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ENGLISH LANGUAGE & COMPREHENSION

Directions : In questions no. 1 to 20, some of the sentences have errors and some are correct. Find out which part of a sentence has an error and blacken the oval (●) corresponding to the appropriate letter (A, B, C). If a sentence is free from errors, blacken the oval corresponding to (D) in the Answer Sheet.

1. I retained this boy (A)/ at the strength (B)/ of his honesty. (C)/ No error. (D)
2. Computers give us (A)/ an easier access (B)/ to information. (C)/ No error. (D)
3. Although I enjoyed my stay (A)/ in the USA (B)/ but I was still glad to come home. (C)/ No error. (D)
4. The glass dolls are arranged (A)/ on second rack (B)/ of the show-case. (C)/ No error. (D)
5. He tries very hard (A)/ but he can't (B)/ get to grips with English grammar. (C)/ No error. (D)
6. The standard of living in India (A)/ is still lower (B)/ than most of the other developed countries. (C)/ No error. (D)
7. This custom has been (A)/ prevalent in India (B)/ since immemorial time. (C)/ No error. (D)
8. It is high time (A)/ we tell (B)/ the truth. (C)/ No error. (D)
9. Few people learn (A)/ anything easily (B)/ that is worth learning. (C)/ No error. (D)
10. Two-thirds of our grandfather's wealth (A)/ were donated for (B)/ renovation of ancient temples. (C) / No error. (D)
11. This herbal potion is (A)/ very bitter for (B)/ the child to consume. (C)/ No error. (D)
12. The Managing Director (A)/ is meeting the customers (B)/ on the 15th of every month. (C)/ No error. (D)
13. We have received (A)/ a great deal (B)/ of complaints. (C)/ No error. (D)
14. The message has been repeated over and over (A)/ again on the radio (B)/ since four days. (C)/ No error. (D)
15. We don't just let them do (A)/ what they (B)/ wanted to do. (C)/ No error. (D)
16. He not only comes there (A)/ for swimming (B)/ but also for coaching new swimmers. (C)/ No error. (D)
17. The history of the town (A)/ dates back (B)/ to the Middle Age. (C)/ No error. (D)
18. Abusing his wife is (A)/ worse than any sin (B)/ a man can commit in all his life. (C)/ No error. (D)
19. She was walking for hours (A)/ when she suddenly noticed (B)/ that the sun had risen. (C)/ No error. (D)

20. Jazz is often a musical style that originated (A)/ at the beginning of the 20th century in (B)/ black communities in the Southern United States. (C)/ No error. (D)

Directions : In questions no. 21 to 25, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by blackening the appropriate oval (●) in the Answer Sheet.

21. We had a _____ deadline.
(A) tight (B) easy
(C) difficult (D) quick
22. He went _____ his work quietly day in and day out.
(A) on (B) about
(C) through (D) off
23. Nature _____ beasts to know their friends.
(A) taught (B) will teach
(C) has taught (D) teaches
24. Rituparna _____ her loan till now.
(A) did not pay (B) has not paid
(C) will not pay (D) is not paying
25. In India more than 70% people are _____ illiterate.
(A) virtually (B) superficially
(C) finally (D) certainly

Directions : In questions no. 26 to 28, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word and mark it in the Answer Sheet.

26. Rapacious
(A) Excessive (B) Innocuous
(C) Insolent (D) Greedy
27. Knell
(A) Blow (B) Ring
(C) Kneel (D) Yell
28. Abjure
(A) Loathe (B) Irritate
(C) Renounce (D) Curse

Directions : In questions no. 29 to 31, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word and mark it in the Answer Sheet.

29. Trivial
(A) Mandatory (B) Momentary
(C) Significant (D) Vitality
30. Converge
(A) Disintegrate (B) Diverge
(C) Divulge (D) Dissolve
31. Tenacious
(A) Docile (B) Obstinate
(C) Tender (D) Sensitive



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Directions : In questions no. 32 to 34, four words are given in each question, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word and mark your answer in the Answer Sheet.

32. (A) Polytachnic (B) Politechnique
(C) Politechnic (D) Polytechnic
33. (A) Inuendos (B) Innuendoes
(C) Innenndos (D) Inuendoss
34. (A) Resusticate (B) Resosticate
(C) Resuscitate (D) Resusticatte

Directions : In questions no. 35 to 44, four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase underlined in the sentence. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase and mark it in the Answer Sheet.

35. My friend is very much interested in gardening and has green fingers.
(A) fingers that are green in colour
(B) natural ability to grow plants
(C) fingers that are very strong
(D) green colour flower pots
36. He is an interesting speaker but tends to go off at a tangent.
(A) change the subject immediately
(B) target things in between
(C) go on at great length
(D) become boisterous
37. The illiterate farmer made ducks and drakes of the huge prize money, he won in a lottery.
(A) invested the amount prudently
(B) donated the money generously
(C) distributed the sum equally
(D) spent the cash foolishly
38. This lady is running down her sisters to all relatives and friends.
(A) going along with
(B) speaking ill of
(C) breaking relationship between
(D) talking in praise of
39. By all accounts, Mr. Kumar is an honest and straightforward officer.
(A) in the opinion of most people
(B) in many ways and aspects
(C) from his attitude and behaviour
(D) from all reports and records.
40. He came round within an hour.
(A) arrived (B) departed
(C) returned (D) recovered
41. We cut across the field so that we might reach the railway station quickly.
(A) walked secretly across
(B) cleared our way by removing obstacles
(C) took a short route across
(D) ran very fast across

42. The smuggler was like a cat on hot bricks, when the police raided his house.

(A) cool and confident
(B) greatly upset
(C) wild and furious
(D) very agitated

43. He does not see reality as he lives in clover.

(A) in dreams
(B) in hiding
(C) in poverty
(D) in luxury

44. In our photography club, Mr. Sen passes for an excellent photographer.

(A) is wrongly thought of as
(B) pretends to be
(C) is assumed to be
(D) makes way for

Directions : In questions no. 45 to 64, the 1st and the last sentences of the passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence and find out which of the four combinations is correct. Then find the correct answer and indicate it by blackening the appropriate oval [●] in the Answer Sheet.

45. 1. There was no news of the expedition team after the avalanche.
P. Due to continuing inclement weather, however, the search was delayed.
Q. It resulted in a crucial waste of time and an unaffordable delay.
R. It seemed that the entire team had gone under a massive wall of snow.
S. Search teams were sent from the capital to investigate the matter.
6. By the time the weather got better most of the evidences had disappeared.
(A) RSPQ (B) QRPS
(C) SQRP (D) PSRQ
46. 1. In today's times, it is not enough to know about your own subject.
P. It takes place against the backdrop of socio-economic and political conditions of national and international markets.
Q. This is important because business does not happen in a vacuum.
R. Therefore, prospective employers conduct Group Discussions.
S. Through GD, they like to test a candidate's general awareness.
6. Thus, one must increase one's knowledge in all spheres.
(A) RSQP (C) QPSQ
(B) RRSP (D) PQRS



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47. 1. There are many benefits of being assertive.
- P. When conflicts are managed, relationships with others greatly improve.
 - Q. No one needs to take you in the wrong way because others have more respect for the ideas of an assertive person.
 - R. First and foremost, it reduces stress and anxiety caused by misunderstandings.
 - S. Having established good relationships, one could comfortably say "No" when they mean "No".
6. All this results in better self-esteem and self-confidence.
- (A) SQPR (C) RPSQ
 - (B) QSPR (D) RSPQ
- 48.1 Concussions are brain injuries that occur when a person receives a blow to the head, face or neck.
- P. Encephalopathy can include depression, anxiety, memory loss, inability to concentrate and aggression.
 - Q. The long-term effects of concussions are far more severe.
 - R. Recent studies suggest that people who suffer multiple concussions are at significant risk for developing chronic traumatic encephalopathy.
 - S. Initially there are bouts of dizziness, nausea, and drowsiness but these symptoms often disappear after a few days.
6. In extreme cases, people suffering from it even committed suicide or homicide.
- (A) PQRS (B) PSQR
 - (C) SQRP (D) QRPS
49. The most well-known of the octopus' defense mechanisms is its ability to squirt clouds of ink into the water.
- P. Some octopi use this cloud of ink as camouflage.
 - Q. Other octopi use the ink cloud as decoy.
 - R. A large, intelligent predator might attack the ink cloud blindly.
 - S. However, some octopi will release the ink cloud in one direction and scurry away in another direction.
6. In addition, these ink clouds also confuse the predator's sense of smell.
- (A) SRQP (B) PQRS
 - (C) SRPQ (D) QPRS
- 50.1. One day we landed on an island covered with several sorts of fruit trees.
- P. But we could see neither man nor animal.
 - Q. While some diverted themselves with gathering flowers, I took my wine and provisions, and sat near a stream.
 - R. I made a good meal, and afterwards fell asleep.
 - S. We walked in the meadows, along the streams that watered them.
6. When I awoke the ship was no longer in view.
- (A) SQPR (B) PQSR
 - (C) PSQR (D) SPQR
- 51.1. In 850 AD an Arab goatherd called Kaldi, took out his goats to graze.
- P. Kaldi himself had some of the berries and came to know of their effect.
 - Q. Kaldi noticed that they began to behave in an extraordinary way.
 - R. The goats began to eat some red berries off a bush.
 - S. Kaldi grew curious to know what it was due to.
6. Thus coffee was discovered.
- (A) QRSP (B) RQSP
 - (C) RSPQ (D) RSQP
- 52.1. We were driving up a mountain when we noticed the forest fire.
- P. Luckily one of us had the phone number of the forest ranger's office.
 - Q. We had stopped at a viewpoint to have a panoramic view.
 - R. That is when we noticed the furious flames devouring the forest.
 - S. We called his office and fire fighters came to the spot in a jiffy.
6. Unfortunately this could not prevent the destruction of some life and property.
- (A) QRPS (B) QPRS
 - (C) PSQR (D) PRSQ
- 53.1. In order for an area to be considered a desert, it must receive very little rainfall.
- P. Antarctica has below freezing-point temperature and the air does not hold moisture at all.
 - Q. Both central and coastline of Antarctica receive less than ten inches of precipitation.
 - R. This is evident in the low precipitation statistics of Antarctica.
 - S. More specifically, it must receive an average of less than ten inches of precipitation.
6. Because Antarctica gets so little precipitation every year, it is considered a desert.
- (A) PQRS (C) PSQR
 - (B) SRQP (D) SPRQ



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- 54.1. Some doctors think that the link between good flossing habits and good heart health is only a coincidence.
- P. A coincidence is the chance occurrence of two or more events at the same time.
- Q. The incidence of these events is completely random.
- R. The idea that flossing your teeth helps to keep your heart healthy might be false.
- S. So even if flossing does not help your heart it is sure to help your teeth.
6. This is enough reason to floss our teeth everyday.
- (A) SPQR (B) SRQP
(C) PQRS (D) PSQR
- 55.1. Rashmi did not know what to do.
- P. The envelope felt heavy.
- Q. She had found an envelope near the bus stand.
- R. There were papers inside, or money, perhaps.
- S. She kept wondering what she was supposed to do.
6. Then she slowly started walking towards the police station nearby.
- (A) SRPQ (B) QPRS
(C) PSRQ (D) SQRP
56. 1. It was a pitch dark night.
- P. They rode forward on horseback quite blindly.
- Q. They rode on and suddenly they went straight into a terrible storm.
- R. Bogs and fens went by without their noticing them.
- S. The riders had no idea what awaited them.
6. This incident inspired a very popular song years later.
- (A) RPQS (B) SPRQ
(C) SRQP (D) RSPQ
- 57.1. The play was awaited eagerly by theatre-goers for a long time.
- P. Newspapers carried the news of its premiere show.
- Q. Theatre enthusiasts went berserk with excitement at the announcement.
- R. Finally the wait was about to end.
- S. But, unfortunately, the premiere was called off yesterday.
6. No clear reason for this was given by the company spokesperson.
- (A) RSQP (B) RPSQ
(C) RQPS (D) RPQS
58. 1. The handicapped are the unfortunates who are physically or mentally unfit or invalid due to some accident or disease.
- P. Given proper training and education, they can be gainfully employed in various crafts and vocations.
- Q. We should remember that they are our own men and they cannot be blamed for their misfortune.
- R. Some are born deaf and dumb, and there are children who are mentally retarded.
- S. We must not neglect them; they need our support.
6. This is why World Health Organisation and many social organisations have come forward with assistance to set up various projects throughout the country.
- (A) QSPR (C) PRSQ
(B) SQSP (D) QPRS
- 59.1. Travel and Tourism is now the biggest service industry in India.
- P. In 2009, India registered 563 million domestic tourism visits.
- Q. It makes a contribution of 6.23 per cent to the GDP.
- R. India will be a tourism hot spot from 2009 - 2018.
- S. This shows a rise of over 15 per cent over the previous year.
6. The announcement was made by the World Travel and Tourism Council.
- (A) RPQS (B) PSQR
(C) QRPS (D) QPSR
60. 1. The work of the heart can never be interrupted.
- P. All the body's cells need a constant supply of oxygen, especially those in the brain.
- Q. Then death comes to the entire body.
- R. The heart's job is to keep oxygen-rich blood flowing through the body.
- S. The brain cells live only four to five minutes after their oxygen is cut off.
6. It is thus, a specialized muscle, the four chambers of which work to keep the blood flowing round the body.
- (A) PQRS (B) SPRQ
(C) RPSQ (D) QRSP
- 61.1. Right now, I am looking at a shelf full of relics, a collection of has-beens, old-timers, antiques, fossils.
- P. If you haven't heard of an e-reader, then please permit the following explanation.
- Q. E-readers are replacing the books of old, and I welcome them with open arms.
- R. I am actually going through an e-reader.
- S. Right now I am looking at a shelf full of books.
6. An e-reader is a device that allows you to read e-books.
- (A) SRQP (B) QPSR
(C) SQPR (D) RSPQ



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- 62.1. Claude Monet, a 19th century French painter, was the most famous artist of Impressionism.
- P. In his landscape painting Monet sought to portray nature as it appeared to him.
- Q. In 1858 Monet met the artist Eugene Boudin who taught him outdoor painting.
- R. He was interested in how light affects the ways that we perceive colour.
- S. Monet painted a cathedral at several different times of the day.
6. He tried to show how changes in natural light make the cathedral appear to change colour.
- (A) QPRS (B) QPSR
(C) SQPR (D) RSQP
- 63.1 While it may seem that all mosquitoes are biters, that is not actually the case.
- P. When a female mosquito bites a human being, it transmits a small amount of saliva into the blood.
- Q. Male mosquitoes eat plant nectar and female mosquitoes feed on animal blood.
- R. This saliva may or may not contain deadly diseases.
- S. They need this blood to live and produce eggs.
6. The result of the bite can be as minor as an itchy bump or as serious as death.
- (A) SRQP (B) PQRS
(C) RSQP (D) QSPR
- 64.1. In zoos, as in nature, the best times to visit are sunrise and sunset.
- P. The reward for the watching eye and the listening ear is great.
- Q. That is when most animals come to life.
- R. I spent many hours witnessing the manifold expressions of life that grace our planet.
- S. They stir, leave their shelter, show their raiments and sing their songs.
6. It is something so bright, weird and delicate as to stupify our senses.
- (A) PSQR (B) RQPS
(C) PQRS (D) QSPR

Directions : In questions no. 65 to 76, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

65. Process of looking back to the past
- (A) Retrospection (B) Conception
(C) Introspection (D) Circumspection
66. The state of being bright and radiant
- (A) Sharp (B) Effulgence
(C) Twinkle (D) Starry
67. An original model
- (A) Archetype (B) Stereotype
(C) Design (D) Paradigm

68. One who works for the good of another
- (A) Atheist (B) Altruist
(C) Apologist (D) Anarchist
69. A story within a story
- (A) Parable (B) Subplot
(C) Satire (D) Tale
70. People gathered to pray in a church
- (A) Assemblage (B) Community
(C) Congregation (D) Assembly
71. A prolonged and bitter quarrel
- (A) Duel (B) Scuffle
(C) Dispute (D) Feud
72. One who is happy to see others suffer
- (A) Exorcist (B) Pessimist
(C) Sadist (D) Protagonist
73. A person who is made to bear the blame even though it is not his fault
- (A) Playboy (B) Spendthrift
(C) Daredevil (D) Scapegoat
74. Members selected to attend a conference
- (A) Dignitaries (B) Delegates
(C) Colleagues (D) Spectators
75. Line at which earth or sea and sky seem to meet
- (A) Zenith (B) Plinth
(C) Fringe (D) Horizon
76. Consisting of parts all of the same kind
- (A) Heterogeneous (B) Orthodox
(C) Elemental (D) Homogeneous

Directions : In questions no. 77 to 96, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive Voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active Voice and mark your answer in the Answer Sheet.

77. It is time to shut the door.
- (A) It is the door's time to be shut.
(B) It is time for the door to be shut.
(C) The time is shut the door.
(D) It is the time for the shutting of door.
78. The teacher rebuked the boys for making noise in the classroom.
- (A) The boys were rebuked in the classroom for making noise by the teacher.
(B) The teacher was rebuked by the boy for making noise in the classroom.
(C) The boys were rebuked by the teacher for the noise being made by them in the classroom.
(D) The boys rebuked the teacher for making noise in the classroom.
79. You need to complete it immediately.
- (A) It needed to be completed immediately.
(B) It needs completion immediately.
(C) You are needed to complete it immediately.
(D) It is needed to be completed immediately.



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80. It has been declared in the Preamble to the Indian Constitution that India is a secular republic.
- (A) The Preamble to the Indian Constitution is declaring India to be a secular republic.
- (B) The Preamble to the Indian Constitution has been declaring India a secular republic.
- (C) The Preamble to the Indian Constitution had declared India as a secular republic.
- (D) The Preamble to the Indian Constitution has declared India as a secular republic.
81. It was decided by the workers that they would save money.
- (A) The workers were deciding that they would save money.
- (B) The workers decided that they would save money.
- (C) The workers had been deciding that he would save money.
- (D) The workers had decided that they would save money.
82. This is the lady who is running the Women's Income Generation Project.
- (A) The Women's Income Generation Project is being run by this lady.
- (B) The Women's Income Generation Project has been run by this lady.
- (C) The Women's Income Generation Project was run by this lady.
- (D) The Women's Income Generation Project is running by this lady.
83. It is the best thing that the government has done in a long time.
- (A) It is the best thing that was being done by the government in a long time.
- (B) In a long time the best thing done by the government has been this.
- (C) It is the best thing that has been done by the government in a long time.
- (D) In a long time the best thing done by the government would be this.
84. When I called him, he was reading the newspaper.
- (A) When he was called, a newspaper had been read by him.
- (B) When I called him, a newspaper was being read by him.
- (C) When he was called, the newspaper was being read by him.
- (D) When I called him, a newspaper had been reading by him.
85. The thief stole my cloak as I was asleep in the waiting room.
- (A) I had been sleeping in the waiting room when my cloak was stolen.
- (B) My cloak was stolen as I was asleep in the waiting room.
- (C) As I was asleep in the waiting room, my cloak was stolen.
- (D) My cloak was being stolen when I was asleep in the waiting room.
86. Coleridge claimed to have conceived 'Kubla Khan' in a dream.
- (A) 'Kubla Khan' was being conceived in a dream as claimed by Coleridge.
- (B) 'Kubla Khan' was conceived in a dream was claimed by Coleridge.
- (C) "Kubla Khan" had been claimed to be conceived in a dream by Coleridge.
- (D) 'Kubla Khan' was claimed to have been conceived in a dream by Coleridge.
87. Do you remember the name of the book written by Emily Bronte ?
- (A) Do you remember the name of the book Emily Bronte had written ?
- (B) Was the name of the book written by Emily Bronte remembered by you ?
- (C) Is the name of the book written by Emily Bronte remembered by you ?
- (D) Has Emily Bronte written any book that you do remember ?
88. Can you see the sun in the sky ?
- (A) Can the sun in the sky be seen by you ?
- (B) Can the sun be seen by you ?
- (C) Can the moon be seen by you ?
- (D) Can you see the moon in the sky ?
89. You are giving your brother some advice about using a computer.
- (A) Your brother is being given some advice about using a computer.
- (B) Some advice is been given to your brother about using a computer.
- (C) About using a computer your brother is given some advice by you.
- (D) Giving some advice about using a computer is necessary.
90. The boy answered the question at once.
- (A) The question at once answered by the boy.
- (B) The question at once was answer by the boy.
- (C) The question was at once answering by the boy.
- (D) The question was answered at once by the boy.
91. The old woman picked up the heavy bag with great difficulty.
- (A) The heavy bag picked up by the old woman with great difficulty.
- (B) The heavy bag was picked up by the old woman with great difficulty.
- (C) The old woman was great difficulty by picked up the heavy bag.
- (D) The heavy bag was great difficulty to picked up by the old woman.



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92. Have you seen any film by Mel Gibson ?
(A) Has Mel Gibson shown you any film ?
(B) Has any film by Mel Gibson been seen by you ?
(C) Is any film by Mel Gibson seen by you ?
(D) Had any film by Mel Gibson been seen by you ?
93. The teacher wants us to be present at the assembly tomorrow.
(A) We will be wanted to be present at the assembly tomorrow by the teacher.
(B) We are wanted to be present at the assembly tomorrow by the teacher.
(C) We are being wanted to be present at the assembly tomorrow by the teacher.
(D) We are to be present at the assembly tomorrow by the order of the teacher.
94. They were denied admission by the security guard.
(A) The security guard had denied them admission.
(B) The security guard denied them admission.
(C) The security guard denied to admit them.
(D) The security guard was denying them admission.
95. They declared him the best graduate.
(A) He is declared the best graduate by them.
(B) He was declared the best graduate by them.
(C) He has been declared the best graduate by them.
(D) He had been declared the best graduate by them.
96. His conduct will surprise me.
(A) I shall be surprised at his conduct.
(B) I shall be surprised on his conduct.
(C) I shall be surprised in his conduct.
(D) I shall be surprised to his conduct.
- Directions : In questions no. 97 to 118, a part of the sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part at (A), (B), (C) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed your answer is (D). Mark your answer in the Answer Sheet.**
97. The climate of Delhi is somewhat like Jaipur.
(A) like Jaipur's
(B) as Jaipur's
(C) as Jaipur
(D) No improvement
98. Of the two candidates, I think he is the best suited.
(A) he is suited best
(B) he is the better suited
(C) he is best suited
(D) No improvement
99. I have to cut down my expenses due to my falling income.
(A) I have to cut off (B) I have to cut out
(C) I have to cut of (D) No improvement
100. Military instructions are always clear and terse.
(A) verbose (B) circumlocutory
(C) tense (D) No improvement
101. The boat was drowned.
(A) was drown (B) had drowned
(C) was sunk (D) No improvement
102. If you would have remembered to bring the map, we would not have lost our way.
(A) had remembered
(B) were remembering
(C) remembered
(D) No improvement
103. This is the largest man-made lake in Asia.
(A) spontaneous (B) synthetic
(C) unnatural (D) No improvement
104. The measly resources of the State Exchequer was inadequate for paying pension.
(A) minimum (B) meagre
(C) sparse (D) No improvement
105. His brother never has and never will be dependable.
(A) never had
(B) never has been
(C) was never being
(D) No improvement
106. He does not like me coming so late.
(A) my coming so late
(B) I coming so late
(C) me come so late
(D) No improvement
107. Hundreds of international students make their way through the U.S. academic system.
(A) handle (B) guide
(C) navigate (D) No improvement
108. When describing the accident, he was in tears.
(A) In describing
(B) When he was describing
(C) As describing
(D) No improvement
109. He secured the first position in a hundred metres race.
(A) a hundred metre race
(B) hundred metres race
(C) one hundred metres race
(D) No improvement



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110. Ravi ran against his school friends last evening.
(A) through (B) across
(C) into (D) No improvement
111. Ranita is tallest of the two sisters.
(A) most tall of the two sisters
(B) the tall girl of the two sisters
(C) the taller of the two sisters
(D) No improvement
112. He hasn't the decent furnitures in his house.
(A) a decent furniture in his house
(B) a decent furnitures in his house
(C) any decent furniture in his house
(D) No improvement
113. I like to do a bit of homework while the children are at school.
(A) a bit of homework while the children are at school
(B) housework while the children are at school
(C) housework a bit while the children are at school
(D) No improvement
114. He has brown eyes and a bit crooked nose.
(A) with his nose a bit crooked
(B) and his nose a bit crooked
(C) and his nose is a bit crooked
(D) No improvement
115. She is not talented to win the contest.
(A) She is enough talented to win the contest.
(B) She is neither talented enough to win the contest.
(C) She is not talented enough to win the contest.
(D) No improvement
116. The building will redecorate during the summer.
(A) will be redecorated
(B) will be redecorating
(C) will be redecorate
(D) No improvement
117. I lost patience to my careless friend.
(A) from (B) with
(C) at (D) No improvement
118. Nobody believed Galileo's theory initially but it came out to be right.
(A) worked out (B) turned out
(C) carried out (D) No improvement
- Directions : In questions no. 119 to 145, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct and mark your answer in the Answer Sheet.**
119. Filled with shame, she replied that she could not help snoring, and hoped that her son would understand.
(A) "I can't help snoring, son," she said, filled with shame. "I hope you will understand."
(B) "I am sorry but I can't help snoring, son," she said. "I hope you understand."
(C) "I hope you understand that I can't help snoring," she told her son.
(D) "Son, I can't help it, but I hope you understand that I snore," she said.
120. "How dare you come in without permission?" she asked.
(A) She asked how he could dared to come in without permission.
(B) She said to him to dare to come in without permission.
(C) She asked him how he dared to come in without permission.
(D) She told him if he could dare to come in without permission.
121. "I wonder how the magician shows such wonderful magic !" said the boy.
(A) The boy said how he wondered how the magician showed such wonderful magic.
(B) The boy wondered how the magician would show such wonderful magic.
(C) The boy wondered how the magician showed such wonderful magic.
(D) The boy wondered how such wonderful magic shown by the magician.
122. She asked him what was it that made him stronger and braver than other men.
(A) She asked, "What is it that made you stronger and braver than other men ?"
(B) She asked, "What is it that makes you stronger and braver than other men ?"
(C) She asked, "What was it that made you stronger and braver than other men ?"
(D) She asked, "What made you stronger and braver than other men ?"
123. Ramesh said, "Prakash, would you mind accompanying me to the market tomorrow?"
(A) Ramesh said to Prakash if he had minded accompanying him to the market the following day.
(B) Ramesh said to Prakash whether he had accompanied him to the market the following day.
(C) Ramesh asked Prakash whether he would mind accompanying him to the market the following day.
(D) Ramesh asked Prakash to mind accompanying him to the market the following day.
124. Christina said, "I wouldn't have come had you not called me last night."
(A) Christina said that she would not have been coming had you not called her the night before.
(B) Christina said that she would not have come had I not called her the night before.
(C) Christina said that she would not have come had you not called her last night.
(D) Christina said that she would not have come had I not called her last night.



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125. The teacher said, "Students, which of you would volunteer to convene the Annual Day celebration this year?"
- (A) The teacher asked the students whether they would volunteer to convene the Annual Day celebration that year.
 - (B) The teacher said to the students to volunteer to convene the Annual Day celebration this year.
 - (C) The teacher said to the students that they would have volunteered to convene the Annual Day celebration that year.
 - (D) The teacher asked the students which of them would volunteer to convene the Annual Day celebration that year.
126. The little girl stopped in front of the shop-window and said, "What an elegant gown!"
- (A) The little girl stopped in front of the shop-window and said with joy what an elegant gown.
 - (B) The little girl stopped in front of the shop-window and admired the elegant gown.
 - (C) The little girl stopped in front of the shop-window and exclaimed with admiration that it was an elegant gown.
 - (D) The little girl stopped in front of the shop-window and exclaimed whether it was an elegant gown.
127. I said to him, "Do you think you could solve the problems you are facing today?"
- (A) I asked him whether he thought he could solve the problems he was facing that day.
 - (B) I asked him whether I thought he could solve the problems he was facing that day.
 - (C) I asked him whether he thought he can solve the problems I was facing today.
 - (D) I asked him whether he thought he could solve the problems you are facing today.
128. The Bishop said to the convict, "Stay my son, you have forgotten your property."
- (A) The Bishop ordered the convict to stay as he had forgotten his property.
 - (B) The Bishop asked his son, the convict to stay as he had forgotten his property.
 - (C) The Bishop affectionately called the convict and told him to stay as the property had been forgotten.
 - (D) Addressing the convict as his son, the Bishop asked him to stay as he had forgotten his property.
129. He remarked, "It is not so foggy today as it was yesterday."
- (A) He remarked that it was not so foggy this day as it was yesterday.
 - (B) He remarked that it was not so foggy that day as it was yesterday.
 - (C) He remarked that it was foggy that day as it was the previous day.
 - (D) He remarked that it was not so foggy that day as it had been the previous day.
130. "I have a Hindi lesson this afternoon and I have not done my home-work," said the small girl.
- (A) The small girl said that she has a Hindi lesson that afternoon and she had not done her home-work.
 - (B) The small girl said that she had a Hindi lesson that afternoon and added that she had not done her home-work.
 - (C) The small girl said she had a Hindi lesson that afternoon and she has not done her home-work.
 - (D) The small girl said that she has a Hindi lesson this afternoon and she had not done her home-work.
131. He said that he had been reading a novel the previous day.
- (A) He said, "I am reading a novel today."
 - (B) He said, "I have been reading a novel since yesterday."
 - (C) He said, "I was reading a novel yesterday."
 - (D) He said, "I had been reading a novel the previous day."
132. The NCC officer said, "You can attend the camp, if your parents do not object."
- (A) The NCC officer said that I could attend the camp, if my parents did not object.
 - (B) The NCC officer asked me to attend the camp, if my parents did not object.
 - (C) The NCC officer said that you could attend the camp, if my parents did not object.
 - (D) The NCC officer told me I could attend the camp, if his parents did not object.
133. "Oh, what a fright you gave me!" he said.
- (A) He exclaimed with surprise that he had given him a great fright.
 - (B) He exclaimed with surprise that he has given him a great fright.
 - (C) He exclaimed that he was given me a great fright.
 - (D) He exclaimed with surprise that he was given him a great fright.
134. The police inquired whether his name was Sayed.
- (A) The police said, "Is not your name Sayed?"
 - (B) The police inquired, "Is not your name Sayed?"
 - (C) The police said to him, "Is your name Sayed?"
 - (D) The police inquired, "What is your name, Sayed?"



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135. He says, "Chennai is a vibrant city and I love the food here."
(A) He says that Chennai is a vibrant city and he loves the food here.
(B) He said that Chennai is a vibrant city and he loves the food here.
(C) He said that Chennai was a vibrant city and he loved the food there.
(D) He told that Chennai is a vibrant city and he loved the food here.
136. Sunil told his friend, "If I get the job, I will go to New York."
(A) Sunil told his friend that if he got the job, he will go to New York.
(B) Sunil told his friend that if he gets the job, he will go to New York.
(C) Sunil told his friend that if he had got the job, he would have gone to New York.
(D) Sunil told his friend that if he got the job, he would go to New York.
137. Henry Ford said, "Mr. Edison, do you think gasoline is a good fuel source for motor cars?"
(A) Henry Ford asked Mr. Edison whether he thinks gasoline was a good fuel source for motor cars.
(B) Henry Ford asked Mr. Edison whether he thought gasoline was a good fuel source for motor cars.
(C) Henry Ford said to Mr. Edison whether he thought gasoline is a good fuel source for motor cars.
(D) Henry Ford told to Mr. Edison whether he thinks gasoline is a good fuel source for motor cars.
138. "What time did the programme start?" she asked.
(A) She asked the time the programme started.
(B) She wanted to know what time the programme had started.
(C) She enquired about the time the programme started.
(D) She was curious about the time of the programme.
139. The people said, "Long live the king."
(A) The people said that the king live long.
(B) The people said that the king lived long.
(C) The people wished that the king might live long.
(D) The people wished that the king lived long.
140. The accused said, "By Heavens! I am innocent."
(A) The accused exclaimed by heavens that he was innocent.
(B) The accused exclaimed on oath that he was innocent.
(C) The accused said that he was innocent.
(D) The accused shouted that he was innocent.
141. Sadao said, "It is a doctor's duty to save a dying man, even an enemy."
(A) Sadao said that it was a doctor's duty to save a man, even an enemy.
(B) Sadao said that it is a doctor's duty to save a dying man, even an enemy.
(C) Sadao wondered if it is not a doctor's duty to save a dying man, even an enemy.
(D) Sadao said that a doctor is supposed to save a dying man, even an enemy.
142. "Aren't you going to put the boots in?" said Harris.
(A) Harris asked if he wasn't going to put the boots in.
(B) Harris asked why he wasn't putting the boots in.
(C) Harris asked when he was going to put the boots in.
(D) Harris said that the boots needed to be put in.
143. The blind man said to the doctor, "Shall I be able to see after this eye operation?"
(A) The blind man asked the doctor whether he should be able to see after this eye operation.
(B) The blind man asked the doctor whether he would be able to see after that eye operation.
(C) The blind man asked the doctor that if he would be able to see after that eye operation.
(D) The blind man asked the doctor whether he can see after this eye operation.
144. Our teacher said to us, "Sugar dissolves in water."
(A) Our teacher told us that sugar dissolved in water.
(B) Our teacher told us that sugar has dissolved in water.
(C) Our teacher said to us that sugar dissolves in water.
(D) Our teacher told us that sugar dissolves in water.
145. "Don't go farther into the sea", he said to me, "it's very rough."
(A) He told me I should not go far into the sea as it was rough.
(B) He said that as the sea is rough, I should not go farther.
(C) He told me not to go farther into the sea as it was very rough.
(D) He told me not to go any farther because the sea is rough.



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Directions : In questions no. 146 to 170, 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 and fill in the blanks.

PASSAGE - I (Q. Nos. 146 to 155)

Telephones have become 146 in our lives as an important 147 of communication. On any given day, an individual spends a 148 deal of time talking 149 the phone. The 150 of a person's voice and articulation can be a good 151 of his or her personality, and that is 152 it is important to possess the right skills to communicate on the phone. Speaking 153 on the phone can have an 154 impact on one's personal and professional life. Telephone conversations are of two 155 — formal and informal.

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| 146. (A) suitable | (B) necessary |
| (C) inevitable | (D) indispensable |
| 147. (A) measure | (B) medium |
| (C) way | (D) method |
| 148. (A) great | (B) large |
| (C) huge | (D) big |
| 149. (A) by | (B) on |
| (C) with | (D) from |
| 150. (A) nature | (B) quality |
| (C) type | (D) kind |
| 151. (A) indicator | (B) sign |
| (C) revelation | (D) manifestation |
| 152. (A) how | (B) when |
| (C) where | (D) why |
| 153. (A) elegantly | (B) well |
| (C) mellifluously | (D) good |
| 154. (A) great | (B) enormous |
| (C) superb | (D) extensive |
| 155. (A) varieties | (B) types |
| (C) features | (D) qualities |

PASSAGE - II (Q. Nos. 156 to 165)

English is an international language. At the colossal cost of 156, rationality and scientific spelling, English language 157 accepted the flood of words 158 taking time off to 159 its spelling. This has angered France, Italy and Spain and 160 a modern rational mind, but so far English 161 has remained with all its 162, and we, as foreign learners of English, 163 have to find what 164 and irregularities we can, to 165 the weakness and drawback of poor spelling.

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| 156. (A) logic | (B) specific |
| (C) balance | (D) criticism |
| 157. (A) interestingly | (B) uninterestingly |
| (C) fairly | (D) dully |
| 158. (A) by | (B) for |
| (C) with | (D) without |
| 159. (A) rationalise | (B) mend |
| (C) amend | (D) revolutionise |

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| 160. (A) more | (B) most |
| (C) many | (D) much |
| 161. (A) usage | (B) spelling |
| (C) language | (D) syntax |
| 162. (A) irregularities | (B) regularities |
| (C) errors | (D) problems |
| 163. (A) would | (B) might |
| (C) will | (D) should |
| 164. (A) scales | (B) lines |
| (C) lanes | (D) patterns |
| 165. (A) simplify | (B) modify |
| (C) overcome | (D) rectify |

PASSAGE - III (Q. Nos. 166 to 170)

Human beings 166 make a pretty good claim to be the masters of the planet Earth. After all, we live 167 every continent, have moulded the environment to our own 168 and can even 169 in outer space. But if you think that puts us on a 170 then think again.

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| 166. (A) will | (B) should |
| (C) could | (D) can |
| 167. (A) at | (B) on |
| (C) in | (D) of |
| 168. (A) ends | (B) beginnings |
| (C) means | (D) efforts |
| 169. (A) fly | (B) survive |
| (C) rule | (D) play |
| 170. (A) pedestal | (B) line |
| (C) charge | (D) control |

Directions : In questions no. 171 to 200, you have five brief passages with 5/10 questions in each passage. Read the passages carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives and mark it by blackening the appropriate oval (●) in the Answer Sheet.

PASSAGE - 1 (Q. Nos. 171 to 175)

Presentation is of very great importance in good writing. Your opening paragraph should arrest the reader's attention and show him what you are writing about and why. If you are going to give the reader some information, tell him what subject you are going to deal with. If you are going to argue in support of a particular point of view, say what this point of view is. There is no harm in startling the reader in this first paragraph by putting forward a new and apparently paradoxical point of view, provided you have convincing arguments to support it in the rest of what you write.

171. What is the importance of presentation in good writing ?
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| (A) It attracts the readers' attention and introduces the subject of the whole passage |
| (B) It shows the prejudice of the writer |
| (C) It guides the reader |
| (D) It shows the background of the author |



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172. How are we to give the reader some information ?
(A) By making the matter difficult and complicated
(B) By simplifying the subject
(C) By initially explaining the subject to the readers
(D) By convincing the readers through giving different points of view
173. What could be startling for the reader ?
(A) To argue in support of a particular point of view
(B) To convince the reader through the readers' point of view
(C) To contradict the general points of view
(D) To initiate with fresh and contradictory statements and then support it with convincing arguments
174. What can be understood by an "apparently paradoxical" point of view ?
(A) Appealing and universal
(B) Seemingly incongruous
(C) Interesting and convincing
(D) Cynical and argumentative
175. What is the passage trying to suggest ?
(A) Principles of good writing
(B) Principles of appropriate writing
(C) Principles of paradoxical writing
(D) Principles of flawless writing

PASSAGE - II (Q. Nos. 176 to 180)

Man does not live by food alone. Water is vital for human health and fitness. Although it is not a nutrient per se as are carbohydrates, fats, proteins, vitamins and minerals, it in fact, is a key nutrient in as much as no life is possible without it. Whereas we can do for weeks without food, we cannot live without water longer than a couple of days. Water approximates 60 percent of the body weight of human adults. The total amount of water in a man weighing 70 grams is approximately a little over 40 litres. It is an excellent solvent — more substances are soluble in water than any other liquid known so far. This makes it an ideal constituent of the body fluids which support life supporting chemical reactions. It dissolves varied products of digestion and transports them to the rest of the body. Likewise it dissolves diverse metabolic wastes and helps drain out of the body. Besides it performs a variety of functions — some well-known and well-understood while others not so well appreciated yet vital. The no less important role of water is to distribute/dissipate the body heat efficiently thereby regulating the body's temperature. Water accomplishes this role ideally because it has high thermal conductivity ensuring rapid heat transfer

from one part to the other. Above all, water has a high specific heat, implying that it takes a lot of heat to raise the temperature of water and likewise much heat has to be lost to lower its temperature. Drinking a lot of water is an inexpensive way to stay healthy. Even excess of water is harmless. Water therapy — drinking a litre or so the first thing in the morning is kidney-friendly. The water regulation in the body is affected by hypothalamus in two ways i.e. (i) by creating the sensation of thirst which makes us drink water and (ii) by controlling the excretion of water as urine. If water regulation fails medical emergency ensues.

176. The most essential thing that man requires is
(A) food (B) minerals
(C) water (D) proteins
177. 'This makes it an ideal constituent of the body fluids.' What does 'This' refer to ?
(A) Water being an excellent solvent
(B) Water
(C) Any other liquid
(D) The role of water
178. Water is an excellent solvent supporting
(A) physical reaction
(B) chemical reaction
(C) biological reaction
(D) natural reaction
179. Water helps in
(A) mixing the food
(B) transporting the food
(C) digesting and transporting the food
(D) throwing out the waste
180. Water therapy is
(A) intake of water to maintain body temperature
(B) raising the temperature of the body
(C) lowering the temperature of the body
(D) drawing out excess water

PASSAGE - III (Q. Nos. 181 to 185)

On the morning of Saturday, May 15th 1954, while London waited, Britannia made her way round the cliffs of Dover and into the Thames estuary. For the first time a sovereign had re-entered the kingdom by the gloomy old waterway that had helped to build an empire. River traffic was at a standstill, and the 50-mile tideway presented an unforgettable panorama. The Thames home fleet', grubby hulls spectacularly 'dressed', was lined up two and three deep-coasters, canal barges, tugs, tankers and stubby freighters.

Britannia sailed gravely between avenues of dipping jib arms, wharf cranes, saluted from warehouse hooters and ships sirens and cheering carpets of humanity. She sailed past sites and scenes woven into British history — the old fort



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at Tilbury where Elizabeth I had defied the oncoming Spaniards, and past Deptford Reach, where Francis Drake anchored his galleon, The Golden Hind, after her voyage round an almost unknown world. Now appeared a barge, slowly and ceremoniously rowed, bringing the Lord Mayor of London to welcome the Sovereign to the city. The great bascules of Tower Bridge opened wide. Britannia passed slowly between the buttresses and dropped anchor in the Pool of London.

181. 'Britannia' refers to
(A) an aircraft (B) a land vehicle
(C) a ship (D) a snack
182. The term 'a sovereign' in this passage means
(A) a gold coin (B) wealth
(C) prosperity (D) a ruler
183. The unforgettable panorama was
(A) the war Britain participated in
(B) the scenic beauty of Dover and Thames
(C) the scene of welcome to the sovereign
(D) the gloomy old waterway
184. The barge carried
(A) the sovereign
(B) Francis Drake
(C) home fleet
(D) the Lord Mayor of London
185. The destination of Britannia' was
(A) The Golden Hind
(B) Tilbury
(C) The Port of London
(D) Deptford Reach

PASSAGE - IV (Q. Nos. 186 to 190)

Life, and the world, or whatever we call that which we are and feel, is an astonishing thing. The mist of familiarity obscures from us the wonders of our being. We are struck with admiration at some of its transient modifications; but it is itself the great miracle. What are changes of empires, the wreck of dynasties with the opinions which supported them; what is the birth and the extinction of religions and of political systems to life? What are the revolutions of the globe which we inhabit, and the operations of the elements of which it is composed, compared with life? What is the universe of stars of suns of which this inhabited earth is the one and their motions and the destiny compared with life? Life, the great miracle, we admit not, because it is so miraculous. It is well that we are shielded by the familiarity of what is at once so certain and so unfathomable from an astonishment which would otherwise absorb and overawe the functions of that which is its object.

186. The wonder of life is greater than
(A) fall of kings
(B) decay of religions
(C) change of ideologies
(D) All of the above

187. Which of the following statements is **incorrect**?

- (A) Life is awe-inspiring.
(B) Changes in life are less significant than life itself.
(C) It is good that we do not realize the greatness of life.
(D) Life is governed by the motions of the stars.
188. Life refers to
(A) the world around us
(B) what we have made of ourselves
(C) what we feel
(D) All of the above
189. 'mist of familiarity' would mean
(A) knowing something too well to value its real worth
(B) not knowing enough about something
(C) the problems of being in the same family
(D) on a misty day even a known thing seems unknown
190. "... the operations of the elements of which it is composed." In this phrase 'it' refers to
(A) life
(B) the Earth
(C) the revolutions of the Earth
(D) the world

PASSAGE - V (Q. Nos. 191 to 200)

Drugs have proved to be the great leveller recognising no distinction of class, caste, sex or intellectual ability. Social workers have reported interesting case histories. They indicate that many students have attempted to take drugs in order to ape western behaviour of their favourite western idols. One psychologist has observed that school children are led to drugs by the desire for a mystical experience. But in some cases it may be an escape from a jilted love affair, parental neglect, disinterest in studies and loneliness. There are instances of students becoming addicted to drugs in order to become cult figures on campus. There is also pressure from fellow students. Recent reports trickling in from official sources also indicated that many drug pedlars pose as vendors and lace food-stuffs with smack.

Thus many students become addicted without even being aware of it.

The persistent problem of drug addiction now threatens to strangle the student community. There is urgent need to isolate such cases and help the youths return to the academic mainstream. And although some social organisations deserve congratulations on their efforts to eradicate the menace, their limited resources have forced them to operate on a very restricted scale. At the same time many of the victims' families cannot afford detoxification treatment. Private nursing homes charge



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exorbitant sums ranging from ? 3000 to ? 5000 depending on the degree of addiction and the economic status of the patient.

191. Drugs can attract people

- (A) with high energy
- (B) Irrespective of their class, caste, sex
- (C) belonging to particular class, caste, sex
- (D) depending on their social and sexual behaviour

192. School children attempt to take drugs

- (A) in order to gain salvation
- (B) in order to be emancipated
- (C) to have esoteric experience
- (D) to become logically sane

193. Many students are drawn to drugs because

- (A) they are influenced by western philosophy
- (B) they try to adopt particular western behaviour
- (C) they try to ape their western heroes
- (D) they are obedient and meek followers of western ideology

194. In some cases the cause of drug addiction may be

- (A) respite from disturbed relationships
- (B) getting into relationship
- (C) desire to win love
- (D) pressure from friends

195. There are instances

- (A) where drug leads to cult worship
- (B) where drug leads to secret societies practising cults

(C) where drug seems to be a good option instead of cult

(D) where drug may make one look like a cult figure

196. A kind of drug that is named in the passage is

- (A) vendor (B) smack
- (C) lace (D) pedlar

197. Social service organisations deserve congratulations because

- (A) they help isolate cases of drug addiction
- (B) they help in production of medicinal drugs
- (C) they help eradicate drug pedlars
- (D) they take measures to eradicate the menace of drug abuse

198. Social service organisations operate on restricted scale because

- (A) their reactions are limited
- (B) their resources are limited
- (C) their contacts are limited
- (D) their reach is limited

199. Detoxification

- (A) needs social help
- (B) needs treatment
- (C) requires quite a large sum of money
- (D) requires involvement of patients' family members

200. The private nursing home charges depend on the

- (A) type of drug the patient had been taking
- (B) patient's desire for detoxification
- (C) degree of addiction
- (D) intelligence of the patient