

## SSC Selection Post (Matriculation) Similar Paper (Held on 26 Jul 2025 S1)

**Q1.** Bird is to Nest as Dog is to \_\_\_?

- (a) Kennel
- (b) Cage
- (c) Stable
- (d) Den

**Ans.(a)**

**Q2.** What comes next in the pattern:

P25, N21, L17, \_\_\_?

- (a) J13
- (b) K15
- (c) I11
- (d) H9

**Ans.(a)**

**Q3.** If A is the brother of B, and B is the mother of C, how is A related to C?

- (a) Father
- (b) Uncle
- (c) Brother
- (d) Cousin

**Ans.(b)**

**Q4.** Find the number that does not belong to the group.

- (a) 4
- (b) 9
- (c) 16
- (d) 20

**Ans.(d)**

**Q5.** If  $6 \diamond 2 = 8$  and  $9 \diamond 3 = 12$ , what is  $10 \diamond 4$ ?

- (a) 12
- (b) 14
- (c) 16
- (d) 18

**Ans.(b)**

**Q6.** You receive an unverified message on social media. What is the best action?

- (a) Forward it
- (b) Delete it immediately
- (c) Comment on it
- (d) Verify before sharing

**Ans.(d)**

**Q7.** What should come in place of ? in the series based on the English alphabetical order?

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KMO, LNP, MOQ, \_\_\_ ?

- (a) NPR
- (b) NQS
- (c) ORS
- (d) PQT

**Ans.(a)**

**Q8.** If '+' means '×', '×' means '-', '-' means '÷' and '÷' means '+', then find the value of:  $8 + 4 \times 12 - 6 \div 5$ ?

- (a) 34
- (b) 36
- (c) 32
- (d) 35

**Ans.(d)**

**Q9.** A student finds a lost ID card on campus. What should they do?

- (a) Keep it
- (b) Submit it to the office
- (c) Throw it away
- (d) Ignore it

**Ans.(b)**

**Q10.** If '#' means '+', '@' means '-', '\$' means '×' and '%' means '÷', then evaluate:  $12 \$ 3 @ 4 \% 2$ ?

- (a) 34
- (b) 36
- (c) 38
- (d) 30

**Ans.(a)**

**Q11.** A figure is rotated  $90^\circ$  clockwise at each step. What will be its orientation after 4 steps?

- (a)  $90^\circ$  rotated
- (b)  $180^\circ$  rotated
- (c)  $270^\circ$  rotated
- (d) Original orientation

**Ans.(d)**

**Q12.** Knife is to Cut as Pen is to \_\_\_?

- (a) Write
- (b) Draw
- (c) Sketch
- (d) Paint

**Ans.(a)**

**Q13.** Which number does not belong?

- (a) 343
- (b) 512
- (c) 729

(d) 625

**Ans.(d)**

**Q14.** If 4 is to 16, then 5 is to \_\_\_?

(a) 20

(b) 25

(c) 30

(d) 15

**Ans.(b)**

**Q15.** MNOP : PONM :: WXYZ : \_\_\_?

(a) ZYXW

(b) YZWX

(c) XWZY

(d) ZWYX

**Ans.(a)**

**Q16.** Medicine is to Cure as Education is to \_\_\_

(a) Job

(b) Knowledge

(c) Degree

(d) School

**Ans.(b)**

**Q17.** A manager must meet a tight deadline without affecting safety or quality standards. What should be the best course of action?

(a) Skip safety checks

(b) Reduce workforce training

(c) Optimize workflow and resources

(d) Ignore quality standards

**Ans.(c)**

**Q18.** What number completes the series:

4, 9, 15, 22, \_\_\_?

(a) 36

(b) 35

(c) 30

(d) 40

**Ans.(c)**

**Q19.** A box contains 7 green and 3 yellow balls. If one ball is picked at random, what is the probability that it is yellow?

(a)  $\frac{3}{10}$

(b)  $\frac{7}{10}$

(c)  $\frac{1}{3}$

(d)  $\frac{1}{10}$

**Ans.(a)**

**Q20.** Which word does not belong to the group?

- (a) Nepal
- (b) India
- (c) Sri Lanka
- (d) Japan

**Ans.(d)**

**Q21.** Wheel is to Car as Wing is to \_\_\_

- (a) Bird
- (b) Plane
- (c) Insect
- (d) Fly

**Ans.(b)**

**Q22.** A worker is asked to finish a task quickly by ignoring safety rules. What should they do?

- (a) Follow instructions blindly
- (b) Ignore safety rules
- (c) Leave the job
- (d) Complete work safely even if delayed

**Ans.(d)**

**Q23.** Identify the missing letter in the sequence:

B, E, H, K, \_\_\_

- (a) L
- (b) M
- (c) N
- (d) O

**Ans.(c)**

**Q24.** Find the odd one out:

- (a) Apple
- (b) Banana
- (c) Mango
- (d) Potato

**Ans.(d)**

**Q25.** If  $\circ = 4$ ,  $\triangle = 6$  and  $\square = 5$ , what is  $\circ \times \triangle + \square$  ?

- (a) 29
- (b) 30
- (c) 31
- (d) 34

**Ans.(a)**

**Q26.** Under the Atal Pension Yojana (APY), the scheme mainly aims to provide:

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- (a) Health insurance coverage
  - (b) Pension benefits for workers in the unorganized sector
  - (c) Free education for children
  - (d) Housing loans for farmers

**Ans.(b)**

**Q27.** Which microorganism reproduces through binary fission?

- (a) Amoeba
- (b) Yeast
- (c) Rhizopus
- (d) Penicillium

**Ans.(a)**

**Q28.** What is the term used when supply exceeds demand in a market?

- (a) Shortage
- (b) Surplus
- (c) Inflation
- (d) Stagflation

**Ans.(b)**

**Q29.** Which organization publishes the World Happiness Report every year?

- (a) United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network
- (b) World Bank
- (c) International Monetary Fund
- (d) UNESCO

**Ans.(a)**

**Q30.** Which Indian state became the first to implement the Right to Health Act in 2023?

- (a) Gujarat
- (b) Rajasthan
- (c) Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Kerala

**Ans.(b)**

**Q31.** Which Article of the Indian Constitution mentions the concept of a Uniform Civil Code (UCC) as a Directive Principle of State Policy?

- (a) Article 32
- (b) Article 44
- (c) Article 19
- (d) Article 370

**Ans.(b)**

**Q32.** What is one of the key incentives provided under the PM-PRANAM Scheme (2023) to encourage states to reduce the use of chemical fertilizers?

- (a) Direct cash transfer to farmers
- (b) Financial rewards to states for reducing fertilizer subsidy consumption

- (c) Free distribution of organic manure
- (d) Subsidies for pesticide production

**Ans.(b)**

**Q33.** In which layer of the Earth's atmosphere do most meteors burn up before reaching Earth?

- (a) Troposphere
- (b) Stratosphere
- (c) Mesosphere
- (d) Thermosphere

**Ans.(c)**

**Q34.** Which Indian space mission was launched to study the Sun from the L1 point?

- (a) AstroSat
- (b) Chandrayaan-3
- (c) Aditya-L1
- (d) RISAT-2

**Ans.(c)**

**Q35.** The Himalayan mountain range was formed mainly due to:

- (a) Volcanic eruptions
- (b) Collision of the Indian and Eurasian tectonic plates
- (c) Glacial erosion
- (d) Earthquake activity

**Ans.(b)**

**Q36.** Which mode of heat transfer occurs without a material medium?

- (a) Conduction
- (b) Convection
- (c) Radiation
- (d) Diffusion

**Ans.(c)**

**Q37.** Which governing body organizes the Indian Premier League (IPL) cricket tournament?

- (a) International Cricket Council (ICC)
- (b) Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)
- (c) Sports Authority of India (SAI)
- (d) Indian Olympic Association (IOA)

**Ans.(b)**

**Q38.** What is the primary objective of the Atal Bhujal Yojana launched by the Government of India?

- (a) Promote desalination of seawater
- (b) Improve groundwater management and conservation
- (c) Increase hydroelectric power generation
- (d) Expand irrigation canals

**Ans.(b)**

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**Q39.** Which Indian company operates the Sittwe Port in Myanmar developed under India's Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project?

- (a) Adani Ports
- (b) Indian Ports Global Limited (IPGL)
- (c) Shipping Corporation of India
- (d) Cochin Port Trust

**Ans.(b)**

**Q40.** The International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC) aims to connect India mainly with which region?

- (a) Africa
- (b) Europe and Central Asia
- (c) South America
- (d) Australia

**Ans.(b)**

**Q41.** Which government scheme focuses on improving the nutrition of pregnant women and children in India?

- (a) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
- (b) Poshan Abhiyaan
- (c) PM Ujjwala Yojana
- (d) Janani Suraksha Yojana

**Ans.(b)**

**Q42.** What is the main objective of the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) launched by the Government of India?

- (a) Promote renewable energy
- (b) Improve sanitation and eliminate open defecation
- (c) Increase irrigation facilities
- (d) Promote digital education

**Ans.(b)**

**Q43.** Which Indian state has the second highest literacy rate according to the 2011 Census?

- (a) Kerala
- (b) Mizoram
- (c) Tamil Nadu
- (d) Maharashtra

**Ans.(b)**

**Q44.** What is the term used for the study of human culture, societies, and their development?

- (a) Sociology
- (b) Anthropology
- (c) Demography
- (d) Economics

**Ans.(b)**

**Q45.** Who is known as the Iron Man of India?

- (a) Mahatma Gandhi
- (b) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (c) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
- (d) Subhash Chandra Bose

**Ans.(c)**

**Q46.** Who appoints the Governor of an Indian state?

- (a) Prime Minister
- (b) President of India
- (c) Chief Justice of India
- (d) Parliament

**Ans.(b)**

**Q47.** The Gandhara school of art mainly flourished during which dynasty?

- (a) Maurya Dynasty
- (b) Kushan Dynasty
- (c) Gupta Dynasty
- (d) Chola Dynasty

**Ans.(b)**

**Q48.** The folk dance Garba is traditionally associated with which Indian state?

- (a) Punjab
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Rajasthan
- (d) Maharashtra

**Ans.(b)**

**Q49.** How many players from each team are present on the court at one time in a basketball game?

- (a) 4
- (b) 5
- (c) 6
- (d) 7

**Ans.(b)**

**Q50.** Which famous novel was written by R.K. Narayan?

- (a) Untouchable
- (b) The Guide
- (c) Train to Pakistan
- (d) Midnight's Children

**Ans.(b)**

**Q51.** What is the value of  $\frac{9\sqrt{24}}{3\sqrt{3}}$ ?

- (a)  $3\sqrt{6}$
- (b)  $6\sqrt{2}$
- (c)  $2\sqrt{6}$

(d)  $9\sqrt{2}$

**Ans.(b)**

**Q52.** Which of the following statements is true?

- (a) Every integer is a whole number.
- (b) Every rational number is an integer.
- (c) Every irrational number is a real number.
- (d) Every real number is a rational number.

**Ans.(c)**

**Q53.** Identify the correct decimal equivalent of  $135/8$ .

- (a) 16.625
- (b) 16.875
- (c) 16.375
- (d) 17.125

**Ans.(b)**

**Q54.** A vendor sells 3.5 kg of onions at ₹40/kg and 2.25 kg of tomatoes at ₹60/kg. What is the total cost of the vegetables?

- (a) ₹265.00
- (b) ₹275.50
- (c) ₹275.00
- (d) ₹280.00

**Ans.(c)**

**Q55.** What is the square of 83?

- (a) 6789
- (b) 6889
- (c) 6989
- (d) 6899

**Ans.(b)**

**Q56.** Train A and Train B take 5 hours 45 minutes and 4 hours 30 minutes respectively to travel a certain distance. What is the ratio of their travel times in the lowest form?

- (a) 25:18
- (b) 23:18
- (c) 20:17
- (d) 18:23

**Ans.(b)**

**Q57.** In 5 hours, a truck completes a journey of 300 km. If its speed is increased by 20%, how much time will it take to cover 360 km?

- (a) 4.5 hours
- (b) 5 hours
- (c) 5.5 hours
- (d) 6 hours

**Ans.(b)**

**Q58.** A student scores 65%, 70%, and 90% in three subjects. What is the average percentage?

- (a) 72.5%
- (b) 75%
- (c) 78%
- (d) 80%

**Ans.(b)**

**Q59.** Find the average of the first  $n$  even natural numbers.

- (a)  $n$
- (b)  $n+1$
- (c)  $n/2$
- (d)  $2n-1$

**Ans.(b)**

**Q60.** 40% of a number is 120. What is the number?

- (a) 240
- (b) 280
- (c) 300
- (d) 360

**Ans.(c)**

**Q61.** Out of 800 employees, 45% are females. 20% of the females are in management. How many females are in management?

- (a) 64
- (b) 72
- (c) 80
- (d) 96

**Ans.(b)**

**Q62.** The cost price of an article is ₹250, and it is sold for ₹210. What is the percentage loss?

- (a) 12%
- (b) 15%
- (c) 16%
- (d) 18%

**Ans.(c)**

**Q63.** A gadget costs ₹1,200 and is sold for ₹1,020. What is the loss percentage?

- (a) 12%
- (b) 15%
- (c) 18%
- (d) 20%

**Ans.(b)**

**Q64.** A watch is marked at ₹5,000 and sold for ₹4,200. What is the percentage discount?

- (a) 14%
- (b) 15%
- (c) 16%
- (d) 18%

**Ans.(c)**

**Q65.** A retailer sells a jacket at a 20% discount and still makes a 25% profit. What is the cost price if the marked price is ₹3,000?

- (a) ₹1,850.00
- (b) ₹1,920.00
- (c) ₹2,000.00
- (d) ₹2,150.00

**Ans.(b)**

**Q66.** P can complete a work in 15 days and Q can complete it in 10 days. How long will they take together?

- (a) 5 days
- (b) 6 days
- (c) 7.5 days
- (d) 8 days

**Ans.(b)**

**Q67.** X can finish a project in 24 days, and Y can do it in 36 days. If they work together for 6 days, what fraction of the work remains to be done?

- (a)  $\frac{5}{12}$
- (b)  $\frac{1}{2}$
- (c)  $\frac{7}{12}$
- (d)  $\frac{5}{6}$

**Ans.(c)**

**Q68.** A train travels 120 km in 2.5 hours and returns the same distance in 3.5 hours. What is the average speed?

- (a) 35 km/h
- (b) 38 km/h
- (c) 40 km/h
- (d) 42 km/h

**Ans.(c)**

**Q69.** Two cars start simultaneously from points A and B, which are 280 km apart, and head towards each other. They meet after 4 hours. If the speed of one car is 40 km/h, what is the speed of the other car?

- (a) 25 km/h
- (b) 30 km/h
- (c) 35 km/h
- (d) 40 km/h

**Ans.(b)**

**Q70.** At what annual simple interest rate will a sum of money triple itself in 10 years?

- (a) 15%
- (b) 20%
- (c) 25%
- (d) 30%

**Ans.(b)**

**Q71.** What is the area of a right-angled triangle with a base of 14 cm and a height of 8 cm?

- (a)  $48 \text{ cm}^2$
- (b)  $56 \text{ cm}^2$
- (c)  $64 \text{ cm}^2$
- (d)  $112 \text{ cm}^2$

**Ans.(b)**

**Q72.** How many parallel tangents can a circle have at most?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 4
- (d) Infinitely many

**Ans.(b)**

**Q73.** A conical tent has a slant height of 15 m and a base radius of 8 m. What is its curved surface area?

(Use  $\pi = 3.14$ )

- (a)  $360.5 \text{ m}^2$
- (b)  $376.8 \text{ m}^2$
- (c)  $382.4 \text{ m}^2$
- (d)  $390.0 \text{ m}^2$

**Ans.(b)**

**Q74.** A solid hemisphere with a radius of 6 cm is completely polished. Find its total surface area. (Use  $\pi = 3.14$ )

- (a)  $339.12 \text{ cm}^2$
- (b)  $226.08 \text{ cm}^2$
- (c)  $452.16 \text{ cm}^2$
- (d)  $314.50 \text{ cm}^2$

**Ans.(a)**

**Q75.** A square is a special type of rectangle where: Which of the following correctly describes why a square is considered a special type of rectangle?

- (a) The opposite sides are parallel but unequal.
- (b) All four sides are of equal length.
- (c) The diagonals intersect at 60 degrees.
- (d) Only two adjacent sides are equal.

**Ans.(b)**

**Q76.** Fill in the blank with the most appropriate option:

Of all the proposals submitted, the board approved the \_\_\_ viable plan for urban development.

- (a) more
- (b) much
- (c) most
- (d) mostly

**Ans.(c)**

**Q77.** Rearrange the following sentences in correct order to make a meaningful passage.

1. The findings were then cross-referenced with existing literature.
2. A hypothesis was formulated based on preliminary observations.
3. Data was systematically collected using standardised instruments.
4. Conclusions were drawn and recommendations were proposed.

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

**Ans.(a)**

**Q78.** Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:

Unless the delegates (1)/ arrive at the venue on time (2)/ the inaugural session (3)/ would already be commenced. (4)

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

**Ans.(d)**

**Q79.** Identify the misspelt word:

- (a) Ephemeral
- (b) Ebullience
- (c) Surreptitious
- (d) Magnanimious

**Ans.(d)**

**Q80.** Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word: OBSEQUIOUS

- (a) Insolent
- (b) Servile
- (c) Candid
- (d) Indifferent

**Ans.(b)**

**Q81.** Rearrange the following sentences in correct order to make a meaningful passage.

1. Grievances submitted online are assigned unique tracking identifiers.
2. Designated officers are alerted automatically upon case assignment.
3. Resolution timelines are monitored through a centralised dashboard.
4. Verified complaints are escalated to the appropriate department.

- (a) 3-2-4-1

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

**Ans.(b)**

**Q82.** Improve the sentence by selecting the appropriate tense of the highlighted word.  
She works at the research institute for six years before she accepted the professorship.

- (a) has worked
- (b) was working
- (c) had worked
- (d) would work

**Ans.(c)**

**Q83.** Convert the sentence provided below from its passive voice structure to an active voice structure:  
The annual targets had been surpassed by the sales division before the quarter ended.

- (a) The sales division has surpassed the annual targets before the quarter ended.
- (b) The sales division surpasses the annual targets before the quarter ended.
- (c) The sales division was surpassing the annual targets before the quarter ended.
- (d) The sales division had surpassed the annual targets before the quarter ended.

**Ans.(d)**

**Q84.** Choose the correct meaning of the idiom: Burn the midnight oil

- (a) To destroy important documents
- (b) To work or study late into the night
- (c) To waste resources carelessly
- (d) To ignite a long-standing rivalry

**Ans.(b)**

**Q85.** Rearrange the following sentences in correct order to make a meaningful sentence.

P: must be strengthened immediately Q: to counter the rise of misinformation R: media literacy programmes S: across educational institutions

- (a) PRQS
- (b) RSPM
- (c) RSPQ
- (d) QRSP

**Ans.(c)**

**Q86.** 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 supervisor warned the trainees that if they had not submitted their reports by Friday, their assessments would not be graded.

- (a) "Your assessments will not be graded if you don't submit your reports by Friday," the supervisor warned.
- (b) "If you haven't submitted by Friday, your work won't be assessed," the supervisor said.
- (c) "Submit your reports by Friday or face cancellation of your assessments," said the supervisor.
- (d) "If you have not submitted your reports by Friday, your assessments won't be graded," warned the supervisor.

**Ans.(d)**

**Q87.** Select the correctly spelt word meaning 'the practice of claiming to have higher moral standards than is the case'.

- (a) Hipocracy
- (b) Hypocrisy
- (c) Hypocrisy
- (d) Hypocracy

**Ans.(c)**

**Q88.** Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word: Volatile

- (a) Explosive
- (b) Unpredictable
- (c) Steadfast
- (d) Erratic

**Ans.(c)**

**Q89.** 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.

"Although the evidence was conclusive, the committee refused to act on it," she remarked.

- (a) She remarked that although the evidence was conclusive, the committee refused to act on it.
- (b) She remarked that although the evidence had been conclusive, the committee had refused to act on it.
- (c) She remarked although evidence was conclusive, committee refuses to act on it.
- (d) She remarked that even though the evidence had been conclusive, the committee refused acting on it.

**Ans.(b)**

**Q90.** Select the correct passive voice transformation of the given sentence:

"Neuroscientists explain that this encoding process frees up cognitive resources."

Read the passage and answer the questions.

Every time we perform a repeated action, the brain works to encode it as a habit. Neuroscientists explain that this encoding process frees up cognitive resources, allowing the mind to focus on newer, more demanding tasks. The brain, in essence, is always seeking the most energy-efficient path, and habit formation is one of its most powerful tools for achieving this.

Once a habit is encoded, it becomes almost involuntary—executed with minimal conscious thought. This automaticity is both a strength and a limitation. While it allows us to multitask and conserve willpower, it also means that harmful habits can persist long after we have consciously decided to abandon them. The only effective way to override a habit is to rewire the underlying neurological pattern.

Researchers have identified a three-stage model at the heart of every habit: a stimulus, a response, and an outcome. The stimulus is the environmental or internal signal that activates the habit sequence; the response is the habitual action that follows; and the outcome is the consequence that reinforces the entire cycle in the brain's memory.

Mastering this three-stage cycle gives individuals the tools to deliberately design new habits or dismantle existing ones, making habit science one of the most practically valuable fields of modern psychology.

- (a) It is explained by neuroscientists that cognitive resources are freed up by this encoding process.
- (b) Cognitive resources are freed up that this encoding process by neuroscientists is explained.
- (c) This encoding process has been explained to free cognitive resources by neuroscientists.

(d) That cognitive resources were freed up is explained by this encoding process.

**Ans.(a)**

**Q91.** Choose the correct indirect speech conversion of the sentence.

"Researchers say, 'Habit formation is one of the brain's most powerful tools for saving energy'."

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(a) Researchers say that habit formation is one of the brain's most powerful tools for saving energy.

(b) Researchers said that habit formation had been one of the brain's most powerful tools for saving energy.

(c) Researchers say habit formation was one of the brain's most powerful tools to save energy.

(d) Researchers have said that habit formation would be one of the brain's most powerful tools for saving energy.

**Ans.(a)**

**Q92.** What is the meaning of the word "automaticity" as used in the passage? "This automaticity is both a strength and a limitation."

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(a) The quality of being done deliberately and consciously

(b) The state of requiring significant mental effort

- (c) The condition of occurring without conscious thought or control  
(d) The tendency to resist change in behaviour

**Ans.(c)**

**Q93.** Choose the best synonym for the word "stimulus" in the sentence:

"The stimulus is the environmental or internal signal that activates the habit sequence."

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- (a) Restraint  
(b) Outcome  
(c) Catalyst  
(d) Barrier

**Ans.(c)**

**Q94.** . According to the passage, what makes habit formation difficult to reverse?

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- (a) Because habits are always beneficial and the brain resists removing them.  
(b) Because harmful habits become automatic and persist even after a conscious decision to stop.  
(c) Because the brain lacks the capacity to form new patterns once a habit is set.

(d) Because the outcome stage of the habit cycle permanently alters brain structure.

**Ans.(b)**

**Q95.** Which of the following is incorrectly spelled?

- (a) Conscientious
- (b) Paraphernalia
- (c) Vicissitude
- (d) Idiosyncrasy

**Ans.(d)**

**Q96.** Which term refers to: "A figure of speech in which apparently contradictory terms appear in conjunction."

- (a) Paradox
- (b) Oxymoron
- (c) Synecdoche
- (d) Euphemism

**Ans.(b)**

**Q97.** Which of the following terms describes: "A mental condition characterised by delusions of persecution, unwarranted jealousy, or exaggerated self-importance"?

- (a) Narcissism
- (b) Solipsism
- (c) Paranoia
- (d) Dysphoria

**Ans.(c)**

**Q98.** Convert the sentence provided below from its passive voice structure to an active voice structure:

The budget allocations are being reviewed by the finance committee.

- (a) The finance committee has reviewed the budget allocations.
- (b) The finance committee reviewed the budget allocations.
- (c) The finance committee is reviewing the budget allocations.
- (d) The finance committee was reviewing the budget allocations.

**Ans.(c)**

**Q99.** Change the following from active to passive:

The research panel will be reviewing all submitted manuscripts over the coming fortnight.

- (a) All submitted manuscripts will be being reviewed by the research panel over the coming fortnight.
- (b) All submitted manuscripts were reviewed by the research panel over the coming fortnight.
- (c) All submitted manuscripts will have been reviewed by the research panel over the coming fortnight.
- (d) The research panel would be reviewing all submitted manuscripts over the coming fortnight.

**Ans.(a)**

**Q100.** Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:

The principal demanded that (1)/ each student submits (2)/ the consent form (3)/ before the excursion began. (4)

- (a) (1)

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- (b) (2)
  - (c) (3)
  - (d) (4)
- Ans.(b)**