used in the passage in List-I with their correct meanings from List-II:-

List-I (Expressions)	List-II (Meanings)
(A) ashen -faced	(I) old architectural front
(B) gingerly	(II) marked with fungus
(C) Doric facade	(III) pale or colourless
(D) blacked with mildew	(IV) in a careful way

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A)- II, (B)-IV, (C) -I, (D)-III
- (b) (A) - III, (B)-IV, (C) -I, (D)-II
- (c) (A)- IV, (B)-III, (C) -I, (D)-II
- (d) (A)- I, (B)-III, (C) -II, (D)-IV

Q10. In the expression 'rattling birdcage of a lift' what is the figure of speech used?

- (a) Metaphor
- (b) Simile
- (c) Oxymoron
- (d) Transferred Epithet

Q11. The attitude of the elderly woman towards Murugan was _____ .

- (a) pleasant and welcoming
- (b) effusive and garrulous

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- (c) taciturn and placid
- (d) disdainful and irritating

Q12. Murugan went to Robinson guest house _____ .

- (a) to spy on the elderly woman
- (b) in the hope of finding work
- (c) to spend some quiet time in Robinson Street
- (d) to explore the mystery of the guest house

Q13. Complete the sentence by selecting the most appropriate word:-

Someone who acts on a sudden idea without thinking first might be described as _____.

- (a) unscrupulous
- (b) obstinate
- (c) Impetuous
- (d) conceited

Q14. Fill in blanks in the sentences given in List-I with the appropriate homonyms given in List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Sentences)	(Homonyms)
(A) I need an _____ to make a hole.	(I) augur
(B) To prevent the entry of the miscreants the doors were _____.	(II) auger
(C) This prediction does not _____ well for the life of the king.	(III) bard
(D) William Shakespeare is the most famous _____.	(IV) barred

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (I), (B) - (III), (C) - (II), (D) - (IV)
- (b) (A) - (II), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (III)
- (c) (A) - (IV), (B) - (II), (C) - (I), (D) - (III)
- (d) (A) - (III), (B) - (II), (C) - (I), (D) - (IV)

Q15. Rearrange the following parts to form a meaningful sentence:-

- (A) steel structures that are lowered onto the sea bed and
- (B) electro accumulation of minerals dissolved in seawater on
- (C) are connected to a power source
- (D) Biorock is the name given to the substance formed by

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

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

Q16. Choose the correct option to complete the following sentence:-

The interior of the concert hall is a _____ feast to the eye.

- (a) veritable
- (b) hopeful
- (c) delicious
- (d) deceptive

Q17. Rearrange the following parts to form a meaningful sentence:-

- (A) to perform tasks that usually require human intelligence and
- (B) learning, problem-solving, and decision-making, among others
- (C) artificial intelligence focuses on developing machine intelligence
- (D) enables computers and machines to simulate human

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A), (B), (D), (C)

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

Q18. Rearrange the given parts to form a meaningful sentence:-

- (A) evolve, Social media platforms often accelerate
- (B) while fashion and beauty trends constantly
- (C) what is considered stylish or attractive
- (D) their popularity, shaping public perceptions of

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

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

Q19. Choose the appropriate word to fill in the blank in the given sentence:-

The rank and _____ of the party had turned against the leader.

- (a) class
- (b) officers
- (c) file
- (d) people

Q20. Select the correct antonym of the underlined word in the given sentence:-

His speech was filled with invective as he expressed his apprehension about the leader's integrity and commitment to the common cause.

- (a) affluence
- (b) acclamation
- (c) accord
- (d) censure

Q21. Select the word that is closest in meaning to the word: Disparage

- (a) Combat
- (b) Belittle
- (c) Applaud
- (d) Resist

Q22. Match the adjectives given in List-I with the appropriate nouns from List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Adjectives)	(Nouns)
(A) Sensational	(I) Food
(B) Over-cooked	(II) News
(C) Fertile	(III) Life
(D) Healthy	(IV) Land

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (II), (B) - (I), (C) - (IV), (D) - (III)
- (b) (A) - (I), (B) - (II), (C) - (III), (D) - (IV)
- (c) (A) - (I), (B) - (II), (C) - (IV), (D) - (III)
- (d) (A) - (III), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (II)

Q23. Choose the most appropriate pair of phrases from the options to fill in the blanks in the given sentence:-

If I _____ your advice, I _____ today.

- (a) was following, had not regretted
- (b) had followed, would not have regretted
- (c) have followed, will not regret

(d) will have follow, will not have regretting

Q24. Identify the word that is opposite in meaning to the word: SAGACIOUS.

- (a) Impious
- (b) Repugnant
- (c) Imprudent
- (d) Perceptive

Q25. Fill the blanks in the sentences in List-I with the most appropriate pair of prepositions from List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Sentences)	(Prepositions)
(A) When you go via a particular place, you go _____ that place on your way _____ another place.	(I) out of :from
(B) When you are going up or down a road, you're going _____ it _____ one end of it.	(II) through:to
(C) When you are asked to wait outside a room, you have to be _____ the room, but you mustn't move too far _____ it.	(III) from:to
(D) We flew straight _____ London _____ San Francisco.	(IV) along:towards

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (I), (B) - (II), (C) - (III), (D) - (IV)
- (b) (A) - (II), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (III)
- (c) (A) - (II), (B) - (IV), (C) - (III), (D) - (I)
- (d) (A) - (III), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (II)

Q26. Match the idioms in List-I with their meanings in List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Idioms)	(Meanings)
(A) To get the short end of the stick	(I) To quarrel or disagree strongly
(B) To be at loggerheads with someone	(II) to have no effect on someone's opinion or decision
(C) Can't cut the mustard	(III) To end up in a disadvantage
(D) Cut no ice with somebody	(IV) unable to deal with problems or difficulties

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (IV), (B) - (I), (C) - (III), (D) - (II)
- (b) (A) - (III), (B) - (I), (C) - (IV), (D) - (II)
- (c) (A) - (I), (B) - (IV), (C) - (II), (D) - (III)
- (d) (A) - (III), (B) - (II), (C) - (I), (D) - (IV)

Q27. Match the words given in List-I with their meaning given in List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Words)	(Definitions)
(A) Cryptography	(I) The Study of Oceans
(B) Oceanography	(II) The study of correct spelling according to established usage
(C) Orthography	(III) The study of secret writing and coded words
(D) Orography	(IV) The Study of mountains

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Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (I), (B) - (IV), (C) - (III), (D) - (II)
- (b) (A) - (III), (B) - (I), (C) - (II), (D) - (IV)
- (c) (A) - (II), (B) - (III), (C) - (IV), (D) - (I)
- (d) (A) - (IV), (B) - (I), (C) - (II), (D) - (III)

Q28. Choose the most appropriate word to fill in the blank in the given sentence:-

Being conveniently located, this auditorium is a _____ venue for holding the National Award Ceremony.

- (a) desirable
- (b) desirous
- (c) imminent
- (d) judicial

Q29. Rearrange the following parts to form a meaningful sentence:-

- (A) Erno Rubik, who first created his twisty mechanical
- (B) of three dimensional movements
- (C) puzzle to teach his students the concepts
- (D) the 'Rubik' in Rubik's Cube is a Hungarian professor of architecture

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

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

Q30. Select the word closest in meaning to the word: Plausible

- (a) Dubious
- (b) Credible
- (c) Conducive
- (d) Blatant

Q31. Choose the correct synonym of the word: Ostentation

- (a) Equanimity
- (b) Deception
- (c) Declaration
- (d) Pageantry

Q32. Choose the most appropriate adjective to fill in the blank in the given sentence:-

Bravo! You have come up with such a ____ idea!

- (a) naive
- (b) brilliant
- (c) redundant
- (d) minute

Q33. Fill the blanks in the sentences in List-I with the appropriate idioms from List-II:-

List-I (Sentences)	List-II (Idioms)
(A) I do use some strong language but I ___ using offensive words.	(I) I could feel it in my bones
(B) _____ when I realized that Misha had heard me berating her.	(II) draw the line at
(C) _____ that something was going to happen.	(III) I had a feeling of deja vu
(D) _____ when I met my friend at our old meeting point.	(IV) I wanted to curl up and die

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

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- (a) (A) - (II), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (III)
- (b) (A) - (I), (B) - (III), (C) - (II), (D) - (IV)
- (c) (A) - (I), (B) - (II), (C) - (IV), (D) - (III)
- (d) (A) - (III), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (II)

Q34. Fill in the blank in the following sentence with the appropriate option:-
That book contains _____ anecdotes than its companion volume.

- (a) few
- (b) less
- (c) fewer
- (d) least

Q35. Fill in the blank in the given sentence with the correct word from the options given below:-
He is guilty of _____ as he has killed his brother.

- (a) Fratricide
- (b) Matricide
- (c) Patricide
- (d) Infanticide

Q36. Match the words in List-I with their meanings in List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Words)	(Meanings)
(A) Prodigy	(I) one who looks serious or threatening
(B) Theist	(II) attractive and sprightly
(C) Vivacious	(III) a child or person of unusual or remarkable talent
(D) Saturnine	(IV) one who believes in God's existence

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (IV), (B) - (II), (C) - (III), (D) - (I)
- (b) (A) - (II), (B) - (I), (C) - (III), (D) - (IV)
- (c) (A) - (III), (B) - (IV), (C) - (II), (D) - (I)
- (d) (A) - (I), (B) - (IV), (C) - (III), (D) - (II)

Q37. Fill in the blanks in the sentences given in List-I with the appropriate verbs given in List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Sentences)	(Verbs)
(A) The escaped convict ___ away on an oil tanker	(I) cropped
(B) We were very busy over the weekend, but things have ___ up a bit	(II) sort
(C) Before I can go home, I must ___ out the papers in my in-tray.	(III) stowed
(D) I was about to leave when a problem ___ up.	(IV) eased

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (III), (B) - (IV), (C) - (II), (D) - (I)
- (b) (A) - (II), (B) - (I), (C) - (III), (D) - (IV)
- (c) (A) - (I), (B) - (II), (C) - (IV), (D) - (III)
- (d) (A) - (IV), (B) - (III), (C) - (I), (D) - (II)

Q38. Identify the word that is opposite in meaning to the word: LANGUISH.

- (a) Flourish
- (b) Yearn

- (c) Marvel
- (d) Recoil

Q39. Rearrange the given parts to form a meaningful sentence:-

- (A) opting for short-form content over books
- (B) accessible to teenagers, it has also contributed
- (C) to a decline in traditional reading habits, with many
- (D) while technology has made information more

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

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

Q40. Rearrange the parts to form a meaningful sentence:-

- (A) in life, though it should be remembered that it is
- (B) manifestation involves aligning your thoughts,
- (C) a means to achieve the goal, not the goal itself
- (D) beliefs, and actions to attract what you want

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

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

Q41. Select the word opposite in meaning to the given word: Candid

- (a) Honest
- (b) Forthright
- (c) Selfless
- (d) Secretive

Q42. Select the word that is the most appropriate antonym of the word: Disrupt

- (a) Regulate
- (b) Forward
- (c) Atone
- (d) Accelerate

Q43. Select the word similar in meaning to the word: Conspicuous.

- (a) Hidden
- (b) Obvious
- (c) Subtle
- (d) Vulnerable

Q44. Rearrange the following parts to form a meaningful sentence:-

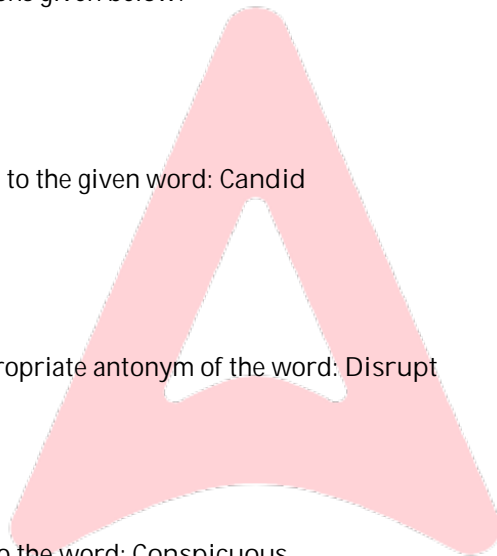
- (A) doctors see a spike in their patients with respiratory diseases coming in
- (B) people complaining of cough, wheezing and breathlessness
- (C) with worsening symptoms, they also see healthy
- (D) when pollution levels rise, not only do

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

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

Q45. Select the word that is the most appropriate antonym of the word: Exultant.

- (a) Diffident
- (b) Discordant



- (c) Despondent
- (d) Dissident

Q46. Fill in the the blanks in sentences in List-I with the correct verb-forms from List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Sentences)	(Verb-forms)
(A) I finally ___ the movie with my friends yesterday	(I) will be seeing
(B) We ___ the result online.	(II) saw
(C) They ___ all the important sites during their earlier visit.	(III) will see
(D) I _____ my grandmother after nearly two years.	(IV) had seen

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (II), (B) - (III), (C) - (IV), (D) - (I)
- (b) (A) - (I), (B) - (III), (C) - (II), (D) - (IV)
- (c) (A) - (III), (B) - (II), (C) - (IV), (D) - (I)
- (d) (A) - (IV), (B) - (III), (C) - (I), (D) - (II)

Q47. Choose the synonym for the word 'Intrepid' from the options given below: -

- (a) Hesitant
- (b) Extrovert
- (c) Timid
- (d) Fearless

Q48. Fill in the blank with the correct word from the options given below:-

- Ravi, as well his sisters, always _____ his mother's permission before going out.
- (a) seek
 - (b) seeks
 - (c) attempt
 - (d) ask

Q49. Fill in the blanks in List-I with the appropriate Phrasal Verbs from List-II:-

List-I	List-II
(Sentences)	(Phrasal Verbs)
(A) I hope the inquiry will ___ the truth.	(I) get on
(B) We could never ___ on my salary alone.	(II) get at
(C) However will we ___ without you!	(III) get through
(D) The way he spends he can ___ his month's salary in just one weekend.	(IV) get by

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

- (a) (A) - (II), (B) - (I), (C) - (IV), (D) - (III)
- (b) (A) - (IV), (B) - (III), (C) - (II), (D) - (I)
- (c) (A) - (II), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (III)
- (d) (A) - (III), (B) - (IV), (C) - (I), (D) - (II)

Q50. Rearrange the following parts to form a meaningful sentence:-

- (A) but you can have a holiday on
- (B) sea travel is normally on a ferry,
- (C) the sea if you go on a cruise
- (D) and the journey is called a crossing,

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:-

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

