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English

Read the following passage and answer the questions [Q1 – Q5]:

Ocean water plays an indispensable role in supporting life. The great ocean basins hold about 300 million cubic miles of water. From this vast amount, about 80,000 cubic miles of water are sucked into the atmosphere each year by evaporation and returned by precipitation and drainage to the ocean. More than 24,000 cubic miles of water descend annually upon the continents. This vast amount is required to replenish the lakes and streams, springs and water tables on which all flora and fauna are dependent. Thus, the hydrosphere permits organic existence. The hydrosphere has strange characteristics because water has properties unlike those of any other liquid. One anomaly is that water upon freezing expands by about 9 percent, whereas most liquids contract on cooling. For this reason, ice floats on water bodies instead of sinking to the bottom. If the ice sank, the hydrosphere would soon be frozen solidly, except for a thin layer of surface melt water during the summer season. Thus all aquatic life would be destroyed and the interchange of warm and cold currents, which moderates climate, would be notably absent. Another outstanding characteristic of water is that it has a heat capacity which is the highest of all liquids and solids except ammonia. This characteristic enables the oceans to absorb and store vast quantities of heat, thereby often preventing climatic extremes. In addition, water dissolves more substances than any other liquid. It is this characteristic which helps make oceans a great storehouse for minerals which have been washed down from the continents. In several areas of the world these minerals are being commercially exploited. Solar evaporation of salt is widely practiced, potash is extracted from the Dead sea, and magnesium is produced from sea along the American Gulf coast.

Q. No. 1

According to the passage, fish can survive in the oceans because

- A. Ice floats.
- B. Evaporation and condensation create a water cycle.
- C. There are currents in the oceans.
- D. They do not need oxygen.

☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 2

Which of the following characteristics of water does the author mention in the passage?

- I. Water expands when it is frozen.
- II. Water is a good solvent.
- III. Water can absorb heat.

- A. I only
- B. I & II only
- C. II & III only
- D. I, II and III

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D

Q. No. 3

According to the passage, the hydrosphere is NOT

- A. responsible for all forms of life
- B. able to modify weather
- C. in danger of freezing over
- D. a source of natural resources

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 4

The author organizes the passage by

- A. Comparison and contrast.
- B. General statements followed by proof.
- C. Hypothesis and proof.
- D. Definition of key terms.

☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 5

The author's main purpose in this passage is to

- A. Illustrate the importance of conserving water.
- B. Reveal the extent of the earth's ocean masses.
- C. Describe the properties and uses of water.
- D. Compare water with other liquids.

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Choose the *Synonym* for the underlined word in sentences [Q6 – Q8]:

Q. No. 6

My uncle is a man of position, and has legitimate business here.

A: Enormous

B: Genuine

C: Illicit

D: Flimsy

☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 7

Even the most gullible amongst us know that in the end money talks and money gets what it wants.

A: Innocent

B: Stingy

C: Shrewd

D: Dishonest

☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 8

The company remained circumspect today in its statement on the commission's decision.

A: Vigilant

B: Silent

C: Speculate

D: Verify

☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Choose the *Antonym* for the underlined word in sentences [Q9 – Q11]:

Q. No. 9

It is also about science itself becoming increasingly baffled by time.

A: perplexed

B: tenderized

C: toughened

D: clarified

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D

Q. No. 10

The mixed numbers present a muddled view of the economy.

A: ordered

B: distracted

C: deep

D : tangled

☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 11

He noted that they have been through nearly a year of investigations and relegated to desk duty.

A: demoted

B: reprimanded

C: promoted

D: admired

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Choose the *grammatical word / phrase* to fill in the sentences [Q12 – Q14]:

Q. No. 12

The blind man would have injured himself, if you _____ him.

A: has not helped

B: had not helped

C: have not helped

D: do not help

☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 13

An increase in population, without an increase in economic level, _____ result in a lower standard of living.

A: tends to

B: tending to

C: will tend

D: tends

☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 14

I did not see the point of _____ waiting for them.

A: hanging on

B: hang together

C: hanging around

D: hanging up

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 15

His most striking _____ is the enthusiasm which he brings to everything he does.

A: factor

B: character

C: characteristic

D: attitude

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No.16

The Jury's views _____ with those of the lawyer on the issue of crime and punishment.

A: ally

B: coincide

C: apprise

D: consent

☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 17

The prisoner showed no _____ for his crimes.

A: hatred

B: obstinacy

C: remorse

D: anger

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Choose the alternative for *underlined idioms/phrases* in sentences [Q18 – Q20]:

Q. No. 18

I went into this with my eyes open.

A: full confidence

B: full knowledge of all relevant facts

C: full concentration

D: fully assured

☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 19

The loud noise made me jump out of my skin.

A : extremely shocked

B: felt sick

C: felt scared

D: jump high

☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

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Q. No. 20

The mayor's critics were laughing up their sleeves when news of the scandal was first reported

A: laughing loudly

B: making a mockery of

C: secretly amused

D: out of control

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Quantitative Aptitude

Q.No.21

The average of 5 numbers is 6. The average of first two numbers is 3. The average of last two numbers is 9. Third number is?

- a. 6
- b. 9
- c. 7
- d. 8



a



b



c



d

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Let's break down the given information:

1. The "average of 5 numbers" is "6".
 - Therefore, the "sum of these 5 numbers" is $5 \times 6 = 30$.
2. The "average of the first two numbers" is "3".
 - Let the first two numbers be "x" and "y".
 - Their sum is $x + y = 2 \times 3 = 6$.
3. The "average of the last two numbers" is "9".
 - Let the last two numbers be "z" and "w".
 - Their sum is $z + w = 2 \times 9 = 18$.

Now, let's find the third number ("z"):

$$x + z + w = 18$$

$$x + z = 18 - w$$

Since the sum of all 5 numbers is 30:

$$x + y + z + w = 30$$

$$6 + 6 + (18 - w) + w = 30$$

$$30 = 30$$

Therefore, the third number ("z") is "6" (option A).

Q.No.22

If $n=100$, $r=3$, $n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-r+1) = ?$

- a. $n!$
- b. $n! \times r-1$
- c. $n! / (n-r+1)!$
- d. $n! / (n-r)!$



a



b



c



d

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Let's break it down for the specific case of $n = 100$ and $r = 3$:

$n!$ (factorial of n): $100!$ represents the product of all positive integers less than or equal to 100 ($100 \times 99 \times 98 \times \dots \times 1$).

$(n-r)!$: Here, $n-r$ is $100 - 3 = 97$. So, $(n-r)!$ is the product of all positive integers less than or equal to 97 ($97 \times 96 \times 95 \times \dots \times 1$).

Dividing $n!$ by $(n-r)!$ essentially cancels out the terms from n down to $(n-r+1)$ in the factorial calculation. This leaves us with the product of numbers from $(n-r)$ down to 1, which is the definition of a descending factorial.

Q.No.23

What least number must be added to 999 to obtain a number which is completely divisible by 19?

- a. 9
- b. 7
- c. 5
- d. 8



a



b



c



d

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q.No.24

Find the highest common factor of 300 and 396

The highest common factor (HCF) of 300 and 396 is 12. To find this, we can follow these steps:

Prime Factorization:

Prime factorization of 300: $300 = 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 5$

Prime factorization of 396: $396 = 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 11$

Common Factors:

Identify the common prime factors: $2 \times 2 \times 3 = 12$

Therefore, the highest common factor of 300 and 396 is 12.

- a. 9
b. 6
c. 12
d. 8

☐ a ☐ b ☒ c ☐ d

Q.No.25

If the sales tax for TV is reduced from 10% to 8% what difference does it make to a person who purchase an article with marked price of Rs.9000.

- a. Rs.120
b. Rs.160
c. Rs.180
d. Rs.100

Certainly! Let's calculate the difference in the total cost when the sales tax changes from 10% to 8%.

1. **Initial Tax Rate (10%)**:
- Initial tax amount = $9000 \times 10/100 = \text{Rs.}900$
2. **New Tax Rate (8%)**:
- New tax amount = $9000 \times 8/100 = \text{Rs.}720$
3. **Difference**:
- Difference = Initial tax amount - New tax amount
- Difference = $900 - 720 = \text{Rs.}180$

Therefore, the difference in cost for the person purchasing the TV is **Rs.180**

☐ a ☐ b ☒ c ☐ d

Q.No.26

At present, the ratio between ages of Ram and Ravi is 3:4. After 5 years Ravi's age is 25. What is the age of Ram?

- a. 25
b. 15
c. 20
d. 30

Given:
- The present ratio of Ram's age to Ravi's age is 3:4.
- After 5 years, Ravi's age will be 25 years.
First, let's find Ravi's current age:
Let Ravi's current age be $4x$
After 5 years, Ravi's age will be $4x + 5 = 25$
Now, solve for (x) :
 $4x + 5 = 25$
 $4x = 20$
 $x = 5$
So, Ravi's current age is $4x = 4 \times 5 = 20$ years.
Next, find Ram's current age using the given ratio:
Ram's current age = $3x = 3 \times 5 = 15$

☐ a ☒ b ☐ c ☐ d

Q.No.27

$$97801 + 45756 = 178978 - ?$$

- a. 22561
b. 33751
c. 42521
d. 35421

Let's solve the given equation step by step:
 $97801 + 45756 = 178978 - x$
First, calculate the left-hand side:
 $97801 + 45756 = 143557$
Now, set up the equation using the calculated value:
 $143557 = 178978 - x$
To find (x) , subtract 143557 from 178978:
 $x = 178978 - 143557$
 $x = 35421$
Therefore, the value of x is 35421

☐ a ☐ b ☐ c ☒ d

Q.No.28

What percent of 7 is 84

- a. 120%
- b. 12%
- c. 1200%
- d. 12.5%

To find out what percent 84 is of 7, we use the formula for percentage:

Percentage = (Part / Whole) * 100

Here, 84 is the part and 7 is the whole.

Percentage = $(84/7) * 100$

Percentage = $12 * 100$

Percentage = 1200%

☐ a ☐ b ☒ c ☐ d

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q.No.29

In what ratio must wheat at Rs. 9.30 per kg be mixed with wheat at Rs. 10.80 per kg so that the mixture be worth Rs. 10 per kg?

- a. 8 : 7
- b. 6 : 5
- c. 4 : 3
- d. 9 : 7

☒ a ☐ b ☐ c ☐ d

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q.No.30

A sum of 8000 amounts to 9200 in three years at a simple interest. If the interest rate is increased by 2%, interest earned for three years is?

- a. 1680
- b. 1580
- c. 1450
- d. 1600

Let's calculate the interest earned for three years using the given information:

1. **Initial Amount (Principal)**:**

- The initial amount (Principal) = Rs. 8000

2. **Final Amount (After 3 Years)**:**

- The final amount = Rs. 9200

3. **Interest Earned**:**

- Simple Interest (S.I.) = Final amount - Principal

- S.I. = Rs. 9200 - Rs. 8000 = Rs. 1200

4. **New Interest Rate (Increased by 2%)**:**

- New interest rate = 5% + 2% = 7% (expressed as a decimal: 0.07)

5. **New Final Amount**:**

- New final amount = Principal x (1 + New interest rate x Time)

- New final amount = Rs. 8000 x (1 + 0.07 x 3) = Rs. 9680

6. **Interest Earned with Increased Rate**:**

- Interest earned = New final amount - Principal

- Interest earned = Rs. 9680 - Rs. 8000 = Rs. 1680

Therefore, the interest earned for three years with the increased interest rate is **Rs. 1680**

☒ a ☐ b ☐ c ☐ d

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q.No.31

If $17xy + 7 = 19xy$ then $4xy = ?$

- a. 7
- b. 3.5
- c. 28
- d. 14

To solve the equation $17xy + 7 = 19xy$ we first need to isolate xy

Given:

$17xy + 7 = 19xy$

Subtract $7xy$ from both sides:

$7 = 19xy - 17xy$

$7 = 2xy$

Now, solve for xy :

$2xy = 7$

$xy = 7/2$

Now, we need to find $4xy$:

$4xy = 4 * 7/2$

$4xy = 14$

Therefore, $4xy = 14$.

☐ a ☐ b ☐ c ☒ d

Q.No.32

If a man sells an article for Rs 50.60 which is purchased by him Rs. 44. Find his gain percentage.

- a. 20 %
- b. 24 %
- c. 15 %
- d. 12.5 %

Let's find the gain percentage for the man who sells an article.
Given:

- Selling price (S.P.) = Rs. 50.60
- Cost price (C.P.) = Rs. 44

We can calculate the gain and the gain percentage as follows:

1. ****Gain****:

- Gain = S.P. - C.P.
- Gain = Rs. 50.60 - Rs. 44 = Rs. 6.60

2. ****Gain Percentage****:

- Gain percentage = $(\text{Gain} / \text{C.P.}) \times 100$
- Gain percentage = $(6.60 / 44) \times 100 = 15\%$

☐ a ☐ b ☒ c ☐ d

Q.No.33

$$2/5 + 1/2 = ?$$

- a. 0.9
- b. 0.7
- c. 0.09
- d. 0.06

☒ a ☐ b ☐ c ☐ d

Q.No.34

$$0.000121 / 0.11 = ?$$

- a. 0.0011
- b. 0.00011
- c. 0.011
- d. 0.111

☒ a ☐ b ☐ c ☐ d

Q.No.35

Two pipes X and Y fill one-third of the tank in 12 hrs and 15 hrs respectively. If both the pipes are opened simultaneously, how much time will be taken to fill the tank.

- a. 20 hours
- b. 10 hours
- c. 15 hours
- d. 12 hours

☐ a ☐ b ☐ c ☐ d

Reasoning

Q. No. 36

If BOAT is written as YLZG then MILD can be written as;

- A: ONRW
- B: ONWR
- C: NROW
- D: NOWR

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 37

In certain code language, 953 means "books are old", 546 means "man is old" and 378 means "buy good books". What is the code for "are";

- A: 9
- B: 8
- C: 1
- D: 6

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 38

Unscramble the letters in the words given in this question and find the odd one out:

A: OCRW

B: LEEGA

C: ORGF

D: WARPSOR

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Q. No. 39

Which letter is fifteenth to the right of the letter which is exactly the middle letter between L and D?

L J M P O W R N B E Y C K A V F D G X U H Q I S Z T

A: S

B: D

C: U

D: Q

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 40

Karan faces towards north. Turning to his right, he walks 35 meters. He then turns to his left and walks 30 meters. Next, he moves 25 meters to his right. He then turns to his right again and walks 55 meters. Finally, he turns to the right and moves 40 meters. In which direction is he now from his starting point?

A: South-West

B: South

C: North-West

D: South-East

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 41

It is 3 o'clock in a clock. If the minute hand points towards the North-east, then the hour hand will point towards the;

A: South-east

B: South

C: North-west

D: South west



A



B



C



D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 42

Choose the missing term;

KM5, IP8, GS11, EV14, ?

A: BX17

B: CY17

C: CZ17

D: BY17



A



B



C



D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 43

Find out wrong term.

325, 259, 202, 160, 127, 105, 94

A: 202

B: 94

C: 160

D: 259



A



B



C



D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 44

If K means "division", T means "addition", M means "subtraction" and D means "multiplication" then what will be the value of the expression

12 M 12 D 28 K 7 T 15;

A: -15

B: -30

C: - 4

D: -21

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 45

If Ram is brother of son of Veer's son, then how is Ram related to Veer?

A: Brother

B: Cousin

C: Grandson

D: Son

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 46

Rahim, Pasha, Vahidh and Akbar are friendly with four girls namely Surhana, Kushabi, Vaheeda and Parveen. Surhana and Vaheeda are friends. Vahidh's girl friend does not like Surhana and Vaheeda. Kushabi does not care for Vahidh. Pasha's girl friend is friendly with Surhana. Surhana does not like Rahim. With whom is Surhana friendly?

A: Vahidh

B: Pasha

C: Rahim

D: Akbar

☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

Q. No. 47

Choose the word which is least like the other words in the group.

Bajra, Mustard, Rice, Barley

A: Mustard

B: Rice

C: Barley

D: Bajra

☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 48

Find the odd number in the group:

111, 383, 263, 551

The odd number in the given group is 383. All the other numbers follow a pattern where the middle digit is equal to the product of the other two digits. However, in 383, this pattern does not hold

A: 111

B: 383

C: 263

D: 551

☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 49

If you write down all the numbers from 0 to 95, then how many times do you write 3?

Counting occurrences of 3 in the units place:
The numbers with 3 in the units place from 0 to 95 are:
3, 13, 23, 33, 43, 53, 63, 73, 83, 93

There are 10 occurrences of 3 in the units place.

Counting occurrences of 3 in the tens place:
The numbers with 3 in the tens place from 0 to 95 are:
30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39

There are 10 occurrences of 3 in the tens place.

Adding both counts:

Units place: 10
Tens place: 10
Total occurrences = $10 + 10 = 20$

Thus, the digit 3 appears 20 times in the numbers from 0 to 95.

Therefore, the correct answer remains:

A: 20

B: 11

C: 18

D: 21

☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

Q. No. 50

Reverse the given numbers. Identify the middle digit of the third number from the top when the new numbers are arranged in descending order?

513, 726, 182, 865, 269

A: 4

B: 5

C: 6

D: 7

☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Clear Answer

Mark For Review

First, let's reverse each of the given numbers:

513 reversed is 315

726 reversed is 627

182 reversed is 281

865 reversed is 568

269 reversed is 962

Next, we arrange these reversed numbers in descending order:

962

627

568

315

281

The third number from the top in descending order is 568. The middle digit of 568 is 6.

Therefore, the correct answer is C: 6.