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## Q.1

Which of the following best explains the central idea behind the passage?

- ☐ 1 To explain the emergence of existence as a philosophical problem
- ☐ 2 To explain that existence is absurd and life has no sense, no purpose, and no explanation
- ☐ 3 To explain the view points of various existentialists about the absurdity of life
- ☐ 4 To explain why and how Heidegger became the proponent of the philosophical movement called existentialism

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According to the passage:

- 1 ☐ the nineteenth century philosophers, Søren Kierkegaard and Friedrich Nietzsche, came to be seen as precursors of the existentialist movement.
- 2 ☐ Sartre and Friedrich Nietzsche both took an interest in Martin Heidegger's idea of existentialism.
- 3 ☐ Heidegger shunned the use of the term 'existentialism' for his work- *Being and Time*.
- 4 ☐ Martin Heidegger was eulogized by Søren Kierkegaard for his idea of existentialism.

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Which of the following is true about Husserl?

- 1 ☐ According to Husserl, all forms of consciousness or mental phenomena exhibit intentionality.
- 2 ☐ According to Husserl, consciousness that directs or relates it to its objects and outside world explains the doctrine of intentionality.
- 3 ☐ According to Husserl, the objects of intentional phenomena have no singular or uniform status, for the intentional object, whatever it is, is not really part of the intentional phenomena or experience.
- 4 ☐ According to Husserl, intentionality is an integral part of phenomenological investigations, without which phenomenological investigations cannot be conducted.

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Q.4

Which of the following can be inferred from the passage about existence and existentialists?

- 1 ☐ The existence of God was refuted by the existentialists.
- 2 ☐ The roots for the emergence of philosophical problem of existence cannot be traced.
- 3 ☐ The existentialists' basic assertion is that for human beings existence precedes essence.
- 4 ☐ For existentialists, being certain about one's own being explains the meaning of being.

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Q.5

Heidegger's 1927 *Being and Time* is called important because:

- 1 ☐ it helps one understand and analyze the existential thought.
- 2 ☐ it was beginning to be called as a work on 'existentialism'.
- 3 ☐ the pertinent notion of existence was first formulated in here.
- 4 ☐ it brought in most of the motifs that would subsequently define philosophical thinking.

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Q.6

Which of the following describes the "problem" the author talks about in the beginning of the last paragraph?

- 1 ☐ The problem that there are people like Nietzsche who want to establish that God is dead
- 2 ☐ The problem that there exist both atheists and theists studying the philosophy existentialism
- 3 ☐ To trace the roots of the philosophical problem that existence is
- 4 ☐ The problem of Kierkegaard's radical approach to Christian faith

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Geology is less dependent on biology. Mars and Venus function as planets in the absence of life. However, life has extensively modified geology on Earth's surface, making geology and biology inseparable. Life has shaped Earth, and Earth has shaped life. Although it is possible to study some aspects of each field without knowledge of the other, almost all studies of Earth's surface and extant organisms can benefit immensely from knowledge of both fields. Unfortunately, biology and geology have evolved into separate academic pursuits, with both physical walls and language barriers dividing them. These walls have been and are being scaled by many of my scientific heroes, my colleagues, and our students, with striking results. Here, I would like to highlight some of the biological-geological synergies that have sparked my excitement in the hopes of inspiring one more scientist to overcome the language barrier to take full advantage of the symbiosis between geology and biology.

Modern geology and biology developed as sister disciplines. Early geologists and biologists were "naturalists." Advances in each discipline depended on a thorough knowledge of the other, and the benefits of using theories and observations from both biology and geology were indisputable. The theory of evolution by natural selection is firmly based in both geological and biological observations. The two founders of the theory of evolution by natural selection, Charles Darwin and Alfred Wallace, were strongly influenced by "The Principles of Geology" published by Lyell in 1830. This book provided a conceptual framework for interpreting Earth as shaped by slow-acting processes over long periods of time. This same concept was applied to changes in life; gradual processes operating over millions of years could select for specific biological traits (Darwin, 1859). These systematic changes in fauna through time were preserved in sedimentary rocks and were well documented in the first geological map, published by William Smith in 1815 (see Winchester, 2001). Changes in organisms from underlying older rocks to overlying younger rocks documented the evolution of animals through time in a systematic and testable way. These and many other geological observations required a theory in which life changed gradually over long periods of time.

Q.7

From the above passage, it can be said that the author wants:

- 1 ☐ to trace the evolution of Geology and Biology as sister disciplines.
- 2 ☐ to highlight the harmonious relationship between Geology and Biology all the while highlighting the independence of the former from the latter.
- 3 ☐ to trace some of the similarities between the two disciplines in order to empower more research work.
- 4 ☐ to juxtapose the two disciplines under discussion in order to enable researchers to improve both the disciplines at once.

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Q.8

Which of the following statements is not true according to the passage?

- 1 ☐ The Principles of Geology by Lyell demonstrates the creation of the framework of earth with respect to its geological formations over time.
- 2 ☐ Multi-cellular organisms have affected our thinking of geology and its impact on the evolution of species on earth.
- 3 ☐ Changes in the rock formation, from overlying older ones to underlying younger ones should be documented and then tested.
- 4 ☐ The author is critical of the barriers between the two disciplines once termed as Natural Science.

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Q.9

When it comes to evolutionary studies, which of the following approaches does the author advocate?

- 1 ☐ The scientific and natural juxtaposition of biology and geology with which proper understanding of evolution is possible
- 2 ☐ The synthesising of the two disciplines of applied science which will enhance the study of natural resources along with evolution of organisms
- 3 ☐ The co-existence of the two branches of natural science as leaving one behind doesn't help in decoding things such as how Mars and Venus function as planets
- 4 ☐ Both Darwin and Lyell should be considered together in order to understand the theory of evolution and other earthly matters that affect this process

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Family rituals are highly instrumental in the healthy development of children and teenagers. In fact, there is emerging evidence that children's health and wellbeing is compromised when family members spend less time with each other. For instance, good communication between family members at family mealtimes are associated with reduced anxiety symptoms and respiratory conditions. Family mealtimes may also provide the settings in which to strengthen emotional connections. Lastly, how the family conducts its mealtimes, the regularity of family mealtimes, and the value that the family places on regular family mealtimes may improve nutrition habits and healthy weight in youth.

1. Family rituals make sure children are healthy and safe, equip them with the skills and resources to succeed as adults, and transmit basic cultural values to them.
2. Family rituals offer children love, acceptance, appreciation, encouragement, and guidance.
3. Family rituals provide a healthy atmosphere for the nurturing of children as they develop their personalities and identities.
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"Is not a critic, a judge, who does not explore his own consciousness, but determines the author's meaning or intention, as if the poem were a will, a contract, or the constitution? The poem is not the critic's own." He has diagnosed very accurately two forms of irresponsibility, one which he prefers. Our view is yet different. The poem is not the critic's own and not the author's. It is detached from the author at birth and goes about the world beyond his power to intend about it or control it. The poem belongs to the public. It is embodied in language, the peculiar possession of the public, and it is about the human being, an object of public knowledge. What is said about the poem is subject to the same scrutiny as any statement in linguistics or in the general science of psychology or morals.

1. A poem is owned not by the critic but by others for its thorough examination.
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For psychologists to understand the way in which adolescent girls develop in relation to the world around them, it is important to examine adolescent girls' friendships. Close friendships, considered by many social scientists to be the "most rewarding and satisfying of all human relationships" are clearly important for the social and emotional health of all adolescents, regardless of ethnicity, race, or socioeconomic status. What is known about girls' friendships and peer relations is based primarily on situating girls with boys. Although these studies provide important information, they offer little understanding of the diversity of experiences and perceptions of friendships among girls, including the important distinction girls make among types of friends and the nature and quality of these relationships. There has also been little attention given to the ways in which class, culture, race, ethnicity, and sexual identity shape adolescent girls' friendships groupings and even less attention to the ways in which racism, sexism, classism, and homophobia influence the environments in which girls' friendships are nurtured.

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Q.13

Which of the following is a valid inference based on the above passage?

- ☐ 1 The author is preaching the idea that in contemporary times, relations between author, text, and reader are replaced by an understanding of the relations between language and subjects.
- ☐ 2 The author is preaching the idea that even when an individual has been accepted as an author; we must still ask whether everything that he wrote, said or left behind is part of his work, is propagated.
- ☐ 3 The author digresses to discuss how écriture doesn't really get rid of the idea of authorship completely, but rather makes authors transcendental rather than historically real.
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Q.14

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- 1 ☐ To discuss the death of the writer at the hands of the readers
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- 3 ☐ To elaborate upon the process of narration which eventually kills off the author
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Q.15

Which of the following is/are true about the theme of expression in contemporary writing?

- a) The meaning of contemporary writing is no longer confined to the writing of the text, but in its exterior deployment.
- b) The basis of writing is not the emotion under which it is composed or the subject inserted into the language, but the creation of an opening where the writing subject disappears.
- c) Contemporary writing is an interplay of signs, regulated not by the nature of work or text itself but by the author himself.

1 ☐ All a,b, and c

2 ☐ Both b and c

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Q.16

What does the author mean when he says "our culture has metamorphosed?"

- 1 ☐ Our culture now propagates death of the author and has hence deteriorated.
- 2 ☐ Our culture has transmogrified into one where writing is even connected to giving up.
- 3 ☐ Our culture does not practice fixed ways and ideas of writing.
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Q.17

What does the second theme about contemporary writing point towards?

- 1 ☐ The author is gone and is absent from the text but not necessarily dead and hence contemporary writing has the capacity to both murder and immortalize its author.
- 2 ☐ Nothing fills the vacuum that is created by the author's disappearance and therefore it is redundant to show the death of the author in contemporary writing.
- 3 ☐ The death of the author in contemporary writing proves the author's mortality and inability to survive forever.
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The coming into being of the notion of "author" constitutes the privileged moment of individualization in the history of ideas, knowledge, literature, philosophy, and the sciences. Even today, when we reconstruct the history of a concept, literary genre, or school of philosophy, such categories seem relatively weak, secondary, and superimposed scissions in comparison with the solid and fundamental unit of the author and the work.

I shall not offer here a sociohistorical analysis of the author's persona. Certainly, it would be worth examining how the author became individualized in a culture like ours, what status he has been given, at what moment studies of authenticity and attribution began, in what kind of system of valorization the author was involved, at what point we began to recount the lives of authors rather than of heroes, and how this fundamental category of "the-man-and-his-work criticism" began. For the moment, however, I want to deal solely with the author function and with the manner in which the text points to this figure that, at least in appearance; is outside it and antecedes it.

Beckett nicely formulates the theme with which I would like to begin: "What does it matter who is speaking;" someone said; 'what does it matter who is speaking.'" In this indifference appears one of the fundamental ethical principles of contemporary writing [écriture].

I say "ethical" because this indifference is really not a trait characterizing the manner in which one speaks and writes but, rather, a kind of immanent rule, taken up over and over again, never fully applied, not designating writing as something completed, but dominating it as a practice. Since it is too familiar to require a lengthy analysis, this immanent rule can be adequately illustrated here by tracing two of its major themes.

First of all, we can say that today's writing has freed itself from the theme of expression. Referring only to itself; but without being restricted to the confines of its interiority, writing is identified with its own unfolded exteriority. This means that it is an interplay of signs arranged less according to its signified (the author) content than according to the very nature of the signifier (the work). Writing unfolds like a game that invariably goes beyond its own rules and transgresses its limits. In writing, the point is not to manifest or exalt the act of writing, nor is it to pin a subject within language; it is, rather, a question of creating a space into which the writing subject constantly disappears.

The second theme, writing's relationship with death, is even more familiar. This link subverts an old tradition exemplified by the Greek epic, which was intended to perpetuate the immortality of the hero: if he was willing to die young, it was so that his life, consecrated and magnified by death, might pass into immortality; the narrative then redeemed this accepted death. In another way, the motivation, as well as the theme and the pretext of Arabian narratives – such as *The Thousand and One Nights* – was also the eluding of death: one spoke, telling stories into the early morning, in order to forestall death, to postpone the day of reckoning that would silence the narrator. Scheherazade's narrative is an effort, renewed each night, to keep death outside the circle of life.

Our culture has metamorphosed this idea of narrative, or writing, as something designed to ward off death. Writing has become linked to sacrifice, even to the sacrifice of life: it is now a voluntary effacement that does not need to be represented in books, since it is brought about in the writer's very existence. The work, which once had the duty of providing immortality, now possesses the right to kill, to be its author's murderer, (as in the cases of Flaubert, Proust and Kafka), and make him immortal in his death. That is not all, however: this relationship between writing and death is also manifested in the effacement of the writing subject's individual characteristics. Using all the contrivances that he sets up between himself and what he writes, the writing subject cancels out the signs of his particular individuality. As a result, the mark of the writer is reduced to nothing more than the singularity of his absence; he must assume the role of the dead man in the game of writing.

Q.18

In the first paragraph, the author builds his argument with the fact that:

- 1 ☐ when people study concerns of a particular concept, more importance is given to the solid and fundamental role of the author, rather than the concept
- 2 ☐ while studying something, importance should be given to the fundamental role of the author along with studying the concept.
- 3 ☐ how can an author be individualized in the western tradition.
- 4 ☐ the author's individuality be superimposed in contemporary world, as it had been traditionally.

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Q.19

Caught offhand at the \_\_\_\_\_ turn of events, the postmaster's statement regarding his ventures last night was doubted to contain the slightest \_\_\_\_\_ of truth.

1. profound, liminal
2. eldritch, smidgen
3. brocade, decadence
4. sufferable, ornery

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Q.20

If the party in power can explain the \_\_\_\_\_ between their promises and their actual results, the entire public would be \_\_\_\_\_ to hear the explanation.

1. consensus, contended
2. consonance, emulated
3. synchronicity, elated
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Q.21

The current will \_\_\_\_\_ some of the particles and more over no \_\_\_\_\_ will be given for the loss of cash which has been used for this catastrophic experiment.

1. incite, quittance
2. deflagrate, indemnity
3. detonate, remuneration
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Q.22

From the reading of the passage, the opposition offered by the Spanish government to the independence movement can be inferred as:

- 1 ☐ an act befitting that of cultural supremacists and it has colonial overtones to it.
- 2 ☐ a misunderstood malignity which can be directly linked to an expansionist past.
- 3 ☐ an act of stifling of opposition so as to protect the sovereignty of Spain.
- 4 ☐ primarily intended to protect the interests of the European Union, a necessity which has come up since Brexit.

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Q.23

The passage mentions an instance where aversion from violence could have offered a concrete solution. From the following options which one do you feel upholds the sentiment?

- 1 ☐ The stifling of use of Catalan from public discourse has given rise to the current crisis which Spain is facing.
- 2 ☐ The Catalans' use of violence in order to protect their sacred values made the Spanish central government unwilling to relent to the demands of the Catalan people.
- 3 ☐ Use of force on part of the Spanish government has generated a huge momentum in favour of the independence movement.

4 ☐ The attack on sacred values by the Catalans on the Spanish majority has resulted into a tumultuous relationship between the two, which has come to its worst faceoff presently.

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Q.24

From a political perspective, which of the following factors helped the Catalan's claim for independence?

1 ☐ The act envisaged by the Spanish court which curbed reforms that would have furthered Catalan autonomy.

2 ☐ The recession and following bout of unemployment made the people demand for independence.

3 ☐ Distrusting the Basque region and making unnecessary provocations towards them.

4 ☐ Amending the constitution which has been interpreted as a major threat towards Catalanian authority.

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Q.25

An attack on which of the following elements can be correlated alongside an attack on Catalan identity?

1 ☐ Constitution

2 ☐ Sovereignty

3 ☐ Culture

4 ☐ Democracy

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Q.26

Which of the following factors has been highlighted ever since the Spanish government had denied the Catalans to vote for their autonomy?

- 1 ☐ The mistrust that Spanish people had for the government is going to get highlighted.
- 2 ☐ The corrupt nature of the Spanish government has gotten highlighted thanks to the Catalan voting fiasco.
- 3 ☐ The Franco regime is brought back to public memory and this has made people fear the government.
- 4 ☐ Several other regions looking for autonomy will gather momentum.

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Q.27

The primary motive behind the Catalan independence movement is:

- 1 ☐ economic.
- 2 ☐ democratic.

3 ☐ cultural.

4 ☐ fascistic.

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Q.28

Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

1 ☐ Temptation is the root cause of all crimes leading to abject poverty.

2 ☐ Penury leads to the loss of virtue among the poor.

3 ☐ Indigence inevitably leads to various crimes committed by the needy, especially in case of the educated poor.

4 ☐ When temptation to provide for one's needs arises, virtue flies away.

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When indigence does not produce overt acts of vice, it palsies every virtue. Under the continued temptations to a breach of chastity, occasional failures may take place, and the moral sensibility in other respects not be very strikingly impaired; but the continued temptations which beset hopeless poverty, and the strong sense of injustice that generally accompanies it from an ignorance of its true cause, tend so powerfully to sour the disposition, to harden the heart, and deaden the moral sense, that, generally speaking, virtue takes her flight clear away from the tainted spot, and does not often return.

**Q.29**

From the passage, which of the following is not true about "indigence"?

- ☐ 1 It is a logical successor to the breakdown of social and normative codes which govern the society.
- ☐ 2 It is a general corollary to the lack of discretion and insight that the society we live in encourages.
- ☐ 3 It can lead to the existence of unhappy people who damage the public sphere.
- ☐ 4 Under its effect, many deprived souls have committed acts of atrocities they were not originally predisposed to.

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Directions for questions 28-30: The passage given below is followed by a set of three questions. Choose the most appropriate answer to each question.

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**Q.30**

Which of the following is the main concern of the author in this passage?

- ☐ 1 The ill-effects of materialism and consumerism prevalent in today's society
- ☐ 2 The encouragement of moral codes of conduct to halt the process of decadence which permeates the current society
- ☐ 3 The sufferings of the noble poor who have been forced to lead a life of decadence due to indigence
- ☐ 4 The many evil consequences of financial deprivation which has affected the moral fabric of the society

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Directions for questions 31-34: Read the given paragraphs and answer the question that follows. Type in the option number in the space provided below the question.

**Q.31**

For 1-year-olds, imitation follows a four-step process: watching and listening, processing the information, attempting to copy a particular behaviour, and practicing. Language development offers an example. When 1-year-olds form simple words like papa, they're really imitating the sounds they hear around them. Over time, after countless repetitions, they process this information. Thus, toddlers can form fixed behavioural patterns. Hence, it is the duty of the parents to refrain from using foul language or indulging in inappropriate behaviour in front of their toddlers so that the future of our society remains safe



In which of the following cases is the above mentioned principle clearly violated?

1. Inspired by their parents, young children frequently name objects at an intermediate level of abstraction.
2. The behaviour of parents becomes a bench mark for the children to become responsible citizens.
3. Kids and teenagers whose parents indulge in abusive language, exhibit anxious and often challenging behaviours towards the society.
4. In today's era, technology drastically influences the kids and enables them to adopt certain behavioural patterns.

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Q.32

The gun control brigade is bogus and a threat to our constitution and will ruin the land of the free. They are out there to trample the 2nd Amendment which is a sacred part of the US Constitution. A well-regulated militia is necessary to uphold the security of a free state. This is what we need in the US. Our citizens must be able to protect themselves from aliens who are undocumented immigrants.

Which of the following choices, if true, would mitigate the author's argument?

1. The Constitution doesn't address the issue of mortality.
2. Citizens of any country cannot be regarded as militia.
3. If freedom necessitates killing fellow beings, we are already enslaved.
4. The popular consensus across the globe is in favour of stricter gun control laws.

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Q.33

A basic delusion in the arguments presented by climate change deniers is that "Nature will take care of itself". They contend that if humanity has survived for millions of years, it will somehow find a way to survive this so called climate change hoax. However, a large number of corporations are reaching out to the common people across the globe in order to make them aware of the catastrophic consequences of global warming. Sense seems to be entering the minds of the majority of the people in the world. So, the future of our earth, as far as global warming is concerned, seems to be safe now.

Which of the following is an assumption central to the validity of the given argument?

1. Survival of the fittest and the cognizant is the rule of Nature.
2. The corporations are not driven by any monetary incentive and their endeavour is strictly humanitarian in nature.
3. In the human society, being conscious of a phenomenon is akin to fighting its ill-effects.
4. In this world, sense is equivalent to consciousness and knowledge of any phenomenon.

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Q.34

Bangladesh has given permission to Yahoo to move forward with Project Grameen, under which the company will beam the internet from satellites, in an effort to provide internet access to the common man of Bangladesh at an affordable price. Yahoo wants the number of end users to increase in the developing nations. It is one of the many projects that Yahoo has undertaken in the recent years in the Indian sub continent.

Which of the following is implied by the given information?

1. Yahoo wants to utilize the end user data to drive its profit margin upwards.
2. Yahoo wants to utilize the end user number to increase its presence across the globe.
3. Yahoo wants to utilize the end user number to drive its popularity north wards.
4. Yahoo wants to utilize this opportunity to spread computer literacy across the Indian sub-continent.

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Directions for questions 35 to 38: Answer the questions on the basis of the information given below.

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Jakarta	11.8	13.3	11.9	12.5	12.7	13.1	12.1	12.6
Baghdad	7.5	8.4	7.6	7.9	7.5	8.3	8.6	7.4
Kabul	5	5.8	5.9	6.7	5.4	5.9	6.1	5.7
Dhaka	3.6	4.7	5	3.8	4.1	5.2	4.6	4.4
Colombo	11.4	10.2	11.2	11.6	10.8	11.1	10.4	10.2
Lahore	9.1	8.4	8.7	9.4	9.2	8.7	8.9	9.5
Tokyo	17.6	16.3	16.9	17.8	17.1	16.4	17.7	17.2

In addition to the above, the following schemes are available to all passengers with FFP:

- (i) If a round trip is booked instead of one-way trip in the same airlines, a 10% discount will be given on the overall fare value.
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Note: A passenger can club two or more of the above schemes and avail of a combined discount that is calculated on the basis of successive discount.

Q.35

As a part of his business trip, Mr. Mahesh has to travel individually to Tokyo, Bangkok and Jakarta every month from Delhi each time. What is the approximate least possible fare (monthly) for the round trip that he has to pay, if he does not have a "GOLD Card"?

1 ☐ Rs. 54,600

2 ☐ Rs. 57,320

3 ☐ Rs. 60,000

4 ☐ Rs. 66,200

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Baghdad	7.5	8.4	7.6	7.9	7.5	8.3	8.6	7.4
Kabul	5	5.8	5.9	6.7	5.4	5.9	6.1	5.7
Dhaka	3.6	4.7	5	3.8	4.1	5.2	4.6	4.4
Colombo	11.4	10.2	11.2	11.6	10.8	11.1	10.4	10.2
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Q.36

What would be the maximum difference between the amount paid for booking a one-way trip to Singapore from Delhi by Gone Air and that by Bharat Air for a person holding a "GOLD Card"?

1 ☐ Rs. 1715

2 ☐ Rs. 2125

3 ☐ Rs. 1650

4 ☐ Rs. 1470

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Q.37

Which of the following is the cheapest way of travelling individually to Baghdad, Kabul and Dhaka every time from Delhi, if one has GOLD card and does not wish to travel by Gone Air?

- 1 ☐ Book tickets in Virgo Atlas
- 2 ☐ Book tickets in Bharat Air after availing of the early booking discount.
- 3 ☐ Book tickets in Get Airways
- 4 ☐ Book tickets in Dhakkan Airways after availing of the early booking discount.

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Q.38

On January 2, 2017, Mr. Malhotra got to know about a meeting scheduled on January 10 in Bangkok and had to return back on January 12 of the same year. What was the least fare Mr. Malhotra had to pay on a round trip if he holds a GOLD Card?

- 1 ☐ Rs.19404
- 2 ☐ Rs.18004
- 3 ☐ Rs.18054
- 4 ☐ Rs.19054

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The king sent his minister at the end of this year to know about the current status of the two tribes in terms of locations, genders etc. It was known that population remains the same during this year.

His minister asked 6 people P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 and P6 of the island randomly to describe their tribes location etc. the replies were as follows:

- P1 : I am a male belonging to Dola tribe and out of 43 other male from Dola tribe, 20 do not stay with me in the same region.  
P2 : Out of 87 other males staying in the same region as i am, 64 are not from the same tribe as i am.  
P3 : I am from Dola tribe and out of 42 other from Dola tribe staying with me in Southern region, 24 are not of same gender as i am.  
P4 : I am from Dola tribe and out of 86 other from Dola tribe staying with me in Northern region, 67 are not of same gender as i am.  
P5 : Out of 29 female staying in Southern region, 19 are from Dola tribe.  
P6 : I am a female living in Northern region and out of 87 other females in the Northern region, 21 are not from the same tribe as i am.

Q.39

Which combination of Tribe-Gender-Region has the highest number of people at the end of the year?

1 ☐ Sola-Female-Northern

2 ☐ Dola-Male-Northern

3 ☐ Dola-Female-Northern

4 ☐ Sola-Male-Southern

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Q.40

Which combination of Tribe-Gender-Region has the lowest number of people at the end of the year?

1 ☐ Sola-Female-Northern

2 ☐ Dola-Male-Southern

3 ☐ Sola-Female-Southern

4 ☐ Dola-Female-Southern

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Q.41

Total male residents of Northern region are what percent of all residents of Sola tribe living in the Northern region at the end of the year?

- 1 ☐ 33.33%  
2 ☐ 38.14%  
3 ☐ 40.71%  
4 ☐ None of these

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Q.42

In which combination of Tribe-Region was the absolute difference between male and female the lowest at the end of the year?

- 1 ☐ Sola-Northern  
2 ☐ Sola-Southern  
3 ☐ Dola-Northern  
4 ☐ Dola-Southern

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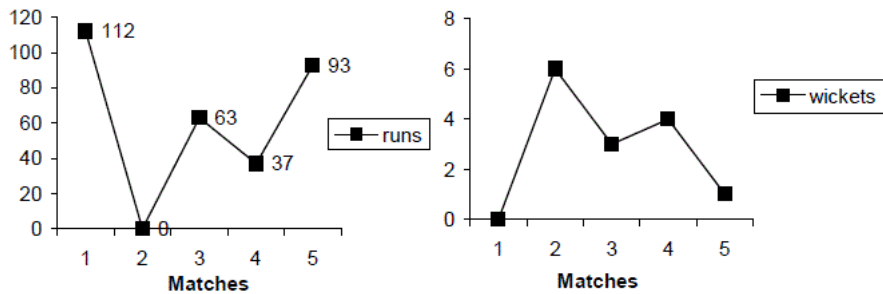
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Directions for questions 43 to 46: Answer the questions on the basis of the information given below.

The graphs given below show the runs scored and the wicket taken by a famous all rounder named Puneet in a recently concluded bilateral ODI series, consisting of 5 matches numbered as 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, between Industan and Falistan. It is also known that he participated in all the five matches of the series.





As per the point-system scheme, every wicket is awarded 10 points, and for the first 20 runs the batsman gets 2 points and thereafter, every 10 runs earn 1 point to the batsman.

$$\text{Batting average} = \frac{\text{Total runs scored}}{\text{Total number of times he was out}}$$

**Q.43**

In the series, if the batting average of Puneet was more than 75 and less than 150, then find the maximum number of times he remained not out?

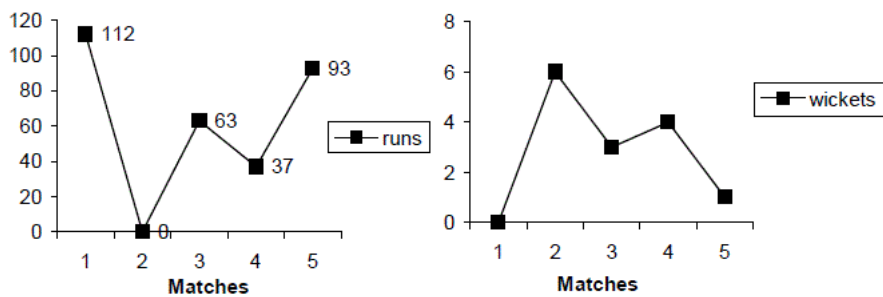
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**Q.44**

In the series, if Puneet gave away 16.71 runs for every wicket that he took, what was the average number of runs, in nearest integer, given by him per match?

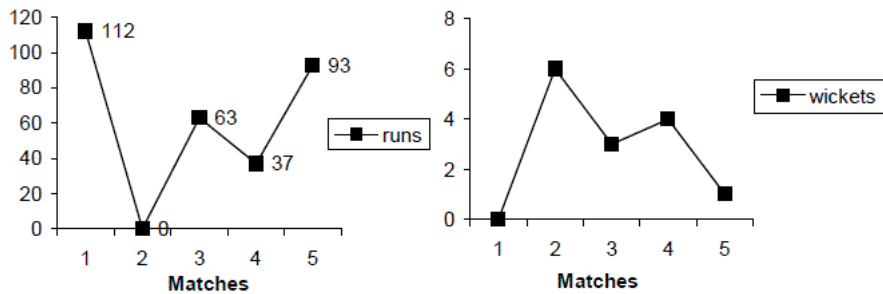
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**Q.45**

In which match of the series did Puneet earn the minimum points?

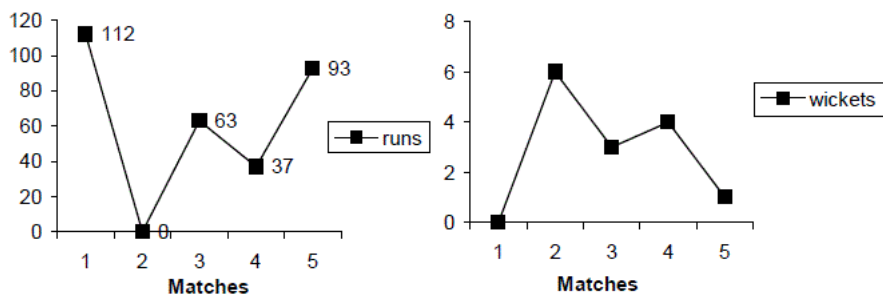
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**Q.46**

If Puneet had scored 65 runs instead of zero in the match number 2, what would have been the increase in his batting average?(Assume he got out in all the matches)

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Directions for questions 47 to 50: Answer the questions on the basis of the information given below.

A professional juggler juggles 10 balls - 1 Yellow, 5 Black, 2 Red and 2 Green - in a specific order, a part of which is [B, B, \_ , \_ , \_ , G, \_ , \_ , \_ , R ]. The blanks denote that it is not known which ball is juggled in that place. He juggles the first ball (black) at time  $t = 1$  second, the second ball (black) at time  $t = 2$  second, and so on until the tenth ball (red) at time  $t = 10$  second, after which he again throws the first (black) ball at  $t = 11$  second. This cycle goes on for a very long time. He throws the balls from his right hand and catches them in his left hand. A ball is airborne for exactly 9 seconds. Some additional facts are given:

- (i) He throws a green ball at  $t = 23$  second.
- (ii) He throws a black ball at  $t = 47$  second.
- (iii) He catches a black ball at  $t = 87$  second.

- (iv) No three black balls are thrown consecutively.  
(v) No two red balls are thrown consecutively.

**Q.47**

At what time (in seconds) does he throw the yellow ball for the first time?

1 ☐ 42 ☐ 93 ☐ 74 ☐ 8

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**Q.48**

At what time (in seconds) does he catch a green ball for the seventh time?

1 ☐ 412 ☐ 423 ☐ 444 ☐ 49

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(iv) No three black balls are thrown consecutively.  
(v) No two red balls are thrown consecutively.

**Q.49**

Which ball does he throw at  $t = 5$  seconds?

- 1 ☐ Black
- 2 ☐ Red
- 3 ☐ Green
- 4 ☐ Cannot be determined



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Q.50

What is the color of the ball that he catches at  $t = 98$  seconds?

- 1 ☐ Yellow
- 2 ☐ Red
- 3 ☐ Green
- 4 ☐ Black



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Directions for questions 51 to 54: Answer the questions on the basis of the information given below.

Five restaurants – Rangmahal, Sagar, Ashiana, Garden Court and Pinnacle Garden – in Pune are run by five married couples. In the couples, Balbir, Govind, Jaidev, Jayant and Parag are male and their wife are Basanti, Chandani, Mayavati, Parvati and Savitri, not necessarily in the same order. Each couple has a different surname among Bagga, Joshi, Nath, Periyar and Sen, not necessarily in the same order. It is also known that:

- (i) No husband shares a first name initial with his wife.
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- (v) Mrs. Joshi is the owner of Sagar and Parvati is the owner of Pinnacle Garden; neither of them is married to Jayant.
- (vi) The restaurant run by Mr. and Mrs. Sen has the word Garden as part of its name.
- (vii) The Ashiana is not run by Mr. Periyar, whose wife is not Savitri.

Q.51

Who is wife of Jaidev?

- 1 ☐ Parvati

2 ☐ Chandani

3 ☐ Mayavati

4 ☐ Basanti

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Q.52

Which of the following restaurants is owned by Chandani?

1 ☐ Ashiana

2 ☐ Sagar

3 ☐ Rangmahal

4 ☐ Pinnacle Garden

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Q.53

Which of the following restaurant is run by the couple whose surname is Sen?

1 ☐ Rangmahal

2 ☐ Garden Court

3 ☐ Pinnacle Garden

4 ☐ Sagar

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Q.54

Which of the following is not a correct name for a lady?

1 ☐ Basanti Periyar

2 ☐ Chandani Nath

3 ☐ Parvati Sen

4 ☐ Savitri Joshi

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Directions for questions 55 to 58: Answer the questions on the basis of the information given below.

When three friends A, B, C were asked about their ages, the followings were their replies:

A:

- I. C is 2 years younger than me.
- II. B lies about his age.
- III. C's age is between 22 and 26 years (inclusive).

B:

- I. I am 22 years old.
- II. C is 24 years old.
- III. A's age is less than 23 years.

C:

- I. A is not the oldest.
- II. I am 27 years old.
- III. A's third statement is a lie.

It is known that their ages are in between 21 and 27 years (inclusive). At any point of time exactly one among the three always speaks, the truth, one always lies and one always alternates between truth and lie in any order. Also, no two are of the same age.

Q.55

If 'A' is the truth-teller, then which of the following is/are true?

- I. A's age is 26 years.
- II. B's second statement is true.
- III. C's 3rd statement is false.

1 ☐ I, II and III

2 ☐ only I and III

3 ☐ only II

4 ☐ only II and III



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Q.56

'C' will be 27 years of age when

- I. A is liar.
- II. B is the alternator.

1 ☐ only II

2 ☐ only I

3 ☐ either I or II

4 ☐ None of these

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Q.57

If B is the alternator, then which of the following is true?

- 1 ☐ C is 27 years old
- 2 ☐ C is 24 years old
- 3 ☐ Exactly one of (1) or (2)
- 4 ☐ None of these

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Q.58

Which of the following must be true?

- 1 ☐ A is the truth-teller
- 2 ☐ B is not the truth-teller
- 3 ☐ C is the truth teller
- 4 ☐ None of these

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Directions for questions 59 to 62: Answer the questions on the basis of the information given below.

Five teams – P, Q, R, S and T – participated in ITL cricket tournament, which started on September 1, 2017. In first round of the tournament, each team played exactly one match against each of the other team. In each match the winner gets 3 points, while the loser gets no points. The final match which was held on September 16, 2017, was held between the two teams which scored the highest, and the second highest points among the five teams in the first round of the tournament. There were no ties/draws in the tournament.

The following table shows the data regarding the matches played in the tournament till September 10, 2017.

Team	Matches Played	Matches Won
P	3	1
Q	3	1
R		
S	2	1
T	1	0

Q.59

How many matches were played by R till September 10, 2017?

Fill "1 if your answer is 1"

Fill "2 if your answer is 2"

Fill "3 if your answer is 3"

Fill "4 if your answer is 4"

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Q	3	1
R		
S	2	1
T	1	0

Q.60

If each team won different number of matches in the first round, then which two teams can play in final tournament?

(i) R and S

(ii) P and Q

(iii) S and Q

(iv) R and P

Fill "1 if your answer is only (i)"

Fill "2 if your answer is (i), (ii) or (iv)"

Fill "3 if your answer is (ii) or (iv)"

Fill "4 if your answer is only (i) or (ii)"

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P	3	1
Q	3	1
R		
S	2	1
T	1	0

Q.61

If T played against R on September 6, 2017, then which of the following match was not played till September 10, 2017?

Fill "1 if your answer is P vs S"

Fill "2 if your answer is P vs Q"

Fill "3 if your answer is R vs Q"

Fill "4 if your answer is R vs S"

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Team	Matches Played	Matches Won
P	3	1
Q	3	1
R		
S	2	1
T	1	0

Q.62

How many points team R had scored till September 10, 2017?

Fill "1 if your answer is 0"

Fill "2 if your answer is 3"

Fill "3 if your answer is 9"

Fill "4 if your answer is 12"

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Directions for questions 63 to 66: Answer the questions on the basis of the information given below.

Kareena, Sonam, Aalia, Anushka and Katrina are five friends who are actresses in Bollywood. It is known that Kareena is heavier and shorter than Anushka who is richer and younger than Aalia, who is older and shorter than Katrina. Sonam is lighter, shorter and richer than Katrina, but is neither the shortest nor the youngest. The person who is the richest is also the youngest, and the person who is the heaviest is also the shortest. The person who is the second oldest is also the second poorest. The person who is the second heaviest is also the third shortest. The person who is the second shortest is also the third poorest. The person who is the second richest is also the third oldest. All the ranks are from most to least, i.e. heaviest is ranked first and lightest is ranked last (or 5). This is done for all the parameters. On any of these parameters Anushka is never ranked 5th and Katrina is never ranked 1st. Also no person get the same rank in any of the two parameters.

Q.63

What is the sum of ranks of Aalia on the 4 parameters?

1 ☐ 12

2 ☐ 14

3 ☐ 16

4 ☐ 18

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Q.64

Which actress is the second richest?

1 ☐ Kareena

2 ☐ Sonam

3 ☐ Aalia

4 ☐ Anushka

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Q.65

Which of the following statements would be required to determine ranks of each friends on all the parameters?

I. Kareena is shorter than Katrina

II. Katrina is lighter than Kareena

III. The youngest person is heavier than the poorest person.

1 ☐ Only I and II

2 ☐ Only I and III

3 ☐ Only II and III

4 ☐ Either I or II or III

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Q.66

Who are the fourth heaviest and second shortest respectively?

1 ☐ Anushka and Sonam

2 ☐ Aalia and Kareena

3 ☐ Anushka and Katrina

4 ☐ Sonam and Katrina

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**Q.67**

A generous man set aside a certain sum of money for equal distribution among the certain number of persons. If there are five fewer persons, then each will receive two dollars more and if there are four more persons, then each will receive one dollar less. How much did each person received when there were four more persons?

1 ☐ 6

2 ☐ 5

3 ☐ 7

4 ☐ 8

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**Q.68**

I have four children. The age (in years) of each child is a distinct positive integer between 2 and 16 (both exclusive). One year ago, the square of the age of the oldest child was equal to the sum of the squares of the ages of the other three. One year hence, the sum of the squares of the ages of the oldest and the youngest will be equal to the sum of the squares of ages of the other two children. If the difference in ages (in years) between the eldest and the second eldest is 2, find the sum of the present ages (in years) of all the four children.

1 ☐ 36

2 ☐ 32

3 ☐ 28

4 ☐ Data insufficient

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**Q.69**

Sindhu calculates her win ratio by dividing the number of games that she has won by the total number of games that she has played. On a particular day of week, she calculates that she has played 30 games in which there are  $w$  wins, and her wins ratio is greater than 0.6. In the next two weeks, she plays ten games and wins seven of these games but still her win ratio is less than 0.75. Determine sum of all possible values of  $w$ .

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**Q.70**

A and B have certain marbles with them. A gives three-sevenths of the marbles with him to B. After receiving the marbles, B gives three-sevenths of the marbles to A. After these transfers, the ratio of the number of Marbles with A and that with B is same as the original ratio. Ratio remains same even when infinite number of transactions as mentioned above are carried out. If A had 33 marbles more than B initially, how many marbles A and B together had initially?

1 ☐ 1202 ☐ 1103 ☐ 1214 ☐ 144[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.71**

A shop owner conducts his business in the following manner. Every month he raises the price of an article by x% over its previous month price and the next month he reduces his prices by the same percentage over its previous month price. The cycle is repeated once more. After the first such updown cycle, the price of the article decreases by Rs.400. After the second such up-down cycle, the price of the article decreases further by Rs.396. What is the value of x?

1 ☐ 82 ☐ 123 ☐ 104 ☐ 11[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.72**

If  $10! = (A!) \times (B!) \times (C!)$ , where A, B and C are distinct natural number greater than 1, find  $(A + B + C)$ .

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A function is defined as  $f(a, b) = f(a - b, b)$  if  $a > b$  and  $f(a, b) = a$  if  $a < b$ . If  $f(a, 7) = 4$ ,  $f(a, 11) = 6$ ,  $f(a, 13) = 3$  and  $2000 < a < 3000$ , find the value of  $f(a, 17)$

1 ☐ 62 ☐ 83 ☐ 114 ☐ 12[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)

Q.74

The ratio of sum of first three terms of a Geometric Progression (GP) to that of the first six terms is 125:152. Find the common ratio of the GP.

1 ☐ 3/352 ☐ 3/53 ☐ 2/54 ☐ 5/8[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)

Q.75

If  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_{34}$  are in an Arithmetic Progression whose all terms are positive such that  $A_1 + A_4 + A_7 + \dots + A_{34} = 72$ , then find the maximum value of product of the first 34 terms of the AP.

1 ☐ 6<sup>10</sup>2 ☐ 6<sup>34</sup>3 ☐ 72<sup>34</sup>4 ☐ 12<sup>34</sup>[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)

Q.76

If a quadratic equation  $(x + a)(x + 5) + 1 = 0$ , has exactly two integral roots, then how many distinct values can 'a' assume?

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Q.77

A parabola intersects the x-axis at P (2, 0) and Q(8, 0). The vertex of the parabola is at V, which is below the x-axis. If the area of triangle VPQ is 12 square unit, what can be the coordinates of V?

1 ☐ (5, -9)2 ☐ (5, -4)3 ☐ (4, -5)4 ☐ (4, -9)[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)

**Q.78**

All scalene triangles with perimeter 57 cm and having integral side lengths (in cm) are constructed. How many such triangles are there?

1 ☐ 682 ☐ 613 ☐ 754 ☐ 56[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.79**

Find the perimeter (in cm) of a right angled triangle, when length of the altitude drawn to the hypotenuse is 4.8 cm and area of the right angled triangle is  $24 \text{ cm}^2$ .

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What is the remainder obtained when  $(11^{2011} + 13^{2011} + 17^{2011} + 19^{2011})$  is divided by 30?

1 ☐ 52 ☐ 03 ☐ 104 ☐ 20[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.81**

If  $f(x) = \frac{25^x}{25^x + 5}$ , then find the value of  $f(1/99) + f(2/99) + f(3/99) + \dots + f(98/99)$ .

1 ☐ 492 ☐ 443 ☐ 454 ☐ 46[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.82**

Let  $S(N)$  represent sum of all factors of  $N$ . If  $p$  is an odd prime number and  $S(2p^2) = 1659$ , find the value of  $p$ .

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There are three pipes A, B and C which can fill a tank in 10, 12 and 15 hours respectively. All the three pipes were opened simultaneously. It was found that for first 3 hours, pipe A supplied water at  $\frac{2}{3}^{\text{rd}}$  of its normal capacity, pipe B supplied water at  $\frac{3}{5}^{\text{th}}$  of its normal capacity and pipe C supplied water at  $\frac{3}{4}^{\text{th}}$  of its normal capacity. Thereafter, they supplied water at their normal rates. In how much time (in hours) will the tank be full?

1 ☐ 52 ☐ 43 ☐ 64 ☐ 4.5[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.84**

ABC is a triangle inscribed in a circle with centre O such that measure of angle ABC is  $115^\circ$ . What is the measure angle OAC?

1 ☐  $15^\circ$ 2 ☐  $25^\circ$ 3 ☐  $30^\circ$ 4 ☐  $45^\circ$ [FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.85**

The average of the nine numbers 9, 99, 999, 9999, 99999, 999999, 9999999, 99999999 and 999999999 is a nine-digit number M. The number M does not contain the digit

1 ☐ 72 ☐ 13 ☐ 04 ☐ 9[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.86**

There are three natural numbers a, b and 2. Each number is added to the average of the other two numbers. The results are 14, 17 and 21. If  $2 < a < b$ , determine  $(4a + 5b)$

1 ☐ 1242 ☐ 1323 ☐ 1124 ☐ 134



Q.87

The vacant cells in the grid given below are to be filled with positive integers so that there is an Arithmetic Progression in each row and each column. What number is placed in the square marked "y"?

			y	
	74			
				186
		103		
0				

1 ☐ 1422 ☐ 1723 ☐ 1824 ☐ 162



Q.88

The sequence  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{198}$  satisfies  $a_{(k+1)} = a_k + 1$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, 197$  and has sum 101. Find  $a_2 + a_4 + a_6 + \dots + a_{198}$

1 ☐ -1012 ☐ -1023 ☐ 1004 ☐ -100



Q.89

A and B started a business. 20% of the profit is retained by A as salary and remaining profit is shared as per the ratio of their investments. Had the entire profit been shared in the ratio of their investments, B would have got Rs. 300 more than what he actually received. What is the actual profit share received by B?

1 ☐ Rs.12002 ☐ Rs.2000

3 ☐ Rs.1700

4 ☐ Cannot be determined

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Q.90

A trader buys 8000 CDs at a discount of 20%. But 25% of the CDs are damaged in transit. He sells the remaining CDs at 40% Profit. What is the overall profit / loss percentage?

1 ☐ 5% Loss

2 ☐ 5% Gain

3 ☐ 1% Loss

4 ☐ 4.5% Gain

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Q.91

If  $17x + 20y = 2017$  and  $x$  and  $y$  are positive integers, what is the maximum value of  $(x + y)$ ?

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Q.92

There are  $N$  positive integers between 10 and 2016 such that all of its digits are same. If  $N$  is multiple of 3, then how many values can  $N$  assume?

1 ☐ 9

2 ☐ 12

3 ☐ 6

4 ☐ 18

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Q.93

In how many ways three vertices be selected from an  $n$ -sided polygon such that no two vertices are adjacent?

1 ☐  $n$

2 ☐  $n(n - 4)$

3 ☐  $n(n - 4)(n - 5)/6$

4 ☐  $n(n - 1)(n - 2)/6$

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In a 13-sided regular polygon each side measuring 12 cm, find the absolute difference between the area (in sq. cm) of circumcircle and incircle of the polygon.

1 ☐  $36\pi$ 2 ☐  $40\pi$ 3 ☐  $44\pi$ 4 ☐  $48\pi$ [FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.95**

x, y and z are integers satisfying  $(x-2)(y-3)(z-4)=-1$ . If p is the sum of all possible values of x, q is the sum of all possible values of y and r is the sum of all possible values of z, what is the value of  $(p+q-r)$ ?

1 ☐ 42 ☐ 33 ☐ 54 ☐ 6[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.96**

There are two teams T1 and T2 in a company. T1 consists of 7 men and T2 consists of 4 men, 2 women and 1 child. A man is twice as efficient as a woman. A child is 1.5 times as efficient as a man. Find the ratio of time taken by T1 to that by T2 to complete same amount of work.

1 ☐ 6 : 72 ☐ 7 : 63 ☐ 13 : 144 ☐ 14 : 13[FeedBack](#)[Bookmark](#)[Answer key/Solution](#)**Q.97**

Two cars race around a circular track of length 1800 m at constant speeds starting simultaneously from the same point. If they travel in opposite direction then they meet every 30 seconds. If they travel in the same direction, then they meet every two minutes. What is the speed (in km/h) of the faster car?



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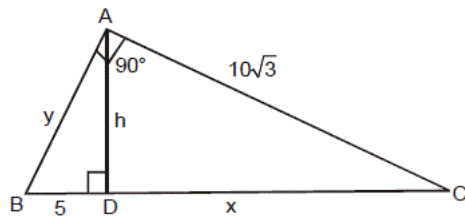
Q.98

A set of lines, represented by the equation  $px + 3y - 9 = 0$ , have the same y-intercept  $c$  and other set of lines, represented by the equation  $5x + 2y + k = 0$ , have the same slope  $m$ . Which point from the given options lies on the line with slope  $m$  and y-intercept  $c$ ?

1 ☐ (-2, -2)2 ☐ (2, -2)3 ☐ (2, 2)4 ☐ (-2, 2)
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Q.99

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ ,  $AD \perp BC$ . If all the figures shown in the diagram represent length in cm, find  $x$ .

1 ☐ 15 cm2 ☐ 18 cm3 ☐  $13\sqrt{2}$  cm4 ☐ None of these
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Q.100

If  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are non-negative real numbers then which of the following is true for  $(a^3 + b^3 - 2c^3)^3 + (b^3 + c^3 - 2a^3)^3 + (c^3 + a^3 - 2b^3)^3$ ?

1 ☐ The value of the expression is always greater than 9 irrespective of value of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .2 ☐ The value of the expression would be  $-3abc$  if  $a = b = c$ .3 ☐ The value of the expression will always be greater than zero if  $a \neq b \neq c$ .4 ☐ None of these
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