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SSC CGL Tier 2

English Paper code: 401-450 Cloze Tests

No. of Questions: 50 Max. Marks: 50

Time: 30 minutes **Negative Marking: 0.25** 

Directions: (401-450) In the following passages some of the words have been left out. Read the passages carefully and choose the correct answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

#### Passage:

I think the main reason for the alarming number of childhood suicides is \_\_401\_\_ the excessive pressure placed on children to study \_402\_ they may compete successfully \_403\_ others when they grow 404 and achieve worldly respect and 405 position. The main reason is that **\_\_406**\_\_ are given on high purpose **\_\_407**\_\_ believe in. Children today are **\_\_408**\_\_ to be cynics-at an age when they \_\_409\_\_ an absolute need for \_\_410\_\_ of some kind.

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(a) but

(b) not

(c) only

(d) just

**Q402**.

(a)what

(b) whatever

(c) that

(d) everything

**O403**.

(a) for Q404. (b) from

(c) to

(d) with

(a) up

(b) big

(c) fair

(d) tall

Q405. (a) low

(b) high

(c) equal

(d) similar

Q406.

(a) children

(b) we

(d) you

**0407.** 

(b) to

(c) they (c) they

(d) they can

(a) at all Q408.

(b) taught

(c) brought up

(d) asked

(a) told **Q409**.

(b) see

(c) have

(d) perceive

(a) had Q410.

(b) idols

(c) heroes

(d) icons

Passage:

(a) ideals

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The last decade has been \_\_**411**\_\_ for management education and development. When the economies of most western countries were \_\_**412**\_\_ in tire early 1980's there were \_\_**413**\_\_ cuts both incorporate training and in higher education. During the boom years of the mid 1980's there were some \_\_**414**\_\_ in both areas. In the early 1990's industrialized countries were in the \_\_**415**\_\_ of another severe recession and a \_\_**416**\_\_ retrenchment was to be reasonably \_\_**417**\_\_ throughout the training world. But this has not been the case so far. Many leading companies are \_\_**418**\_\_ their belief in training as the key to future competitiveness and governments are \_\_**419**\_\_ an era of rapid \_\_**420**\_\_ in higher education.

Q411. (a) dogmatic	(b) paradoxical	(c) praiseworthy	(d) outstanding
Q412. (a) galvanized Q413.	(b) developing	(c) faltering	(d) privatised
(a) judicious <b>Q414.</b>	(b) marginal	(c) proportionate	(d) severe
(a) reactions <b>Q415.</b>	(b) slashing	(c) pro-activity	(d) curiosity
(a) area <b>Q416.</b>	(b) grip	(c) context	(d) mood
(a) critical <b>Q417.</b>	(b) profound	(c) slight	(d) tough
(a) fabricated <b>Q418.</b>	(b) advocated	(c) projected	(d) expected
(a) asserting <b>Q419.</b>	(b) rejecting	(c) managing	(d) criticising
(a) establishing <b>Q420.</b>	(b) encouraging	(c) circulating	(d) preaching
(a) degradation	(b) communication	(c) exhibition	(d) expansion

#### Passage:

Without water \_\_421\_\_ animal can survive. In desert regions, the greatest \_\_422\_\_ to life is drying up. But many creatures are able to make use of \_\_423\_\_ little water that exists in arid areas. One of nature's masterpieces , \_\_424\_\_ creatures equipped to \_\_425\_\_ with desert life is the hardy camel. There are several stories describing the \_\_426\_\_ endurance of these animals. It is said that camels can \_\_427\_\_ a distance of about 800 miles in eight days through continuous travel \_\_428\_\_ an intake of a single drop of water. The popular \_\_429\_\_ in a way is \_\_430\_\_. Water is indeed stored there but in the form of fat.

#### **Q421.** (a) every (b) no (c) any (d) desert 0422. (a) want (b) inadequacy (c) requirement (d) worry Q423. (a) what (b) the (c) very (d) that 0424. (a) for (b) about (c) among (d) with Q425. (a) live (b) resist (c) bear (d) cope Q426.

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(a) remarkable <b>Q427.</b>	(b) little	(c) tolerable	(d) popular			
(a) measure <b>Q428.</b>	(b) reduce	(c) cover	(d) reach			
(a) for <b>Q429.</b>	(b) without	(c) accepting	(d) receiving			
(a) proverb <b>Q430.</b>	(b) guess	(c) belief	(d) version			
(a) baseless	(b) wrong	(c) misleading	(d) correct			
Passage:  A man can be physically431 within stone walls and iron bars. His432 of movement and action may thus be433 But his mind and spirit will434 remain free. His hopes and435 ideals and ambitions will still remain with him436 tyranny or oppression can437 the lover of liberty. The cruelty of the British438, increased the zeal and439 of the freedom fighters. No prison, no oppression can ever440 the invincible spirit of man.						
Q431. (a) prevailed	(b) prevented	(c) confined	(d) limited			
<b>Q432.</b> (a) want <b>Q433.</b>	(b) freedom	(c) nature	(d) way			
(a) rejected Q434.	(b) adjusted	(c) prevented	(d) restricted			
(a) seldom <b>Q435.</b>	(b) often	(c) still	(d) hardly			
(a) aspirations <b>Q436.</b>	(b) attributes	(c) achievements	(d) needs			
(a) all <b>Q437.</b>	(b) little	(c) full	(d) no			
(a) prevent <b>Q438.</b>	(b) prevail	(c) reduce	(d) intimidate			
(a) only <b>Q439.</b>	(b) rarely	(c) hardly	(d) narrowly			
(a) mind <b>Q440.</b>	(b) determination	(c) want	(d) discrimination			
(a) kindle	(b) lower	(c) reject	(d) extinguish			
Passage:  Martin Luther King, Jr., was born Michael Luther King, Jr.,441 his grandfather had his name442 to Martin. Martin Luther attended segregated public schools in Georgia,443 from high school at the age of fifteen; he received the B.A. degree in 1948444 Morehouse College, a distinguished Negro institution of Atlanta from which both his father and grandfather had graduated. After three years of445 study at Crozer Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania where he was elected president of a446 white, senior class, he was awarded the B.D. in 1951447 a fellowship won at Ebenezer he enrolled in graduate studies at Boston University, completing his residence448 the doctorate in 1953 and receiving the degree in 1955. In Boston he449 and married Coretta Scott, a young woman of450 intellectual and artistic attainments.  Q441.  (a) and (b) so (c) since (d) but						

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## Q442.

(a) given

#### Q443.

(a) graduating

## Q444.

(a) in

#### Q445.

(a) theological

#### Q446.

(a) predetermined

#### Q447.

(a) From

## Q448.

(a) for

## Q449.

(a) saw

## Q450.

(a) common

(b) changed

(b) finishing

(b) from

(b) intellectual

(b) predominantly

(b) By

(b) of

(b) eloped

(b) particular

(c) become

(c) graduated

(c) by

(c) educational

(c) significantly

(c) With

(c) about

(c) met

(c) uncommon

(d) made

(d) finished

(d) with

(d) psychological

(d) somewhat

(d) Through

(d) to

(d) watched

(d) general