

SSC CGL T-I Similar Paper (Held on 16 Sep 2025 S1) - English

Q1. Pointing to a girl, Suresh says, “She is the daughter of the only daughter of my father.” How is the girl related to Suresh?

- (a) Daughter
- (b) Niece
- (c) Cousin
- (d) Sister

Ans.(b)

Q2. Choose the address that is exactly the same as the one given below:

Flat 18, Emerald Tower, MG Road, Pune, Maharashtra - 411001

- (a) Flat 18, Emerald Tower, MG Road, Pune, Maharashtra - 411001
- (b) Flat 18, Emerald Tower, MG Rd, Pune - 411010
- (c) Flat 18, Emerald Towers, MG Road, Pune - 411001
- (d) Flat-18, Emerald Tower, MG Road, Pune, Maharashtra - 411002

Ans.(a)

Q3. How many meaningful four-letter English words can be formed using the first, second, third and sixth letters of the word “SILENT”, using each letter once?

- (a) Three
- (b) Two
- (c) Five
- (d) Zero

Ans.(a)

Q4. Complete the series:

A, D, I, P, ?

- (a) V
- (b) U
- (c) W
- (d) Y

Ans.(d)

Q5. If CAT → 24 and DOG → 26, then how is BIRD coded?

- (a) 26
- (b) 29
- (c) 33
- (d) 30

Ans.(c)

Q6. Statements:

1. All pens are books.
2. Some books are papers.

Conclusions:

- I. Some pens are papers.
- II. Some books are pens.

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- (a) Only I follows
- (b) Only II follows
- (c) Both follow
- (d) Neither follows

Ans.(b)

Q7. What is the average of 6 consecutive odd numbers starting from 15?

- (a) 19
- (b) 20
- (c) 21
- (d) 22

Ans.(b)

Q8. A is the daughter of B. B is the brother of C. C is the daughter of D. How is C related to A?

- (a) Father
- (b) Uncle
- (c) Aunt
- (d) Grandfather

Ans.(c)

Q9. If '#' means '+', '@' means '-', '\$' means 'x', find the value of: $8 \$ 3 @ 4 \# 2 ?$

- (a) 20
- (b) 22
- (c) 24
- (d) 26

Ans.(b)

Q10. Evaluate: $(6 + 4) \times (8 - 3)$

- (a) 50
- (b) 45
- (c) 40
- (d) 55

Ans.(a)

Q11. Statement:

The city received the highest rainfall in 20 years.

Conclusions:

- I. The city experienced flooding.
- II. Rainfall in previous years was lower.

- (a) Only I follows
- (b) Only II follows
- (c) Both follow
- (d) Neither follows

Ans.(b)

Q12. Statement:

Digital payments reduce dependency on cash transactions.

Assumptions:

I. People have access to digital devices.

II. Internet connectivity is reliable.

- (a) Only I is implicit
- (b) Only II is implicit
- (c) Both I and II are implicit
- (d) Neither I nor II is implicit

Ans.(a)

Q13. Find the odd one out.

- (a) Article 14
- (b) Article 19
- (c) Article 21
- (d) Article 51

Ans.(d)

Q14. Select the letter-cluster that can replace (?)

CDGH, FGJK, IJMN, ?

- (a) LMNQ
- (b) LNPQ
- (c) LMPS
- (d) LMPQ

Ans.(d)

Q15. If '\$' denotes addition, 'x' denotes multiplication, '÷' denotes division, and '-' denotes subtraction, find the value of: $36 \div 6 \times 2 - 4 \$ 3$?

- (a) 11
- (b) 12
- (c) 13
- (d) 14

Ans.(a)

Q16. What will come at the place of question mark (?)

2, 5, 11, 23, ?

- (a) 45
- (b) 51
- (c) 49
- (d) 47

Ans.(d)

Q17. Find the missing term in series.

11, 22, 33, 44, ?

- (a) 50
- (b) 66
- (c) 60
- (d) 55

Ans.(d)

Q18. If '+' means 'x', '-' means '÷', 'x' means '+', and '÷' means '-', find the value of: $10 + 4 - 2 \times 3 \div 1$?

(a) 20

(b) 22

(c) 10

(d) 11

Ans.(b)

Q19. Find the odd one out.

(a) A1D4

(b) B2E6

(c) C3F9

(d) D4G15

Ans.(a)

Q20. If '+' = '÷', '-' = '×', '×' = '+', '÷' = '-', which equation is incorrect?

(a) $12 + 4 - 2 = 5$

(b) $10 \times 3 \div 5 = 8$

(c) $8 \div 4 + 2 = 6$

(d) $6 - 2 \times 3 = 15$

Ans.(a)

Q21. The ratio of two numbers is 7 : 9 and their sum is 160. Find the numbers.

(a) 56 and 72

(b) 70 and 90

(c) 64 and 96

(d) 80 and 100

Ans.(b)

Q22. If $7 \times 3 = 24$ and $9 \times 4 = 40$, then $11 \times 5 = ?$

(a) 50

(b) 55

(c) 60

(d) 66

Ans.(c)

Q23. If "COLD" is coded as 3@15@12@4, how is "WARM" coded?

(a) 23@1@18@13

(b) 22@1@18@13

(c) 23@2@18@13

(d) 23@1@17@13

Ans.(a)

Q24. Sentence: "Knowledge grows with experience." If each letter is mirrored using alphabetical symmetry ($A \leftrightarrow Z$, $B \leftrightarrow Y$, ...), what is the 2nd letter of the 3rd word after coding?

(a) d

(b) c

(c) r

(d) w

Ans.(c)

Q25. In the following question, a pair of letters is related to a number by a certain logic. Identify the same relation for the next pair.

AB \rightarrow 2

CD \rightarrow ?

- (a) 6
- (b) 8
- (c) 11
- (d) 16

Ans.(a)

Q26. Fill in the blank: During India's G20 Presidency in 2023, key initiatives included the Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) framework and the _____ for sustainable development.

- (a) Green Development Pact
- (b) Climate Finance Roadmap
- (c) Global Biofuel Alliance
- (d) Sustainable Energy Charter

Ans.(c)

Q27. Read the following Assertion (A) and Reason (R) carefully and choose the correct option.

Assertion (A): The New Industrial Policy, 1991 reduced the role of industrial licensing in India. Reason (R): The policy aimed to promote liberalization, privatization, and greater participation of the private sector in the economy.

- (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)

Q28. Consider the statements about Garba:

1. It is a traditional folk dance of Gujarat performed mainly during the Navratri festival.
2. Dancers perform in circular formations around a lamp or image of the goddess, using rhythmic clapping and footwork.

Which is/are correct?

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

Ans.(c)

Q29. Which of the following pairs is correctly matched regarding electromagnetic devices?

- (a) Electric Motor : Converts electrical energy into electrical energy
- (b) Transformer : Works only with direct current (DC)
- (c) Electromagnet : Loses magnetism when current is switched off
- (d) Electric Fuse : Uses magnetic effect of electric current

Ans.(c)

Q30. Read the below statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Mark the correct option:

Assertion (A): Mission LiFE encourages sustainable lifestyles to address climate change.

Reason (R): It promotes mindful consumption and environmentally responsible daily practices among citizens.

- (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)

Q31. Which city was selected under the PM MITRA (Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel) Scheme for setting up a textile park in 2024?

- (a) Surat
- (b) Lucknow
- (c) Coimbatore
- (d) Indore

Ans.(c)

Q32. Regarding climate and seasons of the Earth:

1. Equatorial regions experience high temperatures throughout the year due to near-vertical sun rays.
2. Polar regions receive low solar insolation and remain extremely cold for most of the year.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) Statement 1 only
- (b) Statement 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans.(c)

Q33. Arrange the following in chronological order:

1. Inter-State Council constituted
2. Sarkaria Commission constituted
3. First meeting of the Inter-State Council held

Choose the correct chronological sequence:

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

Ans.(a)

Q34. Which river was linked under the Ken–Betwa River Linking Project, India's first interlinking of rivers project?

- (a) Ken and Chambal
- (b) Betwa and Yamuna
- (c) Ken and Betwa
- (d) Son and Narmada

Ans.(c)

Q35. What does the designation PSLV stand for in the context of Indian space missions?

- (a) Powerful Satellite Launch Vehicle
- (b) Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle
- (c) Primary Space Launch Vehicle
- (d) Precision Satellite Lift Vehicle

Ans.(b)

Q36. Fill in the blank: At the 2008 Beijing Olympics, Abhinav Bindra won India's first individual Olympic gold medal in _____.

- (a) Wrestling
- (b) Shooting
- (c) Boxing
- (d) Badminton

Ans.(b)

Q37. What initiative was launched by the Government of India in 2025 to promote citizen-centric digital governance and faster public service delivery?

- (a) National e-Governance Portal
- (b) Digital India Dashboard
- (c) MyGov 2.0 Platform
- (d) BharatNet Expansion Scheme

Ans.(c)

Q38. Consider the statements about the Global Hunger Index (GHI):

1. It is released annually to measure hunger at the global, regional, and national levels.
2. It is prepared jointly by Concern Worldwide and Welthungerhilfe.

Which is/are correct?

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

Ans.(c)

Q39. Which of the following minerals is abundantly found in India and is a major raw material for the aluminium industry?

- (a) Coal
- (b) Bauxite
- (c) Manganese
- (d) Limestone

Ans.(b)

Q40. Maharashtra accounted for approximately what percent of India's total population in 2011?

- (a) 6%
- (b) 8%
- (c) 9%
- (d) 12%

Ans.(c)

Q41. Consider the following statements:

1. Both the Union Council of Ministers and the State Council of Ministers are collectively responsible to their respective legislatures.
2. The President of India acts on the aid and advice of the Union Council of Ministers in the exercise of most of his functions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Ans.(c)

Q42. Which of the following pairs of type of nutrient – nutrient is correctly matched?

- (a) Micronutrient – Nitrogen
- (b) Macronutrient – Copper
- (c) Micronutrient – Molybdenum
- (d) Macronutrient – Zinc

Ans.(c)

Q43. Who authored the book The Discovery of India?

- (a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (b) Mahatma Gandhi
- (c) S. Radhakrishnan
- (d) B. R. Ambedkar

Ans.(a)

Q44. Match each ruler listed in Column A with their respective period of reign given in Column B:

Column A: Ruler	Column B: Reign Period
A. Babur	1. 1526–1530
B. Humayun	2. 1530–1540
C. Akbar	3. 1556–1605
D. Jahangir	4. 1605–1627

A. A–1, B–2, C–3, D–4

(b) A–2, B–1, C–3, D–4

(c) A–1, B–3, C–2, D–4

(d) A–3, B–2, C–1, D–4

Ans.(a)

Q45. Which of the following about the weightlifting events at the 38th National Games 2025 is/are correct?

- 1.) Weightlifting was included as a medal sport at the 38th National Games 2025.
- 2.) Medals won in weightlifting contributed to the overall medal tally of the states.
- 3.) Only men's weightlifting events were conducted at the Games.

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

Ans.(a)

Q46. Which of the following statements about the Indian Space Programme are correct?

- 1.) ISRO's Chandrayaan-3 mission achieved a successful soft landing near the Moon's south pole.
- 2.) Aditya-L1 mission was launched to study the Sun from the Sun–Earth L1 point.
- 3.) Gaganyaan mission successfully completed India's first human spaceflight in 2023.

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

Ans.(a)

Q47. Determine the correctly matched Chola administrative term with its meaning.

- (a) Vetti – voluntary donation
- (b) Kadamai – land tax
- (c) Urar – village assembly
- (d) Kanikai – royal gift

Ans.(c)

Q48. Mary Kom became the first Indian woman to win an Olympic medal in which sporting discipline?

- (a) Wrestling
- (b) Badminton
- (c) Boxing
- (d) Athletics

Ans.(c)

Q49. Which traditional musical instrument from Assam is made from buffalo horn and is closely associated with Bihu festivals and indigenous cultural rituals?

- (a) Pepa
- (b) Gogona
- (c) Xutuli
- (d) Dhol

Ans.(a)

Q50. What defensive feature was used in Rajput forts to protect gates from battering by enemy war elephants?

- (a) Deep underground tunnels
- (b) Iron spikes embedded on fort gates
- (c) Fire trenches around walls
- (d) Rotating wooden doors

Ans.(b)

Q51. A sum becomes ₹15,876 in 2 years at 12% compound interest annually. Find the principal.

- (a) ₹12,656.25
- (b) ₹12,500
- (c) ₹12,332.75
- (d) ₹12,400

Ans.(a)

Q52. A trader marked a jacket 35% above its cost price. He allowed a discount to a customer, resulting in a profit of 20%. What was the rate of discount given by the trader?

- (a) 11.11%
- (b) 15%
- (c) 20%
- (d) 25%

Ans.(a)

Q53. Two tanks, X and Y, contain mixtures of milk and water. Tank X has them in the ratio 3:1, while Tank Y has them in the ratio 7:3. If 12 litres are taken from X and 18 litres from Y and mixed in a third tank, what is the ratio of milk to water in the new mixture?

- (a) 18:7
- (b) 4:1
- (c) 5:2
- (d) 11:4

Ans.(a)

Q54. A washing machine has a marked price of ₹30,000. It is sold after two successive discounts. If the first discount is 18% and the final selling price is ₹21,528, what is the percentage of the second discount?

- (a) 8.5%
- (b) 10%
- (c) 12.5%
- (d) 15%

Ans.(c)

Q55. A shopkeeper purchased 40 kg of sugar at ₹36 per kg and 30 kg of another variety at ₹48 per kg. He mixed them and sold the mixture at ₹42 per kg. Find his total profit or loss in this transaction.

- (a) Profit of ₹120
- (b) Loss of ₹60
- (c) Profit of ₹60
- (d) Loss of ₹120

Ans.(c)

Q56. Table - Weekly Electricity Usage (kWh)

Apartment	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Flat 1	12	14	13	15	16
Flat 2	18	17	19	16	18

Q: What is the overall average daily electricity usage for both flats?

- (a) 16 kWh
- (b) 15.8 kWh
- (c) 17 kWh
- (d) 14.5 kWh

Ans.(b)

Q57. A solid sphere of radius 6 cm is melted and recast into three identical cones of equal height. If each cone's radius is 3 cm, what is the height of each cone?

- (a) 16 cm
- (b) 18 cm
- (c) 20 cm
- (d) 32 cm

Ans.(d)

Q58. If the radius of a cylinder is increased to 1.5 times and the height is doubled, what is the ratio of the new volume to the original volume?

- (a) 3.5:1
- (b) 4.5:1
- (c) 6:1
- (d) 5:1

Ans.(b)

Q59. The average of 11 numbers is 48. When one number is removed, the average becomes 45. What number was removed?

- (a) 72
- (b) 78
- (c) 81
- (d) 84

Ans.(b)

Q60. A cylinder and a cone have the same base radius R and the same volume. Determine the ratio of the height of the cylinder to the height of the cone.

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

Ans.(b)

Q61. A container holds $6\frac{1}{2}$ litres of juice. If 1.75 litres are removed three times, how much juice remains?

- (a) 1.25
- (b) 1.75
- (c) 1.5
- (d) 2

Ans.(a)

Q62. Simplify: $(3\frac{1}{4} + 4.8) \div 0.85 + (1.6 \times \frac{3}{4})$

- (a) 241/85
- (b) 853/85
- (c) 965/85
- (d) 907/85

Ans.(d)

Q63. C and D invested in a business in the ratio 7:9. Their profit ratio was 14:15. If D invested his money for 10 months, for how many months did C invest?

- (a) 11 months
- (b) 12 months
- (c) 13 months
- (d) 14 months

Ans.(b)

Q64. Simplify: $\left[\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{7}{8} \div \frac{5}{6}\right)\right] \div \left[\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{9} \times \frac{3}{5}\right)\right]$

- (a) 9/7
- (b) 8/7
- (c) 7/9
- (d) 9/10

Ans.(a)

Q65. A wallet contains ₹20, ₹10, and ₹5 notes in the ratio 2 : 3 : 5. If the total amount is ₹760, find the number of notes of each kind.

- (a) 12 of ₹20, 18 of ₹10, 30 of ₹5
- (b) 16 of ₹20, 24 of ₹10, 40 of ₹5
- (c) 20 of ₹20, 30 of ₹10, 50 of ₹5
- (d) 14 of ₹20, 21 of ₹10, 35 of ₹5

Ans.(b)

Q66. A right triangle XYZ is inscribed in a circle with a diameter of 13 cm. An altitude from Y is drawn to the hypotenuse XZ. If the length of leg XY is 5 cm, what is the length of segment XH on the hypotenuse?

- (a) 25/13cm
- (b) 37/11 cm
- (c) 2 cm
- (d) 7/12 cm

Ans.(a)

Q67. Two circles intersect at two points. Which of the following statements is true?

- (a) Only two common tangents exist
- (b) They must be concentric
- (c) The external tangents do not exist
- (d) The number of tangents is always four

Ans.(a)

Q68. What is the area of the segment formed by a chord in a circle of radius 10 cm, if the angle subtended at the center is 90°?

- (a) $25\pi - 25\sqrt{2}$
- (b) $50\pi - 50$
- (c) $50\pi - 25\sqrt{2}$
- (d) $25\pi - 50$

Ans.(d)

Q69. Two circles with radii r_1 and r_2 touch each other internally. If the length of their common tangent is T, which of the following is the correct relationship between T, r_1 , and r_2 ?

- (a) $T = 2(r_1 - r_2)$
- (b) $T = \sqrt{r_1^2 - r_2^2}$
- (c) $T = r_1 - r_2$
- (d) $T = 2\sqrt{r_1 r_2}$

Ans.(d)

Q70. Two right-angled triangular panels, LMN and PQR, have $\angle M = \angle Q = 90^\circ$. If the hypotenuse LN equals PR and side LM equals PQ, are the triangles congruent? If so, by what rule?

- (a) Yes, by SSS
- (b) Yes, by SAS
- (c) Yes, by RHS
- (d) Yes, by ASA

Ans.(c)

Q71. A chord of a circle has a length of 16 cm. The angle subtended by the chord at a point on the circumference is 45° . What is the distance from the center of the circle to the chord?

- (a) $8\sqrt{2}$ cm
- (b) $4\sqrt{2}$ cm
- (c) 8 cm
- (d) 4 cm

Ans.(c)

Q72. If $A : B = 7 : 9$, $B : C = 3 : 5$ and $C : D = 8 : 11$, find $A : B : C : D$.

- (a) 56 : 72 : 120 : 165
- (b) 7 : 9 : 5 : 11
- (c) 21 : 27 : 45 : 66
- (d) 189 : 243 : 405 : 528

Ans.(a)

Q73. Two circular plates have radii in the ratio 3:5. If the smaller plate has an area of 108 cm^2 , what is the area of the larger plate?

- (a) 270 cm^2
- (b) 300 cm^2
- (c) 250 cm^2
- (d) 280 cm^2

Ans.(b)

Q74. If base perimeter = 48 cm and slant height = 12 cm, what is the lateral surface area of a square pyramid?

- (a) 288 cm^2
- (b) 192 cm^2
- (c) 240 cm^2
- (d) 320 cm^2

Ans.(a)

Q75. In triangle PQR, medians PM and QN intersect at G. If the length of median PM is 15 cm, what is the length of the segment PG?

- (a) 4 cm
- (b) 5 cm
- (c) 7.5 cm
- (d) 10 cm

Ans.(d)

Q76. Choose the most suitable option to replace the highlighted part of the sentence:

Neither the teacher nor the students was present in the hall.

- (a) was not present
- (b) were also present
- (c) were present
- (d) was also not present

Ans.(c)

Q77. Change the following from active to passive:

The analysts will be updating the database during the session.

- (a) The database was being updated during the session.
- (b) The database will be updated during the session.
- (c) The database will be updated during the session.
- (d) The database will be being updated during the session.

Ans.(d)

Q78. Select the correct option:

The artefact was admired not just for its antiquity but also for the ___ with which it was maintained.

- (a) severity
- (b) brevity
- (c) meticulousness
- (d) veracity

Ans.(c)

Q79. 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 may finish the task today."

- (a) He said that he will finish that task that day.
- (b) He said that he might finish this task today.
- (c) He said that he might finish that task that day.
- (d) He said he may finish the task today.

Ans.(c)

Q80. Rearrange the following sentences to form a coherent paragraph:

1. This is particularly helpful in collaborative writing, where several authors can revise the same document without confusion.
2. Version tracking is a method that stores changes made to a document over time, allowing earlier drafts to be restored when required.
3. The process relies on certain tools and steps that help record, compare, and manage updates.
4. With version tracking, a team can preserve a full history of edits, making cooperation and rollback far easier.

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

Ans.(a)

Q81. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word: LOONY

- (a) Rational
- (b) Strange
- (c) Zany
- (d) Ridiculous

Ans.(a)

Q82. What is the overall tone maintained in the passage?

Read the following passage and answer the questions based on the passage:

Within the maze of global exchange—where nations negotiate, corporations collaborate, and communities interact—the challenge of intercultural communication remains a demanding mental territory. Confusion often stems less from a shortage of vocabulary and more from symbolic mismatch, where pauses, tone, facial expressions, personal space, or even silence are decoded through clashing cultural assumptions. Believing that speaking a language well automatically ensures effective communication is a harmful misconception; fluency can sometimes conceal cultural gaps, letting misunderstanding appear as understanding. In high-context settings—seen in cultures such as Japan and parts of the Arab world—meaning is carried through relationships, indirect hints, shared history, and social rank. In contrast, low-context cultures like Germany and the United States value direct statements, objective framing, and individual clarity. When people from these two styles interact, the mismatch may trigger diplomatic strain, inefficient negotiations, or social distance. Even small behaviors—eye contact, conversational timing, or jokes—can create unease when judged from a single-cultural viewpoint. Moreover, mental filters shaped by schooling, tradition, and political conditioning often strengthen in-group approval while branding unfamiliar styles as “wrong” or “inept.” This ethnocentric tendency fuels stereotyping, shrinks empathy, and limits genuine cooperation.

Technology, though it seems to shrink distances, can further complicate intercultural exchange. Emojis, for example, are meaning-flexible; the same symbol may convey warmth in one culture and mockery in another. Machine translation, lacking situational nuance, can turn delicate meaning into awkward distortion. Video calls may also compress or hide paralinguistic signals that support understanding across cultures. Ultimately, crossing these gaps requires self-awareness, cultural humility, and flexible dialogue. Strong intercultural communicators do not only master grammar; they build cultural empathy, question their own perceptions, and develop comfort with uncertainty. Often, the deepest growth arises not by removing differences, but by learning to engage with them.

- (a) Instructive
- (b) Jubilant
- (c) Critical and reasoned
- (d) Casual and playful

Ans.(c)

Q83. Which statement best reflects the contradiction highlighted by the author?

Read the following passage and answer the questions based on the passage:

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conditioning often strengthen in-group approval while branding unfamiliar styles as “wrong” or “inept.” This ethnocentric tendency fuels stereotyping, shrinks empathy, and limits genuine cooperation.

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- (a) Technology always increases cultural harmony.
- (b) Emojis create identical emotions for everyone.
- (c) Even strong language ability can still result in misunderstanding.
- (d) Jokes are understood the same way everywhere.

Ans.(c)

Q84. The expression “symbolic mismatch” (as used in the passage) most nearly means:

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- (a) Disagreement in musical notes
- (b) Wrong decoding of cultural signs and cues
- (c) Failure of internet signals
- (d) Complete agreement over symbols

Ans.(b)

Q85. According to the writer, how can technology intensify intercultural miscommunication?

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- (a) By increasing face-to-face contact
- (b) By eliminating the need to understand language
- (c) By reducing non-verbal signals and distorting intended meaning
- (d) By promoting impulsive interaction

Ans.(c)

Q86. . Which metaphor most appropriately aligns with the passage’s main idea?

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- (a) A road with no destination
- (b) A window showing only one side
- (c) A maze with shifting pathways

(d) A staircase reaching one fixed summit

Ans.(c)

Q87. Spot the correctly spelt term related to weather science.

- (a) Metrology
- (b) Meteorology
- (c) Meteorologie
- (d) Metreology

Ans.(b)

Q88. Choose the correct meaning of idiom: Bite the dust

- (a) To win with ease
- (b) To fall or be defeated
- (c) To hide the truth
- (d) To complain loudly

Ans.(b)

Q89. Choose the correct phrasal verb:

Since the topic was extremely sensitive, she decided to _____ it entirely.

- (a) lean over
- (b) shy away from
- (c) walk into
- (d) brush aside

Ans.(b)

Q90. 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 used to visit his grandparents during holidays.

- (a) "I visited my grandparents during holidays," he said.
- (b) "I use to visit my grandparents during holidays," he said.
- (c) "I used to visit my grandparents during holidays," he said.
- (d) "I was visiting my grandparents during holidays," he said.

Ans.(c)

Q91. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word: SUCCUMB

- (a) Refuse
- (b) Admit
- (c) Yield
- (d) Accept

Ans.(a)

Q92. Choose the most suitable option to replace the highlighted part of the sentence:

They enjoyed a lot during the picnic.

- (a) have enjoyed a lot
- (b) enjoyed themselves a lot
- (c) enjoyed during the picnic
- (d) were enjoyed

Ans.(b)

Q93. Choose the correct one-word substitution for: "A hidden / coded method of writing."

- (a) Epitaph
- (b) Cipher
- (c) Epistle
- (d) Diatribe

Ans.(b)

Q94. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word: CLARIFY

- (a) Explain
- (b) Confuse
- (c) Conceal
- (d) Distort

Ans.(a)

Q95. Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:

Not only the chairman but also the members (1)/ has been charged with violating (2)/ the rules mentioned in the official notice (3)/ during the proceedings. (4)/

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

Ans.(b)

Q96. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word:

The historian described the vault above the ancient hall.

- (a) The athlete executed a clean vault in the gymnastics final.
- (b) The banker checked the vault before closing the branch.
- (c) The cathedral's vault displayed intricate carved patterns.
- (d) The old vault collapsed after years of neglect.

Ans.(a)

Q97. Convert the sentence provided below from its passive voice structure to an active voice structure:

The employees were made to attend the briefing by the supervisor.

- (a) The supervisor was made to attend the briefing.
- (b) The supervisor had made the employees attended the briefing.
- (c) The supervisor made the employees attend the briefing.
- (d) The supervisor was attending the briefing for the employees.

Ans.(c)

Q98. Choose the correct one-word substitution for: "An official, general forgiveness declared by the State."

- (a) Parole
- (b) Amnesty
- (c) Clemency
- (d) Remission

Ans.(b)

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Q99. Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:

The organisation requires a detailed feedback (1)/ from each department (2)/ before finalising its restructuring plan (3)/ for the next financial year. (4)/

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

Ans.(a)

Q100. Rearrange the following sentences to form a coherent paragraph:

1. A practical step is to expand energy options by shifting from fossil fuels to renewables like solar, wind, and geothermal power.
2. To lessen the most severe impacts of climate change, the world must sharply cut dependence on high-carbon energy production.
3. This transition not only lowers greenhouse gas output but also improves air quality and generates fresh job opportunities.
4. Moreover, policies supporting efficiency in housing and transport can further reduce total energy use.

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

Ans.(a)

