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English Language

Directions (Q. 71-80) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it.

“Uncle” said Luke to the old Sean, “You seem to be well fed, though I know no one looks after you. Nor have I seen you leave your residence at any time. Tell me how do you manage it?”

“Because” Sean replied, “I have a good feed every night at the emperor’s orchard. After dark, I go there myself and pick out enough fruits to last a fortnight.”

Luke proposed to accompany his uncle to the orchard. Though **reluctant** because of Luke’s habit of euphoric exhibition of **extreme** excitement, Sean agreed to take him along.

At the orchard while Sean hurriedly collected the fruits and left, Luke on the other hand at the sight of unlimited supply of fruits was excited and lifted his voice which brought emperor’s men immediately to his side. They seized him and mistook him as the sole cause of damage to the orchard. Although Luke **reiterated** that he was a bird of passage, they **pounded** him **mercilessly** before setting him free.

71. How did old Sean manage to meet his food requirements?
 - a) By buying food from the market
 - b) His nephew Luke took care of his requirements
 - c) Luke brought fruits from the emperor’s orchard for Sean
 - d) He picked up fruits from the emperor’s orchard

 72. Which of the following is not true in the context of the passage?
 - a) Sean was a poor and suffering man
 - b) Luke came to know about the orchard from his uncle
 - c) Sean initially hesitated to take his nephew along
 - d) Luke was finally set free

 73. Why was Sean reluctant to take Luke along?
 - a) Because he was a selfish man
 - b) He feared that Luke’s reaction may alert the Emperor’s men
 - c) Because Luke could harm him
 - d) He wanted to bring fruits for Luke himself

 74. How often did Sean visit the emperor’s orchard?
 - a) Daily
 - b) Once a month
 - c) In a period of two weeks
 - d) Everyday during midnight
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75. Luke remained behind at the orchard because he
- a) Was greedy and wanted to collect more fruits
 - b) Waited for the Emperor's men to arrest him
 - c) Lost his composure and started expressing his feelings loudly
 - d) Had waited for his uncle to return

Directions (Q. 76-78) Choose the word/phrase which is most nearly the same in meaning of the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

76. Reiterated
- a) Pleaded
 - b) Regurgitated
 - c) Protested
 - d) Repeated
 - e) Recapitulated
77. Extreme
- a) End
 - b) High
 - c) Severe
 - d) Serious
 - e) Moderate
78. Reluctant
- a) Disinclined
 - b) Opposed
 - c) Against
 - d) Resistant
 - e) None of these

Directions (Q. 79-80) Choose the word which is most opposite in meaning of the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

79. Pounded
- a) Weighed
 - b) Released
 - c) Paid
 - d) Attended
 - e) Caressed
80. Mercilessly
- a) Calmly
 - b) Compassionately
 - c) Mildly
 - d) Forgivably
 - e) Sympathetically

Directions (Q. 81-85) Which of the phrases (1), (2), (3) and (4) given below should replace the phrase given in bold in the following sentence to make it meaningful and grammatically correct. If the sentence is correct as it is and no correction is required, mark (5) as the answer.

81. Banks charge **differently rate of interest** depending on the size of the loan
- a) difference in rate of interests
 - b) differently what rate of interest
 - c) different rates of interest
 - d) the different rate of interest
 - e) No correction required
82. It is necessary that **we take any** steps to reduce pollution soon
- a) we should take every
 - b) we have taken no
 - c) us to take any
 - d) we take some
 - e) No correction required
83. It is too early to say **how the impact** the new tax will have on investors
- a) what impact
 - b) that the impact
 - c) how much impacts
 - d) what are the impacts of
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- e) No correction required
84. Kindly ask **his advice regarding** the various health insurance policies presently available.
- him to advise that
 - regarding his advise
 - that he should advice
 - about his advice
 - No correction required
85. Unfortunately many of our towns and cities do **have more good** transportation systems.
- have a good
 - not have good
 - not have much good
 - not having better
 - No correction required

Directions (Q. 86-90) In each question below a sentence with four words printed in bold type is given. These are numbered as (1), (2), (3) and (4). One of these four words printed in bold may be either wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word which is wrongly spelt or inappropriate if any. The number of that word is your answer. If all the words printed in bold are correctly spelt and also appropriate in the context of the sentence, mark (5) i.e., 'All correct' as your answer.

86. The bank's **fluctuating** performance over the **prior** year has been a **major cause** for concern.
- fluctuating
 - prior
 - major
 - cause
 - All correct
87. An economy **relies** on its **access** to **dependable** and **affordable** sources of energy.
- relies
 - access
 - dependable
 - affordable
 - All correct
88. Researches have used data **prevalent** to manufacturing companies to **illustrate** the **harmful impacts** of technology on the environment.
- prevalent
 - illustrate
 - harmful
 - impacts
 - All correct
89. Such a **situation** is neither **feesible** nor **desirable** in a democratic country like **ours**.
- situation
 - feasible
 - desirable
 - ours
 - All correct
90. The **gradual withdrawal** of such **safety mechanisims** will affect small and medium industries the most.
- gradual
 - withdrawal
 - safety
 - mechanisims
 - All correct

Directions (Q. 91-100) In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These number are printed below the passage and against each five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

The World's climate has always changed and species have evolved accordingly to survive it. The surprising fact about the (91) between evolution and global warning (92) that it is not liner (93) temperatures alone are not (94) of evolution. Evolution is also the (95) of seasonal changes. As the environment (96) those species which don't adapt (97) to exist. But the sheer (98) of manmade climate change today is (99). 'Bad things are happening' and by one (100) global warming could threaten upto one-third of the World's species if left unchecked.

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91. a) difference
d) relationship
- b) similarity
e) alliance
- c) argument
92. a) being
d) besides
- b) seema
e) is
- c) mainly
93. a) however
d) elevating
- b) mounted
e) inclining
- c) rising
94. a) means
d) threats
- b) triggers
e) stimulus
- c) responses
95. a) results
d) cause
- b) precursor
e) provocation
- c) resistance
96. a) conserves
d) changes
- b) stifles
e) emerges
- c) predicts
97. a) continue
d) terminate
- b) halt
e) discontinue
- c) cease
98. a) luck
d) pace
- b) value
e) attention
- c) coolapse
99. a) threatened
d) record
- b) pursued
e) debated
- c) unprecedented
100. a) forecast
d) occasion
- b) chance
e) imagination
- c) pattern