

Sbi Clerk Prelims Previous Year Question Paper Overview

Here, you can solve all the questions asked in Sbi Clerk Prelims Previous Year Question Paper on 2020-02-22 in the Morning exam. The detailed solutions are also provided for every previous year question and some of these questions can be asked again in your Sbi Clerk Prelims exam. There are 100 questions in the exam and 60 minutes are provided for the Sbi Clerk Prelims exam. The Cutoff of the exam was 73 marks hence you should try to score at least 83 marks.

Sbi Clerk Prelims Previous Year Question Paper : Questions and Solutions

Question 1 :

A paragraph is given below which has been divided into five parts i.e. A, B, C, D and E. Part 'A' of the paragraph has no error. Find out the part that has grammatical or contextual error(s) in it. If there is no error then mark the option "No Error". Whether wooden, metal, old, new, shipwrecked or fantasy, ships are fun to build in Minecraft. (A)/Although they are essentially static structures, they are cool and pretty hard to build. (B)/Here are some tips to get you started. To create a basic ship hull, start on building a line, (C)/draw the ship's hull from the side then, from above, draw the outline of the ship. (D)/Once you have these two elements blocked out, just join them together – you can add stairs and half-slabs to smooth out the curves. (E)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. B
2. C
3. D
4. E
5. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **C**.

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The theme of this question is to find a contextual or grammatical error (if any) in the fragments provided

Parts 'B', 'D' and 'E' seem to be contextually and grammatically correct but part 'C' does not seem to be coherent because of the preposition 'on' in the line. **The actual preposition that suits there is 'by'.**

Hence, the correct answer is Option 2 i.e. C.

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 2 :

$$(?% \text{ of } 480) \div (4\% \text{ of } 540) = 5.6$$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. 27.0
2. 25.0
3. 25.2
4. 23.4
5. 21.8

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **25.2**.

$$(?% \text{ of } 480) \div (4\% \text{ of } 540) = 5.6$$

$$(?/100 \times 480) \div (4/100 \times 540) = 5.6$$

$$(4.8 \times ?) \div 21.6 = 5.6$$



$$4.8 \times ? = 5.6 \times 21.6$$

$$? = (5.6 \times 21.6)/4.8$$

$$? = 25.2$$

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 3 :

$$(197 + 103)\% \text{ of } 45 - (8)^2 = 4 \times ? - 29$$

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 44 Seconds****Options :**

1. 30

2. 25

3. 15

4. 20

5. 35

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **25**.

$$(197 + 103)\% \text{ of } 45 - (8)^2 = 4 \times ? - 29$$

$$300\% \text{ of } 45 - (8)^2 = 4 \times ? - 29$$

We will apply the BODMAS rule here:

$$135 - 64 = 4 \times ? - 29$$

$$71 = 4 \times ? - 29$$

$$4 \times ? = 100$$

$$? = 25$$

Comprehension :

Direction: In the following question two statements are followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read all the statements and decide which of the given conclusion/conclusions logically follows from the given statements.

Question 4 :

Statements: Only a few fruits are Maaza. No Maaza is slice. Conclusions: I. Some fruits are definitely not slice. II. Some Maaza are fruits.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :

1. Only conclusion II follows
2. Both conclusions I and II follow
3. Only conclusion I follows
4. Neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows
5. Either conclusion I or conclusion II follows

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Both conclusions I and II follow**

Understanding

By making the least possible Venn diagram we get.



Conclusion:

I. Some fruits are definitely not slice **True** (As only a few fruits are maaza and no maaza is slice. So, the part of fruits that are maaza are not slice)

II. Some Maaza are fruits **True** (As only a few fruits are maaza so, some maaza are definitely fruits)

Hence, the correct answer is **Both conclusions I and II follow.**

Question 5 :

A can do a piece of work in 30 days. He works on it for 6 days and then B finished the work in 12 days. How long will they

together take to complete the work?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. 12 days
2. 13 days
3. 18 days
4. 10 days
5. 16 days

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **10 days**.

Concept	Application
Time and work	<p>Work done by A in 6 days = $(1/30) \times 6 = (1/5)$</p> <p>Remaining work = $1 - (1/5) = (4/5)$ was done by B in 12 days.</p> <p>B's work in 12-day = $(4/5)$</p> <p>whole work will be done by B in $(12 \times 5/4) = 15$ days</p> <p>B's 1-day work = $(1/15)$</p> <p>and A's 1-day work = $(1/30)$</p> <p>(A + B)'s 1-day work = $(1/15) + (1/30) = (3/30) = (1/10)$</p> <p>Hence, A and B will complete the work together in 10 days.</p>

Question 6 :

A paragraph is given below which has been divided into five parts i.e. A, B, C, D, and E. Part 'A' of the paragraph has no error. Find out the part that has a grammatical or contextual error(s) in it. If there is no error, then mark the option "No Error". Water is our most precious resource and we can't live without it. There's no substitute for it. (A)/Moreover, there's

only so much of it to go round. Of all the water on Earth, just 2.5% is freshwater, and most of that is locked up in ice or deep underground. (B)/Rivers and lakes hold only a tiny fraction – but it's this water that farming, industry, seven billion human beings and all life on land depend on. (C)/And freshwater environments is home to around 1 in 10 known animals – from dragonflies to ducks to dolphins, and around half of all fish species. (D)/We're striving to protect and revive the rivers and wetlands that sustain people and nature, and ensure there's enough water for all of us. (E)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 122 Seconds

Options :

1. B
2. C
3. D
4. E
5. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **D**.



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The theme of this question is to find any contextual or grammatical error (if present) in the paragraph provided.

Sentences 'B', 'C' and 'E' do not contain any grammatical or contextual error. But, sentence 'D' looks to have a grammatical error (Singular-Plural agreement) as the word "is" in the sentence "And freshwater environments **is** home to around 1 in 10 known animals – from dragonflies to ducks to dolphins, and around half of all fish species." looks inappropriate. The word that should be used instead of 'is' is "**are**".

Hence, Option 3 is correct.

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the given information carefully and answer the following questions. In a shop, 6 boxes of six different colors - Purple, Cream, Brown, Magenta, Red, and Yellow, are kept. Each box has a number written on it from 1 to 6. The numbered boxes are arranged one above the other in descending order such that the lowest numbered box is at the top. There are three boxes between the Purple box and the yellow box which is immediately above the Brown box. The Box of Magenta color is kept immediately above the box of Red color and immediately below the box of Cream color. The Purple color box is kept at the top.

Question 7 :

What is the color of box number 6?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 120 Seconds

Options :

1. Red

Yellow

3. Magenta

4. Cream

5. Brown

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **Brown**

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2	Cream
3	Magenta
4	Red
5	Yellow
6	Brown

Box number 6 is of brown color.

Hence, the correct answer is **Brown**.

Comprehension :

Direction: In the following question three statements are followed by three conclusions numbered I, II, and III. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read all the statements and decide which of the given conclusion/conclusions logically follows from the given statements.

Question 8 :

Statement: All A are B All B are C Only a few C are D Conclusion: I. Some B are D II. All A are C III. No A is a D

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 133 Seconds

Options :

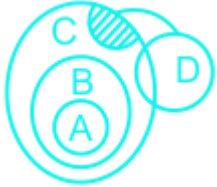
1. Only conclusion I follows
2. Only conclusion II follows
3. Only conclusion III follows
4. All conclusions follow
5. None follows

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Only conclusion II follows**

Understanding

The least possible Venn diagram for the given statements is drawn below:



Conclusion:

- I. Some B are D - **False** (This is possible but not definite as there is no direct relation between them)
- II. All A are C - **True** (All A are B and all B are C, so this is true)
- III. No A is a D - **False** (This is possible but not definite as there is no direct relation between them)

Hence, the correct answer is **Only conclusion II follows.**

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the given information carefully and answer the following questions. 12 people A, B, C, D, E, F, P, Q, R, S, T, and U are seated in two parallel rows with six people each such that there is an equal distance between the adjacent persons and each person in one row faces the person in the other row. In Row 1, A, B, C, D, E, and F are seated facing South and in Row 2, P, Q, R, S, T, and U are seated facing North not necessarily in the same order. P faces one of the immediate neighbors of A. D faces one of the immediate neighbors of T. R does not face D. R sits second to the right of S. A sits third to the right of F while B sits second to the left of F. Only one person sits between A and C. P sits to the immediate right of Q. F does not face T.

Question 9 :

Which pair is sitting at the extreme ends?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 123 Seconds

Options :

- 1. A - E

Q - R

3. A - P

4. R - D

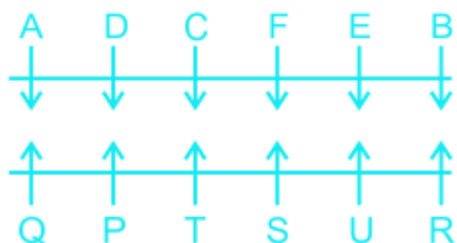
5. Q - T

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Q - R**

1) A sits third to the right of F while B sits second to the left of F.

2) Only one person sits between A and C.

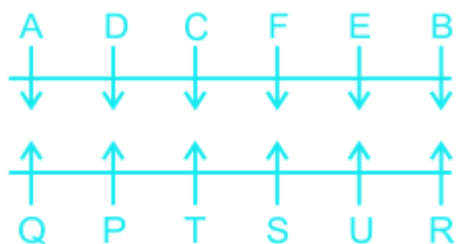


(Upward position means facing North and downward position means facing South)

3) P faces one of the immediate neighbors of A.

4) P sits to the immediate right of Q.

Now, for the positions of E and D in Row 1, there can be two cases.



(Upward position means facing North and downward position means facing South)

5) D faces one of the immediate neighbours of T.

6) F does not face T.

(We conclude from statements 5 and 6 that T is facing C and B in case 1 and case 2 respectively.)

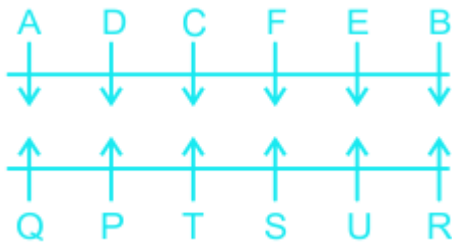
7) R does not face D.

8) R sits second to the right of S.

(In case 1: S can face F, which means R faces B. This can be a valid situation.

In case 2: S cannot face C because in that case, R faces D which is not possible. S cannot face F because then R faces B which is not possible since T faces B. Therefore case 2 gets eliminated here)

(In case 1 since only U is left, thus U faces E)



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Q and R sit at extreme ends.

Hence, the correct answer is **Q - R**.

Comprehension :

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Question 10 :

Who among the given pairs face each other?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 160 Seconds

Options :

1. D-Q
2. F-T
3. C-T

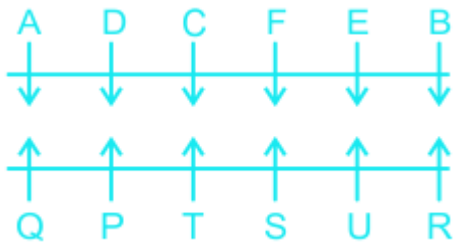
B-T

5. A-R

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **C-T**

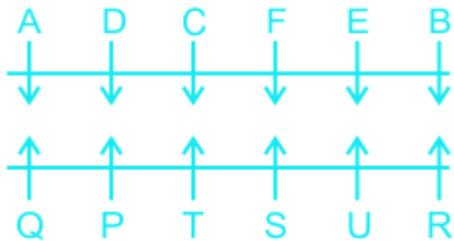
- 1) A sits third to the right of F while B sits second to the left of F.
- 2) Only one person sits between A and C.



(Upward position means facing North and downward position means facing South)

- 3) P faces one of the immediate neighbors of A.
- 4) P sits to the immediate right of Q.

Now, for the positions of E and D in Row 1, there can be two cases.



(Upward position means facing North and downward position means facing South)

- 5) D faces one of the immediate neighbours of T.
- 6) F does not face T.

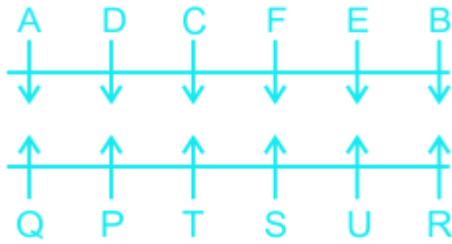
(We conclude from statements 5 and 6 that T is facing C and B in case 1 and case 2 respectively.)

- 7) R does not face D.
- 8) R sits second to the right of S.

(In case 1: S can face F, which means R faces B. This can be a valid situation.

In case 2: S cannot face C because in that case, R faces D which is not possible. S cannot face F because then R faces B which is not possible since T faces B. Therefore case 2 gets eliminated here)

(In case 1 since only U is left, thus U faces E)



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C and T face each other.

Hence, the correct answer is **C-T**.

Comprehension :

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Question 11 :

Who sits third to the left of R?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 156 Seconds

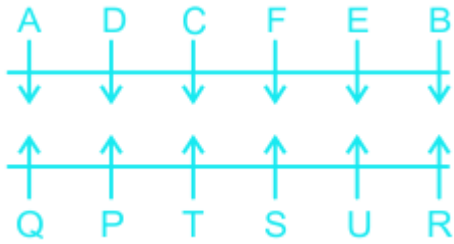
Options :

1. T
2. Q
3. S
4. U
5. P

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. T

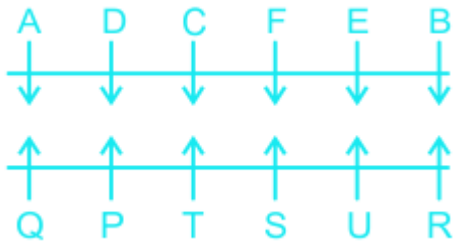
- 1) A sits third to the right of F while B sits second to the left of F.
- 2) Only one person sits between A and C.



(Upward position means facing North and downward position means facing South)

- 3) P faces one of the immediate neighbors of A.
- 4) P sits to the immediate right of Q.

Now, for the positions of E and D in Row 1, there can be two cases.



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- 5) D faces one of the immediate neighbours of T.
- 6) F does not face T.

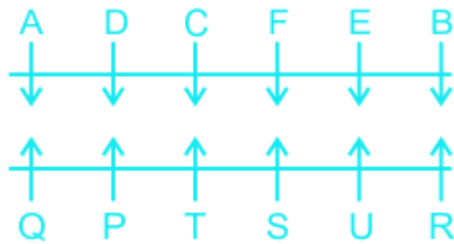
(We conclude from statements 5 and 6 that T is facing C and B in case 1 and case 2 respectively.)

- 7) R does not face D.
- 8) R sits second to the right of S.

(In case 1: S can face F, which means R faces B. This can be a valid situation.

In case 2: S cannot face C because in that case, R faces D which is not possible. S cannot face F because then R faces B which is not possible since T faces B. Therefore case 2 gets eliminated here)

(In case 1 since only U is left, thus U faces E)



(Upward position means facing North and downward position means facing South)

T sits third to the left of R.

Hence, the correct answer is **T**.

Comprehension :

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Question 12 :

Who is facing D?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 155 Seconds

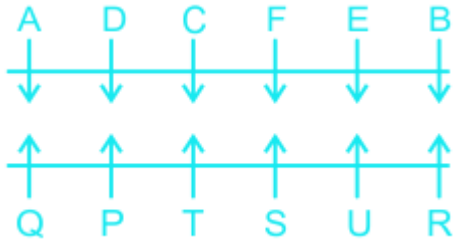
Options :

1. U
2. T
3. Q
4. S
5. P

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **P**

- 1) A sits third to the right of F while B sits second to the left of F.
- 2) Only one person sits between A and C.

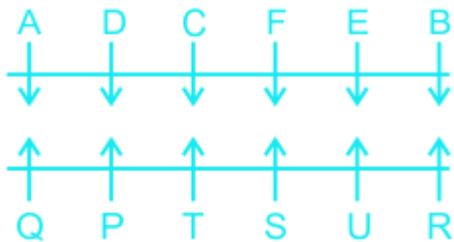


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3) P faces one of the immediate neighbors of A.

4) P sits to the immediate right of Q.

Now, for the positions of E and D in Row 1, there can be two cases.



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5) D faces one of the immediate neighbours of T.

6) F does not face T.

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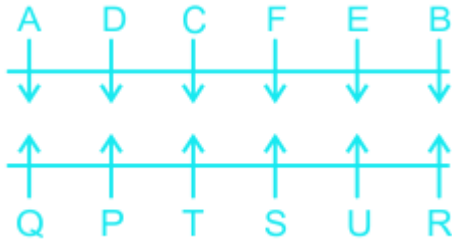
7) R does not face D.

8) R sits second to the right of S.

(In case 1: S can face F, which means R faces B. This can be a valid situation.

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D is facing P.

Hence, the correct answer is **P**.

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the given information carefully and answer the following questions. 12 people A, B, C, D, E, F, P, Q, R, S, T, and U are seated in two parallel rows with six people each such that there is an equal distance between the adjacent persons and each person in one row faces the person in the other row. In Row 1, A, B, C, D, E, and F are seated facing South and in Row 2, P, Q, R, S, T, and U are seated facing North not necessarily in the same order. P faces one of the immediate neighbors of A. D faces one of the immediate neighbors of T. R does not face D. R sits second to the right of S. A sits third to the right of F while B sits second to the left of F. Only one person sits between A and C. P sits to the immediate right of Q. F does not face T.

Question 13 :

Who is sitting to the immediate right of the person facing U?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 156 Seconds

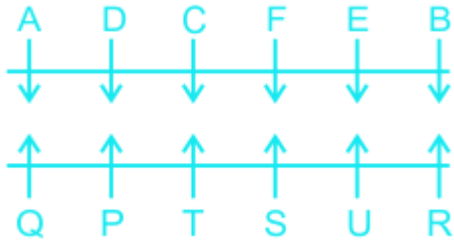
Options :

1. C
2. B
3. E
4. F
5. D

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **F**

- 1) A sits third to the right of F while B sits second to the left of F.
- 2) Only one person sits between A and C.

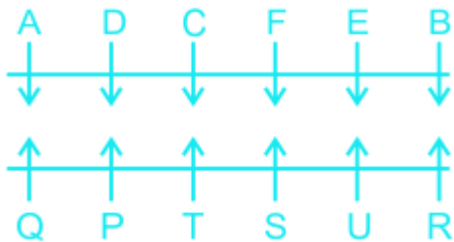


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3) P faces one of the immediate neighbors of A.

4) P sits to the immediate right of Q.

Now, for the positions of E and D in Row 1, there can be two cases.



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5) D faces one of the immediate neighbours of T.

6) F does not face T.

(We conclude from statements 5 and 6 that T is facing C and B in case 1 and case 2 respectively.)

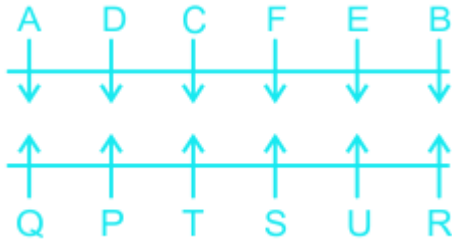
7) R does not face D.

8) R sits second to the right of S.

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(In case 1 since only U is left, thus U faces E)



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F is sitting immediately right to E, who faces U.

Hence, the correct answer is **F**.

Question 14 :

In the question below, a word is given followed by three sentences. Find out the sentences in which the given word suits the best. If the word has been used correctly in all the sentences, mark option 5 i.e. "All are correct" as your answer. **DISPARAGING** I. It is, in any case, unfair to decide questions by disparaging terms and to argue as if the whole choice were between materialistic or idealistic monism, leaving realism out of court. II. Despite a hostile reception and disparaging remarks from sections of the Scottish press, the nationalist campaign could be right on target. III. Some children are trained earlier, and some, after enduring the disparaging looks of others, are fully potty trained at a later age.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 143 Seconds

Options :

1. Only II
2. Only I
3. Only III
4. Both II and III
5. All are correct

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **All are correct**.

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The given question suggests finding the appropriate word-sentence match i.e. to find if the word suits the particular sentence.

The word "**disparaging**" means '**expressing the opinion that something is of little worth; derogatory; criticizing someone, in a way that shows you do not respect or value them.**'

All of the sentences seem to be coherent to the word.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **All are correct.**

Question 15 :

A paragraph is given below which has been divided into four parts i.e. A, B, C and D. Find out the part that has a grammatical or contextual error(s) in it. If there is no error then mark the option "No Error". When building something real, it is always best to look (A)/ about, take notes and sketch it out on paper first. (B)/ This will help you figure out dimensions and which blocks you (C)/ might want to use. In Minecraft, one block is about one meter in real life. (D)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

Options :

1. B
2. C
3. D
4. A
5. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **No Error**.

Concept/Grammar rules	Applications
The theme of this question is to find a contextual or grammatical error (if any) in the fragments provided.	The entire paragraph seems to be grammatically correct and contextually coherent. Hence, the correct answer is Option 5 i.e. No Error .

Question 16 :

A paragraph is given below which has been divided into four parts i.e. A, B, C and D. Find out the part that has a grammatical or contextual error(s) in it. If there is no error then mark the option "No Error". Now, almost everyone expect a video call, no matter (A)/ how old because it requires some adjustment, (B)/ not so much because it's unflattering, but because (C)/ the usual rules of communication no longer apply. (D)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 100 Seconds****Options :**

1. B
2. C
3. D
4. A
5. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **A**.

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The question suggests finding a contextual or grammatical error (if any) in the fragments provided.

Sentence 'A' seems to have an error of singular-plural agreement.

In the line: "Now, almost everyone expect a video call." The correct word should be '**expects**' instead of 'expect'.

We know a rule in grammar that there are some words we think as plural but are actually singular i.e. Everybody, Anybody, Anything, Anyone, etc.

The correct sentence is: **Now, almost everyone expects a video call, no matter how old because it requires some adjustment, not so much because it's unflattering, but because the usual rules of communication no longer apply.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **A.**

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the given information carefully and answer the following questions. In a shop, 6 boxes of six different

colors - Purple, Cream, Brown, Magenta, Red, and Yellow, are kept. Each box has a number written on it from 1 to 6. The numbered boxes are arranged one above the other in descending order such that the lowest numbered box is at the top. There are three boxes between the Purple box and the yellow box which is immediately above the Brown box. The Box of Magenta color is kept immediately above the box of Red color and immediately below the box of Cream color. The Purple color box is kept at the top.

Question 17 :

What is the number of yellow colored box?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 137 Seconds

Options :

- 1. 5
- 2. 4
- 3. 3
- 4. 1
- 5. 6

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. 5

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Box number 5 is of Yellow color.

Hence, the correct answer is **5**.

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Question 18 :

Choose the incorrect pair from the following alternatives.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 137 Seconds

Options :

- 5 - Yellow
- 2. 6 - Brown
- 3. 1 - Purple
- 4. 3 - Magenta
- 5. 2 - Red

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **2 - Red**

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Box number 2 is of a cream color and not red.

So, '**2 - Red**' is the incorrect option.

Hence, the correct answer is '**2 - Red**'.

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Question 19 :

What is the color of box number 4?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 145 Seconds

Options :

1. Magenta
2. Brown
3. Red
4. Yellow
5. Cream

Solution :

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The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Red**

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Box number 4 is of red color.

Hence, the correct answer is **Red**.

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Question 20 :

Which box is of cream color?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 139 Seconds

Options :

1. Box 1
2. Box 2
3. Box 3
4. Box 4
5. Box 5

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Box 2**

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Box number 2 is of cream color.

Hence, the correct answer is **Box 2.**

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the following information carefully and answer the given questions. In a code language, 'revenue exceeds expectation' is coded as 'rz en ds' 'money ahead instruments' is coded as 'ad mg is' 'other transaction ahead' is coded as 'tn ad or' 'instruments exceeds other' is coded as 'en is tn'

Question 21 :

What could be the possible code for 'exceeds'?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 126 Seconds

Options :

1. ad
2. mg
3. en
4. is
5. tn

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **en**

The codes for different elements/words are:

revenue exceeds expectation → rz en ds
 money ahead instruments → ad mg is
 other transaction ahead → tn ad or
 instruments exceeds other → en is tn

Words	Codes
exceeds	en
ahead	ad
instruments	is
other	tn
transaction	or
money	mg
revenue/expectation	rz/ds
expectation/revenue	ds/rz

Therefore, the correct answer is **en**.

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the given information carefully and answer the following questions. Six children namely Ravi, Kusum, Karan, Shyam, Prateek and Rohan are attending a birthday party where sweets are being distributed to them. Prateek gets more sweets than only two children. Rohan gets 16 sweets but not the highest. Karan gets more sweets than Prateek but less than Ravi who gets maximum sweets at the party. Shyam gets only four sweets but not the least number of sweets. The one who gets the maximum sweets gets 18 sweets.

Question 22 :

What can be the maximum possible number of sweets that Ravi and Kusum got together at the party?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 107 Seconds

Options :

1. 20 sweets
2. 19 sweets
3. 18 sweets



21 sweets

5. Cannot be determined

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e **21 sweets**

1. Karan gets more sweets than Prateek but less than Ravi, who gets the maximum sweets at the party.
2. The one who gets the maximum number of sweets gets 18 sweets.

Ravi (18 sweets) > Karan > Prateek

3. Prateek gets more sweets than only two children.

Ravi (18 sweets) > Karan > Prateek > ___ > ___

4. Rohan gets 16 Sweets but not the highest. (Rohan will get either more or less sweets than Karan but will get more sweets than Prateek)

Ravi (18 sweets) > Rohan (16 sweets)/Karan > Karan/Rohan (16 sweets) > Prateek > ___ > ___

5. Shyam gets four sweets but doesn't get the least number of sweets. (This means that Kusum gets the least number of sweets)

The final order will be as follows:

Ravi (18 sweets) > Rohan (16 sweets)/Karan > Karan/Rohan (16 sweets) > Prateek > Shyam (4 sweets) > Kusum.

Kusum can get maximum of 3 sweets.

The maximum possible number of sweets that Ravi and Kusum can get together at the party is **21 sweets**.

Therefore, the correct answer is **21 sweets**.

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Question 23 :

How many children get more sweets than Shyam?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 113 Seconds

Options :

1. Three
2. Two
3. More than three
4. One
5. None of the these

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **More than three**

1. Karan gets more sweets than Prateek but less than Ravi, who gets the maximum sweets at the party.

2. The one who gets the maximum sweets gets 18 sweets.

Ravi (18 sweets) > Karan > Prateek

3. Prateek gets more sweets than only two children.

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Four children get more sweets than Shyam.

Hence, the correct answer is **more than three**.

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Question 24 :

If Prateek gets 8 sweets then how many sweets Rohan and Prateek get together?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 111 Seconds

Options :

1. 24 sweets
2. 21 sweets
3. 26 sweets
4. 12 sweets
5. Cannot be determined

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **24 sweets**

1. Karan gets more sweets than Prateek but less than Ravi, who gets the maximum sweets at the party.

2. The one who gets the maximum sweets gets 18 sweets.

Ravi (18 sweets) > Karan > Prateek

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Ravi (18 sweets) > Karan > Prateek > ____ > ____

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If Prateek gets 8 sweets, then Prateek and Rohan together will get $8 + 16 = 24$ sweets.

Hence, the correct answer is **24 sweets**.

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the information carefully and answer the following questions. Seven authors A, B, C, D, E, F, and G launched their novels in a week starting from Monday to Sunday but not necessarily in the same order. B launched his

novel on Monday. C did not launch his novel on Friday. There are more than two days between B and C. The number of authors who launched their novels before D and the number of authors who launched their novels after D are the same. A did not launch his novel after D. G launched his novel immediately after D. E launched his novel on Tuesday. F launched his novel after D but before C.

Question 25 :

Who launched his novel on Friday?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 116 Seconds****Options :**

1. E
2. G
3. F
4. B
5. C

Solution :The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **G**

I) B launched his novel on Monday.

II) E launched his novel on Tuesday.

III) The number of authors who launched their novels before D and the number of authors who launched their novels after D are the same.

IV) G launched his novel immediate after D.

Days	Author
Monday	B
Tuesday	E
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V) C does not launch his novel on Friday.

VI) There are more than two days between B and C.

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Days	Author
Monday	B
Tuesday	E
Wednesday	A
Thursday	D
Friday	G
Saturday	F
Sunday	C

G launched his novel on Friday.

Hence, the correct answer is **G**.

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Question 26 :

How many authors launched their novels before G?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 136 Seconds

Options :

1. One



Two

3. Three

4. Four

5. None

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Four**

I) B launched his novel on Monday.

II) E launched his novel on Tuesday.

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Four authors launched their novels before G.

Hence, the correct answer is **Four**.

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Question 27 :

Who launched his novel between Monday and Wednesday?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 137 Seconds

Options :

1. C
2. A
3. D
4. B
5. E

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **E**

I) B launched his novel on Monday.

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Days	Author
Monday	B
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Thursday	D
Friday	G
Saturday	F
Sunday	C

E launched his novel between Monday and Wednesday.

Hence, the correct answer is **E**.

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Question 28 :

If authors are arranged in alphabetical order then who remains unchanged?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 138 Seconds****Options :**

1. B
2. D, F
3. C
4. E, F
5. F

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **D, F**

I) B launched his novel on Monday.

II) E launched his novel on Tuesday.

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Here, D and F remain unchanged.



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

Comprehension :

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Question 29 :

Who will launch his Novel after C?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 159 Seconds

Options :

1. None
2. G
3. D
4. H
5. E

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **None**

I) B launched his novel on Monday.

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Sunday	C

No one launched a novel after C.

Hence, the correct answer is **None**.

Comprehension :

Direction: In the following question two statements are followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read all the statements and decide which of the given conclusion/conclusions logically follows from the given statements.

Question 30 :

Statements: Only a few mobiles are phone All landlines are phone Conclusions: I. Some mobiles are not phone II. Some landlines are not mobile

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 124 Seconds

Options :



Only conclusion I follows

2. Only conclusion II follows
3. Either conclusion I or conclusion II follows
4. Neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows
5. Both conclusion I and conclusion II follow

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Only conclusion I follows**

The least possible Venn diagram is shown below:

**Conclusions:**

I. Some mobiles are not phone: **True** (As it is given that only a few mobiles are phones which means some mobiles are phones and some mobiles are not phones)

II. Some landlines are not mobile: **False** (It is possible but not definite as no direct relation between the two is given)

Hence the correct answer is **Only conclusion I follows**.

Question 31 :

A man sells an article at a profit of 25%. If he had bought it at 20% less and sold it for Rs. 10.50 less, he would have gained 30%. Find the cost price of the article?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. 50
2. 55
3. 60
4. 45
5. 75

Solution :



The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **50**

Profit and loss

C.P = cost price

S.P = Selling price =

$C.P(1 + \text{profit}\%)$

or,

$C.P(1 - \text{loss}\%)$

Let the C.P = p

1st S.P = $p(1 + 0.25)$ 1.25p

2nd C.P = $p(1 - 0.2) = 0.8p$

2nd S.P = $0.8p(1 + 0.3) = 1.3 \times 0.8p = 1.04p$

$1.25p - 1.04p = 10.50$

$0.21p = 10.5$

$p = 50$

Hence, C.P = 50

Question 32 :

A container contains 40 litres of milk. From this container, 4 litres of milk was taken out and replaced by water. This process was repeated further two times. How much milk is now contained in the container?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. 26.34 litres
2. 27.36 litres
3. 28 litres
4. 29.16 litres
5. 25.14 litres

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **29.16 litres**

Concept	Application
Mixture and alligation Suppose a container contains x units of liquid from which y units are taken out and replaced by water. After n operations, the quantity of pure liquid $= [x(1 - y/x)^n]$ units	Amount of milk left after 3 operations $= (40(1 - (4/40))^3)$ litres $= (40 \times (9/10) \times (9/10) \times (9/10)) = 29.16$ litres

Question 33 :

The ratio of ages of Gautam and Ishan is 2 : 3. If the age of Rahul is 54 years and it is fourth proportion of ages of Gautam, Sachin and Ishan then what is the age of Sachin?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 74 Seconds****Options :**

1. 30 years
2. 32 years
3. 36 years
4. 28 years
5. 48 years

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **36 years**

Understanding	Application
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Suppose ages of Gautam, Sachin and Ishan are a, b and c respectively. Age of Rahul is 54 years.	The age of Rahul is fourth proportion of ages of Gautam, Sachin and Ishan. So, $a : b = c : 54$ (1)
The ratio of ages of Gautam and Ishan is 2 : 3	So, $a : c = 2 : 3$ Let them be 2x and 3x respectively
From equation 1:	$2x : 3x = b : 54$ $b = 36$ Hence, Age of Sachin = 36 years

Comprehension :

Direction: In each of these questions, two equations (I) and (II) are given. You have to solve both equations and mark the appropriate answer.

Question 34 :

I. $x^2 + 5x - 6 = 0$ II. $y^2 - 7y - 30 = 0$

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 78 Seconds****Options :**

1. $x < y$
2. $x = y$
3. $x > y$
4. $x \leq y$

$x = y$ or Relationship between x and y cannot be determined

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. $x = y$ or Relationship between x and y cannot be determined.

Equation I	Equation II
$x^2 + 5x - 6 = 0$	$y^2 - 7y - 30 = 0$
$x^2 - x + 6x - 6 = 0$	$y^2 + 3y - 10y - 30 = 0$
$x(x - 1) + 6(x - 1) = 0$	$y(y + 3) - 10(y + 3) = 0$
$(x - 1)(x + 6) = 0$	$(y + 3)(y - 10) = 0$
$x = 1, -6$	$y = 10, -3$

We can analyze,

Value of x	Value of y	Result
1	10	$x < y$
1	-3	$x > y$
-6	10	$x < y$
-6	-3	$x > y$

Hence, $x = y$ or Relationship between x and y cannot be determined.

Question 35 :

A train 350 meter long is running at a speed of 54 km/hr. At what time will it pass a bridge 100 meter long?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 114 Seconds

Options :

1. 25 seconds
2. 30 seconds
3. 35 seconds
4. 40 seconds
5. 50 seconds

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **30 seconds**

Concept	Application
Time taken by a train of length L meter to pass a stationary object of length 'B' meters is the time taken by the train to cover (L + B) meters	speed = $54 \times \frac{5}{18} = 15$ m/s total distance travelled = $(350 + 100) = 450$ m time = distance/speed $= 450/15 = 30$ seconds

Question 36 :

If a boat goes 8 km upstream in 48 minutes and the speed of the stream is 4 km/hr. Find the speed of the boat in the still water.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 75 Seconds****Options :**

1. 8.5 km/hr
2. 12.5 km/hr
3. 14 km/hr
4. 18 km/hr
5. 20 km/hr

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **14 km/hr**.

If the speed of a boat in still water is u km/hr and the speed of the stream is v km/hr, then

Speed downstream = $(u + v)$ km/hr

Speed upstream = $(u - v)$ km/hr

upstream speed = $(60 \times \frac{8}{48}) = 10$ km/hr



Speed of stream = 4 km/hr

Let speed in still water = p km/hr

Then, speed upstream = $(p - 4)$ km/hr

therefore, $(p - 4) = 10$

$p = 14$ km/hr

Question 37 :

A family consumes 40 litres of oil per month and spends Rs. X on it. The expenditure on oil gets reduced by Rs. 56 when per litre rate of oil is increased by 20%. If the family now consumes 20% less oil then find the value of X .

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. 1200
2. 1500
3. 1600
4. 1250
5. 1400

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. **1400**.

A family consumes 40 litres of oil per month and spends Rs. X on it.

So,

Per litre rate of oil = $X/40$

The expenditure on oil gets reduced by Rs. 56 when per litre rate of oil is increased by 20% and the family now consumes 20% less oil.

So,

$$(X - 56) = (X/40 \times 1.2) \times (40 \times 0.8)$$

$$(X - 56) = 0.96X$$

$$0.04X = 56$$

$$X = \mathbf{1400}$$

Question 38 :

If the value of $a : b = 5 : 4$, then find the ratio of $(a + b)^2 - 4ab$ and $a^2 - b^2$.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 55 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1 : 9
2. 1 : 5
3. 1 : 6
4. 9 : 1
5. 1 : 10

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **1 : 9**

Let $a = 5x$, $b = 4x$

$$(a + b)^2 - 4ab = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab - 4ab = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab$$

$$(a + b)^2 - 4ab = (a - b)^2 = (5x - 4x)^2 = x^2$$

$$a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b) = (5x - 4x)(5x + 4x) = (x)(9x)$$

$$\text{Required ratio} = \frac{(a - b)^2}{(a - b)(a + b)} = \frac{x^2}{9x^2} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$= 1 : 9$$

Question 39 :

Each consonant of the word 'POSTPONEMENT' is changed to the previous letter in the English alphabetical series and each vowel is changed to the next letter in the English alphabetical series then which letter will be the sixth from the right end?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 70 Seconds****Options :**

1. F
2. M
3. P
4. O



None of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **M**

The given word is POSTPONEMENT

If each consonant is changed to its previous letter and each vowel is changed to its next letter as per the English alphabetical order, then we get:

OPRSOPMFLFMS

Here, the sixth letter from the right is M.

Hence the correct answer is **M**.

Comprehension :

Direction: In the following question three statements are followed by three conclusions numbered I, II, and III. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read all the statements and decide which of the given conclusion/conclusions logically follows from the given statements.

Question 40 :

Statements: Only a few Huts are Cages Few Cages are Sheds No Shed is Kennel Conclusions: I. Few Huts are not Kennel II. Each Cage can be Kennel III. Few Sheds are not Huts

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. Only conclusion III follows
2. Both conclusions I and III follow
3. Both conclusions II and III follow
4. All conclusions follow
5. None of the conclusions follows

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **None of the conclusions follows**

Understanding

The possible Venn diagram is as follows:

**Conclusions:**

I. Few Huts are not Kennel **False** (Few Huts are not Kennel is a possibility but not definite as no direct relationship between the two is given.)

II. Each Cage can be Kennel **False** (As no Shed is Kennel and Few cages are sheds are given, therefore Few Cages which are Sheds can't be Kennel.)

III. Few Sheds are not Huts **False** (Few Sheds are not Huts is a possibility but not definite as no direct relationship between the two is given.)

Therefore, the correct answer is **None of the conclusions follows.**

Question 41 :

A person was calculating the average of all prime numbers between 50 to 100. His answer was 73.7. Which wrong number he added to the sum?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 89 Seconds****Options :**

1. 81
2. 98
3. 80
4. 78
5. 71

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **78**.

There are 10 prime numbers between 50 to 100. 53, 59, 61, 67, 71, 73, 79, 83, 89, 97

Their sum is = 732

And according to the question we have the average as 73.7 which gives us the sum as $73.7 \times 10 = 737$ which is 5 more than the correct sum. So, we need to check which option is 5 more than the prime numbers between 50 - 100.

Options	Does it have a difference of 5 with any prime number
1) 81	no
2) 98	no
3) 80	no
4) 78	yes ($78 - 73 = 5$)
5) 71	no

Hence, the answer is **78**

Question 42 :

How many such pair(s) of letters are there in the word 'INDIAN' which have as many letters between them as in the alphabetical series?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :

1. None
2. One
3. Two
4. Three
5. Four

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **One**

Understanding



Given word: INDIAN

I N D I A N
9 14 4 9 1 14

Hence, there is only one pair of letters (I - N) in the word 'INDIAN' which has as many letters between them as in the alphabetical series.

Therefore, the correct answer is **One**.

Question 43 :

The ratio of radius of circle X and circumference of another circle Y is 7 : 55. If the difference of radius of circle Y and X is 7 cm then find the area of circle Y.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 62 Seconds****Options :**

1. 3850 cm^2
2. 3750 cm^2
3. 4050 cm^2
4. 3600 cm^2
5. None of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e 3850 cm^2

Suppose the radius of circle X is 'R' cm and that of circle Y is 'R + 7' cm.

So,

$$R : [2 \times \frac{22}{7} \times (R + 7)] = 7 : 55$$

$$385R = 308R + 2156$$

$$77R = 2156$$

$$R = 28$$



Hence, radius of circle Y = $28 + 7 = 35$ cm

So,

Area of circle Y = $\frac{22}{7} \times 35 \times 35 = 3850$ cm²

Comprehension :

Direction: In the following question three statements are followed by three conclusions numbered I, II, and III. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read all the statements and decide which of the given conclusion/conclusions logically follow(s) from the given statements.

Question 44 :

Statement: Some bit are sit Only few sit is lit All lit is nit Conclusion: I. All lit are bit II. At least some nit are sit III. Some nit being bit is a possibility

Difficulty : Difficult

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. None follows
2. Only conclusion II follows
3. Both conclusions I and II follow
4. Both conclusions II and III follow
5. All conclusions follow

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Both conclusions II and III follow**

Understanding

The least possible diagram for the given statements is:

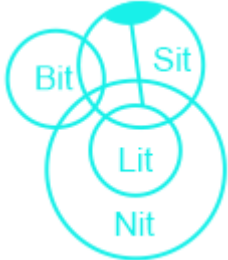


Conclusion:

I. All lit are bit **False** (This is a possibility but not definite, as no direct relationship between the two is given)

II. At least some nit are sit **True** (As it is given that Only a few sit is lit and all lit is nit, this means that at least some nit are definitely sit.)

III. Some nit being bit is a possibility **True** (Possibility is true as there is no direct relation between the elements)



Hence, the correct answer is **Both conclusions II and III follow.**

Comprehension :

What will come in place of the question mark(?) in the following number series?

Question 45 :

52, 274, 404, 472, 502, ?

Difficulty : **Difficult**

Average Time : **92 Seconds**

Options :



512

2. 456

3. 375

4. 555

5. 195

Solution :The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **512**

Understanding	Application
We have to find the missing term with the help of series pattern	So 52, 274, 404, 472, 502, ?
Now	The series follows the following pattern $52 + 6^3 + 6 = 274$ $274 + 5^3 + 5 = 404$ $404 + 4^3 + 4 = 472$ $472 + 3^3 + 3 = 502$ $502 + 2^3 + 2 = 512$
Hence	? = 512

Comprehension :

What will come in place of the question mark(?) in the following number series?

Question 46 :

3, 12, 41, 108, ?, 458

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 56 Seconds****Options :**

1. 256



172

3. 190

4. 342

5. 237

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. **237**

The series follows the following pattern:

$$3 + 2^3 + 1 = 12$$

$$12 + 3^3 + 2 = 41$$

$$41 + 4^3 + 3 = 108$$

$$108 + 5^3 + 4 = 237$$

$$237 + 6^3 + 5 = 458$$

Hence, ? = 237

Comprehension :

Direction: In each of these questions, two equations (I) and (II) are given. You have to solve both equations and mark the appropriate answer.

Question 47 :

I. $x^2 - x - 12 = 0$ II. $y^2 - y - 6 = 0$

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 52 Seconds****Options :**1. $x > y$ 2. $x < y$ 3. $x = y$ 4. $x \neq y$ 5. $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.**Solution :**

The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Equation I	Equation II
$x^2 - x - 12 = 0$	$y^2 - y - 6 = 0$
$x^2 - 4x + 3x - 12 = 0$	$y^2 - 3y + 2y - 6 = 0$
$x(x - 4) + 3(x - 4) = 0$	$y(y - 3) + 2(y - 3) = 0$
$(x - 4)(x + 3) = 0$	$(y - 3)(y + 2) = 0$
$x = 4, -3$	$y = 3, -2$

Thus we can analyse,

Value of x	Value of y	Result
4	3	$x > y$
4	-2	$x > y$
-3	3	$x > y$
-3	-2	$x > y$

Hence, $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Comprehension :

Direction: In each of these questions, two equations (I) and (II) are given. You have to solve both equations and mark the appropriate answer.

Question 48 :

I. $4x^2 + 16x + 15 = 0$ II. $y^2 + 4y - 5 = 0$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 115 Seconds

Options :

- $x > y$
- $x > y$
- $x > y$
- $x > y$
- $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. **$x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.**

Equation I	Equation II
$4x^2 + 16x + 15 = 0$	$y^2 + 4y - 5 = 0$
$4x^2 + 6x + 10x + 15 = 0$	$y^2 + 5y - y - 5 = 0$
$2x(2x + 3) + 5(2x + 3) = 0$	$y(y + 5) - 1(y + 5) = 0$
$(2x + 3)(2x + 5) = 0$	$(y + 5)(y - 1) = 0$
$x = -3/2, -5/2$	$y = -5, y = 1$

Thus we can analyse,

Value of x	Value of y	Result
-3/2	-5	$x > y$
-3/2	1	$x < y$
-5/2	-5	$x > y$
-5/2	1	$x < y$

Hence, $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Comprehension :

Direction: In each of these questions, two equations (I) and (II) are given. You have to solve both equations and mark the appropriate answer.

Question 49 :

I. $2x^2 - 13x - 7 = 0$ II. $y^2 + y - 12 = 0$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 103 Seconds

Options :

1. $x > y$
2. $x < y$
3. $x = y$
4. $x \neq y$

$x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Equation I	Equation II
$2x^2 - 13x - 7 = 0$	$y^2 + y - 12 = 0$
$2x^2 + x - 14x - 7 = 0$	$y^2 + 4y - 3y - 12 = 0$
$x(2x + 1) - 7(2x + 1) = 0$	$y(y + 4) - 3(y + 4) = 0$
$(2x + 1)(x - 7) = 0$	$(y + 4)(y - 3) = 0$
$x = -1/2, 7$	$y = 3, -4$

Thus we can analyse,

Value of x	Value of y	Result
-1/2	3	$x < y$
-1/2	-4	$x > y$
7	3	$x > y$
7	-4	$x > y$

Hence, $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Comprehension :

What will come in place of the question mark(?) in the following number series?

Question 50 :

11, 19, 65, 259, 1161, ?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 117 Seconds

Options :

- 5055
- 6021
- 1398

4852

5. 7561

Solution :The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **6021**

Understanding	Application
We have to find the missing term with help of series pattern	So 11, 19, 65, 259, 1161, ?
Now	The series follows the following pattern $11 \times 1 + 2^3 = 19$ $19 \times 2 + 3^3 = 65$ $65 \times 3 + 4^3 = 259$ $259 \times 4 + 5^3 = 1161$ $1161 \times 5 + 6^3 = 6021$
Hence	? = 6021

Comprehension :

What will come in place of the question mark(?) in the following number series?

Question 51 :

8, 50, 295, ?, 5881, 17641

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 60 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1352
2. 1698
3. 1471
4. 3692

1452

Solution :The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **1471**

Understanding	Application
We have to find the missing term with help of series pattern	So 8, 50, 295, ?, 5881, 17641
Now	The series follows the following pattern $8 \times 7 - 6 = 50$ $50 \times 6 - 5 = 295$ $295 \times 5 - 4 = 1471$ $1471 \times 4 - 3 = 5881$ $5881 \times 3 - 2 = 17641$
Hence	? = 1471

Comprehension :

What will come in place of the question mark(?) in the following number series?

Question 52 :

150, 934, 258, 834, 350, ?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. 1050
2. 395
3. 750
4. 712
5. 850

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **750**

Understanding	Application
We have to find the missing term with help of the series pattern	So 150, 934, 258, 834, 350, ?
Now	The series follows the following pattern $150 + 28^2 = 934$ $934 - 26^2 = 258$ $258 + 24^2 = 834$ $834 - 22^2 = 350$ $350 + 20^2 = 750$
Hence	? = 750

Comprehension :

Direction: In each of these questions, two equations (I) and (II) are given. You have to solve both equations and mark the appropriate answer.

Question 53 :

I. $6x^2 - 5x - 56 = 0$ II. $6y^2 - 7y - 24 = 0$

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 63 Seconds****Options :**

1. $x > y$
2. $x < y$
3. $x > y$
4. $x < y$
5. $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Equation I	Equation II
$6x^2 - 5x - 56 = 0$	$6y^2 - 7y - 24 = 0$
$6x^2 + 16x - 21x - 56 = 0$	$6y^2 + 9y - 16y - 24 = 0$
$2x(3x + 8) - 7(3x + 8) = 0$	$3y(2y + 3) - 8(2y + 3) = 0$
$(2x - 7)(3x + 8) = 0$	$(3y - 8)(2y + 3) = 0$
$x = 7/2$ or $x = -8/3$	$y = 8/3$ or $y = -3/2$

We can analyze,

Value of x	value of y	Result
7/2	8/3	$x > y$
7/2	-3/2	$x > y$
-8/3	8/3	$x < y$
-8/3	-3/2	$x < y$

Hence, $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established.

Question 54 :

In the following questions, a statement is divided into 5 different segments. Part (A) in the sentence is fixed and other parts may not be in the correct sequence. You have to rearrange the other parts of the sentence to make it contextually and grammatically correct and if the correct option of the sequence doesn't match any of the given sequence, mark (5) i.e., "None of the above" as your answer. The subject "Good Governance" is both topical and timely (A)/ It is an axiom of political science that a State comes into being for life but it exists for good life (B)/ Democracy is a government by the citizens themselves (C)/ The duty of the state is not only to protect life and liberty but goes further, to enable the people to live in a measure of physical and mental comfort (D)/ The people should realise that they are responsible for choosing the right and proper persons to represent them in national affairs (E).

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 143 Seconds

Options :

1. ABCDE



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3. ACBDE

4. ADBCE

5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2**, i.e. **ABDCE**.

Concept/Grammar Rules	Application
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Taking statement "A" under consideration "B" seems to show conjunction with it by stating that the subject "Good Governance" is both topical and timely. It is an axiom of political science that a State comes into being for life but it exists for good life.

Statement "D" seems to be succeeding "B" and after this "C" seems to be preceding "E" as "E" provides an ending to the statement.

So, we got a sequence i.e. ABDCE, i.e. "The subject "Good Governance" is both topical and timely. It is an axiom of political science that a State comes into being for life but it exists for good life.

The duty of the state is not only to protect life and liberty but goes further, to enable the people to live in a measure of physical and mental comfort.

Democracy is a government by the citizens themselves.

The people should realise that they are

The sentences must be realigned in a way that makes a meaningful statement as a result. Option 2, i.e. ABDCE here seems to be the best sequence as it conforms to the entire theme of the passage.

Question 55 :

In the following questions, a statement is divided into 5 different segments. Part (A) in the sentence is fixed and other parts may not be in the correct sequence. You have to rearrange the other parts of the sentence to make it contextually and grammatically correct and if the correct option of the sequence doesn't match any of the given sequence, mark (5) i.e., "None of the above" as your answer. In terrestrial environments, gravity places special demands (A)/ making it difficult to circulate blood to critical organs such as the brain (B)/ on the cardiovascular systems of animals (C)/ Gravitational pressure can cause blood to pool in the lower regions of the body, (D)/ Terrestrial snakes, in particular, exhibit adaptations that aid in circulating blood against the force of gravity (E).

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 135 Seconds

Options :

1. ABCDE
2. ABEDC
3. ACDBE
4. ADBCE
5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3**, i.e. **ACDBE**.

Concept/Grammar Rules	Application
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The sentences must be realigned in a way that makes a meaningful statement as a result. Option 3, i.e. ACDBE here seems to be the best sequence as it conforms to the entire theme of the passage.

Taking statement "A" under consideration "C" seems to show conjunction with it by stating that in terrestrial environments, gravity places special demands on the cardiovascular systems of animals.

Statement "D" seems to be succeeding "C" and after this "B" seems to be preceding "E" as "E" provides an ending to the statement.

So, we got a sequence i.e. ACDBE, i.e. "In terrestrial environments, gravity places special demands on the cardiovascular systems of animals. Gravitational pressure can cause blood to pool in the lower regions of the body, making it difficult to circulate blood to critical organs such as the brain. Terrestrial snakes, in particular, exhibit adaptations that aid in circulating blood against the force of gravity."

**Question 56 :**

In the following questions, a statement is divided into 5 different segments. Part (A) in the sentence is fixed and other parts may not be in the correct sequence. You have to rearrange the other parts of the sentence to make it contextually and grammatically correct and if the correct option of the sequence doesn't match any of the given sequence, mark (5) i.e., "None of the above" as your answer. Farmers have progressed the world over yet they are languishing in this country (A)/ The country still relies on imports of essential items, such as pulses and cooking oil (B)/ Almost half of the average Indian household's expenditure is on food, an important factor behind inflation (C)/ Despite decades of industrial development, about 600 (D)/ million Indians, or roughly half the population, depend on growing crops or rearing animals to earn a living (E).

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 124 Seconds****Options :**

1. ABCDE
2. ACBDE
3. ADBCE
4. ADEBC
5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4**, i.e. **ADEBC**.

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<p>The sentences must be realigned in a way that makes a meaningful statement as a result. Option 4, i.e. ADEBC here seems to be the best sequence as it conforms to the entire theme of the passage.</p>	<p>Taking statement "A" under consideration "D" seems to show conjunction with it by stating that farmers have progressed the world over yet they are languishing in this country. Despite decades of industrial development, about 600 million Indians, or roughly half the population, depend on growing crops or rearing animals to earn a living.</p> <p>Statement "E" seems to be succeeding "D" and after this "B" seems to be preceding "C" as "C" provides an ending to the statement.</p> <p>So, we got a sequence i.e. ADEBC, i.e. "Farmers have progressed the world over yet they are languishing in this country. Despite decades of industrial development, about 600 million Indians, or roughly half the population, depend on growing crops or rearing animals to earn a living. The country still relies on imports of essential</p>
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**Question 57 :**

In the following questions, a statement is divided into 5 different segments. Part (A) in the sentence is fixed and other parts may not be in the correct sequence. You have to rearrange the other parts of the sentence to make it contextually and grammatically correct and if the correct option of the sequence doesn't match any of the given sequence, mark (5) i.e., "None of the above" as your answer. India has made progress in increasing the attainment rate of primary education (A)/ India's improved education system is often cited as one of the main (B)/ contributors to its economic development. Much of the progress, especially in higher (C)/ In 2011, Approximately 75% of the population, aged between 7 and 10 years, was literate (D)/ education and scientific research, has been credited to various public institutions (E).

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 131 Seconds

Options :

1. ABCDE
2. ACBDE
3. ADBCE
4. ADCEB
5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3**, i.e. **ADBCE**.

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The sentences must be realigned in a way that makes a meaningful statement as a result. Option 3, i.e. ADBCE here seems to be the best sequence as it conforms to the entire theme of the passage.

Taking statement "A" under consideration "D" seems to show conjunction with it by stating that India has made progress in increasing the attainment rate of primary education. In 2011, Approximately 75% of the population, aged between 7 and 10 years, was literate.

Statement "B" seems to be succeeding "D" and after this "C" seems to be preceding "E" as "E" provides an ending to the statement.

So, we got a sequence i.e. ADBCE, i.e. "India has made progress in increasing the attainment rate of primary education. In 2011, Approximately 75% of the population, aged between 7 and 10 years, was literate. India's improved education system is often cited as one of the main contributors to its economic development. Much of the progress, especially in higher education and scientific research, has been credited to

**Question 58 :**

In the following questions, a statement is divided into 5 different segments. Part (A) in the sentence is fixed and other parts may not be in the correct sequence. You have to rearrange the other parts of the sentence to make it contextually and grammatically correct and if the correct option of the sequence doesn't match any of the given sequence, mark (5) i.e., "None of the above" as your answer. One of the most compelling reasons for studying environmental (A)/ crisis is unprecedented in its magnitude, pace and severity (B)/ many authors have claimed that the present environmental (C)/ science and management is the fact that, in the view of many leading authorities, (D)/ we are now experiencing an environmental crisis; indeed, (E).

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 122 Seconds

Options :

1. ADECB
2. ADBCE
3. ACBDE
4. ABCDE
5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1**, i.e. **ADECB**.

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Taking statement "A" under consideration "D" seems to show conjunction with it by stating that One of the most compelling reasons for studying environmental science and management is the fact that, in the view of many leading authorities, we are now experiencing an environmental crisis.

Statement "E" seems to be succeeding "D" and after this "C" seems to be preceding "B" as "B" provides an ending to the statement.

So, we got a sequence i.e. ADECB, i.e. "One of the most compelling reasons for studying environmental science and management is the fact that, in the view of many leading authorities, we are now experiencing an environmental crisis; indeed, many authors have claimed that the present environmental crisis is unprecedented in its magnitude, pace and

The sentences must be realigned in a way that makes a meaningful statement as a result. Option 1, i.e. ADECB here seems to be the best sequence as it conforms to the entire theme of the passage.

**Comprehension :**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. The Indian scouting tiger is on the prowl again. India remains among the top three investment destinations for global investors looking at emerging markets. In the last three years alone, offshore long-term investment flows into India through FII/FDI route is nearly \$150 billion, one of the strongest ever witnessed. India has increasingly become a hotspot for global investments not just in the listed equity & fixed income markets, but in the unlisted/private market space as well. Recently, we witnessed one of the largest ever private investments in an Indian technology company by an offshore investor adding further impetus to yet another pool of investment into India; the growing start-up eco-system. India's growing prominence is backed by India's growing clout in the macro-economic and asset class space at the global stage. Growth is expected to gain further momentum over the next few years as consumption picks up on the back of the 7th pay commission payouts, normal monsoons and lagged benefits of lower rates, and long-term structural reforms start bearing fruits bringing in efficiency gains. The fiscal policy continues to focus on consolidation with expenditure targeted on rural, housing and infrastructure (roads, railways) Capex providing a larger multiplier impetus to growth. On the external front, India has never been in a better position with FX reserves at a record high of 390 billion dollars. This is a far cry from the humble beginnings of less than 1 billion dollars in 1991 at the dawn of our liberalization reforms. Trade deficit remains under control as commodity prices remain low on the back of structural developments in the crude oil market that are keeping prices capped at \$50 per barrel. Aware of these gradual tectonic changes underway in the economy, domestic investors including HNIs have been swift in shifting their gaze inward rather than outward. The Mutual Funds annual SIP book is now upwards of \$10 billion, acting as a strong stabilizing factor for liquidity. Falling interest rates and lower inflation is causing a structural shift into financial assets from physical assets with the bulk of domestic flows into equities. In fact, household financial savings has for the first time in years exceeded household physical savings, which should help in channelling savings into investments. This paradigm shift is underway not just among the population elite but in the mid-to lower-income strata as well, making this a long term structural change in investing patterns. Despite scepticism over near term performance given rich valuations, domestic investors remain growth believers and continue to see equities as the best asset class. This view is based on the earnings cycle to have bottomed out, with the high likelihood of 15-20 per cent earnings growth over the next few years, aided by a low base and sustainable recovery in growth. New equity opportunities are arising with greater formalization and value migration post-GST and demonetization.

Question 59 :

'Investors including HNIs have been swift in shifting their gaze inward rather than outward.' Which of the following option/options corroborate the same? I. Increase in the import of physical gold from other nations. II. Increase in corporate houses setting up manufacturing facilities in low-cost nations. III. RBI's recently changed the rules for overseas investment- effectively doubling the annual ceiling for individuals to \$250,000.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 233 Seconds****Options :**



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- Only II
- 2. Only III
- 3. Only I and II
- 4. Only II and III
- 5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **None of the above.**

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The given question is based on indirect observation from the passage.

Statement I: An increase in gold imports increases our dependency on other nations and is opposite to what the demand of the question.

Statement II implies investors venturing out of India (setting up facilities outside of India) rather than investing here.

Statement III again encourages investors to look for outside avenues for investments and is opposite to what the question asks.

Hence, the option chosen is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. The Indian scouting tiger is on the prowl again. India remains among the top three investment destinations for global investors looking at emerging markets. In the last three years alone, offshore long-term investment flows into India through FII/FDI route is nearly \$150 billion, one of the strongest ever witnessed. India has increasingly become a hotspot for global investments not just in the listed equity & fixed income markets, but in the unlisted/private market space as well. Recently, we witnessed one of the largest ever private investments in an Indian technology company by an offshore investor adding further impetus to yet another pool of investment into India; the growing start-up eco-system. India's growing prominence is backed by India's growing clout in the macro-economic and asset class space at the global stage. Growth is expected to gain further momentum over the next few years as consumption picks up on the back of the 7th pay commission payouts, normal monsoons and lagged benefits of lower rates, and long-term structural reforms start bearing fruits bringing in efficiency gains. The fiscal policy continues to focus on consolidation with expenditure targeted on rural, housing and infrastructure (roads, railways) Capex

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Question 60 :

What does the author mean by 'tectonic changes underway in the economy'?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 196 Seconds

Options :

1. Changes in the environment due to economic pressure that would lead to an increase in the seismic phenomenon experienced in Delhi.
2. Changes in the economy which are rapid and mind-numbing and will lead to exponential growth in the near future.
3. Changes in the economy that are structural in nature and would lead to long term changes in the economy.
4. Changes specifically targeted at the taxation structure for corporate India which would lead to an inflow of investments and increase our foreign reserves.
5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Changes in the economy that are structural in nature and would lead to long term changes in the economy.**

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The given question is based on indirect observation from the passage.

As per the passage, India is undergoing many changes which are structural in nature and target the foundation of the economy. Such changes have a long term impact. **Tectonic** here basically means a change in the very foundations on which India is built.

Out of the options, option 3 conveys this perfectly.

Hence, the option chosen is correct.

Comprehension :

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Question 61 :

As per the passage, which of the following can be considered as depicting a change in investing patterns? I. Household financial savings exceeding household physical savings. II. Shifting from financial assets to physical assets. III. More and More investors opting for mutual funds SIP.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 225 Seconds

Options :

1. Only I and III
2. Only I and II
3. Only II and III
4. All of the above
5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Only I and III**.

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Refer to paragraph 4:

‘...Aware of these gradual tectonic changes underway in the economy, domestic investors including HNIs have been swift in shifting their gaze inward rather than outward. The Mutual Funds annual SIP book is now upwards of \$10 billion, acting as a strong stabilizing factor for liquidity. Falling interest rates and lower inflation is causing a structural shift into financial assets from physical assets with the bulk of domestic flows into equities. In fact, household financial savings has for the first time in years exceeded household physical savings, which should help in channeling savings into investments.

This paradigm shift is underway not just among the population elite but in the mid-to lower-income strata as well, making this a long-term structural change in investing patterns...’.

The highlighted fragments make it clear that:

The given question is based on direct observation from the passage.

**Comprehension :**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. The Indian scouting tiger is on the prowl again. India remains among the top three investment destinations for global investors looking at emerging markets. In the last three years alone, offshore long-term investment flows into India through FII/FDI route is nearly \$150 billion, one of the strongest ever witnessed. India has increasingly become a hotspot for global investments not just in the listed equity & fixed income markets, but in the unlisted/private market space as well. Recently, we witnessed one of the largest ever private investments in an Indian technology company by an offshore investor adding further impetus to yet another pool of investment into India; the growing start-up eco-system. India's growing prominence is backed by India's growing clout in the macro-economic and asset class space at the global stage. Growth is expected to gain further momentum over the next few years as consumption picks up on the back of the 7th pay commission payouts, normal monsoons and lagged benefits of lower rates, and long-term structural reforms start bearing fruits bringing in efficiency gains. The fiscal policy continues to focus on consolidation with expenditure targeted on rural, housing and infrastructure (roads, railways) Capex providing a larger multiplier impetus to growth. On the external front, India has never been in a better position with FX reserves at a record high of 390 billion dollars. This is a far cry from the humble beginnings of less than 1 billion dollars in 1991 at the dawn of our liberalization reforms. Trade deficit remains under control as commodity prices remain low on the back of structural developments in the crude oil market that are keeping prices capped at \$50 per barrel. Aware of these gradual tectonic changes underway in the economy, domestic investors including HNIs have been swift in shifting their gaze inward rather than outward. The Mutual Funds annual SIP book is now upwards of \$10 billion, acting as a strong stabilizing factor for liquidity. Falling interest rates and lower inflation is causing a structural shift into financial assets from physical assets with the bulk of domestic flows into equities. In fact, household financial savings has for the first time in years exceeded household physical savings, which should help in channelling savings into investments. This paradigm shift is underway not just among the population elite but in the mid-to lower-income strata as well, making this a long term structural change in investing patterns. Despite scepticism over near term performance given rich valuations, domestic investors remain growth believers and continue to see equities as the best asset class. This view is based on the earnings cycle to have bottomed out, with the high likelihood of 15-20 per cent earnings growth over the next few years, aided by a low base and sustainable recovery in growth. New equity opportunities are arising with greater formalization and value migration post-GST and demonetization.

Question 62 :

As per the passage, which of the following are true? I. FX reserves are at their second-highest and reached \$390 billion recently. II. The trade deficit has steadily decreased over the past 20 years and is currently at its lowest. III. The crude oil market has played an important role in keeping the economy in a robust shape.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 238 Seconds****Options :**

1. Only II
2. Only III

Only I and II

4. None of the above

5. All of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Only III.**

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The given question is based on direct observation from the passage.

'..On the external front, India has never been in a better position with FX reserves at a record high of 390 billion dollars.

This is a far cry from the humble beginnings of less than \$1 billion in 1991 at the dawn of our liberalization reforms. Trade deficit remains under control as commodity prices remain low on the back of structural developments in the crude oil market that are keeping prices capped at \$50 per barrel...'.

From the fragments highlighted above, Statement I is incorrect as the passage states FX reserves to be at a record high and not second-highest.

Statement II is nowhere mentioned in the passage.

Statement III can be inferred from the last line of the passage.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :



Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. The Indian scouting tiger is on the prowl again. India remains among the top three investment destinations for global investors looking at emerging markets. In the last three years alone, offshore long-term investment flows into India through FII/FDI route is nearly \$150 billion, one of the strongest ever witnessed. India has increasingly become a hotspot for global investments not just in the listed equity & fixed income markets, but in the unlisted/private market space as well. Recently, we witnessed one of the largest ever private investments in an Indian technology company by an offshore investor adding further impetus to yet another pool of investment into India; the growing start-up eco-system. India's growing prominence is backed by India's growing clout in the macro-economic and asset class space at the global stage. Growth is expected to gain further momentum over the next few years as consumption picks up on the back of the 7th pay commission payouts, normal monsoons and lagged benefits of lower rates, and long-term structural reforms start bearing fruits bringing in efficiency gains. The fiscal policy continues to focus on consolidation with expenditure targeted on rural, housing and infrastructure (roads, railways) Capex providing a larger multiplier impetus to growth. On the external front, India has never been in a better position with FX reserves at a record high of 390 billion dollars. This is a far cry from the humble beginnings of less than 1 billion dollars in 1991 at the dawn of our liberalization reforms. Trade deficit remains under control as commodity prices remain low on the back of structural developments in the crude oil market that are keeping prices capped at \$50 per barrel. Aware of these gradual tectonic changes underway in the economy, domestic investors including HNIs have been swift in shifting their gaze inward rather than outward. The Mutual Funds annual SIP book is now upwards of \$10 billion, acting as a strong stabilizing factor for liquidity. Falling interest rates and lower inflation is causing a structural shift into financial assets from physical assets with the bulk of domestic flows into equities. In fact, household financial savings has for the first time in years exceeded household physical savings, which should help in channelling savings into investments. This paradigm shift is underway not just among the population elite but in the mid-to lower-income strata as well, making this a long term structural change in investing patterns. Despite scepticism over near term performance given rich valuations, domestic investors remain growth believers and continue to see equities as the best asset class. This view is based on the earnings cycle to have bottomed out, with the high likelihood of 15-20 per cent earnings growth over the next few years, aided by a low base and sustainable recovery in growth. New equity opportunities are arising with greater formalization and value migration post-GST and demonetization.

Question 63 :

Choose the word that is similar in meaning to the word scepticism as mentioned in the passage.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 215 Seconds****Options :**

1. Certainty
2. Heresy
3. Modesty
4. Suspicion

Cavil

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Suspicion**.

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The given question suggests finding the correct synonym (a word with the same meaning) of the given word.

The word '**scepticism**' means being doubtful/suspicious.

Heresy means having an unorthodox opinion. It is used in the context of religious matters mostly. Hence, this is incorrect.

Modesty means to be humble and is irrelevant here.

Certainty is the opposite of scepticism.

Cavil means to quibble/criticize/ spar. It is irrelevant here.

Suspicion means having or showing a cautious distrust of someone or something It is the word we are looking for.

The word that fits best as its synonym is '**Suspicion**'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. The Indian scouting tiger is on the prowl again. India remains among the top three investment destinations for global investors looking at emerging markets. In the last three years alone, offshore long-term investment flows into India through FII/FDI route is nearly \$150 billion, one of the strongest ever witnessed. India has increasingly become a hotspot for global investments not just in the listed equity & fixed income markets, but in the unlisted/private market space as well. Recently, we witnessed one of the largest ever private

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Question 64 :

Why is it said that India remains among the top three investment destinations? I. India has incurred a huge current account deficit with the exchange rate depreciating steadily over the past two quarters. II. Offshore long-term investment flows into India through FII/FDI route are nearly \$150 billion. III. India has become a hotspot for global investments in both the listed as well as unlisted/private market space respectively.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 223 Seconds****Options :**

1. Only I
2. Only II
3. Only I and III
4. Only II and III
5. All of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Only II and III.**

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The given question is based on direct observation from the passage i.e reading the passage carefully and assessing the answer from the passage itself.

According to the passage;
'..The Indian scouting tiger is on the prowl again. India remains among the top three investment destinations for global investors looking at emerging markets. In the last three years alone, offshore long-term investment flows into India through FII/FDI route is nearly \$150 billion, one of the strongest ever witnessed. India has increasingly become a hotspot for global investments not just in the listed equity & fixed income markets, but in the unlisted/private market space as well.

Recently, we witnessed one of the largest ever private investments in an Indian technology company by an offshore investor adding further impetus to yet another pool of investment into India; the growing start-up eco-system...'

As per the passage, Statements II and III can be seen in the highlighted fragments while statement I is nowhere mentioned.

Question 65 :

In the given sentence, some words are printed in bold, one of which may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context. Choose that word as the answer. If all the words printed in bold are correct, mark E i.e. 'All are correct' as the answer. In devotees like Prahlada and Bhisma, we find a blending of the tranquil and the serveil types.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 109 Seconds****Options :**

1. devotees
2. blending
3. tranquil
4. serveil
5. None of these

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. serveil.

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The given question suggests finding the word(s) in the sentence that may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context.

The word that seems to be inappropriate among the four emboldened ones is '**serveil**' as it means **to keep (a person or place) under surveillance; closely monitor or observe.**

The correct word seems to be '**servile**' as it means having or showing an excessive willingness to serve or please others. This word suits the sentence context also.

Hence, Option 4 is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, there are highlighted words, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five options are given. In four options, one word is suggested in each option. Find out the appropriate word which can replace the highlighted word. If the highlighted word fits the passage, choose option 'e' (No correction required) as the correct choice. When M.K. Stalin is (1) unanimously elected president of the DMK at the party's general council on Tuesday, it will signal his rise to the top exactly 50 years after he launched the Gopalapuram Youth DMK, a precursor to the DMK Youth Wing. He will be only the third supreme leader of the DMK, launched by C.N. Annadurai in 1949. The Gopalapuram Youth Wing was inaugurated by party general secretary K. Anbazhagan in M. Karunanidhi's presence in 1968. "He along with his friends (2) convinced the idea in a barbershop and invited Annadurai for the inauguration. But Anna could not attend as he was indisposed. Stalin's (3) assisting skills made him comment: 'You are as adamant as your father'," recalled Govi Lenin, a long-time DMK observer. Originally named Ayyadurai, after Periyar E.V. Ramasamy (Ayya) and Annadurai, Karunanidhi changed his name to Stalin in honour of Russian leader Stalin, who died four days after his birth. Though Mr Stalin was active, enacting plays and (4) engulfing screening of movies to raise funds, besides taking out rallies in support of autonomy for the State, his detention under the Maintenance of Internal Security during the Emergency earned him recognition. In 1980, the DMK's Youth Wing was launched. Two years later, he got to head the Youth Wing, which had by then (5) shaken up into a well-oiled party machine. In 1984, he unsuccessfully

contested from the Thousand Lights Assembly constituency but subsequently became a legislator in 1989. He has been an MLA since 1996. Mr Stalin's growth agitated Vaiko, then a rising star in the DMK. When some DMK district secretaries walked away with Vaiko in 1994, Mr Stalin proved his (6) muscle as an organizational man by ensuring a large turnout of youth at the DMK's Tirunelveli conference.

Question 66 :

Which of the following words should be replaced at (1) as per the context of the passage from the given options?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 169 Seconds

Options :

1. Ceremoniously
2. Reluctantly
3. Tantalizingly
4. Practically
5. No correction required

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **No correction required**.

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The given question is based on the cloze test. We have to find the correct filler from the options that best replaces the emboldened word in the sentence.

From the given context it is clear that Mr Stalin became the general secretary of the DMK Political Party with the support from all the quarters of the party and nobody opposed his candidature for the post of the head of the party. The given word **unanimously** implies the same meaning since it refers to being elected with the support of all and sundry.

Therefore, no replacement is required in case of this blank.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, there are highlighted words, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five options are given. In four options, one word is suggested in each option. Find out the appropriate word which can replace the highlighted word. If the highlighted word fits the passage, choose option 'e' (No correction required) as the correct choice. When M.K. Stalin is (1) **unanimously** elected president of the DMK at the party's general council on Tuesday, it will signal his rise to the top exactly 50 years after he launched the Gopalapuram Youth DMK, a precursor to the DMK Youth Wing. He will be only the third supreme leader of the DMK, launched by C.N. Annadurai in 1949. The Gopalapuram Youth Wing was inaugurated by party general secretary K. Anbazhagan in M. Karunanidhi's presence in 1968. "He along with his friends (2) **convinced** the idea in a barbershop and invited Annadurai for the inauguration. But Anna could not attend as he was indisposed. Stalin's (3) **assisting** skills made him comment: 'You are as adamant as your father'," recalled Govi Lenin, a long-time DMK observer. Originally named Ayyadurai, after Periyar E.V. Ramasamy (Ayya) and Annadurai, Karunanidhi changed his name to Stalin in honour of Russian leader Stalin, who

died four days after his birth. Though Mr Stalin was active, enacting plays and (4) engulfing screening of movies to raise funds, besides taking out rallies in support of autonomy for the State, his detention under the Maintenance of Internal Security during the Emergency earned him recognition. In 1980, the DMK's Youth Wing was launched. Two years later, he got to head the Youth Wing, which had by then (5) shaken up into a well-oiled party machine. In 1984, he unsuccessfully contested from the Thousand Lights Assembly constituency but subsequently became a legislator in 1989. He has been an MLA since 1996. Mr Stalin's growth agitated Vaiko, then a rising star in the DMK. When some DMK district secretaries walked away with Vaiko in 1994, Mr Stalin proved his (6) muscle as an organizational man by ensuring a large turnout of youth at the DMK's Tirunelveli conference.

Question 67 :

Which of the following words should be replaced at (2) as per the context of the passage from the given options?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 175 Seconds

Options :

1. Consoled
2. Conceived
3. Contested
4. Concocted
5. No correction required

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Conceived**.

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The given question is based on the cloze test. We have to find the correct filler from the options that best replaces the emboldened word in the sentence.

According to the given context, the Gopalapuram Youth Wing was thought of in a barbershop and M. Annadurai was invited to inaugurate the same. It was the brainchild of Mr Stalin.

Among the given options, **consoled** means giving consolation for some loss whereas **conceived** implies that somebody has thought about an idea in the first place before its implementation into a full-fledged thing.

Contested implies that somebody fought in a battle or any kind of contest such as an election whereas **concocted** refers to devising a false story to serve some purpose.

According to the given context as explained above, **option 2** implies the same meaning as intended.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage, there are highlighted words, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five options are given. In four options, one word is suggested in each option. Find out the appropriate word which can replace the highlighted word. If the highlighted word fits the passage, choose option 'e' (No correction required) as the correct choice. When M.K. Stalin is (1) unanimously elected president of the DMK at the party's general council on Tuesday, it will signal his rise to the top exactly 50 years after he launched the Gopalapuram Youth DMK, a precursor to the DMK Youth Wing. He will be only the third supreme leader of the DMK, launched by C.N. Annadurai in 1949. The Gopalapuram Youth Wing was inaugurated by party general secretary K. Anbazhagan in M. Karunanidhi's presence in 1968. "He along with his friends (2) convinced the idea in a barbershop and invited Annadurai for the inauguration. But Anna could not attend as he was indisposed. Stalin's (3) assisting skills made him comment: 'You are as adamant as your father'," recalled Govi Lenin, a long-time DMK observer. Originally named Ayyadurai, after Periyar E.V. Ramasamy (Ayya) and Annadurai, Karunanidhi changed his name to Stalin in honour of Russian leader Stalin, who died four days after his birth. Though Mr Stalin was active, enacting plays and (4) engulfing screening of movies to raise funds, besides taking out rallies in support of autonomy for the State, his detention under the Maintenance of Internal Security during the Emergency earned him recognition. In 1980, the DMK's Youth Wing was launched. Two years later, he got to head the Youth Wing, which had by then (5) shaken up into a well-oiled party machine. In 1984, he unsuccessfully contested from the Thousand Lights Assembly constituency but subsequently became a legislator in 1989. He has been an MLA since 1996. Mr Stalin's growth agitated Vaiko, then a rising star in the DMK. When some DMK district secretaries walked away with Vaiko in 1994, Mr Stalin proved his (6) muscle as an organizational man by ensuring a large turnout of youth at the DMK's Tirunelveli conference.

Question 68 :

Which of the following words should be replaced at (3) as per the context of the passage from the given options?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 186 Seconds****Options :**

1. Preservation
2. Precipitation
3. Practice
4. Persuasion
5. No correction required

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Persuasion**.



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According to the given context, it is clear that it is some skill possessed by Mr Stalin just like his father had as a politician that makes him as adamant as his father regarding something. The given word is incorrect since with the skills of assisting it is not possible to judge that somebody is adamant or not.

Among the given options, **preservation** refers to the act of preserving something up to a specified degree whereas **precipitation** implies the phenomenon in which there is a condensation of water vapour in the atmosphere. **Practice** means making something a habit whereas **persuasion** refers to the skill of convincing somebody to do something according to your own wish.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

The given question is based on the cloze test. We have to find the correct filler from the options that best replaces the emboldened word in the sentence.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, there are highlighted words, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five options are given. In four options, one word is suggested in each option. Find out the appropriate word which can replace the highlighted word. If the highlighted word fits the passage, choose option 'e' (No correction required) as the correct choice. When M.K. Stalin is (1) unanimously elected president of the DMK at the party's general council on Tuesday, it will signal his rise to the top exactly 50 years after he launched the Gopalapuram Youth DMK, a precursor to the DMK Youth Wing. He will be only the third supreme leader of the DMK, launched by C.N. Annadurai in 1949. The Gopalapuram Youth Wing was inaugurated by party general secretary K. Anbazhagan in M. Karunanidhi's presence in 1968. "He along with his friends (2) convinced the idea in a barbershop and invited Annadurai for the inauguration. But Anna could not attend as he was indisposed. Stalin's (3) assisting skills made him comment: 'You are as adamant as your father'," recalled Govi Lenin, a long-time DMK observer. Originally named Ayyadurai, after Periyar E.V. Ramasamy (Ayya) and Annadurai, Karunanidhi changed his name to Stalin in honour of Russian leader Stalin, who died four days after his birth. Though Mr Stalin was active, enacting plays and (4) engulfing screening of movies to raise funds, besides taking out rallies in support of autonomy for the State, his detention under the Maintenance of Internal Security during the Emergency earned him recognition. In 1980, the DMK's Youth Wing was launched. Two years later, he got to head the Youth Wing, which had by then (5) shaken up into a well-oiled party machine. In 1984, he unsuccessfully contested from the Thousand Lights Assembly constituency but subsequently became a legislator in 1989. He has been an MLA since 1996. Mr Stalin's growth agitated Vaiko, then a rising star in the DMK. When some DMK district secretaries walked away with Vaiko in 1994, Mr Stalin proved his (6) muscle as an organizational man by ensuring a large turnout of youth at the DMK's Tirunelveli conference.

Question 69 :

Which of the following words should be replaced at (4) as per the context of the passage from the given options?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 187 Seconds****Options :**

1. **Attributing**
2. **Yielding**
3. **Organizing**
4. **Determining**
5. **No correction required**

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Organizing**.



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The given question is based on the cloze test. We have to find the correct filler from the options that best replaces the emboldened word in the sentence.

According to the given context, it has been used to imply that Mr Stalin used to organize street acts and movies in order to generate public support and also to raise money for various purposes. The given word is completely irrelevant in the given context since it implies overwhelming or powerfully affecting somebody.

Among the given options, **attributing** means regarding something as being caused by whereas **yielding** refers to giving a product or generating a financial return from some investment.

Organizing means arranging something and **determining** refers to deciding things.

Hence, only **option 3** fits in the given context.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, there are highlighted words, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five options are given. In four options, one word is suggested in each option. Find out the appropriate word which can replace the highlighted word. If the highlighted word fits the passage, choose option 'e' (No correction required) as the correct choice. When M.K. Stalin is (1) unanimously elected president of the DMK at the party's general council on Tuesday, it will signal his rise to the top exactly 50 years after he launched the Gopalapuram Youth DMK, a precursor to the DMK Youth Wing. He will be only the third supreme leader of the DMK, launched by C.N. Annadurai in 1949. The Gopalapuram Youth Wing was inaugurated by party general secretary K. Anbazhagan in M. Karunanidhi's presence in 1968. "He along with his friends (2) convinced the idea in a barbershop and invited Annadurai for the inauguration. But Anna could not attend as he was indisposed. Stalin's (3) assisting skills made him comment: 'You are as adamant as your father'," recalled Govi Lenin, a long-time DMK observer. Originally named Ayyadurai, after Periyar E.V. Ramasamy (Ayya) and Annadurai, Karunanidhi changed his name to Stalin in honour of Russian leader Stalin, who died four days after his birth. Though Mr Stalin was active, enacting plays and (4) engulfing screening of movies to raise funds, besides taking out rallies in support of autonomy for the State, his detention under the Maintenance of Internal Security during the Emergency earned him recognition. In 1980, the DMK's Youth Wing was launched. Two years later, he got to head the Youth Wing, which had by then (5) shaken up into a well-oiled party machine. In 1984, he unsuccessfully contested from the Thousand Lights Assembly constituency but subsequently became a legislator in 1989. He has been an MLA since 1996. Mr Stalin's growth agitated Vaiko, then a rising star in the DMK. When some DMK district secretaries walked away with Vaiko in 1994, Mr Stalin proved his (6) muscle as an organizational man by ensuring a large turnout of youth at the DMK's Tirunelveli conference.

Question 70 :

Which of the following words should be replaced at (5) as per the context of the passage from the given options?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 184 Seconds****Options :**

1. Shaped
2. Studied
3. Staked
4. Stood
5. No correction required

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Shaped**.

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<p>The given question is based on the cloze test. We have to find the correct filler from the options that best replaces the emboldened word in the sentence.</p>	<p>According to the given context, it is implied that the Youth Wing of the party shaped up pretty well to become supportive machinery for the whole party. This wing was launched and led by Mr Stalin. The given word is incorrect since the party machinery could not have shaken up which is completely irrelevant as per logic.</p> <p>Among the given options, shaped means giving shape to something by efforts and imagination whereas other options are out of context as per the given blank.</p> <p>Hence, the chosen option is correct.</p>

Comprehension :

In the following passage, there are highlighted words, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five options are given. In four options, one word is suggested in each option. Find out the appropriate word which can replace the highlighted word. If the highlighted word fits the passage, choose option 'e' (No correction required) as the correct choice. When M.K. Stalin is (1) unanimously elected president of the DMK at the party's general council on Tuesday, it will signal his rise to the top exactly 50 years after he launched the Gopalapuram

Youth DMK, a precursor to the DMK Youth Wing. He will be only the third supreme leader of the DMK, launched by C.N. Annadurai in 1949. The Gopalapuram Youth Wing was inaugurated by party general secretary K. Anbazhagan in M. Karunanidhi's presence in 1968. "He along with his friends (2) convinced the idea in a barbershop and invited Annadurai for the inauguration. But Anna could not attend as he was indisposed. Stalin's (3) assisting skills made him comment: 'You are as adamant as your father'," recalled Govi Lenin, a long-time DMK observer. Originally named Ayyadurai, after Periyar E.V. Ramasamy (Ayya) and Annadurai, Karunanidhi changed his name to Stalin in honour of Russian leader Stalin, who died four days after his birth. Though Mr Stalin was active, enacting plays and (4) engulfing screening of movies to raise funds, besides taking out rallies in support of autonomy for the State, his detention under the Maintenance of Internal Security during the Emergency earned him recognition. In 1980, the DMK's Youth Wing was launched. Two years later, he got to head the Youth Wing, which had by then (5) shaken up into a well-oiled party machine. In 1984, he unsuccessfully contested from the Thousand Lights Assembly constituency but subsequently became a legislator in 1989. He has been an MLA since 1996. Mr Stalin's growth agitated Vaiko, then a rising star in the DMK. When some DMK district secretaries walked away with Vaiko in 1994, Mr Stalin proved his (6) muscle as an organizational man by ensuring a large turnout of youth at the DMK's Tirunelveli conference.

Question 71 :

Which of the following words should be replaced at (6) as per the context of the passage from the given options?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 177 Seconds

Options :

1. Material
2. Mettle
3. Mercy
4. Mutual
5. No correction required

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Mettle**.

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The given question is based on the cloze test. We have to find the correct filler from the options that best replaces the emboldened word in the sentence.

According to the given context, it is implied that Mr Stalin proved his worth in the DMK party by his organizational skills along with his strategy. The given word is not correct since **proving muscle power is not the intended meaning here** and moreover, it is hardly proven from the activities of Mr Stalin in his initial years as a politician.

Among the given **options, 1, 3 and 4** are out and out irrelevant in the given context and can be easily eliminated without much thought. **Mettle** implies worth of a person and that Mr Stalin has proved for his political party.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 72 :

In the given sentence, some words are printed in bold one of which may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context. Choose that word as the answer. If all the words printed in bold are correct, mark E i.e. 'All are correct' as the answer. The cold war was replete (1) with instances of spy exchanges with or without the general public knowing about it. So, countries like US and Russia have also admitted openly that espionage (2) is very much part of statecraft that all

modern states engage in. To claim otherwise would be no less than laughable hypocrisy masquerading (3) as pious (4) platitudes.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 105 Seconds

Options :

1. pious
2. masquerading
3. espionage
4. replete
5. All are correct

Solution :

The correct answer is option 5 i.e. All are correct.

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The given question suggests finding the word(s) in the sentence that may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context.	All the emboldened words are correct. Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 73 :

In the given sentence, some words are printed in bold one of which may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context. Choose that word as the answer. If all the words printed in bold are correct, mark E i.e. 'All are correct' as the answer. The tire on the rear wheel of my car started to distend alarmingly as the attendant at the service center carelessly pumped more and more air into it.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. Distend

Attendent

3. Carelessly

4. Pumped

5. All are correct

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. **All are correct**.

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The given question suggests finding the word(s) in the sentence that may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context.	All the emboldened words are correct in terms of context and spelling. Hence, Option 5 is correct.

Question 74 :

In the given sentence, some words are printed in bold one of which may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context. Choose that word as the answer. If all the words printed in bold are correct, mark E i.e. 'All are correct' as the answer. Because of paucity of definite historical evidence, there is also an opinion that the five Sadhaka poets were not contemporaries at all, and thus the term Panchaskha even has to be taken with a grain of salt.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. paucity
2. opinion
3. contemporaries
4. grain
5. All are correct

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **paucity**.

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<p>The given question suggests finding the word(s) in the sentence that may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context.</p>	<p>The word that seems to be wrong among the four emboldened ones is 'pauceity'.</p> <p>The correct word seems to be 'paucity' as it means the presence of something in only small or insufficient quantities or amounts and it is correct in the context of the passage.</p> <p>Hence, Option 1 is correct.</p>

Question 75 :

In the given sentence, some words are printed in bold one of which may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context. Choose that word as the answer. If all the words printed in bold are correct, mark E i.e. 'All are correct' as the answer. Punishments are meant to infuse (A) fear in the person who commits a crime with an expectation (B) that it will act as a deterrent (C). But one needs to draw a line as far as having severe custodial (D) punishment is concerned. The reasons and the circumstances under which a person may commit a crime have to be well-studied.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 90 Seconds

Options :

1. expectation
2. infuse
3. deterrent

custodial

5. All are correct

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. deterrent.

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The given question suggests finding the word(s) in the sentence that may be wrongly spelt or inappropriately used in the context.	The word that seems to be wrong among the four emboldened ones is ' deterent ' as its correct spelling is " deterrent " meaning serving to discourage, prevent, or inhibit. Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 76 :

In the question below, a word is given followed by three sentences. Find out the sentences in which the given word suits the best. If none of the sentences look appropriate as per the word, mark your answer as "All are correct". VILIFY I. Why are people so quick to vilify those on the "other side" of the issue—and why do we even think in terms of sides? II. Only those who hold such a ridiculously pedantic view could vilify the Irish rebellion by calling it monstrous. III. Wherever the cake is the main product, the expression will vilify itself as the most advantageous process.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. Only I
2. Only II
3. Both I and II
4. Both II and III
5. All are correct

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Both I and II.**

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The given question suggests finding the appropriate word-sentence match i.e. to find if the word suits the particular sentence.

The word "**Vilify**" means '**to speak or write about in an abusively disparaging (derogatory) manner.**'

In this regard, sentences I and II seem to be coherent with the word and its influence in the sentence.

The last sentence does not fit with the highlighted word as the sentence's tone is positive, and the highlighted word "**Vilify**" possesses more of a negative sense due to its meaning being, 'to speak or write about in an abusively disparaging (derogatory) manner.'
Therefore, Sentence III doesn't seem to be coherent with the word and its influence in the sentence.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Both I and II.**

Question 77 :

In the question below, a word is given followed by three sentences. Find out the sentences in which the given word suits the best. If none of the sentences look appropriate as per the word, mark your answer as "All are correct". AMBIGUITY I.

Where the words are not clear, other factors can be taken into account to resolve the ambiguity. II. Amanda had the ambiguity to show up to the party, despite the fact that she was not invited. III. Speakers of English were asked to judge the ambiguity of the grammar.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 109 Seconds

Options :

1. Only II
2. Only III
3. Both I and II
4. Both I and III
5. All are correct

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Both I and III**.

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The given question suggests finding the appropriate word-sentence match i.e. to find if the word suits the particular sentence.

The word "**ambiguity**" means **"the possibility of being understood in more than one way; something that can be understood in more than one way"**.

In this regard, sentences I and III seem to be coherent with the word and its influence in the sentence.

Sentence II does not fit with the highlighted word as the sentence's tone is different from the word, the more suitable word is "**audacity**" which means '*courage or confidence of a kind that other people find shocking or rude*'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Both I and III**.

Question 78 :

In the question below, a word is given followed by three sentences. Find out the sentences in which the given word suits the best. If none of the sentences look appropriate as per the word, mark your answer as "All are correct". CLANDESTINE I. Leaks have exposed some of the agency's most clandestine intelligence-gathering operations. II. The first responders have clandestine, making them well-suited to deal with emergency situations. III. We hear little of the island under the Empire, except as a granary and as remarkable for its unhealthiness and the clandestine of its brigands.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 109 Seconds

Options :

1. Only I
2. Only II
3. Only III
4. Both I and II
5. All are correct

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Only I**.

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<p>The given question suggests finding the appropriate word-sentence match i.e. to find if the word suits the particular sentence.</p>	<p>The word "Clandestine" means 'kept secret or done secretly, especially because illicit.'</p> <p>In this regard, only sentence I seem to be coherent with the word and its influence in the sentence.</p> <p>The other two sentences do not fit with the highlighted word as the tone of both the sentences is positive, and the highlighted word "clandestine" possesses more of a negative sense due to its meaning being, 'done secretly, especially because illicit'. Moreover, the given word fails to sit appropriately grammatically as well in both the sentences.</p> <p>Hence, the correct answer is Option 1 i.e. Only I.</p>
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Question 79 :

If all the digits of "276523467389" are arranged in descending order from left to right, then what will be the sum of the fourth digit from the left and the third digit from the right?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

Options :

- 1. 11
- 2. 12
- 3. 8



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5. 10

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **10**

Given number: 276523467389

Arranging the given number in descending order:

987766543322

Fourth digit from the left: 7

Third digit from the right: 3

Sum of the fourth digit from the left and the third digit from the right = $7 + 3 = 10$

Hence, the correct answer is **10**.

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 80 :

$$128 + ? = 73 - 484$$

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 49 Seconds****Options :**

1. 191
2. 190
3. 202
4. 193
5. None of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **193**.

$$128 + ? = 7^3 - 484$$

$$128 + ? = 343 - 22$$

$$128 + ? = 321$$

$$? = 321 - 128$$

$$? = 193$$

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 81 :

$$\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \div \text{space } ? = \frac{1}{624}$$

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 42 Seconds****Options :**

1. 52
2. 62
3. 72
4. 82
5. None of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **52**.

$$\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \div \text{space } ? = \frac{1}{624}$$

$$\left(\frac{27}{64}\right) \times \left(\frac{16}{81}\right) \div \text{space } ? = \frac{1}{624}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{12}\right) \div \text{space } ? = \frac{1}{624}$$

$$(? = \frac{624}{12})$$

$$(? = 52)$$

Comprehension :

Directions: The table given below shows the number of literate and illiterate persons in five different cities (A, B, C, D & E). Study the table carefully and answer the following question. Cities No. of Literate People No. of Illiterate people A 600 520 B 420 380 C 580 460 D 720 510 E 640 320

Question 82 :

If in city F, the number of illiterate persons is equal to the difference between the number of literate persons in city A and number of illiterate persons in city E and the number of literate persons in city F is 560. In city G, the number of literate



persons is equal to the number of illiterate persons in city A and the number of illiterate persons in city G is equal to the number of literate persons from city B. Find the difference between the number of literate persons in city G and the combined number of illiterate persons in city F and D.

Difficulty : Difficult

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. 270
2. 300
3. 250
4. 310
5. 280

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **270**

Number of literate persons in city A = 600

Number of illiterate persons in city E = 320

So, Number of illiterate persons in city F = $600 - 320 = 280$

Number of illiterate persons in city A = 520 = Number of literate persons in city G

Number of illiterate persons in city D = 510

Required difference = $(510 + 280) - 520$

270

Comprehension :

Directions: The table given below shows the number of literate and illiterate persons in five different cities (A, B, C, D & E). Study the table carefully and answer the following question. Cities No. of Literate People No. of Illiterate people
A 600 520
B 420 380
C 580 460
D 720 510
E 640 320

Question 83 :

What is the ratio of illiterate persons in city E to the difference between the number of literate and illiterate persons in city A?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :



3 : 2

2. 1 : 4

3. 4 : 1

4. 8 : 1

5. 2 : 3

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **4 : 1**

Number of illiterate persons from city E = 320

Number of literate persons from city A = 600

Number of illiterate persons from city A = 520

Difference between literate and illiterate persons from city A = 80

Required ratio = $320 : 80 = 4 : 1$

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the following information carefully and answer the given questions. In a code language, 'revenue exceeds expectation' is coded as 'rz en ds' 'money ahead instruments' is coded as 'ad mg is' 'other transaction ahead' is coded as 'tn ad or' 'instruments exceeds other' is coded as 'en is tn'

Question 84 :

What could be the possible code for 'revenue'?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. Either 'rz' or 'ds'
2. ds
3. rz
4. en
5. cannot be determined

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Either 'rz' or 'ds'**

The codes for different elements/words are:

revenue exceeds expectation → rz en ds

money ahead instruments → ad mg is

other transaction ahead → tn ad or

instruments exceeds other → en is tn

Words	Codes
exceeds	en
ahead	ad
instruments	is
other	tn
transaction	or
money	mg
revenue/expectation	rz/ds
expectation/revenue	ds/rz

Therefore, the correct answer is **Either 'rz' or 'ds'**.

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the following information carefully and answer the given questions. In a code language, 'revenue exceeds expectation' is coded as 'rz en ds' 'money ahead instruments' is coded as 'ad mg is' 'other transaction ahead' is coded as 'tn ad or' 'instruments exceeds other' is coded as 'en is tn'

Question 85 :

What could be the possible code for 'other money orange'?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

Options :

1. tn mg ki
2. ma ad is
3. ad is fn

en ds ra

5. rz en is

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **tn mg ki**

The codes for different elements/words are:

revenue exceeds expectation → rz en ds
 money ahead instruments → ad mg is
 other transaction ahead → tn ad or
 instruments exceeds other → en is tn

Words	Codes
exceeds	en
ahead	ad
instruments	is
other	tn
transaction	or
money	mg
revenue/expectation	rz/ds
expectation/revenue	ds/rz

Therefore, the correct answer is **tn mg ki**.

Comprehension :

Direction: Read the following information carefully and answer the given questions. In a code language, 'revenue exceeds expectation' is coded as 'rz en ds' 'money ahead instruments' is coded as 'ad mg is' 'other transaction ahead' is coded as 'tn ad or' 'instruments exceeds other' is coded as 'en is tn'

Question 86 :

What could be the possible code for 'instruments'?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 100 Seconds

Options :

1. rz
2. mg
3. en
4. is
5. ad

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **is**

The codes for different elements/words are:

revenue exceeds expectation → rz en ds
 money ahead instruments → ad mg is
 other transaction ahead → tn ad or
 instruments exceeds other → en is tn

Words	Codes
exceeds	en
ahead	ad
instruments	is
other	tn
transaction	or
money	mg
revenue/expectation	rz/ds
expectation/revenue	ds/rz

Therefore, the correct answer is '**is**'.

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 87 :

$$60\% \text{ of } 1225 + 5x - 10\% \text{ of } 750 + (\sqrt{1225}) = -20$$





Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 84 Seconds

Options :

1. 143
2. 144
3. -144
4. -143
5. 140

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **-143**

$$(3/5) \times 1225 + 5x - 75 + 35 = -20$$

$$735 + 5x - 40 = -20$$

$$735 + 5x = 20$$

$$5x = -715$$

$$x = -143$$

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 88 :

$$272 \times 4.25 \div ? = 68$$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 43 Seconds

Options :

1. 20
2. 42
3. 15.5
4. 16
5. 17

Solution :



The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. **17**.

$$272 \times 4.25 \div ? = 68$$

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$$272 \times 4.25/? = 68$$

$$1156/? = 68$$

$$? = 17$$

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 89 :

$$(324) \div \left(\frac{3}{19}\right) \times 87 = ?$$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 42 Seconds

Options :

1. 9918

2. 9548

3. 8945

4. 9815

5. 10078

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **9918**.

$$(324) \div \left(\frac{3}{19}\right) \times 87 = ?$$

$$18 \div \left(\frac{3}{19}\right) \times 87 = ?$$

$$114 \times 87 = ?$$

$$? = 9918$$

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 90 :

$$729 \div 27 + 23 \times 5 - ? = 36\% \text{ of } 200$$



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 43 Seconds

Options :

1. 40

2. 72

3. 65

4. 70

5. 75

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **70**.

$$729 \div 27 + 23 \times 5 - ? = 36\% \text{ of } 200$$

$$27 + 23 \times 5 - ? = 72$$

$$27 + 115 - ? = 72$$

$$? = 142 - 72$$

$$? = 70$$

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 91 :

$$368 - 422 + 312 \div 2 = ?$$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 41 Seconds

Options :

1. 122

2. 102

3. 105

4. 100

5. 130

Solution :



The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **102**.

$$368 - 422 + 312 \div 2 = ?$$

$$368 - 422 + 156 = ?$$

$$? = 102$$

Comprehension :

What will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

Question 92 :

$$2000 \div 50 \times 3 + 5 = (?)^3$$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 38 Seconds

Options :

1. 16

2. 9

3. 8

4. 4

5. 5

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 5** i.e. **5**.

$$2000 \div 50 \times 3 + 5 = (?)^3$$

$$40 \times 3 + 5 = (?)^3$$

$$120 + 5 = (?)^3$$

$$(?)^3 = 125$$

$$? = 5$$

Comprehension :

Directions: Study the following alphanumeric series carefully and answer the questions given below. W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2
K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Question 93 :

What is the sum of all the numbers that are immediately succeeded by a symbol?



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. 7
2. 29
3. 36
4. 25
5. None of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. 7

Given series:

W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Number/numbers that is/are immediately succeeded by a symbol is 7 only. Since there is only one number, the sum of numbers that are immediately succeeded by a symbol will be 7.

Hence, the correct answer is 7.

Comprehension :

Directions: Study the following alphanumeric series carefully and answer the questions given below. W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Question 94 :

How many symbols in the above series are immediately preceded by a consonant and immediately followed by an odd number?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. None
2. One
3. Four
4. Three
5. Two

**Solution :**

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Three**.

Given series:

W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Symbols in the above series that are immediately preceded by a consonant and immediately followed by an odd number are Y# 5, K#9 and W*5.

So, Three symbols in the above series are immediately preceded by a consonant and immediately followed by an odd number.

Hence, the correct answer is **Three**.

Comprehension :

Directions: Study the following alphanumeric series carefully and answer the questions given below. W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Question 95 :

If all the vowels are replaced with their numerical values in alphabetical series then what is the sum of all the numbers that are immediately followed by an alphabet?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. 33
2. 24
3. 11
4. 18
5. 17

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **33**

Given series:

W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

If all the vowels are replaced with their numerical values in alphabetical series then the new series will be:

W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & 5 W * 5 M 15 F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

The sum of all the numbers that are immediately followed by an alphabet will be:

$$2 + 2 + 9 + 5 + 15 = 33$$

Hence, the correct answer is **33**.

Comprehension :

Directions: Study the following alphanumeric series carefully and answer the questions given below. W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Question 96 :

What is the sum of all the numbers that are immediately preceded by a symbol and succeeded by a number?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. 11
2. 14
3. 7
4. 18
5. 20

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **11**

Given series:

W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Numbers that are immediately preceded by a symbol and succeeded by a number are 5 and 6 only.

$$\text{Sum: } 5 + 6 = 11$$

Hence, the correct answer is **11**.

Comprehension :

Directions: Study the following alphanumeric series carefully and answer the questions given below. W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Question 97 :

What is the sum of all the numbers that are immediately preceded by a symbol?

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 58 Seconds****Options :**

1. 29
2. 25
3. 7
4. 40
5. 38

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **29**

Given series:

W & T Y # 5 2 D B 2 K # 9 S R T % & A W * 5 M O F ^ 6 7 @ Z Y © 4

Numbers that are immediately preceded by a symbol are 5, 9, 5, 6 and 4 only. So the sum of numbers that are immediately preceded by a symbol will be, $5 + 9 + 5 + 6 + 4 = 29$.

Hence, the correct answer is **29**.

Comprehension :

Directions: The table given below shows the number of literate and illiterate persons in five different cities (A, B, C, D & E). Study the table carefully and answer the following question. Cities No. of Literate People No. of Illiterate people
A 600 520
B 420 380
C 580 460
D 720 510
E 640 320

Question 98 :

The number of literate persons in city B and city C is what percent of the number of literate persons in city A, city D and city C?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 69 Seconds****Options :**

1. 53.73%
2. 51.29%
3. 51.97%
4. 53.10%



52.63%

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 5** i.e. **52.63%**

Number of literate persons in city B = 420

Number of literate persons in city C = 580

Number of literate persons in city A = 600

Number of literate persons in city D = 720

Required percentage = $\left\{ \frac{\text{Number of literate persons in city B and city C}}{\text{Number of literate persons in city A, city C and city D}} \right\} \times 100$

$$(1000/1900) \times 100$$

52.63%

Comprehension :

Directions: The table given below shows the number of literate and illiterate persons in five different cities (A, B, C, D & E).

Study the table carefully and answer the following question. Cities No. of Literate People No. of Illiterate people

A 600 520
B 420 380
C 580 460
D 720 510
E 640 320

Question 99 :

If the number of illiterate persons in city F is equal to the difference between the number of literate persons in city A and the number of illiterate persons in city E and the number of literate persons in city F is equal to the number of illiterate persons in city D. The number of literate persons in city F is what percent more than the number of illiterate persons in city F?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. 80%
2. 82.14%
3. 84.97%
4. 85.64%
5. 86%

Solution :



The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **82.14%**

Number of literate persons in city A = 600

Number of illiterate persons in city E = 320

So, Number of illiterate persons in city F = $600 - 320 = 280$

Number of illiterate persons in city D = 510 = Number of literate persons in city F

Required percentage = $\{(510 - 280)/280\} \times 100$

$(230/280) \times 100$

82.14%

Comprehension :

Directions: The table given below shows the number of literate and illiterate persons in five different cities (A, B, C, D & E). Study the table carefully and answer the following question. Cities No. of Literate People No. of Illiterate people
A 600 520
B 420 380
C 580 460
D 720 510
E 640 320

Question 100 :

Find the difference between the numbers of illiterates people from all cities and literates people from city A, D and E.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 64 Seconds

Options :

1. 240
2. 250
3. 260
4. 230
5. 220

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **230**

Total number of illiterates = 2190

Number of literates in city A, D and E = 1960

Required difference = $2190 - 1960 = 230$



Sbi Clerk Prelims Previous Year Question Paper Analysis

The analysis of Sbi Clerk Prelims Previous Year Question Paper held on 2020-02-22 in the Morning exam is as follows:

1. 97 questions were moderate and 3 questions were hard.
2. The safe score is 73 marks.
3. 30 questions were asked from English Language, 35 questions were asked from Quantitative Aptitude and 35 questions were asked from Logical Reasoning
4. 70 questions should have been skipped if you were short of time.

Sbi Clerk Prelims Previous Year Question Paper Topic Wise Weightage

English Language

1. Reading Comprehension - 6
2. Vocab - 4
3. Cloze Test - 6
4. Spotting Error - 4
5. Sentence Jumbles - 5
6. Spellings - 5

Quantitative Aptitude

1. Simplification - 10
2. Average - 1
3. Percentage - 1
4. Data Interpretation - 5
5. Time And Work - 1
6. Time Speed And Distance - 2
7. Ratios And Proportion - 2
8. Mensuration - 1
9. Number Series - 5
10. Quadratic Equation - 5
11. Mixtures And Alligations - 1
12. Profit And Loss - 1

Logical Reasoning

1. Coding Decoding - 4
2. Arrangement And Pattern - 8
3. Seating Arrangement - 5
4. Scheduling - 5
5. Syllogism - 5
6. Puzzle - 8

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2. Sbi Clerk Prelims Previous Year Question Paper require proper usage of concept so firstly read the question thoroughly and then use the right concept.
3. In case you're not able to solve the question in less than 30 seconds in the exam then you should skip the question and move to the next question.

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