

# Verbal Ability

Directions(1-4) : Which of phrases given below each sentence should replace the phrase printed in bold type to make the grammatically correct? If the sentence is correct as it is, mark 'D' as the answer.

1. If you **would have remembered** to bring the map, we would not have lost our way.

a. **had remembered**                      b. were remembering    c. remembered                      d. No improvement

2. No one could explain how a calm and balanced person like him could **penetrate** such a mindless act on his friends.

a. perpetuate    b. **perpetrate**    c. precipitate    d. No improvement

3. The man **to who I sold** my house was a cheat.

a. to whom I sell                      b. to who I sell                      c. **to whom I sold**                      d. No improvement

4. The criteria used to select **the finalist were unclear** to the audience.

a. the finalist was unclear                      b. the finalist were unclearing    c. the finalist were unclearly    d. **No improvement**

5. Find out which part of the sentence has an error.

**Work hard(a) / lest you will(b) / fail(c)/ No error(d)**

Answer : d

6. She was a young girl with a pretty face, (A)/ very well trained in dancing (B)/ and who gave much promise of (C)/ a brilliant career as a film artist. (D)

- a. A
- b. B
- c. C
- d. D

Answer: C

Explanation:

Correction: She was a young girl with a pretty face, very well trained in dancing and she gave much promise of a brilliant career as a film artist. 'Who' must be replaced with 'she'.

7. Directions for questions: Choose the most logical fit for each blank.

Kalyan found it hard to \_\_\_\_\_ himself from the problem he had created by producing fake documents.

- a.Extricate
- b.Abstain
- c. Alienate
- d. Estrange

Answer: A

Explanation:

Option "Extricate": Rebuke – Criticise One would never 'rebuke oneself from something'; one would always 'rebuke oneself for something'

Option "Abstain": One would never 'engulf oneself from something'; 'one would always engulf oneself in something'.

Options "Alienate" vs. "Estrange": Oust – Expel Extricate – Remove When using 'oust', one would never use the expression 'ousting himself'.

E.g. sentence: Saddam Hussein was ousted from the post of Iraqi President.

Thus Option "Extricate" is the perfect fit.

8. Choose the most appropriate sentence which can replace the 'Underlined' phrase.

Traffic was really slow on the freeway this morning because of a fender-bender in one of the westbound lanes.

- a.congestedtraffic
- b. automobileaccident
- c.policesurveillance
- d. divider damage

Answer: B

Explanation: The phrase 'fender-bender' refers to an automobile accident.

9. Select the lettered pair that best expresses a relationship similar to that expressed by the original pair.

DOMINO:MASQUERADE::

- a. tango: dance
- b. violin :concert
- c. tuxedo :prom
- d. taxi :limousine

Answer: C

Explanation: One meaning of domino is a mask or a masked costume worn to a masquerade. The tuxedo is the proper prom costume.

10. In each of the questions given below from the given options select the word which is closest in meaning to the word given in the question.

**Bairn**

- a. Adult
- b. Child
- c. Senior
- d. Sophomore

Answer: B

Explanation: Bairn - A child: son or daughter

11. In each of the questions given below from the given options select the word which is farthest in meaning to the word given in the question.

**Culpable**

- a. ineffable
- b. Incriminated
- c. innocent
- d. Indignant

Answer: C

Explanation: The word culpable means deserving of blame. A thief is culpable for the crime of robbery or theft. The opposite of culpable is blameless or not deserving of blame. Because innocent means guiltless or not deserving of blame, 'innocent' is the answer. 'Ineffable' means unutterable or inexpressible. This is not the opposite of culpable. 'Incriminated' means accused. This is not the opposite of culpable. 'Indignant' means angry at a perceived injustice.

12. In the following sentences, there may be some errors in the parts which are marked as A, B, C, D.

Identify the part which has errors.

1. Raji found it difficult (A)/ to manage single-handedly the three children (B)/ who were always quarreling (C)/ between themselves. (D)

- a. A
- b. B
- c. C
- d. D

Answer: D

Explanation: Correction: Raji found it difficult to manage single-handedly the three children who were always quarreling among themselves. As there are three children, 'among' is a suitable word to use instead of between.

13. Fluosol is a transparency liquid (A)/ that closely resembles water (B)/ but in fact is twice (C)/ as dense as it is. (D)

- a. A
- b. B
- c. C
- d. D

Answer: A

Explanation:

Correction: Fluosol is a transparent liquid that closely resembles water but in fact is twice as dense as it is. 'Transparency' is a noun and transparent is its adjective form. The adjective must be used in order to describe anything.

14. In the following sentences, there may be some errors in the parts which are marked as A, B, C, D. Identify the part which has errors.

Everyone who saw the movie 'Star Wars' (A)/ is unanimous in their view (B)/ that it is the best science fiction movie (C)/ ever produced. (D)

- a. A
- b. B
- c. C
- d. D

Answer: B

Explanation: The word 'unanimous' itself means sharing the same views or opinions. Thus it is needless to repeat the same point by stating that 'Everyone who saw the movie 'Star Wars' is unanimous in their view'.

Thus the error is in B. Correction: Everyone who saw the movie 'Star Wars' is unanimous that it is the best science fiction movie ever produced.

15. Though the elephant, because of its size, (A)/ appears to be a rather slow animal, (B)/ it can in fact run faster than (C)/ any other man. (D)

- a. A
- b. B
- c. C
- d. D

Answer: D

Explanation:

Correction: Though the elephant, because of its size, appears to be a rather slow animal, it can in fact run faster than any other man can.

It should be evident from the sentence that the ability of an elephant is being compared to the ability of a man.

16. Choose the most appropriate sentence which can replace the 'Underlined' sentence.

The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author should pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.

- a. The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author should pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.
- b. The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author should be paying half the cost of the initial print run of the author's controversial new book.
- c. The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.
- d. Unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, the publishers insisted the author should pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.

Answer: C

Explanation:

The option 'The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.' is the correct option.

When the verb 'insist' comes, there doesn't arise a need for using the verb 'should'.

17. For each sentence, choose the most appropriate option that best completes the given sentence.

His musical tastes are certainly; he has recordings ranging from classical piano performances to rock concerts, jazz, and even Chinese opera.

- a. antediluvian
- b. eclectic
- c. harmonious
- d. Sonorous

Answer: B

Explanation:

The correct option is eclectic. Eclectic means a mixture of what appears to be best of various doctrines, methods, or styles. Thus the word fits into its premises perfectly.

Antediluvian: ancient or antiquated; old; prehistoric. Harmonious: showing accord in feeling or action.

Sonorous: capable of giving out a deep resonant sound.

18. Choose the most logical order of sentences among the given choices to construct a coherent paragraph.

- A. Besides this, no organ of the government can act in a manner that violates them.
- B. While ordinary legal rights are protected and enforced by ordinary law, Fundamental Rights are protected and guaranteed by the constitution of the country.
- C. Ordinary rights may be changed by the legislature by the ordinary process of law-making, but a fundamental right may only be changed by amending the Constitution itself.
- D. Fundamental Rights are different from other rights available to us.

- a. DCBA
- b. DBCA
- c. DCAB
- d. ACDB

Answer: B

Explanation:

The correct answer is DBCA.

The opening sentence can only be D. sentence B introduces us to the differences between ordinary and fundamental rights.

Sentence C demarcates the two kinds of rights further and sentence A concludes it. Thus the sequence is DBCA

19. In each of the questions given below from the given options select the word which is farthest in meaning to the word given in the question.

**Infirm**

- a. hospitable

- b. Equestrian
- c. tremulous
- d. Robust

Answer: D

Explanation: The word infirm means feeble or weak in body or health. A very old dog would likely be infirm. The opposite of infirm is strong in health. Because robust means strong and healthy, 'robust' is the answer. 'hospitable' means receptive or open. This is not the opposite of infirm. 'equestrian' means mounted on horseback. This is not the opposite of infirm. 'tremulous' means quivering or fearful. This is not the opposite of infirm.

20.

A relationship is similar to that expressed by the original pair.

ETHEREAL:EMPYREAL::

- a. celestial:deferential
- b. earnest :saccharine
- c. fastidious:foolhardy
- d. obsequious :sycophantic

Answer: D

Explanation: To be ethereal is to be empyreal; both terms refer to the heavenly or unearthly. Similarly, to be obsequious is to be sycophantic; both terms refer to behavior that is excessively fawning, servile, or submissive.

21. In each of the questions given below from the given options select the word which is closest in meaning to the word given in the question.

**Prosaic**

- a. Pedestrian
- b. Creative
- c. Exceptional
- d. Different

Answer: A

Explanation: Prosaic means pertaining to or having the characteristics of prose. It also means simple and commonplace to the point of being boring. Pedestrian has a meaning of ordinary, dull, every day; unexceptional. Thus the words 'prosaic' and 'pedestrian' are synonymous.

22. Choose the most appropriate sentence which can replace the 'Underlined' Phrase.  
People cry over spilt milk when they do not execute tasks with proper planning.

- a. weep
- b. repent
- c. fail
- d. are indifferent

Answer: B

Explanation: 'To cry over spilt milk' is to be unhappy about what cannot be undone. The word 'repent' also has a similar meaning.

23. Choose the most logical fit for each blank.

People often reveal under the impression that only the wretched and less educated people use slang, but this idea is totally \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. Accurate
- b. Popular
- c. erroneous
- d. Ineffective

Answer: C

Explanation:

Anticipated answer:- The answer one could come up with through proactive solving will be 'incorrect'. The answer closest to 'incorrect' among the answer options is option "erroneous" (Erroneous – full of errors) Contrast sign:- But. Due to the presence of the conjunction 'but', the answer has to be negative in this context.

Thus 'accurate' and 'popular' cannot be answered. 'Ineffective' does not exactly capture the opposing- idea-relationship expected in this question. Thus 'erroneous' is the right answer.

24. Select the correct option that fills the blank(s) to make the sentence meaningfully complete.

An honest man never \_\_\_\_\_ to lies in order to fulfill his goals.

- (a) helps
- (b) tells
- (c) resorts
- (d) forms

Answer: C

25. All members will have a fixed five years \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) tenet
- (b) tenor
- (c) tenure



(d) tenement

Answer: C

26. My computer needs up-gradation since it \_\_\_\_\_ a very old version.

- (a) is
- (b) was
- (c) were
- (d) must

Answer: A

27. Nothing \_\_\_\_\_ convinced her to cancel her trip to Goa.

- (a) was going to
- (b) could have
- (c) could
- (d) will have

Answer: B

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- (a) was going to
- (b) could have
- (c) could
- (d) will have

Answer: B

29. She \_\_\_\_\_ at a shop.

- (a) works
- (b) work
- (c) working
- (d) be working

Answer: A

30. Contrary to my belief, he turned out to be *peevish*.

- (a) proud
- (b) irritable
- (c) selfish
- (d) greedy

Answer: B

31. As soon as *I turn the ignition key*, the engine caught fire.

- (a) I turn on ignition key
- (b) I turned the ignition key
- (c) I was turning the ignition key
- (d) No change

Answer: B

32 Select the word which best expresses the MEANING of the word in CAPITALS.

**ADORN**

- (a) Decorate
- (b) Enjoy
- (c) Admire
- (d) Hate

Answer: A

33. **CEASE**

- (a) Hold
- (b) Capture
- (c) Stop
- (d) Stiege

Answer: C

34. **HATE**

- (a) Abuse
- (b) Abhor
- (c) Nasty
- (d) Tardy

Answer: B

35. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Agreements
- (b) Contracts
- (c) Documents
- (d) Letters

Answer: D

36. **FAMISHED**

- (a) Finished
- (b) Full
- (c) Hungry
- (d) Thirsty

Answer: C

37. **EMANATE**

- (a) End
- (b) Culminate
- (c) Originate
- (d) Retreat

Answer: C

38. **PRODUCT**

- (a) Result
- (b) Cause
- (c) Resource
- (d) Split

Answer: A

Select the option that is most nearly **ANTONYM** in meaning to the word in **CAPITALS**.

39. **SORROW**

- (a) Sympathy
- (b) Joy
- (c) Woe
- (d) Empathy

Answer: B

40. **ENDORSE**

- (a) Approve
- (b) Revoke
- (c) Oppose
- (d) Reveal

Answer: C

41. In the question, there is a sentence of which some parts have been jumbled up.  
Re-arrange these parts which are labelled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence.  
Choose the proper sequence.

People  
P: at his dispensary  
Q: went to him  
R: of all professions  
S: for medicine and treatment

- (a) QPRS
- (b) RPQS
- (c) RQSP
- (d) QRPS

Answer: C

42. Point out the odd word.

- (a) Excited
- (b) Ecstatic
- (c) Elated
- (d) Excluded

Answer: D

43. Which of the following explains the meaning of the proverb **“Every cloud has a silver lining”**?

- (a) When the cloud has a silver lining after the rain
- (b) Every sad or difficult situation has a positive side
- (c) Good times follow difficult ones
- (d) A need to face the difficult times with courage

Answer: B

**Read each sentence to find if there is any grammatical error in it. If there is any error, it will be only one part of the sentence. The number or alphabet of that part is your answer. (Disregard punctuation errors if any)**

44. I never have / visited / or intend to visit / foreign countries /

A B C D

Ans:C

45. The clothes / were neatly / hanged /on the cloth line.

A B C D

Ans:C

**One of the four sentences given in each question is grammatically wrong . Find the incorrect sentence.**

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- A) Our followers are but a handful.
- B) Neither he nor I was there.
- C) Many a glorious deeds were done.
- D) Everyone of the boys loves to ride.

Ans: C

47

- A) She had finished her work when I met her.
- B) Do you believe in God?
- C) He cut his hand with a knife.
- D) He challenged me for a duel.

Ans: D

**In each of the following questions, some sentence are given which are on the same theme. decide which sentence is the most preferable with respect to grammar; meaning and usage, suitable for formal writing in English. Find the correct sentence.**

48

- A) From which train did you come?
- B) A series of incidents have taken place.
- C) It is a five--men committee.
- D) This pronunciation is peculiar to Bengalis.

Ans:D

49

- A) They have placed order for books.
- B) He has applied for lectureship.
- C) The river has overflown its bank.
- D) Give me rupees two and a half.

Ans:D

50.

- A) It is far too hard an essay for me to attempt.
- B) It is too far hard an essay to attempt for me.

- C) Too far it is an essay hard for me to attempt.  
D) It is too hard an essay for me to far attempt

Ans:D

51. In the following sentences, there may be some errors in the parts which are marked as A, B, C, D.

Identify the part which has errors.

The University has announced that (A)/ everyone will take the examination now (B)/ will receive their results within (C)/ eight weeks at the latest.(D)

- a. A
- b. B
- c. C
- d.D

Answer: C

Explanation: Correction: The University has announced that everyone who takes the examination now will receive their results within eight weeks at the latest. There needs to be a connection between the subject and the verb which is provided by replacing 'will' by 'who'.

Questions 52 to 53 Choose the most appropriate sentence which can replace the 'Underlined' sentence.

52. It is probable that the prototype cellular motor might be ready for testing around the end of nextyear.

- a. might be ready for testing around the end ofnext year
- b. may be ready for testing about the end of nextyear
- c. might be ready for testing toward next year'send
- d. will be ready for testing toward the end of nextyear

Answer: D

Explanation: As the end of the year is the time being mentioned and as it is in the future the most appropriate word to use will be 'toward'. Thus the answer is 'will be ready for testing toward the end of next year'.

53. China's economy continues to flourish this year: industrial production grew, inflation has eased, and the trade surplus swelled.

- a. grew, inflation has eased, and the trade surplus swelled
- b. is growing, inflation is easing and the trade surplus is swelling
- c. has grown, inflation eased, and the trade surplus has swelled
- d. has grown, inflation eased, and the trade surplus is swelling

Answer: B

Explanation: As the sentence has to be constructed in continuous tense, the only plausible option is 'is growing, inflation is easing and the trade surplus is swelling'

Questions 54 to 55 For each sentence, choose the most appropriate option that best completes the given sentence.

54. The refugee's poor grasp of English is hardly a problem; she can attend classes and improve within a matter of months.

- a. implausible
- b. insuperable
- c. inconsequential
- d. evocative

Answer: B

Explanation: The word has to mean 'impossible to be overcome.' The word for it is 'insuperable'

Implausible: not plausible, unlikely. Inconsequential: having no consequence. Not

consequential. Evocative: that evokes a memory, mood, feeling or image.

55. The cricket match seemed to our guests; they were used to watching sports in which the action is over in a couple of hours at the most.

- a. unintelligible
- b. inconsequential
- c. interminable
- d. implausible

Answer: C

Explanation: The word has to mean too long or ceaseless.

Interminable means existing without interruption or end. Thus the answer is interminable.

Unintelligible: unable to be understood. Inconsequential: having no consequence. not consequential. Implausible: not plausible, unlikely.

56. Choose the most logical order of sentences among the given choices to construct a coherent paragraph.

- A. Right to Equality provides for equal access to public places like shops, hotels, places of entertainment, wells, bathing Ghats and places of worship.
- B. This right is very important because our society did not practice equal access in the past.
- C. There cannot be any discrimination in this access on the basis of caste, creed, colour, sex, religion, or place of birth.
- D. It also prohibits any discrimination in public employment on any of the above mentioned basis.

- a. ACDB
- b. BCDA
- c. DBCA
- d. ACBD

Answer: A

Explanation: The sentence A is the opening sentence. Sentence C follows sentence A by elaborating on the freedom to access certain places. D follows C by referring to the differences mentioned in C. B concludes the paragraph.  
Thus the answer is ACDB.

57. In each of the questions given below from the given options select the word which is farthest in meaning to the word given in the question.

**Yoke**

- a. mar
- b. Fell
- c. Pervert
- d. split

Answer: D

Explanation: The word yoke means to unite or join together. Two oxen are yoked if they are tied together to pull a wagon. The opposite of yoke is separate. Because split means to divide or separate, 'split' is the answer. 'mar' means to damage. This is not the opposite of yoke. 'fell' means to chop down.

This is not the opposite of yoke. 'pervert ' means to misuse. This is not the opposite of yoke.

58. Select the lettered pair that best expresses a relationship similar to that expressed by the original pair.

**TRIPTYCH:PANEL::**

- a. triangle:hypotenuse
- b. circle :arc
- c. cathedral: nave
- d. blossom :sepal

Answer: A

Explanation: A triptych is a hinged set of pictures or carvings with three panels. The Hypotenuse is one of three sides of a triangle.

59. In each of the questions given below from the given options select the word which is closest



in meaning to the word given in the question.

**Egregious**

- a. Outrageous
- b. Minor
- c. Secondary
- d. Wonderful

Answer: A

Explanation: Egregious means outrageously bad or shocking. Thus outrageous is the synonymous word.

60. Choose the alternative to replace the underlined part.

Great entrepreneurs always follow the carrot and stick policy.

- a. far-seeking
- b. reward and punish
- c. profit-oriented
- d. adaptable

Answer: B

Explanation: "Carrot and Stick" is an idiom that refers to a policy of offering a combination of rewards and punishment to induce behaviour. It is named in reference to a cart driver dangling a carrot in front of a mule and holding a stick behind it.

The mule would move towards the carrot because it wants the reward of food, while also moving away from the stick behind it, since it does not want the punishment of pain, thus drawing the cart.

61. Panic gripped the people A. of the village B. beside the city C. on Friday D. after the terrorist attack

- A. CABD
- B. BACD
- C. ABCD
- D. ACDB

Answer: C

Explanation: Panic gripped the people of the village beside the city on Friday after the terrorist attack.

62. The water tanks may remain empty A. on Tuesday evening B. in the city C. will repair the damaged water pipes D. as the water supply department

- A. BADC
- B. BACD
- C. DBAC
- D. ADCB

Answer: A

Explanation: The water tanks may remain empty in the city on Tuesday morning as the water supply department will repair the damaged water pipes.

63. The river overflowed its ..... and flooded the area.

- A. edges
- B. fronts
- C. limits
- D. banks

Correct Option : D

64. Her parents will never give their ..... to so much an unsuitable match.

- A. acquiescence
- B. consent
- C. agreement
- D. willingness

Correct Option : B

65. About twenty clerks were made ..... when the banks introduced computers.

- A. dispensable
- B. redundant
- C. expandable
- D. obsolete

Correct Option : A

66. In the questions below the sentences have been given in Direct/Indirect speech. From the given alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the given sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.

**"Please don't go away", she said.**

- A. She said to please her and not go away.
- B. She told me to go away.
- C. She begged me not to go away.
- D. She begged that I not go away.

Correct Option: C

67. In the questions below the sentences have been given in Direct/Indirect speech. From the given alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the given sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.

**"If you don't keep quiet I shall shoot you", he said to her in a calm voice.**

- A. He warned her to shoot if she didn't keep quiet calmly.
- B. He said calmly that I shall shoot you if you don't be quiet.
- C. He warned her calmly that he would shoot her if she didn't keep quiet.
- D. Calmly he warned her that be quiet or else he will have to shoot her.

Correct Option: C

68. In the questions below the sentences have been given in Direct/Indirect speech. From the given alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the given sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.

**She said to him, "Why don't you go today?"**

- A. She asked him why he did not go that day.
- B. She said to him why he don't go that day.
- C. She asked him not to go that day.
- D. She asked him why he did not go today.

Correct Option: A

***Change of Speech In "Change of Speech" type of verbal ability questions. The question is given in Direct or Indirect speech and is followed by four options. You are required to choose one option which best expresses the given question in Indirect or Direct speech.***

69. They said, "We have lived in this city for many years."

- A. They said they have lived in this city for many years.
- B. They said that they had lived in this city for many years.
- C. They said they lived in this city for many years.
- D. They said they have been living in this city for many years.

Answer: B

70. Her mother ordered her to go to the kitchen and cook food.

- A. Her mother said, "Go to the kitchen and cook food."
- B. Her mother said her, "Go to the kitchen and cook food."
- C. Her mother tells, "Go to the kitchen and cook food."
- D. Her mother asked, "Go to the kitchen and cook food."

Answer: A

71. He said that his sister was getting married.

- A. He said, "His sister is getting married."
- B. He said, "My sister was getting married."
- C. He told, "His sister was getting married."
- D. He said, "My sister is getting married."

Answer: D

72. ....Himalayas provides protection to India against enemies.

- A. no articles
- B. A
- C. An
- D. The

Answer: D

Explanation: The article 'the' is used with the names of mountain groups.

73. Delhi is ..... large city.

- A. an
- B. a
- C. the
- D. no article

Answer: B

Explanation: Indefinite article 'a' is used with noun complement and with singular, countable nouns starting with a consonant.

74. .... Indus River is the longest river in India.

- A. The
- B. An
- C. A
- D. None of the above

Answer: A

Explanation: Article 'the' is used before the names of rivers, mountains, etc.

75. Select that pair that expresses the relationship that is most similar to the given pair.

Abduct : Kidnap :: ?

Option 1 : Pilfer : Steal

Option 2 : Derail : Further

Option 3 : Jump: Enjoy

**Option 4 : Clarify : Cuneal**

76. Choose the MOST appropriate Synonyms of **Capricious**

a. Excess

**b. Sudden**

c. Constant

d. Formal

e. Private

77. Choose the MOST appropriate Synonyms of **Affluent**

a. Extreme

b. Initiate

c. Precede

**d. Prosperous**

e. Simple

78. Rectangle : Cylinder

(a) Square : Sphere

(b) Circle : Disc

(c) Triangle : Cone

(d) Wall : Room

Answer : c

79. Expend : Replenish

(a) Exhort : Encourage

(b) Formant : Rebellion

(c) Defect : Rejoin

(d) Encroachment : Occupy

Answer : c

80. Coronation: Reign

(a) Vaccination: Immunity

(b) Sculptor: Statue

- (c) Degree : Graduate
- (d) Summer: Rain

Answer : d

81. Grain: Salt
- (a) Chip: Glass
  - (b) Blades: Grass
  - (c) Shred: Wood
  - (d) Shard: Pottery

Answer : a

82. In the question each passage consists of six sentences. The first and the sixth sentences are given in the beginning. The middle four sentences have been removed and jumbled up. These are labelled P, Q, R and S.

Select the proper order for the four sentences. :

S1: Ms. Parasuram started a petrol pump in Madras.

S6: Thus she has shown the way for many others.

P: A total of twelve girls now work at the pump.

Q: She advertised in newspapers for women staff.

R: They operate in two shifts.

S: The response was good.

Op 1: PQSR

Op 2: SQPR

Op 3: QSPR

Op 4: PQRS

Correct Op : 3

83. A sentence has been given in Active (or passive) voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested select the one which best express the same sentence in Passive (or Active) Voice.

**His pocket has been picked.**

- (a) They have his pocket picked
- (b) Picking has been done to his pocket

- (c) Picked has been his pocket
- (d) Someone has picked his pocket.

Answer : d

84. Pick out the most effective word from the given words to fill in the blank to make the sentence meaningfully complete.

**Now a day Rajani is .busy to take care of her health.**

- (a) Very
- (b) too
- (c) so
- (d) extremely

Answer : b

85. Find the correct alternative to complete the analogy.

**NDA: BJP :: ? : Congress**

Option 1 : UPS

Option 2 : PUA

**Option 3 : UPA**

Option 4 : NPA

86. Hawkins is \_\_\_\_\_ in his field; no other contemporary scientist commands the same respect.

- a. preeminent
- b. ignominious
- c. obsolete
- d. Anachronistic

Answer: A

Explanation: The part after the semicolon tells us that Hawkins is highly respected. Hence, the only suitable word is preeminent. (All the others have negative connotations.) (Disparaged = criticized; ignominious = shameful; obsolete = outdated; anachronistic = in the wrong time period; preeminent = foremost, famous)

87. In the following sentences, there may be some errors in the parts which are marked as A, B, C, D.

Identify the part which has errors.

She was a young girl with a pretty face, (A)/ verywell trained in dancing (B)/ and who gave much promise of (C)/ a brilliant career as a film artist. (D)

- a. A

- b. B
- c. C
- d. D

Answer: C

Explanation:

Correction: She was a young girl with a pretty face, very well trained in dancing and she gave much promise of a brilliant career as a film artist. 'Who' must be replaced with 'she'.

88. Choose the most appropriate sentence which can replace the 'Underlined' sentence.

A conjunction is used to connect words and sentences together.

- a. words and sentences together.
- b. words or sentences together.
- c. words and sentences.
- d. words or sentences.

Answer: D

Explanation: Together is redundant. The conjunction does not couple words to sentences; it joins words, or it joins sentences. Hence the meaning is clearest in "words or sentences"

89. Mark the option which is the closest to the opposite in meaning of the word given below.

FALLACY

- A. Illusion
- B. Elusion
- C. Misconception
- D. Frankness

Answer: Misconception

90. Find of which part of the sentence below has an error and mark the option accordingly

- A. When asked
- B. To catch
- C. Rose
- D. Teacher's attention

Ans: B

91. Choose the most logical order of sentences among the given choices to construct a coherent paragraph.



- A. There are more than 20 major languages and several hundred minor ones and it is the home of several major religions.
- B. There are several million indigenous peoples living in different parts of the country.
- C. In spite of all these diversities we share a common landmass.
- D. India is a land of continental proportions and immense diversities.
- a. DABC
- b. DCBA
- c. CABD
- d. BACD

Answer: A

**Select the correct option that fills the blank(s) to make the sentence meaningfully complete.**

92. An honest man never \_\_\_\_\_ to lies in order to fulfill his goals.

- (a) helps
- (b) tells
- (c) resorts
- (d) forms

Answer: C

93. All members will have a fixed five years \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) tenet
- (b) tenor
- (c) tenure
- (d) tenement

Answer: C

94. My computer needs upgradation since it \_\_\_\_\_ a very old version.

- (a) is
- (b) was
- (c) were
- (d) must

Answer: A

95. Nothing \_\_\_\_\_ convinced her to cancel her trip to Goa.

- (a) was going to
- (b) could have

(c) could  
(d) will have  
Answer: B

96. In the question, there is a sentence of which some parts have been jumbled up. Re-arrange these parts which are labelled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper sequence.

People

P: at his dispensary

Q: went to him

R: of all professions

S: for medicine and treatment

(a) QPRS (b) RPQS **(c) RQSP** (d) QRPS

Answer: C

97. Point out the odd word.

(a) Excited

(b) Ecstatic

(c) Elated

**(d) Excluded**

Answer: D

98. The criteria used to select **the finalist were unclear** to the audience.

a. the finalist was unclear    b. the finalist were unclearing c. the finalist were unclearly    **d. No improvement**

99. Find out which part of the sentence has an error.

**The house with all its(a) / furniture and exotic plants(b) / were sold for Rs. 50,000(c) / No error(d)**

Answer : c

100. Find out which part of the sentence has an error.

**The teacher asked the students(a) / if everyone of them were interested in(b) / going on an excursion(c) / No error(d)**

Answer : b