



SSC CGL 2020-21 Tier II

English : Mock Test 12

Mock Test Questions & Solutions

Mock Test Solutions in English

Questions

1. **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.**

Autism is a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties with social interaction and communication, and by restricted and repetitive behavior. Autism is a highly variable, neurodevelopment disorder whose symptoms first appear during infancy or childhood, and generally follows a steady course without remission. Parents often notice signs during the first three years of their child's life. These signs often develop gradually, though some children with autism experience worsening in their communication and social skills after reaching developmental milestones at a normal pace. Autism consists of a combination of genetic and environmental factors. Risk factors during pregnancy include certain infections, such as rubella, toxins including valproic acid, alcohol, cocaine, pesticides, lead, and air pollution, fetal growth restriction, and autoimmune diseases. Dissensions surround other proposed environmental causes; for example, the vaccine hypothesis, which has been disproven. Autism affects information processing in the brain and how nerve cells and their synapses connect and organize; how this occurs is not well understood. The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5), combines autism and less severe forms of the condition, including Asperger syndrome and pervasive developmental disorder not otherwise specified (PDD-NOS) into the diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Early behavioral interventions or speech therapy can help children with autism gain self-care, social, and communication skills. Although there is no known cure, there have been cases of children who recovered. Not many autistic adults are able to live independently, though some are successful. An autistic culture has developed, with some individuals seeking a cure and others believing autism should be accepted as a difference to be accommodated instead of cured. Globally, autism is estimated to affect 24.8 million people as of 2015. In the 2000s, the number of people affected was estimated at 1–2 per 1,000 people worldwide. In the developed countries, about 1.5% of children are diagnosed with ASD as of 2017, from 0.7% in 2000 in the United States. It occurs four-to-five times more often in males than females. The number of people diagnosed has increased dramatically since the 1960s, which may be partly due to changes in diagnostic practice. The question of whether actual rates have increased is unresolved.

According to the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders which conditions are combined with autism spectrum disorder?

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 1

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| A. afterthought | B. bereavement |
| C. zephyr | D. substance |

Marvel started in 1939 as Timely Publications, and by the early 1950s, had generally become known as Atlas Comics. In 1961, writer-editor Stan Lee revolutionized superhero comics by introducing superheroes designed to appeal to older readers than the predominantly child audiences of the medium. Modern Marvel's first superhero team, the titular stars of The Fantastic Four, broke convention with other comic book archetypes of the time by squabbling, holding **grudges** both deep and petty, and eschewing anonymity or secret identities in favor of celebrity status.

Subsequently, Marvel comics developed a reputation for focusing on characterization and adult issues to a greater extent than most superhero comics before them, a quality which the new generation of older readers appreciated. This applied to The Amazing Spider-Man title in particular, which turned out to be Marvel's most successful book. Its young hero suffered from self-doubt and mundane problems like any other teenager, something with which many readers could identify. Which of the following step taken by Stan Lee revolutionized superhero comics?

- A. He decided to do small cameos in marvel movies.
 - B. He created 'The Amazing Spider-Man', where young hero suffered from self-doubt and mundane problems.
 - C. He introduced superheroes with whom older people could relate.
 - D. He changed the illustration designers and hired high-end technicians.

22. Which of the following can best replace the word 'grudge' as used in the passage?

A. Gregarious B. Gargantuan
C. Convivial D. Rancour

23. How did the titalur stars, 'The fantastic four' break the conventions?

A. By coordinating with the government into catching and imprisoning criminals. B. The comics focused more on the personal lives of the heroes.
C. They were often caught bickering over trivial matters. D. Fighting against villains which were realistic and relatable.

24. What is the meaning of "eschewing anonymity" ?

A. Seeking peace in a cave by meditation B. Avoiding anonymity and seeking stardom
C. Avoiding a normal person's life D. Seeking anonymity so as to not put personal life in danger.

25. How was the reputation of Marvel different from other comic books?

A. It focused more on the plot than the illustrations B. It focused more over character buildup and relatable issues.
C. It focused more on increasing its user base, even though it had to cut-down prices. D. It focused over making the story more adventurous and fun to read.

26. **Read the following passage and fill in each blank with words chosen from options given.**

Capitalism is a great slave, but a pathetic _____ (1). This truth, unfortunately, gets lost in our chase for that _____ (2) dream, especially gets lost in our chase for that been marketed as that land of dreams -- the great western dream. It's the dream of _____ (3) independent masters of our lives of making big bucks and of being happy -- even if that happiness is being bought by money which all of them chase out there. No doubt, the west, on its part, has been fairly successful in _____ (4) material comforts aplenty. It has improved the living standard of its average citizen. It has improved the living standard _____ (5) its average citizen.

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 1.

- C. hard D. difficulty

28. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 3.

A. be B. to be
C. been D. being

29. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 4.

A. building B. making
C. creating D. innovating

30. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 5.

A. for B. to
C. of D. with

At a time when India is preparing for one of its most ambitious projects, the manned space mission Gaganyaan, the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has stunned the global scientific community by announcing plans to set up a separate space station over the next five to seven years. This will be separate from the International Space Station (ISS) already orbiting the Earth, said ISRO chairman K. Sivan. A much smaller module, Isro's station would be stationed in a low-earth orbit at an altitude of 400 km above the earth's surface. This is indeed a big announcement, one that comes only a day after the space agency declared the date for the launch of its other challenging mission, Chandrayaan-2. The second lunar mission is set for launch on July 15 and unlike the first mission in 2008, it has set a much more daunting objective—to attempt a soft landing on the moon. The stakes are high as Israel recently failed attempting its first landing on the moon. It is the most difficult task Isro has ever undertaken, Sivan said on Thursday.

So what then led the agency to set a grand target for a space station of its own, when it is cautiously edging closer to fulfilling two of its biggest missions in space history? Government scientists argue that it is the next step to the human space flight mission. If India is to sustain its manned missions, it needs a space station, is the argument. Microgravity in space has captivated scientists for decades, and its understanding is clearly important to keep our astronauts safe in space. It is the next big step, and understandably so. Considering how India has recently notched up several firsts through its space missions in the recent past, the scientific community feels it has it to take on the challenge. Clearly, there are risks involved. While Isro has proved its mettle through its historic space missions, it has not yet

mastered the expertise required to ensure human viability on its missions. And a space station could be a futile exercise without a human crew on board. What is the tone of the author?

- A. Angry
 - B. Humourous
 - C. Apologetic
 - D. Skeptical
32. The passage suggests that
- A. India should once consider its decision of opening its separate space station
 - B. India has taken a wise decision.
 - C. Globally India is renowned for its space missions.
 - D. The government does not support the idea of space station.
33. The most suitable title for the passage is
- A. Chandrayan2 the most anticipated mission.
 - B. Reality check on India's space dreams.
 - C. ISRO's dream to reach the moon.
 - D. Indian Space Station soon to be launched.
34. The writer uses the word "daunting" in the line "unlike the first mission in 2008, it has set a much more daunting objective—to attempt a soft landing on the moon." Out of the given options, which is the most suitable meaning of the word in the context of the passage?
- A. difficult
 - B. easy
 - C. achievable
 - D. promising
35. What does the writer imply from "it has it" in the line "the scientific community feels it has it to take on the challenge"?
- A. Capable
 - B. unworthy
 - C. risky
 - D. trustworthy
36. What is the objective of Chandrayan 2 mission?
- A. To collect soil samples from moon.
 - B. To celebrate India's 75th independence date on moon.
 - C. To have a soft landing on moon.
 - D. To measure moon's mass.
37. What will be the altitude of ISRO's space station?
- A. 400 miles above the earth's surface
 - B. 40000000m above the earth's surface
 - C. 400000 m above the earth's surface
 - D. 250 miles above the earth's surface.
38. What is the main hurdle in ISRO's space missions?
- A. Human viability on the space missions.
 - B. Large objects carrying capacity.
 - C. launching vehicles success.
 - D. Bureaucratic decisions.

Habit formation is the process by which a behaviour, through regular repetition, becomes automatic or habitual. This is _____ (1) as an increase in automaticity with a number of repetitions up to an asymptote. This process of habit formation can be slow. As the habit is forming, it can be _____ (2) in three parts: the cue, the behaviour, and the reward. The cue is the thing that causes the habit to come about, the trigger of the habitual behaviour. This could be anything that one's mind _____ (3) with that habit and one will automatically let a habit come to the surface. The behaviour is the actual habit that one _____ (4), and the reward, a positive feeling, therefore continues the "habit loop". A habit may _____ (5) be triggered by a goal, but over time that goal becomes less necessary and the habit becomes more automatic. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1

- A. oftenly
- B. initially
- C. involuntarily
- D. voluntarily

46. **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.**

Keeping employees happy, motivated, and on the payroll is one of the key concerns to businesses these days because it's an open market for top talent. A good employee can walk out of the door today and have a comparable or better job tomorrow. Which brings up a very important question: what would the companies do to keep away that person from even thinking about going to work elsewhere? Gone are the days when the monthly paycheck and two weeks' vacation a year were enough to keep employees happy. Employers must come up with irresistible incentives to keep top talent on board. The results of a recent survey by Fortune Magazine on why people leave their jobs shows that 30 percent leave for better compensation and benefits, 27 percent for a better career opportunity, 27 percent for new experience, 21 percent are dissatisfied with opportunities at current job, and 16 percent desire to change careers or industries. Money is no longer the only major motivator. So, is this an onsite daycare center for working parents? Paying for all or part of their health insurance? Or offering educational assistance or paying for certification? Or an annual ski trip, paid foreign tours, onsite car washes and oil changes? Or free laundry and dry cleaning facilities? Or prized stock options? Well, it could be anything as long as it can keep the employees motivated. There are perks other than monetary gains or raise in the pay package which can make employees feel happy and satisfied and the feel-good factor.

According to the passage, what is not the key concern of the businesses these days?

- A. happiness of employees
- B. motivating employees
- C. keeping employees on payroll
- D. criticizing the employees performance

47. What does employers do to its employees now-a-days to keep top talent onboard?

- A. monthly pay check
- B. irresistible incentives
- C. two weeks' vacation a year
- D. maternity leaves

48. Which of the following reason is not being mentioned in the passage in regard to people leaving their jobs?

- A. family constraints especially after getting married
- B. dissatisfaction with opportunities at current job
- C. better compensation and benefits in new job
- D. to have a new experience

49. What does feel good factor mean with respect to employees?

- A. monetary gains to employees
- B. social acceptance

- C. opportunity given to employees to work abroad D. anything which can keep employees happy and satisfied

50. What can be the suitable title for the passage?

- A. Incentives to employees B. Money – a major motivator for employees
C. Giving employees a feel good factor D. Challenges to keep employees onboard

51. **Read the following passage and fill in each blank with words chosen from options given.**

Indonesia is hosting the first high-level dialogue on the Indo-Pacific amid the ongoing _____ (1) tussle between the US and China. The dialogue _____ (2) to be held today and will feature participation from India, Australia, US, Brunei Darussalam, Japan, South Korea, Russia, New Zealand and China, apart from the 10 member nations of Asian. The stated aim of the dialogue is to serve as a dynamic and interactive platform for _____ (3) and more inclusive cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region. Various initiatives and concepts of cooperation are slated to be discussed, which hopefully will lead _____ (4) beneficial cooperation based on the principles of openness, _____ (5), inclusiveness, and respect for international law.

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1

- A. strategic B. startegy
C. strategise D. to stategise

52. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2

- A. has set B. is set
C. was set D. too set

53. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3

- A. deep B. deeper
C. deepest D. most deep

54. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4

- A. mutuals B. is mutual
C. were mutual D. to mutually

55. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5

- A. transparent B. transparency
C. transpiration D. transferred

56. **In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no**

error, then select 'No error'.

If your house has been burgled, you shouldn't touch anything until the police arrives.

- A. if your house has been
- B. burgled, you shouldn't touch
- C. anything until the police arrives
- D. No Error

57. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

If he was rich, he would not need the scholarship to go to the UK for higher studies.

- A. If he was rich
- B. not need
- C. for higher studies
- D. No error

58. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. It has been _____ that drivers have become more careless and rasher these days.

- A. examined
- B. pursued
- C. provided
- D. observed

59. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. Asha and Rima could not get admission in the college _____ they had already managed to get a passing score in the official exam.

- A. even though
- B. now that
- C. therefore
- D. whether

60. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. My friend lamented that though a complete report was sent to the department a month ago, no action is being taken so far.

- A. no action has been taken
- B. no action is taken
- C. no action had taken
- D. No improvement

61. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

- Hobson's choice
- A. feeling of insecurity
 - B. to either accept or leave the offer
 - C. feeling of strength
 - D. excellent choice

62. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

A stone struck me on the head.

- A. I was struck by a stone on the head.
B. My head was struck by a stone.
C. I had been struck by a stone on the head.
D. I was struck on the head by a stone.

63. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

BUGBEAR

- A. seamless
B. prevail
C. dislike
D. calmness

64. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'. The recommendations has been shared with the state police organisations.

- A. has been
B. shared with
C. the state police
D. No error

65. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

The airport helper said, 'Should I fetch you a trolley?"

- A. The airport helper asked me if he should fetch me a trolley.
B. The airport helper said he will go to fetch me a trolley.
C. The helper had said he would be fetching me a trolley.
D. The airport helper is asking me that he will fetch a trolley.

66. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

"My children, this is the last lesson I shall give you," said the teacher.

- A. The teacher tells the children that it was the last lesson he would give them.
B. The teacher told the children that it would be the last lesson he was giving them.
C. The teacher told the children that that was the last lesson he would give them.
D. The teacher told the students that it was the last lesson he will give them.

67. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

Love towards all living beings creates feelings of forgiveness within.

- A. toward all live being
B. between all living being
C. besides all living being
D. No improvement

68. In the following question, there are six parts marked S1, S6, P, Q, R and S. The position of S1 and S6 are fixed. Some parts of the sentence have been jumbled up. Rearrange these parts and choose the proper sequence from the given options.

S1. The desperation for a good monsoon is understandable.
P. Agriculture provides a livelihood to about 70% of the population.
Q. Agriculture productivity has been static or dropping after the happy days of the green revolution.
R. Those below the poverty line, who are in large numbers, are totally dependent on the monsoon.
S. Yet, 25 percent of India's GDP still comes from the farm sector.

S6. And they are the one politicians count during elections.

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| A. PRQS | B. SRPQ |
| C. QSPR | D. RSPQ |

69. Select the correctly spelt word.

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| A. comit | B. embarrass |
| C. twoward | D. county |

70. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

- Act of mercy killing
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| A. suicide | B. euthanasia |
| C. immolation | D. asphyxiation |

71. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

Are they receiving the chief guest at the station?

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| A. Was the chief guest being received at the station? | B. Is the chief guest being received at the station? |
| C. Will they be received by the chief guest at the station? | D. Will the chief guest be received at the station? |

72. In the following question, there are six parts marked S1, S6, P, Q, R and S. The position of S1 and S6 are fixed. Some parts of the sentence have been jumbled up. Rearrange these parts and choose the proper sequence from the given options. S1. The sea at Timbulsloko, Indonesia, didn't just sweep in by itself, eroding the coast by miles.

S6. Which will hopefully lead to the eventual formation of new mangroves.

P. Now, brushwood and bamboo structures have been set up to slow the tides, encourage sediment build-up,

Q. This gradual inundation was caused by human choices

R. Mangroves had shielded the land since time immemorial, allowing agriculture to flourish

S. But once people started to cut them, the sea began to reshape the coast, even washing away villages

73. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

74. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom. To take into account

- A. consider
 - B. consistent
 - C. basic
 - D. through

75. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

She said. "How lovely the child is!"

- A. She exclaimed with joy that the child was very lovely.
B. She exclaimed with disgust that the child was very lovely.
C. She exclaimed with joy that child is very lovely.
D. She exclaims with joy that child is very lovely.

76. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

DRASTIC

- A. simple
 - B. dramatic
 - C. realistic
 - D. severe

77. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. In rural areas of India, settlements are smaller and spread out, and a central water treatment facility is not feasible.

Q. Developed countries and big cities have a centralized water treatment system to purify water, including arsenic removal.

R. Among them, the majority live in the Gangetic and Brahmaputra plains, where untreated water from tube wells has notorious levels of this cancer-causing chemical.

S. In India, close to 24 crore people living in 21 states have been drinking water containing high levels of arsenic.

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| A. PQSR | B. SRQP |
| C. QRSP | D. QPSR |

78. **Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.**

To give money to agents for sales

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| A. salary | B. commission |
| C. fee | D. incentive |

79. **Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.**

My father has promised me a bicycle.

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| A. I have been promised a bicycle by my father. | B. I has been promised by my father a bicycle. |
| C. I have promising a bicycle by my father. | D. I promised a bicycle by my father. |

80. **Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.**

Scientists have recently discovered a new breed of monkey.

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| A. A new breed of monkey was recently discovered by scientists. | B. A new breed of monkey is recently discovered by scientists. |
| C. A new breed of monkey has been recently discovered by scientists. | D. A new breed of monkey has being recently discovered by scientists. |

81. **Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no**

improvement required, select 'No Improvement'. If I had known any Spanish, I would help you with your Spanish assignment.

- B.
A. knew some
C. had known some
- know any
D. No Improvement

82. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

Teacher said to children , "Have you prepared well for the finals?"

- A. Teacher asked the children whether they have prepared well for the finals.
- B. Teacher asked the children whether they prepared well for the finals.
- C. Teacher asked the children if they did prepare well for the finals.
- D. Teacher asked the children if they had prepared well for the finals.

83. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

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

- A. had remembered
- B. were remembering
- C. remembered
- D. No improvement

84. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

Still a license is mandatory for possessing a weapon, a no-objection certificate by the concerned police station is essential for the purchase, sale, transfer of a weapon.

- A. Still a licence is mandatory
- B. no-objection certificate by the
- C. station is essential for the
- D. No error

85. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'. My parents writes me a letter when I was in boarding school.

- A. write me a letter
- B. wrote a letter to me
- C. is writing a letter to me
- D. No improvement

86. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

The father said to his son, "Do not ride a bicycle without wearing a helmet."

- A. The father scolded his son for riding a bicycle without wearing a helmet.
B. The father asked his son not ride to a bicycle without wearing a helmet.
C. The father told his son that you should not ride a bicycle without wearing a helmet.
D. The father forbade his son to ride a bicycle without wearing a helmet.

87. **Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'No Improvement'.** The suspect was yelling incoherence statements as if he is hallucinating.

- A. incoherence statements as if he was
B. incoherent statements as if he were
C.
D. No Improvement

incoherent statements as if he is

88. **Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.** To wash dirty linen in public

- A. to quarrel openly
B. to clean solid lines
C. to understand the hidden meaning of the word
D. to wash dirty clothes

89. **Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.**

Dutch Courage

- A. unexpected Courage
B. courage of an inebriated person
C. courage in solitude
D. courage as a trait of family

90. **Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.**

Irritating inconvenience

- A. tranquillity
B. hassle
C. harmony
D. rectitude

91. **Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.**

FLINTY

- A. soft
B. awkward
C. steely
D. pre-emptive

92. **Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.**

He said, "Can you sing?" And I said, "No".

- A. He asked me that could I sing and I refused.
B. He asked me if I could sing and I said that I couldn't.

C. I denied when he asked me if I could sing.
D. He asked me if I could sing and I said nope.

93. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

You should stay on the train unless Manchester and then change.

- A. You should stay
B. the train unless
C. and then change.
D. No error

94. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

He says to me, "I exercise regularly."

- A. He tells me that he exercises regularly.
B. He told me that you exercise regularly to stay healthy.
C. He says to me that I exercise regularly.
D. He tells me that you exercises regularly.

95. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

The teacher corrected our notebooks.

- A. Our notebooks were corrected by the teacher.
B. Our notebooks was corrected by the teacher.
C. Our notebooks had been corrected by the teacher.
D. Our notebooks had corrected the teacher.

96. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

Teachers might have given their students some concessions.

- A. Their students might have given some concessions to their teachers.
B. Their students might be given some concessions by their teachers.
C. Their students might be given some concessions to their teachers.
D. Students might have been given some concessions by their teachers.

97. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

The new bank clerk kicked off a row with a colleague.

- A. out a
- B. on to a
- C. up a
- D. No improvement

98. **Select the incorrectly spelt word.**

- A. introduction
- B. distinction
- C. extraordinary
- D. repaired

99. **In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.**

If she had more free time, she would cook all her meals at home.

- A. free time, she would cook
- B. if she had more
- C. all her meals at home
- D. No Error

100. **Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.**

P. Then writing as a means introduced a capacity for storing information.

Q. Speech was the first means of conveying information.

R. However, all these are passive media.

S. Thirdly printing helped in the dissemination of knowledge in a permanent form.

- A. QPSR
- B. PQSR
- C. RQPS
- D. SQPR

101. **Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.**

P. Inexhaustible natural resources are present in unlimited quantity in nature.

Q. Exhaustible natural resources can be exhausted by human activities.

R. Examples of these resources are sunlight, air.

102. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

One who runs away from justice.

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| A. plaintive | B. fugitive |
| C. accretive | D. adventives |

103. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

Did you never hear the result of the match?

- A. Never heard the result of the match? B. Was the result of the match never heard by you?
C. Was the result of the match heard by you? D. You never heard the result of the match?

104. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

He said to her, "What a cold day!"

- A. He told to her that it was a cold day.
B. He exclaimed that it is a cold day.
C. He exclaimed sorrowfully that it was a cold day.
D. He exclaimed that it was a very cold day.

105. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

Rahul said to Rita, "Please help me with my PowerPoint presentation."

- A. Rahul requested Rita to help her with her PowerPoint presentation.
 - B. Rita asked Rahul to help her with her PowerPoint presentation.
 - C. Rahul requested Rita to help him with his PowerPoint presentation.
 - D. Rahul requested Rita to help his PowerPoint presentation.

106. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Joshi go for a walk just before dinner.

- A. vibrant
 - B. brisk
 - C. vivacious
 - D. slow

107. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'. The manager remarked that we will avoid to make such small errors in the production stage.

- A. should avoiding make
- B. should avoiding made
- C. should avoid making
- D. No improvement

108. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence. Those who worked hard seldom obtained good marks.

- A. Good marks were seldom being obtained by those who worked hard.
- B. Good marks are seldom obtained by those who worked hard.
- C. Seldom had good marks been obtained by those who worked hard.
- D. Good marks were seldom obtained by those who worked hard.

109. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. Non-metals react with oxygen to produce non-metallic oxides.

Q. On burning, metals react with oxygen to produce metal oxides.

R. They are acidic in nature.

S. These metal oxides are basic in nature.

- A. RPQS
- B. SQRP
- C. QRPS
- D. QSPR

110. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

Ahmad Shah Durrani invaded India eight times between 1748 to 1767.

- A. between 1748 to 1767.
- B. invaded India
- C. eight times
- D. No error

111. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. Then she would add the three-fourths water that he would anyway add to the milk. So that he was not burdened with climbing upstairs with the heavy can.

Q. One day she said to him that he was too old to climb upstairs with the heavy can of milk.

R. We stayed on the second floor of an individual house and my mother was very angry with the old man who brought diluted milk to us.

S. She suggested to him that he should come up with the can, one-fourth full with milk.

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| A. QRSP | B. RQSP |
| C. PQRS | D. SPRQ |

112. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. External Affairs Minister will pay a two-day official visit to Georgia.

Q. The visit would further strengthen the close and cordial relations between India and Georgia.

R. During the visit, the EAM will have a bilateral meeting with his counterpart.

S. This will be the first visit of an Indian EAM to independent Georgia.

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| A. RPQS | B. RQPS |
| C. QSPR | D. PSRQ |

113. In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

Consultants can help academic institutions to manage their resources more efficiency.

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| A. consultants can help | B. academic institutions to |
| C. resources more efficiency | D. No Error |

114. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

Try to understand the confidence of your opponents before you take any step against them.

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| A. motivation of your opponents | B. inspiration of your opponents |
| C. motive of your opponents | D. No improvement |

115. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

The robots are so small that people can barely see them.

- A. The robots are so small that they can barely be seen.
B. Such small robots can barely be seen.
C. So small are the robots that they can barely see them.
D. The robots can be seen barely because they are so small.

116. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

An axe to grind

- A. Difficult job
B. Hard labour
C. To have selfish reason to do something
D. Punishment

117. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. All plastics do not have the same type of arrangement of units.

Q. Synthetic fibres possess unique characteristics which make them popular dress materials.

R. Plastic is also a polymer like synthetic fibre.

S. They dry up quickly, are durable, less expensive, readily available and easy to maintain.

- A. SPQR
B. PQSR
C. QSRP
D. SQPR

118. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'. The captain called out the name of last boys standing in the parade.

- A. of the last boy
B. of last boy
C. of the last boys
D. No improvement

119. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

The Director has granted her a scholarship.

- A. A scholarship has granted to her by the Director.
B. She has been granted a scholarship by the Director.
C. She has granted a scholarship by the Director.
D. A scholarship was granted to her by the Director.

120. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

She said, "Hurrah! I got the highest marks in the exam."

- A. She said that she got the highest marks in the exam.
- B. She exclaimed with great joy that she had got the highest marks in the exam.
- C. She told that she has got the highest marks in the exam.
- D. She tells that she has got the highest marks in the exam.

121. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

My mother said to me, "May you live long!"

- A. My mother prayed that I might live long.
- B. My mother said to me that I may live long.
- C. My mother told me to live long.
- D. My mother prayed that I may live long.

122. In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

The industrial designer gave a brief description of her new design, and then she demonstrates the product.

- A. the industrial designer gave a
- B. brief description of her new design
- C. and then she demonstrates the produc
- D. No Error

123. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

Leadership is the ability of an individual or a group of individuals to influence and guide followers or other members of an organization.

- A. are the ability of a individual or a group of individuals
- B. is the ability of a individual or a group of individual
- C. is the abilities of an individual or a groups of individuals
- D. No improvement

124. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

Do you has enough flour to make the bread?

- A. Do your have enough
- B. Does you have enough
- C. Do you have enough
- D. No improvement

125. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

A substance easily evaporated at normal temperatures

- A. volatile
- B. steadfast
- C. enduring
- D. definite

126. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'. Ganesh flew house for attend his father's funeral.

- A. flew house by attend
- B. flew home for attend
- C. flew home to attend
- D. No improvement

127. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

Were you consulted by him?

- A. Did he consult you?
- B. Had he consulted you?
- C. Were he consult you?
- D. Does he consult you?

128. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'. While honesty may be the best policy, a little bit of lying is actually a sign that your of above-average intelligence.

- A. While honesty
- B. policy, a little bit of
- C. that your of
- D. No error

129. In the following question, there are six parts marked S1, S6, P, Q, R and S. The position of S1 and S6 are fixed. Some parts of the sentence have been jumbled up. Rearrange these parts and choose the proper sequence from the given options.

S1. Business transactions that take place on the internet are called e-commerce, short for "electronic commerce".

S6. Today it is possible to perform the entire gamut of banking operations without visiting a physical bank branch.

P. Popular examples of e-commerce generally involve buying and selling online, but the e-commerce universe contains other types of activities as well.

Q. Those involved in the transactions can represent multiple combinations of customers, businesses, vendors or other suppliers, or government agencies.

R. Its advantages include eliminating time and geographical limitations, streamlining operations, and lowering costs.

S. One of the biggest drivers of e-commerce has been the interfacing of websites with bank accounts—and by extension, credit cards.

- A. RSQP
- B. SPQR
- C. PQRS
- D. PSQR

130. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

Mohini has written a letter to her father.

- A. A letter was written to her father by Mohini.
- B. A letter has been written by Mohini to her father.
- C. A letter was being written by Mohini to her father.
- D. A letter was written by Mohini to her father.

131. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error.

Seldom if never he cared about the warning given by the warden of his hostel.

- A. seldom if never he
- B. cared about the warning
- C. given by the warden
- D. of his hostel

132. Select the correctly spelt word.

- A. cemetary
- B. adequate
- C. concious
- D. apparently

133. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. Bob and Jane decided to _____ the knot because they loved each other.

- A. tie
- B. strangle
- C. restrain
- D. comply

134. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

They opened the shop only last month.

- A. Only last month the shop is opened.
- B. The shop was opened only last month.
- C. The shop is opened only previous month.
- D. The shop had opened only last month.

135. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'. There are no few than 200 different athletes in this Olympics.

- A. are no fewer
- B. is no little
- C. are no less
- D. No improvement

136. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/ passive) form of the given sentence.

Julia is making a sponge cake right now.

- A. A sponge cake was being made by Julia right now.
- B. A sponge cake is being made by Julia right now.
- C. A sponge cake was made by Julia right now.
- D. A sponge cake were being made by Julia right now.

137. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'No Improvement'.

Can a data protection law helps victims to seek redressal and hold the perpetrators accountable?

- A. help victims seek redressal
- B. helped victims seeking redressal
- C. helps victims seeks redressal
- D. No improvement

138. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

The Doctor said to him, "Timely take your medicines."

- A. The Doctor told him to timely take his medicines.
- B. The Doctor suggested him to timely take his medicines.
- C. The Doctor told him that you should timely take your medicines.
- D. The Doctor forbade him to timely take his medicines.

139. In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

Neither of the roads of the village is smooth enough to walk on.

- A. of the roads
- B. of the village is
- C. smooth enough to
- D. No error

140. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

INTIMIDATE

- A. inform
- B. frighten
- C. reward
- D. persuade

141. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

The reason we were late for the meeting is that there was an accident on the highway.

- A. reason we were late
- B. for the meeting is that
- C. accident on the highway
- D. No Error

142. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order. P. Living organisms which we normally cannot see are called microorganisms or microbes.

Q. These are bacteria, fungi, protozoa and some algae.

R. Microorganisms are classified into four major groups.

S. Viruses are also microscopic but are different from other microorganisms.

- A. QPRS
- B. PRQS
- C. QSRP
- D. QPSR

143. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

Kamala is not inferior than Geeta in her studies.

- A. Kamala is
- B. not inferior than
- C. No error
- D. her studies

144. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. It is a quality to be found among all peoples and nations in every corner of the Earth.

Q. One may observe that a man of one nation will remove his hat or fold his hands by way of greetings when he meets someone he knows.

R. Politeness is not a quality possessed by only one nation or race.

145. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

Many a person has been saved from the man-eaters by these hunters.

- A. These hunters will save many a person from the man-eaters.

B. These hunters save many a person from the man-eaters.

C. These hunters saved many a person from the man-eaters

D. These hunters have saved many a person from the man-eaters

146. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / Indirect) of the given sentence

The interviewer said, "Rajiv, I'm impressed with you."

- A. The interviewer says I am impressed with Rajiv.
 - B. The interviewer said to Rajiv that he had been impressed with you.
 - C. The interviewer told Rajiv that he was impressed with him.
 - D. The interviewer told to Rajiv that he is impressed with him.

147. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

Priya said to Steve, "Consult a physician."

- A. Priya suggested Steve to consult a physician.
B. Priya told to Steve to consult a physician.
C. Priya informed Steve to having consult a physician.
D. Priya said to Steve that he should be consulting a physician.

148. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

The principal said to the boys, "Take back your books."

- A. The principal asked the boys to take back their books.
B. The principal told the boys to take back your books.
C. The principal said to the boys to let their book be taken.
D. The boys were asked by the Principal to took your books.

149. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

- A place where animals are slaughtered for consumption as food

 - A. reservoir
 - B. abattoir
 - C. memoir
 - D. peignoir

150. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- P. Coal is processed in industry to get some useful products such as coal tar.

Q. It is a mixture of about 200 substances.

R. Coal tar is a black, thick liquid with an unpleasant smell.

S. Products obtained from coal tar are used as starting materials for manufacturing various substances used in everyday life.

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| A. QPSR | B. PRQS |
| C. QSPR | D. SQRP |

151. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

Because the enemy had the reputation of engaging in sneak attacks, we were frequently on the alert.

152. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

She said, "I bought a radio."

- A. She exclaimed that she bought a radio.
B. She said that she bought a radio.
C. She told that she bought a radio.
D. She said that she had bought a radio.

153. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

Natasha asked quickly in a whisper, afraid to move lest she might rouse the dozing baby.

- A. Natasha asked quickly
- B. afraid to move
- C. lest she might
- D. No error

154. **Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.** We can neither change _____ improve it.

- A. or
- B. and
- C. in
- D. nor

155. **Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.**

A lot of saplings have been planted by the chief guest.

- A. The chief guest is planting a lot of saplings.
- B. The chief guest has planted a lot of saplings.
- C. The chief guest have planted a lot of sapling.
- D. The chief guest has been planting a lot of saplings.

156. **Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.**

Mother said, "Sonam, don't throw tantrums."

- A. Mother says to Sonam not to throw tantrums.
- B. Mother told Sonam not to throw tantrums.
- C. Mother warns Sonam not to throw tantrums.
- D. Mother said that Sonam is not to throw tantrums.

157. **In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.**

She needed speech therapy after she suffered severe head injuries in a car accident.

- A. she needed speech therapy
- B. after she suffered severe head
- C. injuries in a car accident
- D. No Error

158. **Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.**

P. With their import approved by the Drug Controller General of India, the cultivation process has also begun.

Q. The first batch of Sputnik V vaccines is expected to be produced at the Serum Institute's facilities starting September.

R. As part of the technology transfer process, SII has already received cell and vector samples from the Gamaleya Centre.

S. They intend to produce over 300 million doses of the vaccine in India per year.

- A. PQRS
- B. QSRP
- C. SQPR
- D. SPQR

159. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'. The coach promised honorary for his services by the Olympic federation.

- A. was promised honorary
- B. promised honorarium
- C. was promised honorarium
- D. No improvement

160. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

Anbu said to Suresh, "Priya is playing in the garden."

- A. Anbu told Suresh that Priya was playing in the garden.
- B. Anbu told Suresh that Priya played in the garden.
- C. Anbu told Suresh that Priya plays in the garden.
- D. Anbu told Suresh that Priya play in the garden.

161. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

The gardener ought to water the plants daily.

- A. The plants are ought to water daily by the gardener.
- B. The plants ought to be watered daily by the gardener.
- C. The plants have been watered daily by the gardener.
- D. The plants ought to water daily by the gardener.

162. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

The plants have been watered by the gardener.

- A. The gardener has watering the plants.
- B. The gardener has been watering the plants.
- C. The gardener has watered the plants.
- D. The gardener had watered the plants.

163. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. I hope to be the kind of person that my children can _____ someday.

- A. look down on
- B. look forward to
- C. look up
- D. look up to

164. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

The workman said, "I have been working in this factory since the day it started."

- A. The workman said that he had been working in that factory since the day it has started.
- B. The workman said that he has been working in that factory since the day it had started.
- C. The workman said that he had been working in that factory since the day it had started.
- D. The workman said that he has been working in that factory since the day it has started.

165. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. It is an almost pure form of carbon.

Q. Coke is a tough, porous and black substance.

R. Coal is processed in industry to get some useful products such as coke.

S. Coke is used in the manufacture of steel and in the extraction of many metals.

- A. RQPS
- B. PQRS
- C. PRQS
- D. SRPQ

166. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

He said to his friend, "My favourite fruit is mango."

- A. He told his friend that his favourite fruit is mango.
- B. He said his friend that his favourite fruit is mango.
- C. He told his friend that his favourite fruit was mango.
- D. He told his friend that his favourite fruit had been mango.

167. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. The party _____ its concern over the ongoing movement regarding the conservation of oil.

- A. expressed
- B. withdrew
- C. hid
- D. extracted

168. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration(direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

She ordered him to go to the grocery store then and buy the essentials.

- A. She said, "I request you to go to the grocery store
- B. She said to him, "Go to the grocery store now and

and buy the essentials."

buy the essentials."

C. She ordered him, "Please go to the grocery store and buy the essentials."

D. She said, "Will you go to the grocery store and bring the essentials?"

169. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'. The most important feature of our products are that they are developed in-house.

- A. The most important
C. developed in house

- B. products are
D. No error

170. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. For all powers of reason and understanding, we know a little about lifes' secrets.

- A. a little of life secrets
C. the little about lives secrets

- B. little about life's secrets
D. No improvement

171. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

They lost many of the games because they had not practiced enough.

- A. have been practiced
C. has been practising

- B. have practised
D. No improvement

172. In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

Hardly the inspector had arrived there to investigate the crime when the house was set ablaze.

- A. hardly the inspector had arrived there
C. when the house was set ablaze

- B. to investigate the crime
D. No Error

173. In the following question, there are six parts marked S1, S6, P, Q, R and S. The position of S1 and S6 are fixed. Some parts of the sentence have been jumbled up. Rearrange these parts and choose the proper sequence from the given options.

S1. Mom was pleased to receive your wishes on her birthday.

P. Girl! wishes are more powerful than any other thing in the world.

Q. Both of us had forgotten the day.

173. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

R. Your letter holds proof of it.

S. It was your letter and the card which reminded us of it.

S6. Your mom has forgotten all the bitterness and sends her blessings to you.

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| A. PSQR | B. QRSP |
| C. RQSP | D. QSPR |

174. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

A slight fault that can be forgiven

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| A. venial | B. bovial |
| C. aerial | D. xenial |

175. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom. Token strike

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| A. total strike | B. carefully planned strike |
| C. short strike held as a warning | D. sudden call of strike |

176. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

Easily duped or fooled

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| A. bigot | B. gullible |
| C. ridicule | D. venerable |

177. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

The student was scolded by the teacher amid the whole class.

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| A. before the all whole class | B. No improvement |
| C. before the whole class | D. between the whole class |

178. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

METICULOUS

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| A. simple | B. careful |
| C. fair | D. reasonable |

179. In the sentence, identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no error, then select 'No error'.

One little girl had fewer presents than the rest, and Helen insisted on sharing her gifts with her.

- A. One little girl
- B. than the rest
- C. on sharing her
- D. No error

180. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Paint the town red

- A. indulge in rioting
- B. paint the houses red
- C. spill red wine
- D. have a lively time

181. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. Psychologically, there are two dangers to be guarded against in old age.

Q. It does not do to live in memories, in regrets for the good old days or in sadness about a friend who is dead.

R. The art of growing old is one which the passage of time has forced upon my attention.

S. One of these is undue absorption in the past.

- A. QSRP
- B. RPQS
- C. RPSQ
- D. QPRS

182. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

Harsh said, "God helps those who help themselves."

- A. Harsh said that God helps those who help themselves.
- B. Harsh told that God helped those who help themselves.
- C. Harsh told that God helped those who helped themselves.
- D. Harsh said that God helped those who helped themselves.

183. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

Mountain climbing

- A. alienisms
- B. alpinism
- C. albinism
- D. algorism

184. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

A strong blast of wind

- A. implosion
 - B. trickle
 - C. gust
 - D. mantle

185. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

PUKKA

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| A. guarantee | B. postulated |
| C. imitation | D. bonafide |

186. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

Most of the goods had been damaged by the insects.

- A. The insects damaged most of the goods. B. The insects have damaged most of the goods.
C. The insects had damaged most of the goods. D. The insects had damaged the goods.

187. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

My friend said to me, "I am going to the gym tomorrow."

- A. My friend told me that he is going to the gym the next day.

B. My friend told me that he will be going to the gym the next day.

C. My friend told me that he was going to the gym the next day.

D. My friend told me that he had been going to the gym the next day.

188. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

My father once said to me, "If I can't trust my people, then I don't want to do this."

- A. My father once told me that if he couldn't trust his people then he don't want to be doing that.

B. My father once told me that if he couldn't trust his people then he didn't want to do that.

C. My father once told me that if he couldn't trust my people then he didn't want to do this.

D. My father once told me that if he cannot trust his people then he didn't want to be doing that.

189. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. This results in the victim's inability to defend themselves from any infections leading to death.

O. This disease destroys part of the body's immune system.

R. AIDS is a disease caused by a virus called HIV. AIDS patients are carriers of the virus.

S. People who are infected develop AIDS within five to ten years.

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| A. QPSR | B. PSQR |
| C. RSQP | D. SRPQ |

190. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

She says, "I want to become a scientist."

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| A. She said that she want to become a scientist. | B. She says that she wants to become a scientist. |
| C. She said that she wanted to become a scientist. | D. She told that she wanted to become a scientist. |

191. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

The speaker discussed different marketing strategies in the video.

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| A. Different marketing strategies is discussed in the video by the speaker. | B. Different marketing strategies were discussed in the video by the speaker. |
| C. Different marketing strategies were discussing in the video by the speaker. | D. Different marketing strategies was discussed in the video by the speaker. |

192. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

My mother said, "We went to a market that is five kilometers from here."

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| A. My mother said that they had gone to a market that was five kilometers from here. | B. My mother said that they have gone to a market that was five kilometers from there. |
| C. My mother said that they had gone to a market that was five kilometers from there. | D. My mother said that they have gone to a market that was five kilometers from here. |

193. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active/passive) form of the given sentence.

We make butter from milk.

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| A. Butter is make from milk by us. | B. Butter is made from milk by us. |
| C. Butter are made from milk by us. | D. Butter is made by milk |

194. In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. If the sentence has no

error, then select 'No error'.

The ruling National Party won the largest number of votes in a weekend election but failed to securing a ruling majority.

195. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct/indirect) of the given sentence.

The professor told the class, "I will give you a test on Friday."

- A. The professor told the class that he would give them a test on Friday.

B. The professor told the class that he will be giving us a test on Friday.

C. D.

The professor told the class this that he would give us a test on Friday.

196. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- P. The waste created by plastics is not environment friendly.

Q. This is because of their non-biodegradable nature.

R. On dumping in the ground they may take years to degenerate.

197. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Play ducks and drakes

- A. play with ducks
- B. to think about something
- C. to stare at someone
- D. to squander

198. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

One who dies without a will

- A. intestate
- B. effeminate
- C. fugitive
- D. heretic

199. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

P. These are prepared from another type of synthetic fibre called acrylic.

Q. Many of these are actually not made from natural wool, though they appear to resemble wool.

R. We wear sweaters and use shawls or blankets in the winter.

S. The wool obtained from natural sources is quite expensive, whereas clothes made from acrylic are relatively cheap.

- A. RQPS
- B. QPRS
- C. QRPS
- D. PQRS

200. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no Improvement'.

This acceleration has been accompanied until the surge of the economy.

- A. accompanied the surge
- B. accompanied over the surge
- C. accompanied by the surge
- D. No improvement

Solutions

1. C

Sol. As stated in the passage that the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5), combines autism and less severe forms of the condition, including Asperger syndrome and pervasive developmental disorder not otherwise specified (PDD-NOS) into the diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

2. B

Sol. As stated in the passage that the number of people diagnosed has increased dramatically since the 1960s, which may be partly due to changes in diagnostic practice.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

3. C

Sol. As stated in the passage autism is a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties with social interaction and communication, and by restricted and repetitive behavior.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

4. A

Sol. As stated in the passage that globally, autism is estimated to affect 24.8 million people as of 2015. In the 2000s, the number of people affected was estimated at 1–2 per 1,000 people worldwide. In the developed countries, about 1.5% of children are diagnosed with ASD as of 2017, from 0.7% in 2000 in the United States.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

5. D

Sol. As stated in the passage that parents often notice signs during the first three years of their child's life. These signs often develop gradually, though some children with autism experience worsening in their communication and social skills after reaching developmental milestones at a normal pace.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

6. C

Sol. As stated from the passage options A, B and D are correct, there is no proof that autism can be cured through extensive physical therapy.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

7. A

Sol. Let us understand their meanings :-

Dissension = disagreement that leads to discord or difference of opinions.

Controversy = prolonged public disagreement or heated discussion.

Forbearance = patient self-control; restraint and tolerance.

Felicity = intense happiness.

Solace = comfort or consolation in a time of great distress or sadness.

Here the only possible synonym for dissension can be controversy.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

8. D

Sol. Let us understand their meanings :-

Consort = habitually associate with someone or something.

Clump = a small group of trees or plants growing closely together.

Boodle = money especially that gained or spent illegally or improperly.

Segregate = set apart from the rest or from each other; isolate or divide.

The only possible antonym for consort here can be segregate.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

9. C

Sol. The passage is a part of summary of an article on autism; this can be deduced by eliminating the options. As option D and B are out rightly eliminated and option A can be a likely answer but is also eliminated because option C fits the format of the passage (what, how, where).

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

10. B

Sol. As stated in the passage that autism is a highly variable, neurodevelopment disorder whose symptoms first appear during infancy or childhood, and generally follows a steady course without remission.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

11. B

Sol. Let's understand the meanings of the given words:

Afterthought = something that is thought of or added later.

Bereavement = the action or condition of being deprived of a close relation or friend.

Zephyr = a soft gentle breeze.

Substance = a particular kind of matter with uniform properties.

The sentence is talking about the cause behind “*loneliness*”. So, it must be a negative word.

Clearly, zephyr and substance are contextually incorrect. Option C and option D thus can be eliminated.

“*Afterthought*” also is not correct contextually and cannot be followed by “to”. Thus, option A can be listed out as well.

The blank will be filled appropriately by “**bereavement**” as it has a negative connotation and can be aptly followed by “to”.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

12. A

Sol. We can see that second blank is preceded by the verb “cut”.

Let's find out the correct preposition to complete the correct phrasal verb.

Cut across = to have an effect regardless of divisions or boundaries between groups.

Example: These subcultures cut across national and political boundaries

Cut back = reduce consumption.

Example: He needs to cut back on doughnuts. He weighs 289 pounds!

Cut down = bring down by cutting.

Example: They want to cut down several trees to make room for the parking lot.

Cut off = interrupt (someone speaking).

Example: That dingbat cut me off as I was about to conclude my theses.

After analyzing the meanings of the given words, we can clearly understand that “cut across” is the correct phrasal verb to explain the meaning of the sentence correctly.

So, Option B, Option C, and option D i.e. **back, down, off** can be eliminated.

Thus, the blank will be filled appropriately by “**across**”.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

13. C

Sol. Let's understand the meanings of the given words:

Belittle = dismiss (someone or something) as unimportant.

Sedate = calm, dignified, and unhurried.

Immune = protected or exempt.

Rabid = having or proceeding from extreme or fanatical support of our belief in something.

After analyzing the meaning of the words it is clear that we can eliminate option D at first as “rabid” is out of context.

“Belittle” is a verb and we need an adjective here. Thus option A can also be ruled out.

Sedate refers to a calmness caused due to drugs which is not the case here. This rules out option B as well.

Thus, the blank will be filled appropriately by “**Immune** ”.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

14. D

Sol. Let's understand the meanings of the given options at first:

Wherever = in or to whatever place.

While = at the same time; meanwhile.

Then = at that time; at the time in question.

Where = at, in, or to which (used after reference to a place or situation).

We need to use the adverb that can refer to the situation of a “particular kind of loneliness”.

After analyzing the meaning of the words it is clear that we can eliminate option B and option C as “while” and “then” refer to a time. This is not the case in the sentence.

Option A is also incorrect as “wherever” does not refer to anything particular, it refers to vague places.

Thus, the blank will be filled appropriately by “**Where** ”.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

15. A

Sol. The sentence refers that the institution of two opposite conditions “loneliness” and “amid dear ones and neighbours”.

Rather is used to indicate one's preference in a particular matter as in "I would rather stay home than going out".

Because of means by reason of as in "They moved here because of the baby".

Option C and option D can be ruled out at first as they are out of context.

Both "**despite**" and "**in spite of**" refers to without being affected by the particular factor mentioned.

For example: "he was suddenly cold in spite of the sun" or "despite the sun he was suddenly cold".

Since the blank is not followed the preposition "of", the blank will be filled appropriately by "**Despite**".

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

16. C

Sol. Let's understand the meanings of the given options at first:

Noiseless = silent or very quiet.

Merciful = showing or exercising mercy.

Crowded = (of a space) full of people, leaving little or no room for movement; packed.

Earthy = resembling or suggestive of earth or soil.

We need an adjective for the noun "towns" to refer to the situation or characteristics of the towns.

After analyzing the meaning of the words it is clear that we can eliminate option D as "**earthy**" is totally out of context.

Option A can also be listed out as it is a general knowledge fact that towns and cities are not quiet at all.

"Mercy" is also an odd context here as the line or the passage does not talk about sins, punishments, or mercy.

Thus, the blank will be filled appropriately by "**Crowded**".

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

17. D

Sol. Let's understand the meanings of the given options at first:

Insensible = (of a person or bodily extremity) without feeling; numb.

Aware = having knowledge or perception of a situation or fact.

Abiding = (of a feeling or memory) lasting a long time; enduring.

Keen = having or showing eagerness or enthusiasm.

From the passage, we can understand that lonely people are well aware of the problems they just lack the courage or interest to discuss their problems.

On this ground, we can rule out option A and option B as both insensibility and awareness includes knowledge, so “not insensible” or “not aware” does not make sense.

Option C is also eliminated as “abiding” is out of the context of the sentence, as well as the passage.

Thus, the blank will be filled appropriately by “**Keen**”.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

18. B

Sol. It is clear that we need a verb in the blank and all of the options are verbs.

Option A can be eliminated at first as we cannot “**see**” ashamed.

Option C and option D can be ruled out as well because neither of these verbs goes with “**ashamed**”.

“Shame” is a feeling, so we can only feel it.

Thus, the blank will be filled appropriately by “**feel**”.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

19. A

Sol. Let's understand the meanings of the given options at first:

Embarrassed = feeling awkward or self-conscious.

Bewildered = perplexed and confused; very puzzled.

Ignorant = lacking knowledge, information, or awareness about a particular thing.

Mellow = (of a person's character) tempered by maturity or experience.

After analyzing the meanings of the words we can understand that option D can be eliminated as “Mellow” is out of context here.

From the passage, we also get to know that lonely people are well aware of their condition, so they must not be “**Bewildered**” and “**Ignorant**”. Thus option B and option C can also be eliminated.

People are rather ashamed to talk about their conditions, they can be “embarrassed” indeed.

Thus, the blank will be filled appropriately by “**Embarrassed**”.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

20. C

Sol. Let's understand the meanings of the given options at first:

Condition = the state of something with regard to its appearance, quality, or working order.

Regret = feel sad, repentant, or disappointed.

Problem = a matter or thing to be worried about, difficulty, issue.

Apparatus = the technical equipment or machinery needed for a particular activity or purpose.

After analyzing the meanings of the words we can understand that option B and option D cannot be the correct answer as we cannot discuss “**Regret**” or “**Apparatus**”.

Also, “**Condition**” does not address any particular context here as needed. So we can eliminate option A as well.

Throughout the passage, we have been informed about the trouble and side effects caused by loneliness. So, it is indeed a problem.

Thus, the blank will be filled appropriately by “**Problem**”.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

21. C

Sol. Option a is factually correct, and one of the peculiar ways in which Marvel markets its movies, but it is not the reason which brought about a revolution in the world of comics.

Option b is factually true. People could relate to the teenage and mundane problems faced by Spider-Man, and this led to the comic becoming a huge success. But all this was a follow up of the revolution which had already been in action.

Option d is an assertion which is not based upon anything stated in the passage. Hence, it can be eliminated.

Option c mentions that he introduced superheroes who were more relatable. The passage also mentions that his decision to design superheroes to appeal to older readers revolutionized the comic.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

22. D

Sol. Let's understand the meaning of the given words:-

Grudge = a persistent feeling of ill will or resentment resulting from a past insult or injury.

Gregarious = a word used to refer to socializable individuals.

Convivial = a friendly, lively, and enjoyable person/environment.

Gargantuan = huge.

Rancour =means bitterness and is contextually similar to the original word 'grudge'.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

23. C

Sol. According to the passage, Stan Lee's decision to introduce superheroes which were designed to appeal to older readers revolutionized the comics. The superheroes were made more relatable to the general public and the trend started with 'The Fantastic Four'.

The passage further mentions that the comics showed the superheroes squabbling, which is to quarrel

noisily over a trivial matter. It portrayed them holding deep and petty grudges against each other.

Option C, which mentions that the heroes were often caught bickering over trivial matters, is the closest among the options to what the passage hints at. The other options are assertions that are not present in the passage, and hence can not be commented upon.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

24. B

Sol. Most of the superheroes of the past lead a double life, the normal person they were during the day and the superheroes they become in case of any danger or trouble but anonymously. With the advent of new superheroes this trend changed and the stars led their life the way they were. The word 'eschew' means to avoid or shun away.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

25. B

Sol. According to the passage, what distinguished Marvel comics from others was the revolution that was triggered by deciding to create more human-like heroes. The passage further elaborates on how the decision was implemented and how it became a huge success. By focusing on characterization and adult issues, Marvel created a niche for themselves and hence grew a reputation different from other comics. As option B is the only option that mentions these two things.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

26. B

Sol. • The first statement of the passage is a well-known proverb and for this proverb, **MASTER** is the most suitable word to be used.
• The word '**slave**' is the antonym of MASTER and to keep the proverb relevant option B should be the right answer.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

27. A

Sol. According to the remaining part of the passage, we notice that it talks about the life style of the western

which is not easy for everybody to live. So, in the meaning of **difficult for the dreams** **ELUSIVE** is the most suitable word to be used.

The word Difficulty cannot be used because it is an adverb and an adverb cannot qualify a noun word DREAM.

The word HARD is used to describe work or physical status of something, so it cannot be used in the blank.

The word EASY is irrelevant to be used in the context of dream.

Only the word ELUSIVE fits in the blank.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

28. D

Sol. The word 'of' is a preposition and the word like a noun, pronoun and gerund that follows it, is considered object for the preposition.

And in the context of a non-finite verb only a Gerund can be used as an object of the Preposition.

Therefore, **BEING which can be used as a gerund** is the most suitable word to be used.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

29. C

Sol. In the context of material comforts Building, Making and Innovating are not suitable words to be used.

Since Building is a word which is used for physical structure, making changes the meaning of the sentence and Innovating is used to create something new by updating it.

Therefore, the most suitable word is **CREATING to be used**.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

30. C

Sol. To express the sense of possession or relation, the preposition 'of' is used and in the context of Standard of life of someone "**of**" is the most suitable word to be used.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

31. D

Sol. The author is describing ISRO's decision of opening a space centre but he is skeptical about the decision.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

32. A

Sol. From the passage, it can be inferred that at a time when India is yet to master the expertise required to ensure human viability on its missions, a space station could be a futile exercise without a human crew on board.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

33. B

Sol. From the passage, we can infer that the best-suited title for the passage is "Reality check on India's space dreams."

The passage is about the decision to set up a separate space station, but it has also stated the risks involved with it.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

34. A

Sol. Daunting means something that is difficult to be done.

Thus, the word "difficult" is the only one among the options that is close in meaning.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

35. A

Sol. Refer to the line "Considering how India has recently notched up several firsts through its space missions in the recent past, the scientific community feels it has it to take on the challenge."

The scientific community feels that they are capable enough to carry on with the plan of setting up a separate space station.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

36. C

Sol. Refer to the line "The second lunar mission is set for launch on July 15 and unlike the first mission in 2008, it has set a much more daunting objective—to attempt a soft landing on the moon."

Thus, to land on the moon softly is the objective of the Chandrayaan 2 mission.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

37. C

Sol. It has been mentioned in the passage that ISRO's station would be stationed in a low-earth orbit at an altitude of 400 km above the earth's surface.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

38. A

Sol. It has been mentioned in the passage that ISRO has not yet mastered the expertise required to ensure human viability on its missions.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

39. A

Sol. Refer to the last line of 1st paragraph, "The stakes are high as Israel recently failed to attempt its first landing on the moon."

Thus, it can be concluded from this sentence that it will not be so simple for ISRO's second lunar mission.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

40. A

Sol. According to the government scientists, after the human space flight mission, coming up with their own space station is the next big step.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

41. B

Sol. Let's first see the meanings of the given words:

Portray = to show, represent, depict.

Model = use (a system, procedure, etc.) as an example to follow or imitate.

Reverse = to move backward.

Define = to say exactly what a word or idea means

- After the auxiliary "is", we use the verb in the third form.
- Out of the remaining two options, only "modeled" fits in the blank contextually.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

42. A

Sol. Let's first see the meanings of the given words:

Accumulated = to collect a large number of things over a long period of time

Escaped = having got free

Diversify = to start to include more different types or things

Analyzed = to study something in a systematic and careful way

- After "be", we use the third form of the verb.
- Out of the remaining three options, "accumulated" and "escaped" do not make any sense in the passage.
- We can study the three aspects of habit. Thus, the word "analyzed" fits in the blank.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

43. C

- Sol.
- The sentence gives the impression that whatever our minds will relate to, we will get habituated to it and make that particular aspect evident and more precisely a 'habit'.
 - "Associate" is close in meaning to relate and will give a coherent meaning to the sentence.
 - The sentence is a general sentence. Thus, it should be in the simple present tense.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

44. D

- Sol. • The sentence conveys the idea that how a man **behaves and shows** it, is the actual habit that he has imbibed.
- The word "**exhibits**" fits in the blank to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

Other words and their meanings:

Veils = to cover something, especially the face or body, with a veil

Outshine = to be much more skillful and successful than someone

Defines = to say what the meaning of something, especially a word, is

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

45. B

- Sol. • The sentence conveys the idea that we all start something in order to achieve our goal, but later that goal becomes obsolete and that thing becomes automatic.
- Thus, the word "initially" fits in the blank perfectly.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

46. D

- Sol. It is clearly stated that keeping employees happy, motivated, and on the payroll is one of the key concerns to businesses these days. The one given in option D is not mentioned in the passage.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

47. B

- Sol. It is clearly stated that employers must come up with irresistible incentives to keep top talent on board.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

48. A

Sol. The passage states different reasons like better compensations, career opportunities, new experiences, or dissatisfaction for which people leave their jobs.

Option A, family constraints especially after getting married is not mentioned anywhere in the passage.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

49. D

Sol. It can be inferred that there are several other perks that can make the employees happy and satisfied.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

50. C

Sol. The passage talks about bringing the best out of the employees, keeping them motivated, and making them feel satisfied.

Thus, **option C** has the most suitable title for the passage.

Hence, it is the correct answer.

51. A

Sol. • We need an adjective in the blank for the noun "tussle".

• "Strategic" is the grammatically correct option here as it is an adjective used to qualify the noun "tussle".

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

52. B

Sol. • Also, the tense used is simple present tense as confirmed by the word "today".

• So "is set" is the most appropriate option.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

53. B

- Sol.
- "Deeper" is the grammatically correct option as parallelism follows in the clauses joined using the conjunction "and".
 - Thus the comparative degree of "deep" should be used.
 - The comparative degree of "deep" is "deeper".

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

54. D

- Sol.
- "Lead" will take the preposition "to" after it.
 - An adverb is required here as it will describe the adjective "beneficial".
 - "Mutually" is an adverb.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

55. B

- Sol.
- A noun is required in the blank as parallelism follows in the sentence.
 - Out of the given options, only "transparency" and "transpiration" are nouns.
 - But, "transpiration" is contextually irrelevant. Thus, "transparency" is the correct option.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

56. C

Sol. The sentence is grammatically incorrect and **the error lies in option C.**

- Here, the usage of verb is incorrect.
- The sentence violates the subject-verb agreement because of the incorrect usage of 'arrives'.

- Police is a noun that describes a collection of police officers.
- Hence, it has no singular form and **always uses a plural verb**.
- Thus, '**arrives**' should be replaced with '**arrive**' to form a grammatically correct sentence.

The correct sentence should be :- **If your house has been burgled, you shouldn't touch anything until the police arrive.**

57. A

Sol. **Option A** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of "was".

- The above sentence is an example of conditional sentence.
- The verb phrase "**were to**" is sometimes used in conditional sentences when the likely or unlikely result is particularly awful or unthinkable.

e.g. If I were to be sick, I would miss another day of work.

- The above sentence is also like the one mentioned here.
- Thus, replace "was" with "were" to make the sentence grammatically sound.

The correct sentence will be: **If he were rich, he would not need the scholarship to go to the UK for higher studies.**

58. D

Sol. The given blank needs to be filled with a **verb**.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words :-

- **Examined** = to look at or consider a person or thing carefully and in detail in order to discover something about them.
- **Pursued** = to follow someone or something, usually to try to catch him, her, or it.

- **Provided** = to give someone something that they need.
- **Observed** = to watch carefully the way something happens or the way someone does something, especially in order to learn more about it.
 - Here, we want a verb that mentions the careful watch on something.
 - Thus, '**observed**' is the most suited one.

Hence **option D** is the correct answer.

59. A

Sol. Let's first see the meanings of the conjunctions:

Even though = despite the fact that.

But = used to introduce an added statement, usually something that is different from what you have said before

Whether = (used especially in reporting questions and expressing doubts) if, or not

Now that = used to give an explanation of a new situation

- The sentence means to say that Asha and Rima could not get admission in the college despite the fact that they had already managed to get a passing score in the official exam.
- Thus, "even though" fits in the blank.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

60. A

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- The given sentence should be in the present perfect tense and in the passive form.

- The present perfect passive expresses and emphasizes previous actions with present implications that began in the past and continued up to the present while moving an object from an active sentence into the subject position.
- In this sentence, a report was sent in past but no action has been taken till now.
- Thus, '**no action has been taken**' is the appropriate choice.

The correct sentence will be: **My friend lamented that though a complete report was sent to the department a month ago, no action has been taken so far.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

61. B

Sol. The idiom "**Hobson's choice**" refers to the choice of either taking what is available or nothing at all.

e.g. It's a case of Hobson's choice, because if I don't agree to their terms, I'll lose my job.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

62. D

Sol. The given sentence is in active form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in **past indefinite tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Subject + V2 + Object**

Passive Voice: **Object + was/were + Verb (V3 form) + by + Subject**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **I was struck on the head by a stone.**

P.S.: "on the head" is the adverbial phrase for verb "struck". It should be placed right after it not at the end as done in Option A.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

63. D

Sol. Let us understand the meaning of the given words :-

Bugbear = a cause of obsessive fear, anxiety, or irritation.

E.g. :- Smoking is a particular bugbear of his.

Calmness = the state or condition of being free from disturbance or violent activity.

E.g. :- He has a very calm manner.

Prevail = prove more powerful or superior.

Seamless = having no awkward transitions, interruptions, or indications of disparity.

Dislike = not like or have a feeling of aversion or antipathy towards something or someone.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

64. A

Sol. **Option A** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of the auxiliary verb "has".

- For the plural subject "recommendations", we need a plural auxiliary verb (because of the "subject-verb agreement rule").
- Thus, replace "has" with "have" to make the sentence grammatically sound.

The correct sentence will be: **The recommendations have been shared with the state police organisations.**

65. A

Sol. The given sentence is in **Direct Speech**.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- The reporting verb is in past tense and hence reported speech will undergo the following transformation.

- Pronoun 'You' will be changed to objective form 'me'.
- The answer to the interrogative sentence under reported speech is given as 'yes' or 'no'.
- Therefore, the commas will be replaced with 'if'.
- Reporting verb 'said to' is replaced with 'asked',

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **The airport helper asked me if he should fetch me a trolley.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

66. C

Sol. • The given sentence is of direct speech.

- Here, the object is "children".
- Since the reporting verb (said) is in the past tense, changes will be made to the tense of the reported speech tense while changing it to indirect speech.
- Also, the word "this" will change to "that" and "shall" will change to "would".
- The first person pronoun "I" will change according to the subject to "he".

Some aspirants might get confused as the sentence in indirect speech uses "that" two times here. The first "that" is working as a conjunction to add the reporting and reported speech. The other "that" is the conversion as we know that in indirect speech "this" gets changed to "that".

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **The teacher told the children that that was the last lesson he would give them.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

67. D

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically and contextually correct.

- The correct preposition is "towards" as it shows the love in the direction of all living beings.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

68. C

- Sol.
- The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage.
 - Here, the passage is about agriculture.
 - Sentence **S1** talks about the desperation for a good monsoon.
 - The next sentence should be **Q** as it tells us that agriculture productivity has been static or dropping since the days of the green revolution.
 - Also, only sentence **R** is well preceded by S6.
 - There is only one sequence starting with Q and ending with R.

Thus, the **correct sequence is QSPR**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **'The desperation for a good monsoon is understandable. Agriculture productivity has been static or dropping after the happy days of the green revolution. Yet, 25 percent of India's GDP still comes from the farm sector. Agriculture provides a livelihood to about 70% of the population. Those below the poverty line, who are in large numbers, are totally dependent on the monsoon. And they are the ones politicians count during elections.'**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

69. D

Sol. **Option D** has the correctly spelt word. "County" means the territorial division of a country , forming chief

unit of local administration.

Correct spelling of other words along with their meanings:

Commit = to carry out an immoral act or crime.

Embarrass = to cause someone to feel awkward , self-conscious.

Toward = something that is going on or is in progress.

70. B

Sol. **Euthanasia** = the painless killing of a patient suffering from an incurable and painful disease or in an irreversible coma. We can call it mercy killing as in it, the patient begs to be killed.

Suicide = the act of killing oneself.

Immolation = to kill or offer as a sacrifice, especially by burning.

Asphyxiation = the state or process of being deprived of oxygen, which can result in unconsciousness or death; suffocation.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

71. B

Sol. The given sentence is in active form of an **interrogative sentence**. The sentence is in **present continuous tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Is/are/am + subject + verb (ing) + object?**

Passive Voice: **Is/are/am + object + being + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject?**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into active voice: **Is the chief guest being received at the station?**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

72. C

Sol.

- S1 mentions that the sea at Timbulsloko didn't just sweep inside on its own. The demonstrative pronoun "this" is talking about the reason why it happened (due to human intervention). This makes Q next in the sequence.
- R and S will form a mandatory pair as R mentions how Mangrove trees had protected them in the past and S talks about what happened when they were cut down.
- P will be the final sentence in the sequence.

Thus, the correct sequence is **QRSP**

After rearranging the sentences, the passage will be: **The sea at Timbulsloko, Indonesia, didn't just sweep in by itself, eroding the coast by miles. This gradual inundation was caused by human choices. Mangroves had shielded the land since time immemorial, allowing agriculture to flourish. But once people started to cut them, the sea began to reshape the coast, even washing away villages. Now, brushwood and bamboo structures have been set up to slow the tides, encourage sediment build-up, Which will hopefully lead to the eventual formation of new mangroves.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

73. B

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- The underlined part needs a verb that justifies proper reasoning "why Rahul is tired". This is possible only when someone is doing something in the perfect continuous tense. Also, the sentence given here is in present tense; hence **present perfect continuous tense** should be used. "**has been working**" is the correct form of the verb here.
- The present perfect continuous shows that something started in the past and is continuing at the present time. The present perfect continuous is formed using the construction has/have been + the present participle (root + -ing).

- Also, "8 o'clock" is a specific point of time. So it is better to use "since" with it.
- Hence, "**has been working since**" is the correct improvement.

Thus, the correct sentence will be: **Rahul, an employee of a top management firm, is tired as he has been working since 8 o'clock in the evening.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

74. A

Sol. The phrase "**take into account**" means to consider or remember something when judging a situation.

e.g. Taking into account the possibility of stormy weather, we decided to spring for a cabin instead of pitching a tent.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

75. A

Sol. The given sentence is in **Direct Speech**.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- It is an exclamatory sentence.
- **Said** will be changed to '**exclaimed with joy**' in indirect speech.
- The inverted commas will be removed and the conjunction 'that' will be used.
- As the reported speech starts with the word 'how', we will use 'very' before the adjective.
- The reported speech is in a simple present tense and it will be changed to a simple past tense.
- The reported verb will be made assertive i.e the subject will be kept before the verb.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **She exclaimed with joy that the child was very lovely.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

76. D

Sol. Let's understand the meaning of the given words :-

Drastic = forceful and extreme and rigorous.

E.g. :- Many employees have had to take drastic cuts in pay.

Dramatic = suitable to or characteristic of drama.

Realistic = aware or expressing awareness of things as they really are.

Severe = intensely or extremely bad or unpleasant in degree or quality.

E.g. :- This is a school for children with severe learning difficulties.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

77. B

Sol. • Sentence **S** is about the population affected by high levels of Arsenic, so it should be our first sentence.

• Sentence **R** seems to be the continuation of sentence S as it gives further information about the population affected by high levels of Arsenic.

• Sentence **Q** explains the way in which the polluted water is treated for the use of the public.

• But, sentence **P** further explains that in rural parts of India it is not feasible, so it will be the concluding statement.

Thus, the correct sequence is **SRQP**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: **In India, close to 24 crore people living in 21 states have been drinking water containing high levels of arsenic. Among them, the majority live in the Gangetic and Brahmaputra plains, where untreated water from tube wells has notorious levels of**

this cancer-causing chemical. Developed countries and big cities have a centralized water treatment system to purify water, including arsenic removal. In rural areas of India, settlements are smaller and spread out, and a central water treatment facility is not feasible.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

78. B

Sol. **Commission** = a fee for services rendered based on a percentage of an amount received, collected or agreed to be paid (as distinguished from a salary).

Salary = a fixed regular payment, typically paid on a monthly basis but often expressed as an annual sum, made by an employer to an employee, especially a professional or white-collar worker.

Fee = a payment made to a professional person or to a professional or public body in exchange for advice or services.

Incentive = a thing that motivates or encourages someone to do something.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

79. A

Sol. The given sentence is in the **present perfect tense** and it is in **active form**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active: Subject + has/have + verb (IIIrd form) + object...

Passive: Object + has/have + been + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject...

So, the passive voice of the given sentence would be: **I have been promised a bicycle by my father.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

80. C

Sol. The given sentence is in the active form. The sentence is in the **present perfect tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: Subject + has/have + Verb (V3 form) + Object

Passive Voice: Object + has/have + been + Verb (V3 form) + by + Subject

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **A new breed of monkey has been recently discovered by scientists.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

81. A

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- Second conditional sentences are useful for expressing outcomes that are completely unrealistic or will *not* likely happen in the future.
- Use the simple past tense in the if-clause and an auxiliary modal verb (e.g., could, should, would, might) in the main clause (the one that expresses the unrealistic or unlikely outcome).

For example, if people complained, things would change.

- The given sentence talks about a possible future event if the subject knew Spanish.
- Therefore, the underlined segment should be replaced with 'knew some' to make the sentence grammatically correct.

The correct sentence will be: **If I knew some Spanish, I would help you with your Spanish assignment now.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

82. D

Sol. The given sentence is in **Direct Speech**.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- The given sentence is in interrogative form.
- **Said to** will be changed to '**asked**' as it is an interrogative sentence.
- As the reported speech is in a yes/no question form, "if" will be used before the reported speech.
- Inverted commas will be removed and '**if**' will be used.
- The tense of the reported speech is in the present perfect tense and it will be changed to the past perfect tense.
- Also, the reported speech will be made assertive i.e. it will be kept in the order of subject + verb.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **Teacher asked the children if they had prepared well for the finals.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

83. A

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- The given sentence is an example of a conditional sentence.
- Third conditional sentences are used to explain that present circumstances would be different if something different had happened in the past.
- We use the past perfect (i.e., had + past participle) in the if-clause. The modal auxiliary (would, could, should, etc.) + have + past participle in the main clause expresses the theoretical situation that *could* have happened.
- Thus, replace the underlined part with "had remembered".

The correct sentence will be: **If you had remembered to bring the map, we would have not lost our way.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

84. A

Sol. **Option A** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of "still".

- "Still" can be used in a sentence as a noun, verb, adjective, or adverb.
- The above sentence consists of two parts. The latter part mentions that one must possess a no-objection certificate by the concerned police station. And the reason why one must possess it is given in the former part.
- "Still" doesn't impart any meaning to the sentence.
- Thus, replace it with "since" which means "because".

The correct sentence will be: **Since a license is mandatory for possessing a weapon, a no-objection certificate by the concerned police station is essential for the purchase, sale, transfer of a weapon.**

85. B

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

- "**My parents**" is a subject and "**writes**" is a verb that should be in agreement with the subject of the sentence.
- Thus, plural "write" should be used but here sentence is talking about the **past event**.
- So we have to **change our verb in accordance with tense of the sentence**. Hence, **second form of the verb "wrote"** is correct.
- Thus, "**wrote a letter to me**" is preferred over, "wrote to me a letter".

The correct sentence will be: **My parents wrote a letter to me when I was in boarding school.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

86. D

Sol. • The given sentence is of direct speech.

- The given speech is an imperative sentence.

- The reporting verb "said" will be changed to 'forbade' in the indirect narration.

- With "forbade", we do not use "not".

- The conjunction 'to' will be used to connect the reporting and the reported part of the sentence.

- The verb to be used after 'to' should be in V1 form i.e. ride(without s/es).

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **The father forbade his son to ride a bicycle without wearing a helmet.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

87. B

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- An adjective is used to modify a noun.

- However, in the given sentence, a noun, 'incoherence' meaning 'the quality of being illogical, inconsistent, or unclear' is used before the noun 'statements'.

- Therefore, 'incoherence' must be replaced with the adjective 'incoherent' meaning '(of spoken or written language) expressed in an incomprehensible or confusing way; unclear'.

- Also, we use the subjunctive mood to explore conditional or imaginary situations.

For example, I wish I were there to have a drink with you.

- The given sentence mentions an imaginary situation i.e. it seemed like the subject was fantasizing about something.
- Hence, 'is' should be replaced with 'were' to make the sentence grammatically correct.
- Therefore, the underlined segment should be replaced with 'incoherent statements as if he were' to make the sentence grammatically correct.

The correct sentence will be: **The suspect was yelling incoherent statements as if he were hallucinating.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

88. A

Sol. The idiom "**wash dirty linen in public**" means to discuss private or embarrassing matters in public, especially when quarreling.

e.g. The company may have real problems, but it's unfortunate that the directors have chosen to wash their dirty linen in public through the press.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

89. B

Sol. The idiom "**dutch Courage**" refers to the strength or confidence gained after drinking alcohol.

e.g. Joe gets into a lot of fights when he drinks, and I suspect that Dutch courage is to blame.

Inebriated means someone who is drunk.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

90. B

Sol. **Tranquillity** = calmness.

Hassle = irritating inconvenience; something that is annoying.

Harmony = a situation in which people are peaceful and agree with each other.

Rectitude = morally correct behaviour or thinking.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

91. A

Sol. Let us understand the meaning of the given words:-

Flinty = severe and determined.

E.g. :- He looked at me with flinty eyes.

Soft = compassionate and kind; conciliatory.

E.g. :- I like chocolates with soft centres.

Steely = resembling steel as in hardness.

Awkward = causing difficulty; hard to do or deal with.

Pre-emptive = serving or intended to pre-empt or forestall something, especially to prevent attack by disabling the enemy.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

92. B

Sol. • The given sentence shows the conversation between two people. The first speech is an interrogative sentence while the other one is the answer.
• The reported speech starts with the modal verb "can" here.
• So, we will use "if/whether" in the indirect speech to connect the reporting and reported speech.

- "Can" would change to "could".
- Also, the part "No" will change to "I could not".

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **He asked me if I could sing and I said that I couldn't.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

93. B

Sol. **Option B** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of "unless".

- The preposition "until" is used to mean "as far as" whereas "unless" denotes "Condition".

e.g. Stay on the bus until 57th Street and then walk one block west.

e.g. You can't get a job unless you have experience.

- Thus, replace "unless" with "until" to make the sentence grammatically sound.

The correct sentence will be: **You should stay on the train until Manchester and then change.**

94. A

Sol. • The given sentence is of direct narration.

- The reporting verb is in V1 form. It will change to "tells".
- Since the reporting verb is in V1 form, no change is made in the tense of the reported speech.
- The first person pronoun 'I' will be changed as per the subject(he) of the sentence to 'he'.
- The main verb of the reported speech will be changed to "exercises" according to the singular pronoun 'he'.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **He tells me that he exercises regularly.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

95. A

Sol. The given sentence is in active form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in **simple past tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Subject + verb (IInd form) + object.**

Passive Voice: **Object + was/were + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into active voice:

Our notebooks were corrected by the teacher.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

96. D

Sol. The given sentence is in active form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in the **present perfect tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Subject + might have + Verb (V3 form) + Object.**

Passive Voice: **Object + might have + been + Verb (V3 form) + by + Subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into active voice: **Students might have been given some concessions by their teachers.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

97. C

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- The idiom "kick up a row" means to show great anger about something, especially when this does not seem necessary.

e.g. My mom kicked up a row when the store refused to accept her return without a receipt.

- Thus, replace the underlined part with "up a".

The correct sentence will be: **The new bank clerk kicked up a row with a colleague.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

98. A

Sol. **Option A** has been incorrectly spelt. The correct spelling is 'introduction' which means an occasion when something is put into use or brought to a place for the first time.

The meaning of other words are :-

Distinction = a difference between two similar things

Extraordinary = very unusual, special, unexpected, or strange

Repaired = to put something that is damaged, broken, or not working correctly, back into good condition or make it work again

99. A

Sol. The sentence is grammatically incorrect and **the error lies in option A.**

- Here, the usage of tense is incorrect.
- The given sentence is an example of **third conditional sentences**.
- Third conditional sentences are used to explain that present circumstances would be different if something different had happened in the past.
- When using the third conditional, we use the past perfect (i.e., had + past participle) in the if-clause.
- The **modal auxiliary (would, could, should, etc.) + have + past participle** in the main clause expresses the theoretical situation that could have happened.

- Thus, '**would cook**' must be replaced with '**would have cooked**' to form a grammatically correct sentence.

The correct sentence should be :- **If she had more free time, she would have cooked all her meals at home.**

100. A

- Sol.
- The above paragraph is about the methods of communication stating speech is the first. This makes the statement **Q** first in the sequence.
 - Statement **P** follows the first part as it refers to the second medium that came into existence after the speech.
 - Statement **S** will follow P as it states the third medium of communication.
 - **R** will be the concluding sentence.

Thus, the correct sequence is **QPSR**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: **Speech was the first means of conveying information. Then writing as a means introduced a capacity for storing information. Thirdly printing helped in the dissemination of knowledge in a permanent form. However, all these are passive media.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

101. B

- Sol.
- The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Inexhaustible and exhaustible natural resources**. Thus, **P** will be the first sequence.
 - **R** will be the next in the sequence as it gives examples of Inexhaustible natural resources.
 - **Q** will be the next as it mentions about exhaustible natural resources.

- **S** will be the final sentence of the sequence as it gives examples of exhaustible natural resources.

Thus, the **correct sequence is PRQS.**

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **Inexhaustible natural resources are present in unlimited quantity in nature. Examples of these resources are sunlight, air. Exhaustible natural resources can be exhausted by human activities. Examples of these resources are forests, wildlife, minerals, coal, petroleum, natural gas etc.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

102. B

Sol. **Plaintive** = sounding sad and mournful.

Fugitive = a person who has escaped from captivity or is in hiding.

Accretive = the process of growth or increase by gradual addition.

Adventives = a species that has arrived in a new locality.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

103. B

Sol. The given sentence is in active form of an **interrogative sentence**. The sentence is in **past indefinite tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Did + Subject + V1 + Object.**

Passive Voice: **Was/were + Object + Verb (V3 form) + by + Subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **Was the result of the match never heard by you?**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

104. D

Sol. • This given sentence is of direct narration. The speech is an exclamatory sentence.

- The reporting verb "said" will be changed to "exclaimed".
- The inverted commas will be removed and "that" will be used.
- As the reported speech starts with 'what a', we'll use the word 'very' in indirect speech.
- The exclamation mark will be removed and a full stop will be used.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **He exclaimed that it was a very cold day.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

105. C

Sol. • The given sentence is of direct speech.

- The reported speech is an imperative sentence.
- "Please" will be removed from the sentence.
- The reporting verb "said" will change to "requested" which will be followed by the object Rita.
- The first person pronouns "me" and "my" will change according to the subject (Rahul) to "him" and "his".

Therefore, the sentence in indirect speech will be: **Rahul requested Rita to help him with his PowerPoint presentation.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

106. B

Sol. Let's understand the meaning of the given words:

Vibrant = Vigorous and animated

Brisk = Quick and energetic

Vivacious = Vigorous and animated

- We use the adjective "**brisk**" for a walk.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

107. C

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- Certain verbs take direct V+ing after them. For eg: Avoid, mind, detest, resist, enjoy.
- For example:

They **enjoyed riding** through the valley.

- Also, Modal “will” expresses a prediction. But the sense of the sentence is about giving advice; hence we have to prefer “should” modal over “will” to improve the mood of the sentence.
- Hence, “**should avoid making**” is the correct improvement.

Thus, the correct sentence will be: **The manager remarked that we should avoid making such small errors in the production stage.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

108. D

Sol. The given sentence is in the active form. It is in the **simple past tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active: Subject + verb (Ind form) + object...

Passive: Object + was/were + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject...

So, with the help of the above structures, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **Good marks were seldom obtained by those who worked hard.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

109. D

Sol. • The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Metals and Non-metallic oxides**. Thus, **Q** will be the first sequence.

- **S** will be the next in the sequence as the word “they” refers to “metal oxides”.
- **P** will be the next as it talks about the non-metallic oxides.
- **R** will be the final sentence of the sequence as the word “they” refers to “non-metallic oxides”.

Thus, the **correct sequence is QSPR.**

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **On burning, metals react with oxygen to produce metal oxides. They are basic in nature. Non-metals react with oxygen to produce non- metallic oxides. They are acidic in nature.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

110. A

Sol. **Option A** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of “to”.

- When defining two or more end parameters, “between” is most effectively linked with “and”.

e.g. The Ministry plans to construct between 50 and 60 cyclone shelters.

- Thus, replace “to” with “and” to make the sentence grammatically sound.

The correct sentence will be: **Ahmad Shah Durrani invaded India eight times between 1748 and 1767.**

111. B

- Sol.
- **R** starts the narration. It tells us about a family who lives on the second floor of a building and is frustrated with the milkman.
 - **Q** takes the story ahead as the woman tells him that he is too old to carry the milk can.
 - **S** is in link with Q as in S she suggests that he should carry only one-fourth full can of milk.

Thus, the correct sequence is **RQSP**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: **We stayed on the second floor of an individual house and my mother was very angry with the old man who brought diluted milk to us. One day she said to him that he was too old to climb upstairs with the heavy can of milk. She suggested to him that he should come up with the can, one-fourth full with milk. Then she would add the three-fourths water that he would anyway add to the milk. So that he was not burdened with climbing upstairs with the heavy can.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

112. D

- Sol.
- The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Visit to Georgia**. Thus, **P** will be the first sequence.
 - **S** will be the next in the sequence as it adds what is special about this visit.
 - **R** will be the next as it mentions the details about the visit.
 - **Q** will be the final sentence of the sequence as it mentions the expected outcome of the visit.

Thus, the **correct sequence is PSRQ**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **External Affairs Minister will pay a two-day official visit to Georgia. This will be the first visit of an Indian EAM to independent Georgia. During the visit, the EAM will have a bilateral meeting with his counterpart. The visit would further strengthen the close and cordial relations between India and Georgia.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

113. C

Sol. The sentence is grammatically incorrect and **the error lies in option C.**

- Here, the usage of adjective is incorrect.
- The verb 'manage' **needs an adverb** while an adjective is used which is erroneous.
- '**Efficiency**' **should be replaced with 'efficiently'** meaning 'in a way that achieves maximum productivity with minimum wasted effort or expense' to form a grammatically correct sentence.

The correct sentence should be :- **Consultants can help academic institutions to manage their resources more efficiently.**

114. C

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words first:-

- **Motivation** = the act of motivating; providing incentive.
 - **Inspiration** = a product of your creative thinking and work.
 - **Confidence** = freedom from doubt; belief in yourself and your abilities.
 - **Motive** = a reason for doing something; intention.
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- In order to take a step against someone, we need to know in advance about their intention.
 - The word confidence does not make any sense in the given sentence contextually.
 - The correct word here would be "motive".
 - Thus, '**motive of your opponents**' is the correct improvement.

The correct sentence will be: '**Try to understand the motive of your opponents before you take any step against them.**'

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

115. A

Sol. The given sentence is in the **active voice** and it uses a **modal verb**.

The structures for active/passive voices for modal verbs are:

Active: Subject + modal verb + verb (Ist form) + object...

Passive: Object + modal verb + be + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject...

So, with the help of the above structures, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **The robots are so small that they can barely be seen.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

116. C

Sol. The idiom "**an axe to grind**" means to have a selfish reason for saying or doing something.

e.g. He seems like a decent bloke and I've got no axe to grind with him.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

117. C

Sol. • The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Synthetic fibres**. Thus, **Q** will be the first sequence.
• **S** will be the next in the sequence as it shows the qualities of synthetic fibres.
• **R** will be the next as it mentions another polymer "Plastic".

- P will be the final sentence of the sequence as it concludes by adding more details to “Plastic” mentioned in previous sentence R.

Thus, the **correct sequence is QSRP.**

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **Synthetic fibres possess unique characteristics which make them popular dress materials. They dry up quickly, are durable, less expensive, readily available and easy to maintain. Plastic is also a polymer like the synthetic fibre. All plastics do not have the same type of arrangement of units.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

118. A

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

- It is clear from the sentence that **the name of one boy** is being called out. So, it **wrong to use “boys”.**
- Article **THE is used before the ordinals**. Thus, “the last” is correct.
- Thus, “**of the last boy**” is the correct improvement.

The correct sentence will be: **The captain called out the name of the last boy standing in the parade.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

119. B

Sol. The given sentence is in active form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in **present perfect tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: Subject + has/have + Verb (V3 form) + Object

Passive Voice: Object + has/have + been + Verb (V3 form) + by + Subject

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice : **She has been granted a scholarship by the Director.**

(or it could also be: A scholarship has been granted to her by the Director.)

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

120. B

Sol. The given sentence is in Direct Speech because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

To change exclamatory sentences into indirect speech, follow the following rules along with the above-mentioned rules:

- In case, there is an interjection, i.e., alas, aha, hurray, etc. in the reported speech, then they are omitted along with sign of exclamation.
- Reporting verb, i.e., said is always replaced with exclaimed with joy, exclaimed with sorrow, exclaimed joyfully, exclaimed sorrowfully or exclaimed with great wonder or sorrow.
- In case, there is what or how at the beginning of the reported speech, then they are replaced with very or very great.
- In an indirect sentence, the exclamatory sentence becomes an assertive sentence.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **She exclaimed with great joy that she had got the highest marks in the exam.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

121. A

Sol. The given sentence is in Direct Speech because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

To change optative sentences into indirect speech, follow the following rules along with the above-mentioned rules:

- In case, the reported speech starts with the word may, then the reporting verb said is replaced with the word prayed.
- In case, the reported speech starts with the word would, then the reporting verb said is replaced with the word wished.
- May is changed to might.
- Mark of exclamation is omitted.
- In indirect speech, the optative sentences become assertive sentences.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **My mother prayed that I might live long.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

122. C

Sol. The sentence is grammatically incorrect and **the error lies in option C.**

- Here, the usage of tense is incorrect.
- Parallelism uses similar words, phrases, or clauses to show that ideas have the same level of importance.
- It is the use of components in a sentence that are grammatically the same; or similar in their construction, sound, meaning.
- In the given sentence, the verb in the first instance is a past participle while in the second instance, it is in the present tense.
- Thus, '**demonstrates**' should be replaced with '**demonstrated**' to form a parallel sentence.

The correct sentence should be :- **The industrial designer gave a brief description of her new design,**

and then she demonstrated the product.

123. D

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically correct and needs no improvement.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

124. C

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- We want a person in the sentence, and not the dependent possessive pronoun 'your'.
- With the second person "you", we use the verb "do" (and not "does").
- Also, with the second person "you", we use "have" (and not "has").
- Thus, replace the underlined part with "**Do you have enough**".

The correct sentence will be: **Do you have enough flour to make the bread?**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

125. A

Sol. **Volatile** = a substance easily evaporated at normal temperatures.

Steadfast = resolutely or dutifully firm and unwavering.

Enduring = lasting over a period of time.

Definite = clearly stated or decided.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

126. C

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

- "Flew" is a verb, "Ganesh" is the subject.

- “Ganesh flew” where? Answer to this question shows that we **need an adverb of place for “flew” verb.**
- But “house” can be **adjective or verb**. Thus, “**home**” is correct here since it **can be used as an adverb**.
- “**Attend**” is a verb hence we have to choose “to” for “to + V1” form.
- Choosing “**to**” over “**for**” has two benefits: 1. it **maintains the infinitive form of verb** 2. **it helps in giving the reason as to “why Ganesh flew”**.
- “**For**” will show the reason but **it won’t help in maintaining the infinitive form** of verb.
- So, “**flew home to attend**” is the correct improvement.

The correct sentence will be: **Ganesh flew home to attend his father’s funeral.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

127. A

Sol. The given sentence is in passive form of an **interrogative sentence**. The sentence is in **past indefinite tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Did + Subject + V1 + Object.**

Passive Voice: **Was/were + Object + Verb (V3 form) + by + Subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into active voice: **Did he consult you?**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

128. C

Sol. **Option C** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of the possessive pronoun "your".

- In the above sentence, we do not need the dependent possessive pronoun "your".
- Thus, replace it with "you are" to make the sentence grammatically sound.

The correct sentence will be: **While honesty may be the best policy, a little bit of lying is actually a sign that you are of above-average intelligence.**

129. C

- Sol.
- The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage.
 - Here, the passage is about e-commerce.
 - The sentence **P** should follow S1 since it further lists different examples of e-commerce.
 - The sentence **Q** should be the next sentence as it explains who all can be involved in the different activities mentioned in P.
 - The next sentence should be **R** as it lists the advantages of e-commerce.
 - The sentence **S** aptly forms the predecessor of S6 since it introduces the concept of banking without visiting a physical bank branch.

Thus, the **correct sequence is PQRS.**

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - '**Business transactions that take place on the internet are called e-commerce, short for "electronic commerce". Popular examples of e-commerce generally involve buying and selling online, but the e-commerce universe contains other types of activities as well. Those involved in the transactions can represent multiple combinations of customers, businesses, vendors or other suppliers, or government agencies. Its advantages include eliminating time and geographical limitations, streamlining operations, and lowering costs. One of the biggest drivers of e-commerce has been the interfacing of websites with bank accounts—and by extension, credit cards.**

Today it is possible to perform the entire gamut of banking operations without visiting a physical bank branch.'

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

130. B

Sol. The given sentence is in active form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in **present perfect tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Subject + has/have + verb (IIIrd form) + object.**

Passive Voice: **Object + has/have + been + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **A letter has been written by Mohini to her father.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

131. A

Sol. The sentence is grammatically incorrect and **the error lies in option A.**

- Here, the usage of never is incorrect.
- There are two fixed adverbial phrases - **seldom if ever** and **seldom or never**.
 - E.g. :- *Seldom if ever I've not practiced yoga. OR Seldom or never I've hurt him.*
- Both are used as a more forceful way to say "rarely".
- Thus, replace either '**or**' with '**if**' or '**ever**' with '**never**'.

The correct sentence should be :- **Seldom if ever he cared about the warning given by the warden of**

his hostel.

OR

Seldom or never he cared about the warning given by the warden of his hostel.

132. B

Sol. **Option B** has the correctly spelt word. "Adequate" means something which is satisfactory or acceptable in quality or quantity.

Correct spelling of other words along with their meanings:

Cemetery = a large burial ground, especially one not in a churchyard.

Conscious = to be aware of and respond to one's own surroundings.

Apparently= as far as one knows or can see.

133. A

Sol. Let's first see the meanings of the given words:

Comply = to act according to an order, set of rules, or request

Restrain = to control the actions or behaviour of someone by force, especially in order to stop them from doing something, or to limit the growth or force of something

Strangle = to kill someone by pressing their throat so that they cannot breathe

Tie = to fasten together two ends of a piece of string or other long, thin material

- The phrase "to tie the knot" means to unite a couple in marriage.
- Thus, "tie" fits in the blank.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

134. B

Sol. The given sentence is in active form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in **past indefinite tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Subject + V2 + Object.**

Passive Voice: **Object + was/were + Verb (V3 form) +by + Subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **The shop was opened only last month.**

PS: We can omit the subject of the action in passive structure if it is indefinite pronoun. Like we did in the answer. Another possible passive structure with subject can be: **The shop was opened only last month by them.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

135. A

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

- The given sentence uses “**There**” as **empty subject**. **Empty subject takes verb as per its complement.**
- Here “**athletes**” is a complement which is in plural form. Thus, **plural verb “are”** should be used.
- We **need a comparative degree** since “than” is used in the sentence.
- “**Few**” is a positive degree which is wrong. “**Less**” is a comparative degree of “**little**” which is only used for **uncountable nouns**.
- But here “**athletes**” is a **plural countable noun** so “**fewer**” should be used which is apt for plural countable nouns.
- Thus, “**are no fewer**” is the correct improvement.

The correct sentence will be: **There are no fewer than 200 different athletes in this biodiversity hotspot.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

136. B

Sol. The given sentence is in the **present continuous tense**. It is in the **active voice**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active: Subject + is/am/are + Ving + object...

Passive: Object + is/am/are + being + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject...

So, with the help of the above structures, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **A sponge cake is being made by Julia right now.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

137. A

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- After a modal verb, we use the base form of the verb.
- Thus, after the modal "can", we will use "help".
- After the verb "help", we follow two structures:

HELP + PERSON + VERB (base form)

HELP + PERSON + TO + VERB

- Thus, it could be either "seek" (it is plural because the subject "victims" is a plural subject) or "to seek".

- So, replace the underlined part with "help victims seek redressal".

The correct sentence will be: **Can a data protection law help victims seek redressal and hold the perpetrators accountable?**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

138. B

Sol. • The given sentence is of direct speech.

- The speech is an interrogative sentence.
- The reporting verb "said" will change to 'suggested' in the indirect narration which will be followed by the object "him".
- The conjunction 'to' will be used to connect the reporting verb with the reported speech.
- The second person pronoun "your" is changed according to object (him) to "his".

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **The Doctor suggested him to timely take his medicines.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

139. D

Sol. The given sentence is grammatically and contextually correct.

- **Each of, neither of** and **either of** are followed by plural nouns and singular verbs.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

140. B

Sol. Let us understand the meaning of the given words :-

Intimidate = make timid or fearful.

E.g. :- They were intimidated into accepting a pay cut by the threat of losing their jobs.

Inform = impart or communicate information or knowledge.

Frighten = cause fear in.

E.g. :- He frightens me when he drives so fast.

Reward = bestow honor or rewards upon.

Persuade = cause somebody to adopt a certain position, belief, or course of action; twist somebody's arm.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

141. D

Sol. The sentence is grammatically and contextually correct.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

142. B

Sol. • The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Microorganisms**. Thus, **P** will be the first sequence.

• **R** will be the next in the sequence as it mentions classification of microbes.

• **Q** will be the next as it tells us what those major groups are (that are mentioned in R).

• **S** will be the final sentence of the sequence as it ends the discussion of microbes with short introduction of Virus in contrasting sense.

Thus, the **correct sequence is PRQS**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **Living organisms which we normally cannot see are called microorganisms or microbes. Microorganisms are classified into four major groups. These are bacteria, fungi, protozoa and some algae. Viruses are also microscopic but are different from other microorganisms.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

143. B

Sol. **Option B** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of "than".

- Words like "inferior", "superior", "prior", etc are generally followed by the preposition '**to**'.
- Thus, replace "than" with "to" to make the sentence grammatically sound.

The correct sentence will be: **Kamala is not inferior to Geeta in her studies.**

144. A

- Sol. • The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage.
- Here, the passage is about politeness.
 - Sentence **R** mentions the topic of the passage - politeness; thus, it will be the first in the sequence.
 - **R** tells us that this quality is not just possessed by one nation or race.
 - **P** further adds to this by telling us that all people possess this quality. This makes **P** the next in the sequence.
 - Sentence **Q** tells us different ways in which a person greets another person and sentence **S** concludes the passage by telling us that each person follows his own custom (of his country).

Thus, the correct sequence is **RPQS**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - '**Politeness is not a quality possessed by only one nation or race. It is a quality to be found among all peoples and nations in every corner of the Earth. One may observe that a man of one nation will remove his hat or fold his hands by way of greetings when he meets someone he knows. Obviously, each person follows the custom of his particular country.**'

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

145. D

Sol. The given sentence is in passive form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in **present perfect**

tense.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Subject + has/have + verb (IIIrd form) + object.**

Passive Voice: **Object + has/have + been + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into active voice: **These hunters have saved many a person from the man-eaters.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

146. C

Sol. • The given sentence is of direct speech.

- Inverted commas will be removed and "that" will be used to join the reporting verb with the speech.
- The reporting verb is in V2 form; hence the reported speech will be changed from the simple present tense to the simple past tense.
- The first person pronoun "I" will change according to the subject (Interviewer) to "he".
- The second person pronoun "you" will change according to the object (Rajiv) to "him".

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **The interviewer told Rajiv that he was impressed with him.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

147. A

Sol. The given sentence is in **Direct Speech**.

- It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- We notice that the reporting verb is in the Past tense ('said'). Hence, a change will be made in the tense of the reported speech.
- The reporting verb is changed to suggested in case the sentence gives a suggestion.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **Priya suggested Steve to consult a physician.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

148. A

Sol. The given sentence is in Direct Speech.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- The given sentence is an imperative sentence.
- The principal is asking the boys to take their books.
- So, we'll use the verb "asked" to denote the correct sense in indirect speech.
- The reporting and reported speech will be joined by the preposition "to" in indirect speech.
- The pronoun "your" is a second-person pronoun. so it will change to "their" (it will change according to the object of the reporting speech).

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **The principal asked the boys to take back their books.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

149. B

Sol. **Reservoir** = a large natural or artificial lake used as a source of water supply.

Abattoir = a slaughterhouse.

Memoir = historical account or biography written from personal knowledge.

Peignoir = a woman's light dressing gown or negligee.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

150. B

Sol. • The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Coal and Coal tar**. Thus, **P** will be the first sequence.

- **R** will be the next in the sequence as it adds details to the “coal tar” mentioned in sentence **P**.
- **Q** will be the next as “it” is a pronoun which refers to “coal tar” mentioned in sentence **R**.
- **S** will be the final sentence of the sequence as in conclusion, it shows the uses of Coal tar.

Thus, the **correct sequence is PRQS**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **Coal is processed in industry to get some useful products such as coal tar. Coal tar is a black, thick liquid with an unpleasant smell. It is a mixture of about 200 substances. Products obtained from coal tar are used as starting materials for manufacturing various substances used in everyday life.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

151. C

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words :-

- **Occasionally** = sometimes but not often.
- **Inevitably** = certain to happen and unable to be avoided or prevented.

- **Constantly** = all the time or often.
 - **Frequently** = often.
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- The first phase of the sentence shows a habit of the enemy of getting engaged in attacks.
 - So the correct word to be used here is "constantly" which means continuously over a period of time; always.
 - Thus, '**we were constantly**' is the correct improvement.

The correct sentence will be: '**Because the enemy had the reputation of engaging in sneak attacks, we were constantly on the alert.**'

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

152. D

Sol. The given sentence is in **Direct Speech**.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- We notice that the reporting verb is in the Past tense ('said'). Hence, a change will be made in the tense of the reported speech.
- Also, the first person of the reported speech is changed according to the subject of reporting speech.
- In the given question, 'I' is changed to 'she' and 'bought' is changed to 'had bought'.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **She said that she had bought a radio.**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

153. C

Sol. **Option C** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of "might".

- After the subordinating conjunction 'lest', the auxiliary 'should' is used.
- Thus, replace "might" with "should" to make the sentence grammatically sound.

The correct sentence will be: **Natasha asked quickly in a whisper, afraid to move lest she should rouse the dozing baby.**

154. D

Sol. The given blank needs to be filled with conjunction.

- 'Neither' is given before the blank. And **neither..nor** is **correlative conjunction**.
- When two subjects in a sentence are joined using '**neither.....nor**', the verb is always **according to the nearest subject mentioned**.
- It gives a negative meaning to verbs.
 - E.g. :- Neither Sarah nor Peter was to blame for the mistake.
- Thus, '**nor**' is the most suited one.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

155. B

Sol. The given sentence is in passive form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in the **present perfect tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Subject + has/have + Verb (V3 form) + Object.**

Passive Voice: **Object + has/have + been + Verb (V3 form) + by + Subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into active voice: **The chief guest has planted a lot of saplings.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

156. B

Sol. The given sentence is in Direct Speech because it quotes actual words.

Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech. Also, it is an imperative sentence.

- We notice that the reporting verb is in the Past tense ('said').
- So, a change will be made in the tense of the reported speech. Here, 'said' will remain the same.
- Also, the first person of the reported speech is changed according to the subject of reporting speech.
- To change an imperative sentence into indirect speech, we use **to-infinitive** i.e. inverted commas (" ") is removed and **to** is used before the main verb.
- Words like don't, etc. should be removed.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **Mother told Sonam not to throw tantrums.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

157. B

Sol. The sentence is grammatically incorrect and **the error lies in option B.**

- Here, the usage of tense is incorrect.
- We use **past perfect to** talk about something that **happened before another action in the past**, which is expressed by the past participle.

- The action that happened first takes past perfect tense, and the action happening later will take simple past tense.
- In the given sentence, the subject first met with an accident due to which she needed speech therapy.
- Thus, '**suffered**' must be replaced with '**had suffered**' to form a grammatically correct sentence.

The correct sentence should be :- **She needed speech therapy after she had suffered severe head injuries in a car accident.**

158. B

- Sol.
- The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Sputnik V vaccine**. Thus, **Q** will be the first sequence.
 - **S** will be the next in the sequence as "they" pronoun is used in this sentence which refers to "Serum Institute's facilities" mentioned in Sentence **Q**.
 - **R** will be the next as it gives information about the "vector samples".
 - **P** will be the final sentence of the sequence as it has a pronoun "their" which refers to "cell and vector samples".

Thus, the **correct sequence is QSRP.**

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **The first batch of Sputnik V vaccine is expected to be produced at the Serum Institute's facilities starting September. They intend to produce over 300 million doses of the vaccine in India per year. As part of the technology transfer process, SII has already received cell and vector samples from the Gamaleya Centre. With their import approved by the Drug Controller General of India, the cultivation process has also begun.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

159. C

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

- Given **sentence structure is in passive voice**. So we need “**be + v3**” i.e. “**was promised**”.
- Now, “**honorary**” is an **adjective** but we need a word which can act as object of the verb “**promised**”.
- It is **wrong to use an adjective as an object of the verb**.
- “**Honorarium**” is a **noun** that means “**a payment made for professional services**”.
- A noun can act as an object of the verb. Also “**honorarium**” is correct as per the meaning of the sentence.
- Thus, “**was promised honorarium**” is the correct improvement.

The correct sentence will be: **The coach was promised honorarium for his services by the Olympic federation.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

160. A

- Sol.
- The given sentence is in Direct Speech because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.
 - We notice that the reporting verb is in the Past tense ('said'). Hence, a change will be made in the tense of the reported speech. It will change from the present continuous tense to the past continuous tense.
 - Also, the first person of the reported speech is changed according to the subject of reporting speech.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **Anbu told Suresh that Priya was playing in the garden.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

161. B

Sol. The given sentence is in the active voice and it uses **a modal verb (ought to)**.

The structures for active/passive voices for modal verbs are:

Active: Subject + modal verb + verb (Ist form) + object...

Passive: Object + modal verb + be + verb (IInd form) + by + subject...

So, with the help of the above structures, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **The plants ought to be watered daily by the gardener.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

162. C

Sol. The given sentence is in **passive voice**. It is in the **present perfect tense**.

The given sentence is in the following structure:

Passive: Object + have + been + verb (third form) + by + subject.

Active: Subject + has/have + verb (third form) + object.

So, according to this rule, the correct active voice would be: **The gardener has watered the plants.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

163. D

Sol. The given blank needs to be filled with a **phrasal verb**.

Let us understand the meaning of the given phrases :-

- **Look down on** = to think that you are better than someone or something.
- **Look forward to** = to be thinking with pleasure about something that is going to happen.
- **Look up** = to become better.

- **Look up to** = to admire or respect somebody.
- Here, the subject is trying to say that he/ she wants to be a person whom his children will admire a day.
- Thus, '**look up to**' will be the most suited one.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

164. C

Sol. The given sentence is in Direct Speech.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- The given sentence is an affirmative sentence.
- "Said" will remains the same.
- Since the reporting verb is in Past tense, changes will be made to the tense of the reported speech.
- The conjunction 'that' will be used to connect.
- The tense of the reporting speech will change from present perfect tense to past perfect tense and simple past to past perfect.
- 'I' is the first-person pronoun, it will change according to the subject of the reporting verb, so it will change into 'he'.
- 'This' will change to 'that'.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **The workman said that he had been working in that factory since the day it had started.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

165. A

- Sol. • The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Coal and Coke**. Thus, **R** will be the first sequence.
- **Q** will be the next in the sequence as add details to the coke mentioned in previous sentence **R**.
- **P** will be the next as “it” is a pronoun which refers to “coke” mentioned in sentence **Q**.
- **S** will be the final sentence of the sequence as in conclusion it shows the uses of Coke.

Thus, the **correct sequence is RQPS**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **Coal is processed in industry to get some useful products such as coke. Coke is a tough, porous and black substance. It is an almost pure form of carbon. Coke is used in the manufacture of steel and in the extraction of many metals.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

166. C

Sol. The given sentence is in **Direct Speech**.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- We notice that the reporting verb is in the Past tense ('said'). Hence, a change will be made in the tense of the reported speech.
- Also, the first person of the reported speech is changed according to the subject of reporting speech.
- In the given question, 'my' is changed to 'his' and 'is' is changed to 'was'.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **He told his friend that his favourite fruit was mango.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

167. A

Sol. The given blank needs to be filled with a **verb**.

Let's understand the meaning of the given words :-

- **Expressed** = precisely and clearly communicated or readily observable; leaving nothing to implication.
 - **Withdrew** = pull back or move away or backward.
 - **Hid** = prevent from being seen or discovered.
 - **Extracted** = remove, usually with some force or effort; also used in an abstract sense.
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- Concern, ideas, or views are generally expressed.
 - Thus, '**expressed**' is the most suited one.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

168. B

Sol. • It is an imperative sentence in indirect form.

- We have to convert it to direct speech.
- The verb "ordered" will change to "said to".
- "Then" will be changed to "now".
- The reported speech will start from the verb "Go".

Therefore, the sentence in direct speech will be: **She said to him, “Go to the grocery store now and buy the essentials.”**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

169. B

Sol. **Option B** has the grammatically incorrect part. The error is in the use of the verb "are".

- The subject of the sentence is "the most important feature".
- Since it indicates one important feature, it needs to be treated as a singular subject and therefore, the verb that it takes must also be singular.
- This makes the use of "are" incorrect as it is a plural verb.
- To make the sentence correct, it needs to be replaced by "is".

The correct sentence will be: **The most important feature of our products is that they are developed in-house.**

170. B

Sol. The underlined part is grammatically incorrect.

- (A) *little* and (a) *few* are quantifiers meaning 'some'.
- "Little" is used with uncountable nouns whereas "few" is used with countable nouns.
- *Little* and *few* have negative meanings. We use them to mean 'not as much as may be expected or wished for'.
- The sentence wants to convey the message that we know very few things (not much) about life. Thus, we will use "little".
- "About" is the correct preposition here.

- Also, the possessive of "life" is "**life's**".

The correct sentence will be: **For all powers of reason and understanding, we know little about life's secrets.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

171. D

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically and contextually correct.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

172. A

Sol. The sentence is grammatically incorrect and **the error lies in option A.**

- Here, the usage of the auxiliary verb is incorrect.
- In the phrases like **no sooner.....than, hardly.....when, scarcely.....when**, we use inversion.
- The verb is used before the subject in **inversion**.
 - E.g. :-
 - Scarcely had I got out of bed when the phone started to ring.
 - Hardly had a moment passed when the door creaked open.
 - Therefore, put the auxiliary "had" before the noun "the inspector".

The correct sentence will be :- **Hardly had the inspector arrived there to investigate the crime when the house was set ablaze.**

173. D

Sol.

- The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage.
- Here, the passage is about a wish that is a powerful thing.

- Sentence **S1** is best followed by **Q** as S1 tells us about the birthday of the mother while Q tells us that the writer had forgotten about it.
- The next sentence is **S** because it tells us how the writer got to know about his/her mother's birthday.
- The next sentence is **P** as it represents a message that wishes are very powerful and sentence R tells us that the writer is saying this in regard to the letter.
- Sentence **S6** mentions the effect of the letter on the mother who forgot all bitterness after receiving the letter.

Thus, the **correct sequence is QSPR.**

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - '**Mom was pleased to receive your wishes on her birthday. Both of us had forgotten the day. It was your letter and the card which reminded us of it. Girl! wishes are more powerful than any other thing in the world. Your letter holds proof of it. Your mom has forgotten all the bitterness and sends her blessings to you.'**

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

174. A

Sol. **Venial** = forgivable or pardonable.

Bovial = of or pertaining to cattle.

Xenial = of, relating to or constituting hospitality or relations between host and guest and especially among the ancient Greeks between persons of different cities.

Aerial = existing, living, growing or operating in the air.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

175. C

Sol. The idiom "**token strike**" refers to a brief strike intended to convey a strength of feeling on disputed issues.

e.g. They called a 24 hour token strike.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

176. B

Sol. **Dupe** = a person who is easily deceived or fooled.

Bigot = a person who won't listen to anyone whose ideas or beliefs are different from his or her own.

Gullible = easily deceived or cheated.

Ridicule = the act of making fun of someone or something.

Venerable = deserving honour or respect.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

177. C

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

- The word "amid" means surrounded by; in the middle of.
- For example, "Our dream home, set **amid** magnificent rolling countryside". This is contextually incorrect.
- The correct preposition is "**before**" which means "**in front of**".
- Also, option a is incorrect because "whole" already implies the sense of all or everything included.
- Thus, the use of all and whole together makes it superfluous.
- Option d is wrong because between is used to refer or compare between two things or persons.
- Thus, '**before the whole class**' is the correct improvement.

The correct sentence will be: **The student was scolded by the teacher before the whole class.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

178. B

Sol. Let's understand the meaning of the given words :-

Meticulous = marked by precise accordance with details.

E.g. :- Many hours of meticulous preparation have gone into writing the book.

Simple = easy and not involved or complicated.

Careful = exercising caution or showing care or attention.

E.g. :- Be careful with the glasses.

Fair = not excessive or extreme.

Reasonable = showing reason or sound judgment.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

179. D

Sol. The given sentence is totally grammatical and has no error in it.

Hence, **option D** is correct.

180. D

Sol. The idiom "**paint the town red**" means to celebrate and have a wild time; to enjoy a lot.

e.g. I'm ready to paint the town red with a few of my closest friends.

To have a lively time also means to have a great time enjoying oneself.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

181. C

- Sol.
- The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage.
 - Here, the passage is about getting old.
 - The opening statement should be R as it introduces the topic - 'the art of getting old'.
 - Statement P talks about 2 dangers whereas Statement S mentions one of these.
 - This makes them a complementary pair.
 - The only option with R as the starting statement and PS together in the sequence is option c.

Thus, the correct sequence is **RPSQ**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - '**The art of growing old is one which the passage of time has forced upon my attention. Psychologically, there are two dangers to be guarded against in old age. One of these is undue absorption in the past. It does not do to live in memories, in regrets for the good old days or in sadness about a friend who is dead.**'

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

182. A

- Sol.
- The given sentence is of Direct Speech.

- For making an indirect speech of universally true sentences, the reported speech is not changed, even if the reporting form of speech is in the past tense.
- Inverted commas will be removed and "that" will be used to join the reporting verb with the speech.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **Harsh said that God helps those who help themselves.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

183. B

Sol. **Alienism** = an obsolete term for psychiatry, the study and treatment of mental illnesses.

Alpinism = mountain climbing in the Alps or other high mountains.

Albinism = a condition in which a person or animal lacks pigment so that they have white skin and hair and pink eyes.

Algorithm = a mathematical term.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

184. C

Sol. **Implosion** = an instance of something collapsing violently inwards.

Trickle = a small flow of liquid.

Gust = a strong, short burst of air.

Mantle = a loose sleeveless cloak or shawl, worn especially by women.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

185. C

Sol. Let us understand the meaning of the given words:-

Pukka = genuine or authentic.

E.g. :- A nice little Italian restaurant serving pukka pizzas and pasta.

Imitation = a thing intended to simulate or copy something else.

E.g. :- It's not real silk - it's just imitation.

Postulated = suggest or assume the existence, fact, or truth of (something) as a basis for reasoning, discussion, or belief.

Bonafide = without intention to deceive.

Guarantee = give surety or assume responsibility.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

186. C

Sol. The given sentence is in passive form of an **assertive sentence**. The sentence is in **past perfect tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active Voice: **Subject + had + Verb (V3 form) + Object.**

Passive Voice: **Object + had + been + Verb (V3 form) + by + Subject.**

So, with the help of the above instructions, we can convert the given sentence into active voice: **The insects had damaged most of the goods.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

187. C

Sol. • The given sentence is of Direct Speech.

- We notice that the reporting verb is in the Past tense ('said'). Hence, a change will be made in the tense of the reported speech. The present continuous tense will change to the past continuous tense.
- Also, the first person of the reported speech is changed according to the subject of reporting speech. Thus, "I" will change to "he".

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **My friend told me that he was going to go to the gym the next day.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

188. B

Sol. • The given sentence is of direct speech.

- The reporting verb "said" will be changed to 'told' in indirect narration.
- The inverted commas will be removed and 'that' conjunction will be used.
- "Can" will be changed to "could".
- The tense of the reported speech is in the simple present and it will change to the simple past in indirect narration.
- The 1st person pronoun will be changed according to the subject of the reporting speech i.e. 'I' will be changed to 'he'.
- "This" will change to "that".

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **My father once told me that if he couldn't trust his people then he didn't want to do that.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

189. C

Sol.

- The given paragraph is about the impact of the disease AIDS. Thus, **R** will be the first in the sequence.
- Statement **S** follows R as it mentions the timespan for spreading the disease in the carrier person of AIDS virus.
- **Q** and **P** form a mandatory pair. Q mentions the part which it destroys while P mentions the outcome of the stated damage.

Thus, the correct sequence is **RSQP**

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: **AIDS is a disease caused by a virus called HIV. AIDS patients are carriers of the virus. People who are infected develop AIDS within five to ten years. This disease destroys part of the body's immune system. This results in the victim's**

inability to defend themselves from any infections leading to death.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

190. B

Sol. • The given sentence is of Direct Speech.

- We notice that the reporting verb is in the Present tense ('says'). Hence, no change will be made in the tense of the reported speech.
- Inverted commas will be removed and the conjunction "that" will be used.
- In the given question, the first person pronoun 'I' is changed according to the subject (she) to "she".

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be: **She says that she wants to become a scientist.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

191. B

Sol. The given sentence is in the **simple past tense**. It is in the **active voice**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active: Subject + verb (IInd form) + object...

Passive: Object + was/were + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject...

So, with the help of the above structures, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **Different marketing strategies were discussed in the video by the speaker.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

192. C

Sol. The given sentence is in **Direct Speech**.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- This is a simple sentence of direct speech.
- The inverted commas will be removed and 'that' conjunction will be used in the indirect speech.
- Said will remain the same in indirect speech because the reported verb does not have an object.
- The tense of the reported speech will change to the past perfect tense in the indirect speech.
- 'Here' will be changed to 'there' in the indirect narration.
- The first-person pronoun 'we' (plural) changes to 'they' (plural) in indirect speech.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **My mother said that they had gone to a market that was five kilometers from there.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

193. B

Sol. The given sentence is in the **active voice**. It is in the **simple present tense**.

The structures for active/passive voices are:

Active: Subject + verb ("s" or "es" with singular noun) + object...

Passive: Object + Is/are/am + verb (IIIrd form) + by + subject...

So, based on the above structures, we can convert the given sentence into passive voice: **Butter is made from milk by us.**

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

194. C

Sol. The sentence is grammatically incorrect and **the error lies in option C.**

- Here, the usage of securing is incorrect.
- ‘Securing’ must be removed as the preposition ‘to’ is given.
- And after the preposition ‘to’, we require base form of the verb.
- Thus, ‘**securing**’ must be replaced with ‘**secure**’ to form a grammatically correct sentence.

The correct sentence should be :- **The ruling National Party won the largest number of votes in a weekend election but failed to secure a ruling majority.**

195. A

Sol. The given sentence is in Direct Speech.

It is because it quotes actual words. Therefore, it must be changed into Indirect Speech.

- It is an affirmative sentence.
- **Said** will be changed to '**told**' in indirect speech.
- The inverted commas will be removed and the conjunction 'that' will be used.
- The reported speech is in present future tense and it will be changed to a past future tense i.e. '**will**' **should be changed to 'would'**.
- Pronoun changes according to the subject of reporting speech i.e. '**I**' **changes to 'he'** and '**you**' **changes to 'them'**.

Therefore, the sentence in Indirect Speech will be :- **The professor told the class that he would give them a test on Friday.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

196. A

- Sol. • The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Plastics and its waste**. Thus, **P** will be the first sequence.
- **S** will be the next in the sequence as it explains why it is not environment friendly.
- **R** will be the next as it add details to dumping the plastics.
- **Q** will be the final sentence of the sequence as it ends the paragraph by explaining why it takes more years to degenerate.

Thus, the **correct sequence is PSRQ**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **The waste created by plastics is not environment friendly. On burning, plastics release poisonous gases. On dumping in the ground they may take years to degenerate. This is because of their non-biodegradable nature.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

197. D

Sol. The idiom "**play ducks and drakes**" means to carelessly misuse one's wealth or to behave recklessly.

e.g. He lost his job for playing ducks and drakes with the fund of corporation.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

198. A

Sol. **Intestate** = not having made a will before one dies.

Effeminate = (of a man) having characteristics regarded as typical of a woman.

Fugitive = a person who has escaped from captivity or is in hiding.

Heretic = a person who differs in opinion from established religious dogma.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

199. A

- Sol.
- The first in the sequence should be the one that introduces us to the theme of the passage. Here, the passage is about **Sweaters and shawls**. Thus, **R** will be the first sequence.
 - **Q** will be the next in the sequence as it has a pronoun “these” which refer to “sweaters and shawls or blankets” in the sentence **R**.
 - **P** will be the next as it mentions about the acrylic used in preparation of sweaters and shawls.
 - **S** will be the final sentence of the sequence since it concludes by showing the contrast between natural and acrylic.

Thus, the **correct sequence is RQPS**.

After arranging the sentences, the passage will be: - **We wear sweaters and use shawls or blankets in the winter. Many of these are actually not made from natural wool, though they appear to resemble wool. These are prepared from another type of synthetic fibre called acrylic. The wool obtained from natural sources is quite expensive, whereas clothes made from acrylic are relatively cheap.**

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

200. C

Sol. The underlined part of the sentence is grammatically incorrect.

- The use of "until" is incorrect and should be replaced by "by".
- We use "by" when we refer to a deadline or to describe an **action or event** that happens on or before a particular moment.
 - E.g. We expect to know the judgment by the end of November.
- We use "until" when we refer to the period of time before a deadline or to describe a **state or situation** in a period of time up to a particular moment.
 - E.g. The court proceedings are expected to last until November.

- Thus, '**accompanied by the surge**' is the correct improvement.

The correct sentence will be: **This acceleration has been accompanied by the surge of the economy.**

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.