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QUESTION BOOKLET
GENERAL ENGLISH

Version Code

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Time Allowed : 1½ Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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Directions : Questions from (1-10) consist of pairs of word/phrases. Choose from the options given (1) (2) (3) & (4) the pair that best expresses a **similar relationship** to that of the given pair.

Example : PAINTER : BRUSH

- (1) Mason : Wall
- (2) Carpenter : Furniture
- (3) Sculptor : Mallet
- (4) Teacher : Book

The answer is (3) Sculptor : Mallet express the close relationship between the person and the tool used.

1. Patient : Hospital

- (1) Teacher : School
- (2) Pilot : Aeroplane
- (3) Litigant : Court
- (4) Priest : Church

2. Truck : Cargo

- (1) Ship : Water
- (2) Aircraft : Fuel
- (3) Bus : Passengers
- (4) Theatre : Movie

3. Entomology : Insects

- (1) Oncology : Cancer
- (2) Gerontology : Germs
- (3) Tautology : Tortoises
- (4) Phonology : Telephones

4. See : Invisible

- (1) Sell : Insoluble
- (2) Alien : Inalienable
- (3) Satisfy : Insatiable
- (4) Differ : Indifferent

5. Duck : Drake

- (1) Bull : Cow
- (2) Dog : Kennel
- (3) Deer : Fawn
- (4) Goose : Gander

Gemini : Zodiac

- (1) Star : Galaxy
- (2) Ministry : Government
- (3) May : Year
- (4) Channels : Television

7. Ventilator : Air

- (1) Telephone : Voice
- (2) Road : Traffic
- (3) Sluice : Water
- (4) Window : Breeze





8. Print : Document

- (1) Paint : Picture
- (2) Speak : Untruth
- (3) Treat : Disease
- (4) Construct : Design

9. Asylum : Refugee

- (1) Loans : Financier
- (2) Education : Teacher
- (3) Medicine : Patient
- (4) Acquitted : Accused

10. Sound : Music

- (1) Building : City
- (2) Plant : Garden
- (3) Colour : Painting
- (4) Cloth : Dress

Directions : Questions (11-15) consist of sentences with a blank. Darken the option by choosing the **appropriate alternative** from

(1) (2) (3) & (4)

11. My daughter is a _____ child.
She rarely cries.

- (1) Mild
- (2) Serene
- (3) Placid
- (4) Peaceful

12. Nobody can _____ the achievements of Sachin in Cricket.

- (1) Exceed
- (2) Excel
- (3) Surpass
- (4) Out do

13. All those students are brought up in _____ without proper education.

- (1) Scarcity
- (2) Penury
- (3) Lack
- (4) Dearth

14. My friend decided to sell out his company due to financial _____

- (1) Restrictions
- (2) Compulsion
- (3) Constraints
- (4) Confinement

15. Mr. John _____ us to cancel the trip to North India.

- (1) Entreated
- (2) Beseeched
- (3) Appealed
- (4) Solicited





Directions : Questions from (16-25) consist of four sets of spellings. Identify the correct spelling marking (1), (2), (3) or (4).

16. (1) Sposmodic
(2) Spasmodic
(3) Spasmadic
(4) Sposmadic

17. (1) Freternal
(2) Fratarnal
(3) Fraternel
(4) Fraternal

18. (1) Recesion
(2) Reccession
(3) Recession
(4) Ricession

19. (1) Transent
(2) Transient
(3) Transeint
(4) Trensient

20. (1) Demianour
(2) Demeenour
(3) Demaenour
(4) Demeanour

21. (1) Muneficent
(2) Munificent
(3) Manificent
(4) Munificant

22. (1) Phylanthropy
(2) Philanthropy
(3) Philanthrophy
(4) Philolanthropy

23. (1) Ephimeral
(2) Ephemiral
(3) Ephymiral
(4) Ephemeral

24. (1) Afluent
(2) Affluent
(3) Affluint
(4) Affluent

25. (1) Enterpreneur
(2) Entrepreneur
(3) Enterprenure
(4) Entreprenure



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Directions : Questions from (26-35) test your ability to identify the synonyms. Choose the nearest in meaning to the given word.

26. Animosity

- (1) Agony
- (2) Hostility
- (3) Wrath
- (4) Displeasure

27. Boisterous

- (1) Ultimate
- (2) Suave
- (3) Noisy
- (4) Childish

28. Effluent

- (1) Abundant
- (2) Costly
- (3) Full
- (4) Waste

29. Decadence

- (1) Destroy
- (2) Declining
- (3) Sick
- (4) Go weak

30. Nomad

- (1) Civilised
- (2) Tribal
- (3) Wanderer
- (4) Barbarian

31. Paramour

- (1) Friend
- (2) Enemy
- (3) Acquaintance
- (4) Lover

32. Quiver

- (1) Tremble
- (2) Start
- (3) Tear
- (4) Vitiate

33. Sojourn

- (1) Long Journey
- (2) Short Journey
- (3) Short Stay
- (4) Long Stay

34. Valour

- (1) Kind
- (2) Courage
- (3) Wild
- (4) Nervous



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35. Oblivious

- (1) Alternative
- (2) Lazy
- (3) Forgetful
- (4) Aware of

Directions : The following questions (36-45) consists of a word followed by four answers. Choose the answers **opposite in meaning** and darken the number of your choice in your answer sheet.

36. Audacious

- (1) Cunning
- (2) Cruel
- (3) Cowardly
- (4) Dangerous



37. Beneficent

- (1) Humorous
- (2) Extraordinary
- (3) Troublesome
- (4) Abnormal

38. Docile

- (1) Aggressive
- (2) Ugly
- (3) Funny
- (4) Romantic

39. Hazardous

- (1) Studious
- (2) Ignorant
- (3) Safe
- (4) Risky

40. Prudent

- (1) Inactive
- (2) Careless
- (3) Intelligence
- (4) Indecent

41. Xenophobia

- (1) Love of Enemies
- (2) Love of Foreigners
- (3) Love of Children
- (4) Love of Animals

42. Incessant

- (1) Irregular
- (2) Instant
- (3) Innocent
- (4) Intermittent

43. Conspicuous

- (1) Ancient
- (2) Talent
- (3) Latent
- (4) Vibrant



44. Facade

- (1) Back
- (2) Top
- (3) Bottom
- (4) Under

45. Legendary

- (1) Social
- (2) Political
- (3) Historical
- (4) Economical



Directions : Questions (46-50) deal with your ability to use appropriate prepositions. Choose the suitable prepositions and darken correct option in the series (1) (2) (3) & (4) from the options given.

46. _____ he was not well, he attended the meeting.

- (1) In spite of
- (2) Although
- (3) Despite of
- (4) Even

47. It is not possible to complete the work _____ we work hard.

- (1) in case
- (2) unless
- (3) as long as
- (4) so long as

48. He is _____ not recovered from Yesterday's shock.

- (1) till
- (2) until
- (3) still
- (4) even

49. I am planning to meet all my friends _____ these holidays.

- (1) on
- (2) within
- (3) during
- (4) over

50. I completed my homework _____ my mother prepared the dinner.

- (1) for
- (2) while
- (3) as if
- (4) for

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Directions : Questions (51-55) test your ability to use articles. Darken the correct option in the series (1), (2), (3) & (4).

51. Travelling by flight is really _____ experience to be remembered.

- (1) an
- (2) a
- (3) the
- (4) no article



52. The sun rises in _____ east.

- (1) an
- (2) a
- (3) the
- (4) no article

53. I go to _____ school every morning.

- (1) no article
- (2) the
- (3) a
- (4) an

54. I carried _____ umbrella with me while going to school.

- (1) the
- (2) an
- (3) a
- (4) no article

55. Ravi is _____ tallest boy among his friends.

- (1) an
- (2) the
- (3) no article
- (4) a

Directions : Fill in the blanks of the following items (56-59) choosing the correct answer from the options given (1), (2), (3) & (4).

56. As a sales manager it's your duty to _____ the prices to improve the business.

- (1) bring out
- (2) bring down
- (3) bring inside
- (4) bring forth





57. It rains _____ in the month of August and September.

- (1) of late
- (2) off and on
- (3) of and on
- (4) of all

58. The doctor said that the patient was _____.

- (1) out of date
- (2) out of action
- (3) out of danger
- (4) out of gear

59. All of us have to _____ our sins.

- (1) pay off
- (2) pay for
- (3) pay down
- (4) pay out

Directions : Identify the grammatically incorrect part of the following sentences (60-65) and darken the corresponding number in your answer sheet.

60. John hasn't gone to work,
(1)

he wasn't feeling well
(2)

so he applied leave
(3)

and stayed at home
(4)

61. A tall woman
(1)

with long hairs
(2)

and black dress
(3)

came in
(4)



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62. Ravi tallest boy
(1)

in the class
(2)

played the role
(3)

of Macbeth
(4)



63.

All the suggestions recommended
(1)

by the ministers
(2)

was rejected
(3)

by the Chief Minister
(4)

64. The Mahathma Gandhi
(1)

the father of our nation
(2)

is the author of
(3)

'My experiments with truth'
(4)

65.

Martin failed in his exam last year
(1)

he is very nervous
(2)

and that's why
(3)

he failed
(4)



Directions : Questions (66-70) are designed to test your ability to identify the meanings of the underlined words in the sentences given. Darken the correct option in your answer sheet.

66. The food prepared for the dinner was insipid last night.

- (1) Spicy
- (2) Tasteless
- (3) Sour
- (4) Relishing



67. The local MLA claimed he's being ostracized by his party members.

- (1) Included
- (2) Excluded
- (3) Removed
- (4) Debarred

68. It is a stupendous novel, it keeps us gripped to the end.

- (1) Understanding
- (2) Amazing
- (3) Boring
- (4) Sad

69. The Political turmoil of the state is leading to lot of disturbances.

- (1) Disorder
- (2) Storm
- (3) Conflict
- (4) Quarrel

70. He is a very vicious person.

- (1) Evil
- (2) Handsome
- (3) Kind
- (4) Brave

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Directions : Read the items (71-75) choosing from the answers given, darken the correct option from each.

71. Young man : “Mamma it’s getting late to attend the interview, I’m leaving”.

Mother : ‘Yes my son’ and blessed him and said “Put the best foot forward”. She means.

- (1) Best of luck
- (2) To do his best in the interview.
- (3) To enter the chamber putting right foot in.
- (4) Not to do interview well.

72. After the first round of defeat, the players felt very discouraged, but the coach encouraged them by saying “Screw up your courage boys”. By this he means _____.

- (1) Courage is not essential to win
- (2) They need to gather their strength
- (3) Should not loose hope
- (4) Defeat is common

73. What is meant by “sheep that have no shepherd?”

- (1) Sheeps without no shepherd
- (2) Crowd without a leader
- (3) Without a crowd
- (4) Crowd with a strong leader

74. The father said, “my son is gifted with remarkable imagination” and his writings reveal that “he has an old head on young shoulders”. This means _____.

- (1) Having old head on young body
- (2) To be much wiser than one’s age
- (3) To have high range of imagination
- (4) To carry poetry on his young shoulders

75. Ram’s father told him not to join the army but Ram’s patriotic spirit told him to fight for his Mother land. So Ram felt he was placed “between the devil and the deep sea”. This statement means _____.

- (1) Ram must obey his father
- (2) Ram must obey himself
- (3) Ram was in a dilemma
- (4) Ram was to be patriotic





Directions : Questions (76-85) consist of sentences with a blank in each. By choosing correct answer from the 4 options given for each, darken the correct option.

76. _____ speaking you do not deserve any marks for your answers.

- (1) Factually
- (2) Sincerely
- (3) Frankly
- (4) Truly



77. The teacher told me not to hurry because there was _____ time to catch the bus.

- (1) much
- (2) little
- (3) more
- (4) plenty of

78. I tried many schools but _____ of them had good play grounds.

- (1) any
- (2) either
- (3) none
- (4) much

79. He didn't want _____ to drink for he was not feeling thirsty.

- (1) anything
- (2) something
- (3) everything
- (4) nothing

80. _____ so many qualifications she did not get a Job.

- (1) Although
- (2) In spite of having
- (3) Because of
- (4) Having

81. She is _____ beautiful but very intelligent.

- (1) only
- (2) not only
- (3) only not
- (4) always

82. _____ did I see him after he left to Europe.

- (1) Never after
- (2) Never again
- (3) Not before
- (4) Never before

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83. _____ he finished his homework, he went out to play.

- (1) No sooner
- (2) As soon as
- (3) Sooner
- (4) Sooner or later

84. I have _____ seen such an interesting person in my life.

- (1) never again
- (2) never after
- (3) never
- (4) ever

85. He came in time to class _____ he had forgotten to bring his books.

- (1) then
- (2) but
- (3) so
- (4) when

Directions : Questions (86-95) are designed to test your ability to use the right prefix. Darken the correct option from (1) (2) (3) & (4). The meanings of the desired word is given in brackets.

86. The chairperson's visit to the company was _____. (it was not likely to happen)

- (1) non
- (2) un
- (3) dis
- (4) in

87. The aim of the organisation was to provide quality education to the _____ children. (people who have less money and opportunities than other)

- (1) ultra
- (2) over
- (3) under
- (4) un

88. The officer was _____ to his own community. (not being firm in friendship or support)

- (1) un
- (2) dis
- (3) in
- (4) de





89. He is one of the _____ of our country. (having several million pounds or dollars)
- (1) super
- (2) multi
- (3) sub
- (4) mini
90. The army general did not like _____ personnel around him. (members of the armed forces- their duty does not include fighting)
- (1) under
- (2) non
- (3) sub
- (4) anti
91. I am not interested in _____ politics. (between different nations)
- (1) super
- (2) inter
- (3) under
- (4) ex
92. Fundamental duties are _____ from fundamental rights. (cannot be considered separately)
- (1) in
- (2) im
- (3) un
- (4) sub
93. The _____ of Malini is a wonderful singer. (former husband)
- (1) ex
- (2) re
- (3) pro
- (4) sub
94. He seems to be very _____ person. (having abnormal mind)
- (1) un
- (2) in
- (3) uni
- (4) sub
95. All _____ diseases have to be endured (that cannot be cured)
- (1) in
- (2) ab
- (3) ex
- (4) un





Directions : Read the following passage and choose the correct answers from the series (1), (2), (3) & (4) and darken the right option against the questions (96-100).

Man's meddling with nature, chemical effluents, nuclear waste, acid rain and ever increasing presence of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere have resulted in the greatest ecological crisis known to mankind. Ecology has been defined as the study of organism in relation to their environment. This covers the whole of organic life, plants including fungi, animals including microbes and man. Then there is the environment itself, which includes not only the animate organism that populate the biosphere but also the inanimate forces operating in nature. Though ecology covers all species of life, it is man who is disturbing the ecological system, there by bringing about the Ecological crisis, a term in frequent use in the seventies and eighties.

Man has to exploit natural system for his survival. When he clears virgin land to plant crops he is unbalancing the existing natural system. In the eco-system

all species of life- man, plant and animal- are interlinked with one another. Interference with one species will have serious repercussions on others. Man is over-exploiting the natural and mineral resources and if we continue to squander our resources then a shortage of one or the other may stare us in the face.

However, man's consciousness has been aroused very strongly about the need for environmental protection and ecological preservation in recent years. The people are raising the banner of protest against the dumping of waste pollutants and industrial effluents. 'Green' movement came into existence in US, Europe and Australia. In India Chipko movement has gained popularity. Environmentalists under the banner of 'Green' won 28 seats in West German Parliamentary election in 1983 and 'Green Peace', the environmental protests group, maintained its pressure on governments to ensure adequate protection to life on the earth. In the seventh plan adequate funds have been provided for ecology and environment.





96. A most suitable title for this passage can be _____.

- (1) Environmentalism
- (2) Chipko movement
- (3) Ecology
- (4) Green movement

97. Man has to exploit natural system for his _____.

- (1) pleasure
- (2) survival
- (3) enjoyment
- (4) selfishness

98. The environmental protest group pressurized the government to ensure _____.

- (1) protection to mineral resources
- (2) protection to life on the earth
- (3) environmentalists
- (4) existing natural system

99. The definition given to Ecology is

- (1) study of green movement
- (2) study Chipko movement
- (3) study of organism in relation to their environment
- (4) study of animate and inanimate organisms

100. The people raised their protest against.

- (1) dumping of waste pollutants and industrial effluents
- (2) adequate protection to life
- (3) squander of resources
- (4) exploiting the natural and mineral resources



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