

1.
  - A. Dementia is a decline in mental abilities or cognitive functions such as memory, language, reasoning, planning, recognising, or identifying people or objects.
  - B. Dementia is caused most often by Alzheimer's disease, though it can be caused by other factors as well.
  - C. Dementia usually begins gradually with very minor changes in the person's abilities to recognise or make memories.
  - D. People with dementia may even face seizures or fits of rage.
2.
  - A. Helen was so beautiful that all animals would stop to gaze at her; her voice was so melodious that stones would melt with it.
  - B. Her demure nature and pleasing mannerisms would enchant people towards her just as bees are attracted towards honey.
  - C. Her eyes were more striking than those of a lioness and more sensuous than those of a mermaid.
  - D. Helen's skin was so flawless that silk would seem coarse to her!
3.
  - A. The purpose of teaching the Kshatriyas the art of warfare was to enable them to protect others and make others feel secure.
  - B. The teachings of all the masters such as Gautam Buddha, Swami Vivekananda etc. focus on how our actions should be to inspire others to create what would make people's lives easier.
  - C. Teaching involves not just explaining the theoretical concepts of a subject, but also making students understand the application of the concept.
  - D. A good teacher inspires his students to build objects that would be of utility to mankind and solve human problems.
4.
  - A. Stay positive in your children's presence.
  - B. Do not argue with your spouse or partner when your child is around.
  - C. Children worry about their parents just as much as their parents worry about them.
  - D. Tell your child only the good things in your life, and keep the arguments for when the child is not present.
5.
  - A. One of the most efficient ways to save your tax is to invest money in a retirement plan.
  - B. Retirement plans not only yield a high rate of return but also provide flexibility in terms of withdrawal and reinvestment.
  - C. Additionally, a retirement plan gives you mental peace and a sense of security.
  - D. Above all, retirement plans can be used as collateral in case you wish to take a bank loan or raise money from the market.
6.
  - A. Last summer I was driving along the coast when suddenly I saw a pride of lions charging towards me.

- B. Even though I am a brave and fearless person, the sight of 15 lions can be frightening for the most fierce battle warriors.
- C. With shivering hands I put the car on reverse gear and moved back as fast as I could with my eyes fixed on the lions.
- D. Luckily the lions either were not in the mood to attack or were too full to eat any more and hence they did not chase me.

7.

- A. On the evening of April 2015, I cried as if there were no tomorrow and reached back to the state of hopelessness that I had once experienced many years back.
- B. I was agonised like a child who lost his most precious belonging, like an athlete whose dream just shattered and like a student who failed in his career-defining exam.
- C. It seemed that the world had ended for me and the life around me had come to a standstill.
- D. It was after more than a decade that tears had rolled down my cheeks.

8.

- A. It was once again a travel journey, once again I had my big blue bag on my back, and once again I was racing against time like a mad bull on the platform of the railway station to make it to my train.
- B. There was once again a Déjà vu, the feeling of having been in exactly the same surrounding in the exact same way so many times.
- C. From a distance I could see my train already sliding smoothly, and gave the last burst of energy in me and exhausted whatever little life that remained in me to push myself faster and ultimately managed to catch the moving train in the nick of time.
- D. I pride myself on having been the absolute last passenger to have boarded the moving train on so many occasions after having chased it for a kilometer.

9.

- A. The fatal explosions never once did fail to send a deafening pulse through the soldiers' ears.
- B. The soldiers who seemed fearsome otherwise were for once fearful of losing their lives in the war.
- C. The battlefield was a deathly arena with gun-fire and the smell of rotting corpses left with a war-cry face on them.
- D. The screams of injured troops pleading for medical aid were heart-wrenching but remained largely unheard.

10.

- A. The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of Denmark, is a play by William Shakespeare, believed to have been written between 1599 and 1601.
- B. The play, set in Denmark, is based on a love story and beautifully recounts how Prince Hamlet exacts revenge on his uncle Claudius, who has murdered Hamlet's father, the King, and then taken the throne and married Gertrude, Hamlet's mother.
- C. It vividly charts the course of real and feigned madness—from overwhelming grief to seething rage.
- D. The play explores the themes of treachery, revenge, incest (something which was a big taboo back in that time), and moral corruption.

11.

- A. Liquid sulphur is utilized in the creation of sulfuric acid which is used in the creation of steel and rubber.

- B. The powder form of Sulphur has many applications in dyes, fungicides and production of agrichemicals.
- C. Solutions with sulfur can be used to accelerate the healing of wounds and treatment of hemorrhoids, arthritis, hypothyroidism and homeopathy.
- D. Sulfur gas is effective because of its keratolytic, antibacterial and anti-fungal properties and is therefore used to treat acne and other skin disorders.

12.

- A. Unless animals are at the top of their food chain, most cannot afford to get a good night's sleep.
- B. Why? Because they have to worry about whether someone will try to eat them while they are snoozing!
- C. Animals have evolved different means to balance sleep needs with the need to stay alive.
- D. Because sleep can be measured only with a brain-wave test called an EEG, some "facts" about the sleep habits of animals are based on observation.

13.

- A. Many of us are stuck. At least we feel stuck.
- B. We feel powerlessly trapped doing things we couldn't care less about, but feel like we have to or should do.
- C. Our time depends on our choices. Unfortunately, it is too easy to make choices on the fly without a grounded purpose or set of beliefs.
- D. And then, when our true goals are not reached or even attempted, frustration and confusion set in.

14.

- A. The self-serving bias is people's tendency to attribute positive events to their own character but attribute negative events to external factors.
- B. When people are depressed or have low self-esteem, they attribute positive events to chance or external help, and attribute negative events to their own character.
- C. Research on the self-serving bias and depression suggests that the bias is not completely flipped in people with depression, but the magnitude of the bias is less than it is in the general population.
- D. Although both self-serving bias and depression are harmful, depression in severe cases can lead to complete breakdown of the person whereas the former would at best make you seem rude and boastful.

15.

- A. When it comes to reading body language, context is king.
- B. You cannot make sense of someone's nonverbal message unless you understand the circumstances behind it.
- C. Context is a complex weave of variables including location, relationships, time of day, and past experience.
- D. Depending on the context, the same nonverbal signals can have totally different meanings.

16.

- A. The term 'halo effect' describes how our perception of one desirable trait in a person can cause us to judge that person more positively overall.
- B. If we view someone as likeable, for instance, we often also perceive him or her as more honest and trustworthy as well.
- C. Some leaders are so well liked that the people they lead forgive, overlook, or even deny negative characteristics—another example of the emotional brain overriding the analytic brain.

- D. This is counterproductive for both the leader as well as the followers as it is not good for getting accurate performance feedback of the leader, nor would it help the leader evolve since he would simply never know his negative characteristics.

17.

- A. Chittaurgarh Fort is the largest fort of India and the grandest in the state of Rajasthan.
- B. It is situated on the left bank of the Berach river.
- C. It is also called as Water Fort as the fort had 84 water bodies inside, out of which only about 22 exist today.
- D. The fort represents the bravery of Maharana Pratap Singh and the great Rajput rulers of Rajasthan.

18.

- A. How often would you come across someone who would do you repeat favours without asking anything in return?
- B. However, science says that a person who has *done* someone a favour is more likely to do that person another favour than they would be if they had *received* a favour from that person.
- C. Similarly, one who harms another is more willing to harm them again than the victim is to retaliate.
- D. The reason for the above is rooted in deep human psychology that compels people to live the image they have created in the eyes of victim or the beneficiary.

19.

- A. We all are really good at self-deception.
- B. We lie and boast to impress the ones around us.
- C. We attend to the facts we like and overlook the ones we do not.
- D. We inflate our own virtues by telling ourselves that we will behave more nobly than we actually do.

20.

- A. Sun Temple at Konark is a 13th century temple situated in Konark, Odisha.
- B. It was built by king Narasimhadeva I of the Eastern Ganga Dynasty in around 1250 AD.
- C. The Sun temple is in the shape of a gigantic chariot with carved stone wheel, pillars and walls and is led by 6 enormously carved horses.
- D. This World Heritage Site in India reflects the grandeur of the traditional style of Kalinga Architecture which was prevalent then.

21.

- A. Ever talk to a cop or a lawyer and learn their job is not like it looks on TV?
- B. The problem with careers is when we make the decisions, we rarely know much about the thing we are choosing.
- C. 35% of college graduates end up in a job that was not their major.
- D. It is because people hardly know the actual role and responsibilities of a job before they take it up.

22.

- A. I was only a young girl of 13 when my father passed away from a sudden heart attack, leaving us unprepared to take on life without him.
- B. And my mother, who had been a homemaker till then, faced the responsibility of raising three children all on her own.
- C. It was then that we realized how strong she was and how determined to do her duty in the best possible manner.
- D. Slowly, she discovered a flair for designing and textiles, found herself a job with a small firm, and quickly made herself indispensable to them.

23.

- A. Once upon a time in a faraway land, there was a desolate and forsaken land.
- B. The land was so barren that nothing ever grew in the farms.
- C. The weather there was so harsh that life there was a perennial struggle.
- D. Even the terrain was so rocky and sinuous that one could hardly ride without an accident.

24.

- A. Zeus was the god of the sky and ruler of the Olympian gods.
- B. His weapon was a thunderbolt which he hurled at those who displeased or defied him, especially liars and oath-breakers.
- C. He was married to Hera but often tested her patience, as he was infamous for his many affairs.
- D. Using his shield, the Aegis, Zeus could create all natural phenomena related to the air and the sky, such as storms, tempests, and intense darkness.

25.

- A. Snakes consume a variety of items including termites, rodents, birds, frogs, small deer and other reptiles.
- B. Often observed flicking their tongues, snakes use their forked tongue to smell the air.
- C. Most snakes species lay eggs, but some species give birth to live young.
- D. Venomous snakes inject their prey with venom, while constrictors squeeze their prey.

26.

- A. A fireplace should be lined with special fire bricks to prevent heat transfer.
- B. Good up-drafts can make a pleasant fire, however.
- C. Normal bricks are not dense enough to withstand excessive heat.
- D. Fire codes also require a smoke alarm in every room.

27.

- A. A superstar is an athlete who commands a great salary based on his individual skills.
- B. The Greek ideal of the hero most closely resembles today's free agent superstar.
- C. The Greek warrior was impressive in his performance on the battlefield as well as in the sports arena.
- D. The Greek hero valued self-interest above loyalty to a cause, just as the free-agent superstar values his contract salary above the team.

28.

- A. Math is good at exposing the truth, but it can also perpetuate misunderstandings and untruths.
- B. Mathematics tells us about economic trends, patterns of disease, and the growth of populations.

- C. The economic trends that mathematics gives an insight to are best studied with analytical models.
- D. It is often, and truly, said that Mathematics allows us to expand our consciousness.

29.

- A. Blue skies would also show few fluffy clouds as strong winds from neighboring areas more often than not blew the clouds away.
- B. Black-and-white camera film, in the old days of film photography, was very sensitive to blue light but not to red light.
- C. Blue skies would often show very little detail, because the film couldn't record all that it was seeing.
- D. To compensate, photographers would put a red filter on the lens, darkening the sky enough so that the film could record its fluffy clouds.

30.

- A. They swear allegiance to different ideologies of different times.
- B. There is a little love lost between the two.
- C. They have never been able to see eye to eye.
- D. They have always begrudged each other even the slightest of courtesies.

31.

- A. New York was called Amsterdam and it was little more than a cattle pasture.
- B. Most of the initial colonists were Dutch, who were fleeing the religious persecution.
- C. Almost half of the city's residents over the age of 5 speak a language besides English.
- D. Chief among the goals of the settlers was the development of a fur-trading post.

32.

- A. At its best, Epoisses typifies those sweet-meaty-fermented fruity-fondue-heavy cream flavors and aromas.
- B. One of Napoleon's favorites, Epoisses is definitely one of the smelliest cheeses you can find.
- C. Because of its smell, Epoisses has been banned from public transportation vehicles all over France.
- D. The famous epicure Brillat-Savarin himself classed Epoisses as the "king of all cheeses".

33.

- A. You don't need a lot of fancy equipment to get a good workout either.
- B. If you're a fitness walker, there is no need for a commute to a health club.
- C. Don't opt for fitness walking if you are a weight training aficionado.
- D. All you need is a well-designed pair of athletic shoes.

34.

- A. Contrary to the belief propagated by certain academicians, there are no effective boundaries when it comes to pollutants.
- B. Studies have shown that toxic insecticides that have been banned in many countries are riding the wind from countries where they remain legal.

- C. Compounds such as DDT and toxaphene have been found in remote places like the Yukon and other Arctic regions.
- D. That toxic insecticides remain legal in some countries is an issue that has found little mention in Yukon.

35.

- A. A witty and profound orator was greatly respected.
- B. A revered poet's name lived on long after he died.
- C. A writer would quest for the esteem of his peers.
- D. In ancient Greece, honor was not just the domain of the warrior.

36.

- A. The small boats that pursued the whales left the whaling ship far behind; each man in a boat had to depend on the others to stay alive.
- B. Once the whale was harpooned, the whale line unraveled so fast that water had to be poured on it to keep it from smoking.
- C. The whale line was the rope, dozens of yards long, that attached to the harpoon; it was raveled under the seats of all the men, metaphorically connecting each man to the next.
- D. One wrong move and the line would snap a man right out of the boat; thus, his life depended on whether the crew would cut the whale loose to save him.

37.

- A. It is shameful that the number of rape cases is on the rise in India.
- B. Rape perpetrators take refuge in outdated laws that need to be shown the door.
- C. It is said that India stands number one in the list of corrupted nations.
- D. India cannot boast of proper educational infrastructure for its people.

38.

- A. There are many disturbing facets of the many headed death.
- B. Humans have been burying their dead for at least 200,000 years.
- C. "Death", the word, comes from the Old English *deað*.
- D. The Zoroastrian Parsi community in India offers its dead to vultures.

39.

- A. The objective correlative doesn't have to be an inanimate object.
- B. Sometimes it manifests itself in the form of an event.
- C. It's the worldwide loss of vision in José Saramago's *Blindness*.
- D. Not all great writers find the term adequate.

40.

- A. Solar energy is a resource that is not only sustainable for energy consumption, but also indefinitely renewable (at least until the sun runs out in billions of years).
- B. Solar power can be used to generate electricity, it is also used in relatively simple technology to heat water (solar water heaters).
- C. The most common source of solar power utilizes photovoltaic cells to convert sunlight into electricity that powers homes, offices and studios.
- D. The use of skylights powered by solar cells in home construction can also greatly reduce energy expenditure required to light rooms in a home's interior during the day.

41.

- A. All pets require work, but cats tend to be more self-sufficient and less needy than do dogs.
- B. On average, dogs definitely require more walks several times per day while cats only need an emptied litter box a couple of times per weeks.
- C. Usually dogs need to go to veterinary physicians more than cats mainly because of the cats' tendency to hide their illness.
- D. It is commonly observed that dogs are more protective about their masters than cats are.

42.

- A. One of the most common reasons married couples will give when asked about the benefits of tying the knot is the joy and fun of their wedding day along with the happiness of being together finally.
- B. Spouses who officially declare their union are entitled to a number of tax and insurance breaks that only increase once children have been added to the equation.
- C. In a world where people's logical reasons for marrying one another are slowly being stripped away, it is important to note the increased emotional bond that couples are able to share with one another.
- D. A relationship is, as everyone says, *hard work* and at the same time it brings celebrations for every occasion—be it turning into parents or crossing 25th year of togetherness.

43.

- A. Pluto is named after the Greek god of the underworld.
- B. Pluto has five known moons named Charon, Styx, Nix, Kerberos, and Hydra.
- C. Pluto is one third water.
- D. Pluto sometimes has an atmosphere.

44.

- A. For stock investments, the investor is expected to master several subjects, i.e. prospect of the sector, other companies operating in that sector and how the company (under review) is superior to them.
- B. Moreover, the investor is expected to study the economic and political climate of the country to gauge the bearing they can have on the sectors and companies in them.
- C. Besides, after having done this research before investing, the investor must continue doing it even after he has invested in it so as to ensure he is invested in the right company/companies.
- D. Furthermore, the investor is expected to be fully aware of the fact that stocks and debentures investments are subject to market risks giving no guarantee of hefty returns at all times.

45.

- A. The western music is based on chord progression, and this occurs in a scale whereas the Indian music system has no such chord progressions.
- B. The western classical music changes the drone, and drone shift is a common phenomenon but the modern Indian music does not allow much of these shifts.
- C. Indian systems experiment with rhythms and they are an important feature of Indian music but such an ordered rhythm system is not reciprocated in the western system.
- D. Indian listeners find western music as not much creative, while western listeners do not get the depth of Indian music.

46.



- A. Achilles' father was Peleus, the mortal king of the Myrmidons—a people who, according to legend, were extraordinarily fearless and skilled soldiers.
- B. His beloved was Briseis, a cousin of the Trojan princes Hector and Paris. She was said to have had golden long hair, blue eyes, and fair skin.
- C. Achilles' mother was Thetis, one of 50 Nereids and she dunked Achilles into the River Styx, whose waters were said to confer the invulnerability of the gods.
- D. Achilles' beloved comrade and brother-in-arms, Patroclus was the son of Menoetius and grandson of Actor, King of Opus.

47.

- A. A heartfelt show that helps drive the emotional content of the film, helping Nolan impress the fans as well as the critics with his most well-rounded film to date.
- B. DiCaprio's powerhouse and critically acclaimed performance, and Scorsese's brilliantly energetic direction make this a must watch.
- C. The decade's most successful movie not only received a great opening at the box office but also broke the previous records set by its prequels.
- D. This film received an overwhelming response from the majority of the movie experts and commanded a standing ovation from the analysts.

48.

- A. Many people on the street were killed almost instantly and the fingertips of those dead bodies caught fire, and the fire gradually spread over their entire bodies from their fingers.
- B. It was unthinkable to get burned there but it was an undeniable fact that the soles were peeling and red muscle was exposed.
- C. A light gray liquid dripped down their hands, scorching their fingers and I was so shocked to know that fingers and bodies could be burned and deformed like that.
- D. It was really hard to breathe as the fire burned all the oxygen and I could not open my eyes enough because of the smoke, which was everywhere.

49.

- A. India had entered the third World Cup (1983) as 66 to one outsiders but a surprise victory over two-time champion West Indies and another over Zimbabwe kept them in the hunt for a semi-final slot.
- B. In the next match, India had nearly lost the quarter finals to Pakistan but shockingly it still reached the semi finals; the fans must thank the rain, post first innings, that introduced moisture into the pitch.
- C. Pakistan captain Zaheer Abbas, who finished without a wicket in the match, would be ruining the lost chances, for on two occasions in his over the batting maestro was dropped as the wet ball could hardly be gripped.
- D. The team even gave its fans many anxious moments for the second time in the World Cup on Tuesday before snatching a late victory over South Africa that had almost won but then lost wickets in succession towards the end.

50.

- A. Sapphire Glass hasn't been as widely used in mobile device screens as other glasses but has been used in watches for some time.
- B. It's also engaged in polysilicon and photovoltaic businesses alongside the sapphire and it serves the solar, LED, and electronics industries.
- C. Apple has been using it in its latest iPhones as a cover for the camera lens and for the TouchID sensor on the iPhone 5S.
- D. Apple does so as the glass is manufactured through a process that chemically hardens the glass, making it more resistant to impact.

51.

- A. Thanks to stressful life, almost everyone occasionally suffers from short term insomnia and goes through sleepless nights.
- B. In fact, about 60 million Americans a year have insomnia frequently or for extended periods of time, which leads to even more serious sleep deficits.
- C. One third of these 60 million Americans, patients with major depressive disorders, are at a risk of severe insomnia.
- D. The rest of the Americans must have had some trouble sleeping as it's a pattern that interferes with sleep on a regular basis due to bad eating habits.

52.

- A. A study indicated that over two thirds of class 4 children were unable to divide 20 by 5.
- B. Cleanliness and hygiene were totally missing in washrooms and students' canteen kitchens.
- C. Teachers were not fully equipped with the right knowledge to take primary level classes.
- D. Books and stationary along with basic writing material were not provided to the students.

53.

- A. Because a black hole is indeed "black" — no light can escape from it — it's impossible for us to sense the hole directly through our instruments.
- B. Literally nothing can escape a black hole because its matter has been squeezed into a tiny space creating a very strong gravitational force.
- C. Because of this strong force, clock runs really slow near black holes; just as a clock runs a bit slower closer to sea level than up on a space station.
- D. The "event horizon" as it is called in physics, is the border of the black of hole and it's the point of no return; no particle can come back once it has passed "event horizon".

54.

- A. The female attaches the growing and mushrooming egg to leaves, stems, or other objects, usually on or near the intended caterpillar food.
- B. The caterpillar (or larva) is the long, worm-like stage of the butterfly or moth and it often has an interesting pattern of stripes or patches.
- C. As it grows, it sheds its skin four or more times so as to enclose its rapidly growing body.
- D. The pupa, or chrysalis, is soft at first but in about an hour, the shell hardens to protect the growing butterfly within.

55.

- A. Malaria remains one of the most devastating diseases in the world especially in Africa according to the director of US National institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.
- B. An experimental malaria vaccine protected adults form infection for more than a year in a clinical trial in US, an advance that may help control and eradicate the deadly disease.
- C. Researchers conducted the tests which involved immunization and exposing adults to the malaria causing parasite Plasmodium falciparum.
- D. The PISPZ vaccine, is composed of live, but weakened P falciparum sporozoites- the early developmental form of the parasite.

56.

- A. When it comes to managing stress in geographically dispersed teams, the manager plays a very important role.

- B. One needs to try and understand the importance of the colleagues and team leads, and then go on to work completions and deliverables.
- C. It is very important that you know your teams, which report to you, well and provide best possible solution to their problems.
- D. The best thing is to start slow while engaging with global counterparts and then gradually pick up speed in managing projects.

57.

- A. Corporate workplaces may ban the use of social networking sites like Facebook in their offices, but the internet giant has found a way to enter this space.
- B. Startups and older businesses such as Zomato, Yes Bank, BookmyShow and others have begun using Facebook At Work- a twin of the network as we know it but strictly for on the job use.
- C. Of course, revenue comes from a subscription model but Facebook declined to reveal the fee and the subscription plans.
- D. Still in the beta stage, Facebook At Work, falls into the same category of what are called "Enterprise Networks"; these are for use within offices for collaborative projects and sharing messages.

58.

- A. No more than a few thousand people live on the entire continent at the height of summer, and this decreases to just hundreds over winter.
- B. Because of the harsh climate, the only "settlements" with longer term residents (who stay for some months or a year, maybe two) are scientific bases.
- C. It is feared that the camps, set up on scientific bases, may disrupt the environment and create an imbalance in the ecosystem as well.
- D. Some have had an "enforced" winter; this is when ice conditions mean the ship that should have come to get them couldn't get through and had to go home without them until next year.

59.

- A. A menu from a 1989 flight from London to Washington allowed passengers to choose from foie gras mousse and caviar and sour cream barquette to start on the Concorde flight.
- B. The allure of Concorde remained intact until July 2000, when the aircraft crashed just after take-off in Paris and all 109 people on board, and four on the ground, were killed.
- C. As the first customers on board Concorde's inaugural commercial flight, they were about to travel at speeds that were completely beyond the norm for recreational travellers.
- D. The aircraft they were travelling on had broken the sound barrier for the first time in 1970, just over six years earlier, and had been subjected to the longest engine test in history.

60.

- A. Germany is credited with starting the Christmas tree tradition as we now know it in the 16th century when devout Christians brought decorated trees into their homes.
- B. Some built Christmas pyramids of wood and decorated them with evergreens and candles of wood were scarce.
- C. It is a widely held belief that Martin Luther, the 16th-century Protestant reformer, first added lighted candles to a tree.

- D. Legend credits the Protestant reformer Martin Luther with inventing the Christmas tree, but the story has little historical basis.

61.

- A. The time machine, invented by Razaeghi, can allow the users to use time as a third dimension and move back and forth without much hassle.
- B. The invention fits into the size of a computer case and can predict details of the next 5-8 years of the life of its users; it will not take you into the future, it will bring the future to you.
- C. The device can predict the future in a print out after taking readings from the touch of a user, he told the Fars state newsagency.
- D. Razaeghi, said the device worked by a set of complex algorithms to "predict five to eight years of the future life of any individual, with 98 percent accuracy".

62.

- A. Assuming for the moment that repression exists, what causes it to occur?
- B. From 1896 to 1926, Freud said "Society."; we repress what our culture demands that we repress.
- C. If anxiety causes repression, the question becomes, what causes anxiety.
- D. In this view, the family serves as "the psychic agent of society," teaching us the prohibitions within our culture.

63.

- A. While most women give their 200% to being mothers, I know of several men who suddenly feel lost and unimportant at home, and indulge in extramarital affairs.
- B. On meeting someone who is in any way a better match than their current spouse, they are immediately attracted to him/her leading to an affair.
- C. Sometimes a couple grows emotionally disconnected, the top reasons being lack of time and lack of communication forcing the partners to look for someone else to fulfil emotional needs.
- D. If you have nothing in common with each other, you'll eventually get absorbed in pursuing your own divergent interests and look for someone sharing your interests.

64.

- A. Endangered species are threatened by factors such as habitat loss, disease, natural calamities and climate change.
- B. Due to sudden changes in ecosystem, many species have been completely wiped out from our planet.
- C. Animals and plants face a large number of different threats with many of them being a direct result of human activity.
- D. Fossil records have shown that overspecialization, competition, catastrophic events like volcanic eruptions have driven species to endangerment and extinction.

65.

- A. The name "Sudoku" stems from two Japanese words: "su", which means "number," and "doku", which means "single."
- B. Actually, Sudoku isn't a Japanese game at all: it is an American invention - Howard Garns created it as "Number Place" in 1979.
- C. Solving a Sudoku is as challenging and satisfying as solving the Sunday crossword on New York Times.
- D. British Airways absolutely forbids its flight attendants from solving Sudoku puzzles during either takeoff or landing.

66.

- A. Small businesses face the hassle of managing their taxes efficiently.
- B. Some small businesses have sought professional help to manage taxes.
- C. Red Tape is one of the biggest issues that throttle small businessmen.
- D. Small business owners identify quality of labor as a pertinent challenge.

67.

- A. To call Henry arrogant would be unfair as he displays some signs of nascent humility.
- B. Henry is insubordinate to the extent that he does not care to read the instructions on a manual.
- C. Henry is so greedy that he cannot help himself from taking a third helping of his favorite pudding.
- D. To call Henry careless would be an understatement; he does not take a moment to misplace his keys.

68.

- A. This stops cholesterol from clogging blood vessels and reduces the risks of heart attacks.
- B. The fruit is rich in vitamins A and C, which prevent cholesterol from getting oxidized.
- C. A fruit native to South America, the papaya has attained widespread popularity.
- D. Cholesterol is one of the biggest risks in modern lifestyle habits.

69.

- A. Its position was determined using mathematical predictions.
- B. Neptune is not visible to the naked eye and was first observed in 1846.
- C. Neptune was not known to the ancients.
- D. It was named after the Roman god of the sea.

70.

- A. The Moon rotates around on its own axis in exactly the same time it takes to orbit the Earth, meaning the same side is always facing the Earth.
- B. Contrary to what the English progressive rock band Pink Floyd famously proclaimed, the dark side of the moon is a myth.
- C. It is the Earth's only natural satellite and was formed some 30–50 million years after the formation of the solar system.
- D. In reality both sides of the Moon see the same amount of sunlight, however only one face of the Moon is ever seen from Earth.

71.

- A. Moreover, the incidence of solar flares and the flux of solar cosmic rays vary directly with the sunspot cycle.
- B. Terrestrial weather continues to be a red herring for meteorologists studying the earth's climate.
- C. But after more than a century of investigation, the relation of such solar activity to terrestrial weather remains unknown.
- D. It has been known for many decades that the appearance of sunspots is roughly periodic.

72.

- A. The most practical and psychologically invaluable approach is to divide the project into smaller pieces.
- B. What should you do when the demands of the job exceed the time you have available?
- C. One seemingly unrealistic goal can often be accomplished by working on several

smaller, more reasonable goals.

- D. Even goals that seem achievable can turn out to be unrealistic and can be a cause for unintentional delays.

73.

- A. Loud, fast, heart thumping aerobics has been replaced by the hushed tones of yoga and the controlled movements of Pilates.
- B. The clubs are responding to the needs of their customers who are increasingly looking for a way to get that "dream" physique.
- C. Health clubs have even been pitched as "retreats" for customers wanting a break from their hectic and monotonous lives.
- D. Health clubs have undergone a major transformation that can be described in three words: mind, body, and spirit.

74.

- A. In the majority of jurisdictions throughout the country, judges have few sentencing options from which to choose.
- B. For most judges, sentencing a person who has been convicted of a crime is a difficult decision.
- C. Crimes, however, cover a wide spectrum of criminal behavior and motivation, and a wide variety of sanctions should be available.
- D. The most heinous crimes that shake the moral fabric of the society pose the least difficulty to judges.

75.

- A. Use a font size that facilitates easy reading but that does not come across as amateurishly big.
- B. Do you want to make a request, order a product, register a complaint, or apply for something?
- C. Ensure that you have gathered the required information before you begin the process of writing.
- D. Before you begin to compose a business letter, sit down and think about your purpose in writing the letter.