

FILL IN THE BLANKS

Directions :

Each of the following sentences in this section has a blank space and four words or groups of words given after the sentences. Select the words or group of words you consider most appropriate for the blank space and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet accordingly.

- My teacher was _____ us for being late.
A. annoyed at B. annoyed with
C. annoyed about D. annoys
- Sandhya _____ me from the top of the house.
A. shouted to B. shouted at
C. shouted on D. shouted
- Ravi has the habit of _____ a headache.
A. complaining
B. complain
C. complaining to
D. complaining of
- I always want to go alone for a ride, but my mother _____ going with my brother.
A. insists B. insists on
C. insists in D. insisted
- The new student found it difficult to _____ with his classmates.
A. get along B. get among
C. get well D. get up
- The visiting Diplomat _____ the Prime Minister.
A. called in B. called at
C. called on D. called up on
- _____ sincere he would have got the prize.
A. Had he been
B. Has he been
C. Would he have been
D. He is
- Ten years _____ for me to live in a foreign country.
A. are a long time
B. is a long time
C. has a long time
D. of time
- If I _____ you I _____ love to accept the offer.
A. was Will
B. was would
C. were would
D. were will
- My sister asked me _____ willing to go abroad for my studies.
A. if I were
B. if I could be
C. whether I should be
D. whether I will

SYNONYMS

Directions :

Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word/words followed by four words. Select the option that is nearer to meaning to the underlined word/words and mark your response on your Answer Sheet accordingly.

- Rahul is always thirfty.
A. reckless B. economical
C. naïve D. extravagant
- His salubrious words calmed the students.
A. provoking B. pleasant
C. ridiculous D. thanking
- He felt desolated after he lost his business.
A. deserted B. joyful
C. strong D. annoyed
- Don't condone such acts which lead to unrest in the country.
A. regard B. punish
C. aware of D. overlook
- A good work place shall not encourage ineptitude even in a hidden manner.
A. incompetence B. courage
C. gossip D. radical thinking

16. Learning of foreign language should not impede one's mother tongue learning.
 A. facilitate B. acts for
 C. hinder D. accept
17. Extradition of the leader of the group was debated for hours in the meeting.
 A. acceptance B. sentence
 C. extension D. deportation
18. It was felt that the decision to remove the group from the exercise would be detrimental to the organization.
 A. beneficial B. harsh
 C. disadvantageous
 D. demanding
19. His derisive behavior has led to the situation we face now.
 A. mockery B. conducive
 C. encouraging D. contemptuous
20. Any classroom should provide an engaging environment for learners.
 A. carefree B. appealing
 C. thinking D. dreaming

PASSAGES

Directions :

In this section you have few short passages. After each passage, you will find some items based on the passage. First, read a passage and answer the items based on it. You are required to select your answer based on the contents of the passage and opinion of the author only.

PASSAGE – 1

Daily consumption of a certain form of curcumin improved memory and mood in people with mild, age-related memory loss. The research examined the effects of an easily absorbed curcumin supplement on memory performance in people without dementia, as well as curcumin's potential impact on the microscopic plaques and tangled in the brains of people with Alzheimer's disease. Found in turmeric, curcumin has previously been shown to have anti-inflammatory and antioxidant properties in laboratory studies. It has also been suggested as a possible reason that senior citizens in India, where curcumin is a dietary staple, have a lower prevalence of Alzheimer's disease and better cognitive performance.

21. Which of the following statements are true?
 1. Senior citizens in India have high level of Alzheimer's disease because of consumption of turmeric.
 2. Senior citizens in India do not have high prevalence of Alzheimer's because of consumption of turmeric.
 3. Consumption of turmeric enhances cognitive performance.
 4. Curcumin is an antioxidant.
 Select the correct answer using the code given below :
 A. 2, 3 and 4 B. 1, 3 and 4
 C. 1 and 4 only D. 1 and 3 only
22. Curcumin has positive effect on people
 A. without dementia
 B. with Alzheimer's disease
 C. without dementia and with Alzheimer's disease
 D. with dementia and with Alzheimer's disease
23. Which word in the passage means 'earlier'?
 A. Performance B. Absorbed
 C. Properties D. Previously
24. Eating turmeric
 A. will reduce the chance of getting Alzheimer's disease
 B. will increase curcumin
 C. will enhance dementia
 D. will reduce chance of getting cancer
25. _____ of a disease in a region depends on the food habits too.
 A. Dominance B. Prevalence
 C. Affection D. Death

PASSAGE – 2

Mr. Rowland Hill, when a young man, was walking through the Lake district, when he one day saw the postman deliver a letter to a woman at a cottage door. The woman turned it over and examined it, and then returned it, saying she could not pay the postage, which was a shilling. Hearing that the letter was from her brother, Mr. Hill paid the postage, in spite of the manifest unwillingness of the woman. As soon as the postman was out of sight, she showed Mr. Hill how his money had been wasted, as far as she was concerned. The sheet was blank. There was an all went well with him, he should send a blank sheet in this way once a quarter, and she thus had tidings of him without expense of postage.

26. The story uses irony as a technique because
- A. the woman returned her own brother's letter without opening it
 - B. the woman broke the agreement of receiving blank letters to convey well being of her brother
 - C. Mr. Hill accepted the letter addressed to the woman
 - D. in the modern times a brother has no time to write a letter to his own sister
27. The woman returned the letter to the postman because
- A. she could not pay the postage
 - B. the letter was not addressed to her
 - C. she already knew the contents of the letter
 - D. she hated the person who wrote the letter
28. Mr. Hill paid the postage because
- A. the letter was from her brother
 - B. the woman was his relative
 - C. the letter was addressed to him
 - D. he wanted to be kind to her
29. The envelope contained
- A. a currency note
 - B. two written sheets
 - C. no sheet at all
 - D. a blank sheet
30. The woman add her brother had agreed that
- A. the letter with no postage meant good news
 - B. the blank sheet meant being well
 - C. the blank sheet meant bad news
 - D. the letter with no postage meant unimportant news

PASSAGE – 3

In good many cases unnecessary timidity makes the trouble worse than it needs to be. Public opinion is always more tyrannical towards those who obviously fear it than towards those who fell indifferent to it. A dog will bark more loudly and bite more easily when people are afraid of it than when they treat him with contempt, and the human herd has something of this same characteristic. If you show that you are afraid of them, you give promise of good hunting, whereas if you show indifference, they begin to doubt their own power and, therefore, tend to let you alone.

31. If we are afraid of public opinion, the attitude of the people towards us is
- A. sympathetic
 - B. indifferent
 - C. admiration
 - D. ruthless
32. The statement, 'A dog will bark more loudly and bite more easily when people are afraid of him, than when they treat him with contempt...' Implies that
- A. barking dogs seldom bite
 - B. we should not be afraid of dogs
 - C. if we are afraid of others, they will leave us alone
 - D. if we are afraid of people, they will try to scare us more
33. The author compares men with dogs in respect of
- A. attacking others without any reason
 - B. attacking others when they are weak

- C. barking and biting
 D. faithfulness to the master
34. '... you give promise of good hunting' means
- A. you are vulnerable
 B. you are challenging
 C. you are indomitable
 D. you are confused

PASSAGE – 4

We live in curious age. We are offered glimpses of a world civilization slowly emerging, for example, the U.N. special agencies dedicated to health and education. But along with these are sights and sounds that suggest that the whole civilization is rapidly being destroyed. Two official policies clash, and instantly embassies are attacked by howling mobs of students, at once defying law, custom and usage. And that this may not be merely so many hot-headed lads escaping all control, and may itself be part of the policy of the political parties, that is, mob antics as additional propaganda to deceive world opinion, makes the situation even worse. Parties have always been dishonest, but now it seems as if power-mania is ready to destroy those civilities that make international relations possible. There is something even worse. What inspires these students to burn cars and books is not their political enthusiasm but a frenzied delight in destruction, an urge towards violent demolition.

35. The author calls our age curious because
- A. it is an age of science and scientists are curious by nature
 B. it is witnessing the emergence of a world civilization
 C. it is witnessing incidents that threaten to shake the very foundations of civilization
 D. it is an age of contradictions consisting of constructive and destructive activities
36. It is deplorable to witness mob attacks on embassies following a clash of policies of two official policy markers because
- A. students should not take part in politics, but should concentrate on their studies
 B. they may result in the loss of lives of young and promising students
 C. they are overlooked by the policy planners themselves
 D. they are indicative of the complete failure of the government in controlling the rebellious students
37. One aspect of the mob indulging in violence and arson is that they
- A. destroy very costly things like vehicles
 B. destroy very valuable artifacts and books
 C. get a mad delight in destruction for the sake of destruction only
 D. are motivated by certain political ideology to resort to destruction
38. In the passage the word 'demolition' has the meaning as the word
- A. defying
 B. antics
 C. destruction
 D. urge

SPOTTING ERRORS

Directions :

Each item in this section has a sentence with three underlined parts labeled (a), (b) and (c). Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in any underlined part and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet against the corresponding letter i.e., (a), (b), (c). If you find no error, your response should be indicated as (d).

39. The letter has been written; I insist on it being sent at once. No error
 (a) (b) (c) (d)

40. "I'm tired of my boys," Said the mother, "Both of them keep quarrelling all the time.
 Right now also they are quarrelling with one another." No error.
 (a) (b)
 (c) (d)
41. Sherly wants to know whether you are going to Delhi today night. No error.
 (a) (b) (c) (d)
42. The visitor's to the zoo are requested, in the interest of all concerned,
not to carry sticks, stones or food inside and not to tease animals. No error
 (a) (b)
 (c) (d)
43. The legendary hero laid down his precious life for our country No error
 (a) (b) (c) (d)
44. Our gardener, which is very lazy, say that there will be no apples this year. No error
 (a) (b) (c) (d)
45. When I asked the guest What she would like to drink
she replied that she preferred coffee much more than tea. No error.
 (a) (b)
 (c) (d)
46. No sooner did I reached there the children left the place with their parents. No error.
 (a) (b) (c) (d)
47. I did not want to listen to him, but he was adamant and discussed about the matter.
 (a) (b) (c)
No error.
 (d)
48. Please note that the interview for the post
 (a) (b)
shall be held on June 15, 2019 between 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. No error.
 (c) (d)

Directions :

Each of the following sentences in this section has a blank space with four words or group of words given. Select whichever word or group of words you consider most appropriate for the blank space and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet accordingly.

CLOZE COMPREHENSION 1

- This cultural form _____ 49. (a) originating from Japan has a name which means
 (b) originates
 (c) originated
 (d) organizing
- 'whimsical or impromptu pictures'. It _____ 50. (a) had been in existence since
 (b) has been
 (c) was
 (d) is

the 12th century when the first _____ 51. (a) instance for this art form was seen.
(b) incident
(c) accident
(d) events

Since the language itself is read from right to left, the books with _____ 52. (a) that
(b) this
(c) these
(d) which

art form follow the same pattern _____ 53. (a) For when English translations
(b) Beginning
(c) During
(d) Initially

were made, they flipped the pictures and published it. This _____ 54. (a) engrage
(b) enlarged
(c) engraved
(d) enraged

the purists as it showed left-handed samurai, who did not exist in the original book, Hence, nowadays even English translation follow _____ 55. (a) the right to left format
(b) a
(c) some
(d) same

The name of this art form is Manga.

CLOZE COMPREHENSION – 2

So the _____ 56. (a) difficulty is that in the present social structure, discipline
(b) difficult
(c) difference
(d) different

has become an important factor because we want large numbers of children
_____ 57. (a) educated together and _____ 58. (a) as quick as possible.
(b) to be educated (b) as quickly as possible.
(c) to be educating (c) as possible as.
(d) to educate (d) quickly.

Educated to be what? To be bank clerks or super salesmen, capitalists or commissars. When you are a superman _____ 59. (a) of some kind, as/or a super governor or a subtle
(b) of same kind,
(c) of some,
(d) of same,

parliamentary debater, what have you done? You are probably very clever, full of facts. Anybody can pick up facts; but we are human beings, not factual machines, not _____ 60. (a) beast routine automatons. But again, sirs, you are not interested.
(b) bear
(c) beastly
(d) bare

87. National Building Organisation besides conducting surveys on housing
and disseminates the statistical information collects, tabulates
on housing and building construction activities
- P
Q
R
S
- A. Q R P S
 B. R P Q S
 C. S P R Q
 D. R Q S P
88. The Himalayan range sacred to the Gaddi people is home
to a chain of high altitude lakes that towers over the Kangra valley
- P
Q
R
S
- A. Q R P S
 B. S P Q R
 C. S Q R P
 D. R Q S P

ORDERING SENTENCES

Directions :

In this section each item consists of six sentences of a passage. The first and the sixth sentences are given as S1 and S6. The middle four sentences in each have been jumbled up and labeled P, Q, R and S. You are required to find the proper sequences of the four sentences and mark your response accordingly on the Answer Sheet.

89. S1 : The giant wall of the Dhauladhar range in Himachal Pradesh is one of the most stunning sights in the Himalayas. Dhauladhar is a popular trekking destination.
- P : As the life line of the region it acts as a watershed ridge between Chamba's Ravi river system and Kangra's Beas river system. A. Q R P S B. S P Q R
- Q : Although of modest altitude compared to other Himalayan ranges – the highest Dhauladhar peak is less than 5,000 m. C. Q S R P D. R Q S P
- R : Thus, the Dhauladhar could be stated as the life line of the region.
- S : Despite of that, the range sweeps up an astounding 12,000 ft. from the valley floor, creating a barrier wall in that is striking to look at.
- S6 : Looming over the hill stations of Dharmsala and McLeodganj, the
90. S1 : Truth is far more important than the teacher. P : Without self-knowledge, the air-plane becomes the most destructive instrument in life; but with self-knowledge, it is a means of human help.
- Q : Wisdom begins with self-knowledge; and without self-knowledge, more information leads to destruction.
- R : In other words, you have to be the perfect teacher to create a new society; and to bring the perfect teacher into being, you have to understand yourself.

- S : Therefore you, who are the seeker of truth, have to be both the pupil and the teacher.
- S6 : So a teacher must obviously be one who is not within the clutches of society, who does not play power politics or seeks position or authority.
- A. Q R S P B. S R Q P
C. Q S R P D. R Q S P
91. S1 : Though most of us talk of discipline, what do we mean by that word?
- P : The teacher would understand each child and help him in the way required.
- Q : But if you have five or six in a class, and an intelligent understanding teacher with a warm heart, I am sure there would be no need for discipline.
- R : When you have a hundred boys in a class, you will have to have discipline; otherwise there will be complete chaos.
- S : Discipline in schools becomes necessary when there is one teacher to a hundred boys and girls.
- S6 : And most of us are interested in mass movements, large schools with a great many boys and girls; we are not interested in creative intelligence, therefore we put up huge schools with enormous attendances.
- A. Q R S P B. S R Q P
C. Q S R P D. R Q S P
92. S1 : Tolstoy Farm was founded in 1910 by which time Gandhi had already conceptualized ideas that he would develop in India.
- P : He was rich and used his money to buy the land and help set up the farm.
- Q : A Jewish architect, Kallenbach was by his side through this period.
- R : Tolstoy Farm became the subject of research for different kinds of cooperative communities across the world.
- S : He first put in the social, moral, religious components of his doctrine.
- S6 : Both he and Gandhi often referred to the time that they spent in Tolstoy Farm as among the happiest in their lives.
- A. Q R S P B. S Q P R
C. S Q R P D. R Q P S
93. S1 : Decentralized planning is a process of planning that begins from the grassroots level taking into confidence all the beneficiaries.
- P : Under decentralized planning, the operation is from bottom to top.
- Q : It can be said that it is more connected with the capitalistic economies.
- R : It empowers the individuals and small groups to carry out their plans for their achievement of a common goal.
- S : The decentralized planning is implemented through market mechanism.
- S6 : But it cannot be described as undemocratic for most national states adopt such a planning now.
- A. Q R S P B. S R Q P
C. S Q R P D. S R P Q
94. S1 : It is doubtful if mankind, through out his long history, has ever lived at all 'sustainably'.
- P : But in general mankind has regarded the environment as an endless 'resource' to be exploited and plundered.
- Q : May be a few isolated tribal groups found the necessary balance with nature lived without the desire for endless 'more'.
- R : Now we have reached a point where we are on the verge of destroying ourselves and most of the life on earth.
- S : This process has accelerated greatly since the industrial revolution.
- S6 : The concept of 'sustainable' is so far from reality that it is almost laughable.

- A. P Q R S B. Q P S R
C. P Q S R D. S R Q P
95. S1 : Measurement is an important concept in performance management.
P : It also indicates where things are not going so well, so that corrective action can be taken.
Q : It identifies where things are going well to provide the foundations for building further success.
R : It is the basis for providing and generating feedback.
S : Measuring performance is relatively easy for those who are responsible for achieving quantified targets for example sales.
S6 : It is more difficult in the case of knowledge workers for example scientists and teachers.
- A. R Q P S B. Q P S R
C. P S Q R D. S P Q R
96. S1 : Equity theory is concerned with the perception people have about how they are being treated compared with others.
P : To be dealt with equitably is to be treated fairly in comparison with another group of people or a relevant other person.
Q : Equity involves feelings and perceptions and is always a comparative process.
R : Equity theory states, in effect, that people will be better motivated if they are treated equitably and demotivated if they are treated inequitably.
S : It is not synonymous with equality, which means treating everyone the same, since this would be inequitable if they deserve to be treated differently.
S6 : This explains only one aspect of the process of motivation and job satisfaction, although it may be significant in terms of morale.
- A. P Q R S B. P Q S R
C. R S Q P D. Q P R S
97. S1 : We cannot understand the power of rumours and prophecies in history by checking whether they are factually correct or not.
P : The rumours in 1857 began to make sense when seen in the context of the policies the British pursued from the late 1820s.
Q : Rumours circulate only when they resonate with the deeper fears and suspicions of people.
R : Under the leadership of Governor General Lord William Bentinck, the British adopted policies aimed at "reforming" Indian society by introducing Western education, Western ideas and Western Institutions.
S : We need to see that they reflect about the minds of people who believed them – their fears and apprehensions, their faiths and convictions.
S6 : With the cooperation of sections of Indian society they set up English-medium schools, colleges and universities which taught Western sciences and liberal arts.
- A. S Q P R B. Q S P R
C. P R S Q D. R S P Q
98. S1 : The Constitution of India thus emerged through a process of intense debate and discussion.
P : This was an unprecedented act of faith, for in other democracies the vote had been granted slowly, and in stages.
Q : However, on one central feature of the Constitution there was substantial agreement.
R : Many of the provisions were arrived at through a process of give-and-take, by forging a middle ground between two opposed positions.
S : This was on the granting of the vote to every adult Indian.
S6 : In countries such as the United States and the United Kingdom, only men with education were allowed into the charmed circle.
- A. P R S Q B. R Q S P
C. Q S R P D. Q S R P

ANTONYMS

Directions :

Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word/words followed by four words. Select the option that is opposite in meaning to the underlined word/words and mark your response on your Answer Sheet accordingly.

99. His ideas are obscure.
A. New B. Clear
C. Infamous D. Obscene
100. Ravi is jovial and he makes the environment sanguine.
A. Pessimistic B. Optimistic
C. Humorous D. Rebellious
101. There prevailed a woebegone feeling in the room.
A. Sad B. Cheerful
C. Sleepy D. Thoughtful
102. It appears that the whole group is mutinous.
A. Arrogant B. Lucky
C. Obedient D. Sincere
103. They consider themselves as foes from birth.
A. Protagonists B. Opponents
C. Friends D. Soul mates
104. This painting has a distinctive element which can be noticed well.
A. Salient B. Common
C. Great D. Unique
105. The entry was carried out inadvertently.
A. Purposely B. Purposively
C. Accidently D. Not noticing
106. The whole audience showed a disdainful attitude during the match.
A. Sneering B. Respectful
C. Mocking D. Cheerful
107. Efficacy of the project needs an examination.
A. Inefficiency B. Efficiency
C. Value D. Effectiveness
108. Her rebuttal that she was not involved in the case was considered by the court.
A. Refusal B. Denial
C. Acceptance D. Kindness
109. The baby could not move as the place was soggy.
A. Sodden B. Dry
C. Hot D. Wet

REPORTED SPEECH

Directions :

Each item in this section has a direct statement followed by its reported form in indirect speech. Select the correct statement in indirect speech and mark it in the Answer Sheet accordingly.

110. The captain said to his soldiers, "Move forward and face the target now."
A. The captain ordered his soldiers to move forward and face the target
B. The captain informed his soldiers that they should move forward and face the target now
C. The captain asked his soldiers to move forward and face the target then
D. The captain told his soldiers that they move forward and face the target immediately.
111. Vivek said to his friend, "Could you please turn off the switch?"
A. Vivek told his friend to turn off the switch
B. Vivek asked his friend to please turn off the switch
C. Vivek requested his friend to turn off the switch
D. Vivek told his friend that he should turn off the switch
112. The manager said to his colleagues, "We have received a serious threat to our business now and we need to act to face it."
A. The manager told his colleagues that they had received a serious threat to

- our business then and they needed to act to face it
- B. The manager told his colleagues that they received a serious threat to their business then and they needed to act to face it
- C. The manager said his colleagues that they had received a serious threat to our business then and they needed to act to face it
- D. The manager told his colleagues that they had received a serious threat to their business at that time and they needed to act to face it
113. Romila said to Rahim, "Where were your ideas when we faced the troubles last week?"
- A. Ramila asked Rahim where his ideas had been when they had faced the trouble the week before.
- B. Ramila asked Rahim where his ideas had been when they faced the trouble the last week.
- C. Ramila asked Rahim where his ideas had been when they faced the trouble the week before.
- D. Ramila told Rahim where his ideas were when they faced the trouble the week before.
114. The actor said to his co-star, Sarita, "Will you go with me for a cup of tea in the evening today?"
- A. The actor said to his co-star if she would go for a cup of tea with him in evening today
- B. The actor told his co-star, Sarita if she would go with him for a cup of tea in evening that day
- C. The actor requests his co-star, Sarita if she would go with him for a cup of tea in that evening that day
- D. The actor asked his co-star, Sarita if she would go with him for a cup of tea in the evening that day
115. The preacher said to the crowd, "The Sun rises everyday for all of us without any expectations in return."
- A. The preacher told the crowd that the Sun rose everyday for all of them without any expectations in return
- B. The preacher told the crowd that the Sun rose everyday for all of us without any expectations in return
- C. The preacher told the crowd that the Sun has risen everyday for all of them without any expectations in return
- D. The preacher told the crowd that the Sun rises everyday for all of them without any expectations in return

PASSIVE VOICE

Directions :

Each item in this section has a sentence in active voice followed by four sentences one of which is the correct passive voice statement of the same. Select the correct one and mark it in the Answer Sheet accordingly.

116. The members of the parliament elect their group leader either by consensus or by voice vote.
- A. The group leader is elected by the members of the parliament either by consensus or by voice vote
- B. The group leader was elected by the members of the parliament either by consensus or by voice vote
- C. The group leader has been elected by the members of the parliament either by consensus or by voice vote
- D. The members of the parliament are elected by their group leader either by consensus or by voice vote
117. All the examinees have answered one particular question in the long answer writing section.

- A. One particular question is answered by all the examinees in the long answer writing section.
 - B. One particular question was answered by all the examinees in the long answer writing section.
 - C. All the examinees answered one particular question in the long answer writing section.
 - D. One particular question has been answered by all the examinees in the long answer writing section.
118. The writer who passed away recently has authored a dozen novels and a number of poetry collections.
- A. A dozen novels and a number of poetry collections have been authored by the writer who passed away recently
 - B. A dozen novels and a number of poetry collections has been authored by the writer who passed away recently
 - C. A dozen novels and a number of poetry collections were authored by the writer who passed away recently
 - D. A dozen novels and a number of poetry collections had been authored by the writer who passed away recently
119. Shut the door.
- A. Shut the door
 - B. Let the door be shut
 - C. The door be shut
 - D. The door is shut
120. India won freedom with the blood and sweat of hundreds and thousands of Indians.
- A. India had won freedom with the blood and sweat of hundreds and thousands of Indians
 - B. Freedom had been won by India with the blood and sweat of hundreds and thousands of Indians
 - C. Freedom was won by India with the blood and sweat of hundreds and thousands of Indians
 - D. Freedom was won by hundreds and thousands of Indians with their blood and sweat