

Ssc Cgl Tier I Previous Year Question Paper Overview

Here, you can solve all the questions asked in Ssc Cgl Tier I Previous Year Question Paper on 2023-10-27 in the Morning Shift exam. The detailed solutions are also provided for every previous year question and some of these questions can be asked again in your Ssc Cgl Tier I exam. There are 75 questions in the exam and 60 minutes are provided for the Ssc Cgl Tier I exam. The Cutoff of the exam was 140 marks hence you should try to score at least 150 marks.

Ssc Cgl Tier I Previous Year Question Paper : Questions and Solutions

Question 1 :

Select the option that expresses the given sentence in reported speech. Raghav said to Meera, "Are you upset with me?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. Raghav asked Meera if she was upset with her.
2. Raghav asked Meera if she was upset with him.
3. Raghav asked Meera if she was upset with me.
4. Raghav asked Meera why she was upset with him.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Raghav asked Meera if she was upset with him.**

Given sentence: Raghav said to Meera, "Are you upset with me?"

In indirect speech, we need to remove commas and inverted commas.

The first-person pronouns are changed to third-person pronouns, so, 'me' is changed to 'him'.

Since Raghav is asking a question to Meera, so, asked is added.

So, the final sentence is:

Raghav asked Meera if she was upset with him.

Question 2 :

Identify the INCORRECTLY spelled word in the given sentence. One part of the philosophy of life's meaning consists of the systematic attempt to identify what people have in mind when they think about the topic.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. attempt
2. philosophy
3. think
4. systematic

Solution :

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

The incorrectly spelled word is "systemetic".

Correctly spelled word: **Systematic**

Meaning: done using a fixed plan.

Example: He is systematic in his work.



Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank. The Maasais live in (1)_____ very beautiful part of Africa. They live on the wide plains in southern and northern Kenya and northern Tanzania. The area (2)_____ of miles of rolling grassland, on which you can find thorny bushes and rocky hills. The people move from one place to another according to the seasons, looking for grasses and other plants (3)_____ which their cattle can graze. They have no permanent home. When they want to settle in a place for some time, they build a kind of camp called a 'Manyatta', where a few families live for a (4)_____ weeks or months. Then they move on again, taking their few belongings with them, and burning the old 'Manyatta' to the ground.

Question 3 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 1.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. that
2. a

their

4. some

Solution :

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

The passage talks about the Massais. The first sentence talks about one location in Africa.

So, the appropriate word for the filler is 'a'.

Question 4 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the highlighted idiom. The youth involved in the accident escaped by the skin of his teeth.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 41 Seconds

Options :

1. Barely managed to escape
2. Very arrogant
3. Always taking calculated decisions
4. Deficiency of funds



Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Barely managed to escape**.

Idioms: A group of words established by usage as having a meaning not deducible from those of the individual words.

"By the skin of his teeth" means by a very narrow margin.

Example: He escaped from the police by the skin of his teeth.

Question 5 :

Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the underlined word. The colossal building stood amidst the ruins bearing signs of Victorian architecture.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. Enormous
2. Extraordinary

Quaint

4. Tiny

Solution :

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

Antonym: a word opposite in meaning to another.

Colossal means extremely large.

Tiny is the correct antonym that means very small.

Meaning of other words:

Enormous: very big.

Extraordinary: very unusual.

Quaint: attractive because it seems to belong to the past.

Question 6 :

A question is given, followed by two statements numbered (I) and (II). You have to decide whether the data provided in the statements is sufficient to answer the question. Read both the statements and select the appropriate answer.

Question: Six people sit in two parallel rows. In Row 1 - J, K and L sit facing north, and in Row 2 - F, G and H sit facing towards south. Each person in a row faces a person in the other row. Who faces G? Statements: (I) H faces K; L faces an immediate neighbour of H. (II) G sits at one of the extreme ends of the row; J sits to the immediate left of L.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. Data in statements I and II together is sufficient to answer the question
2. Data in statement II alone is sufficient to answer the question while data in statement I is not
3. Data in statement I alone is sufficient to answer the question while data in statement II is not
4. Data in either statement I alone or statement II alone is sufficient to answer the question

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Data in statements I and II together is sufficient to answer the question.**

Given statement:

(I) H faces K; L faces an immediate neighbor of H.

From the above statement the arrangement is;

There are many possible cases.

(II) G sits at one of the extreme ends of the row; J sits to the immediate left of L.

From the above statement the arrangement is;

There are many possible cases.

Combining statements I and II, the arrangement is;

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Hence, both statements together are needed to answer the question of who faces G. Thus, G faces J.

Question 7 :

Three Statements are given followed by four conclusions numbered 1, 2, 3, and 4. Assuming the statements to be true, even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts, decide which of the conclusions logically does NOT follow(s) from the statements. Statements: All P are G. Some G are B. All B are C. Conclusions: 1) All P being C is a possibility. 2) Some P are B. 3) Some C are G. 4) Some G are P.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 99 Seconds

Options :

1. Only 3 does not follow.
2. Only 4 does not follow.
3. Only 2 does not follow.
4. Only 1 does not follow.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Only 2 does not follow.**

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

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Conclusions:

- 1) All P being C is a possibility **True**(As all P are G, some G are B, and all B are C, so, all P being C is a possibility.)
- 2) Some P are B **False** (It is possible, but no definite conclusion can be drawn.)
- 3) Some C are G **True** (As some G are B, and all B are C, so, some C are G is also true.)

4) Some G are P **True** (As all P are G, some G are P is also true.)

Hence, **Only 2 does not follow.**

Question 8 :

'A # B' means 'A is the brother of B'. 'A @ B' means 'A is the daughter of B'. 'A & B' means 'A is the husband of B'. 'A % B' means 'A is the wife of B'. If D @ N @ H & Y @ F % V, then how is N related to F?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 93 Seconds

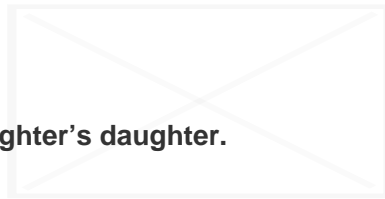
Options :

1. Son's wife
2. Daughter
3. Daughter's daughter
4. Sister's daughter

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Daughter's daughter.**

In the diagram shown;



Square shows males, the circle shows females, vertical lines show generations, a single horizontal line shows brothers or sisters, and double lines show a couple.

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From the above tree, N is the daughter's daughter of F.

Hence, **Daughter's daughter** is the correct answer.

Question 9 :

The second number in the given number pairs is obtained by performing certain mathematical operation(s) on the first number. The same operation(s) is/are followed in all the number pairs except one. Find that odd number pair.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. 5: 128
2. 3: 30
3. 7: 352

1: 4

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **7: 352**.

The logic used here is:

$$(1\text{st number})^3 + 3 = 2\text{nd number}$$

Option 1: 5: 128

$$(5)^3 + 3 = 125 + 3 = 128$$

This follows the logic.

Option 2: 3: 30

$$(3)^3 + 3 = 27 + 3 = 30$$

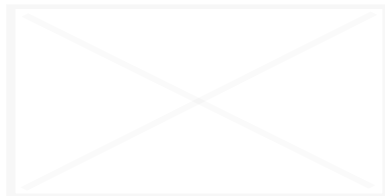
This follows the logic.

Option 3: 7: 352

$$(7)^3 + 3 = 343 + 3 = 347$$

This does not follow the logic.

Hence, **option 3** is the odd one out.

**Question 10 :**

Six friends A, B, C, D, E, and F are standing in a circle facing the centre. B is between F and C, A is between E and D, and F is to the immediate left of D. Who is between A and F?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. D

2. E

3. C

4. B

Solution :

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

According to the question, the arrangement is as follows:

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From the above arrangement, D is between A and F.

Question 11 :

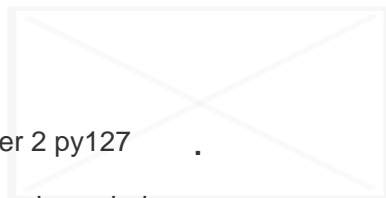
Select the correct mirror image of the given combination when the mirror is placed at 'PQ' as shown below.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. cgl tier 2 py127
2. cgl tier 2 py127
3. cgl tier 2 py127
4. cgl tier 2 py127



Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. cgl tier 2 py127 .

The mirror image of the question figure is shown below:

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Since the mirror is placed right to the question figure, the right-hand side of the original image will now be the left-hand side of the mirror image.

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

Question 12 :

In this question, a statement is followed by two courses of action, numbered I and II. You must assume everything in the statement to be true and on the basis of the information given in the statement, decide which course of action/s logically follows for pursuing. Statement: A large number of the people of the city are diagnosed to be suffering from Malaria disease. Course of Action: I. The city municipal authorities should take immediate steps to carry out extensive fumigation in the city. II. The people in the area should be advised to take steps to avoid mosquito bites.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 99 Seconds

Options :

1. Both I and II follow
2. Only II follows

Only I follows

4. Neither I nor II follows

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Both I and II follow**.

Given statement:

A large number of the people of the city are diagnosed to be suffering from Malaria disease.

Course of Action:

I. The city municipal authorities should take immediate steps to carry out extensive fumigation in the city.

To avoid people getting diagnosed with Malaria, pest control or filling the area with gaseous pesticides can be one step.

II. The people in the area should be advised to take steps to avoid mosquito bites.

Awareness among the people should be raised against mosquito bites.

Hence, both statements I and II follow.

Question 13 :

Given below is a question followed by two statements I and II. Read both statements carefully to decide which one of them is sufficient to answer the question. Six people - K, M, N, P, Q, and R are sitting around a circular table facing the centre. Who sits to the immediate right of K? (I) K sits third to the left of M. Only one person sits between K and N. R sits to the immediate left of N. (II) K sits second to the right of Q. Only two people sit between K and M. P sits second to the left of R.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 88 Seconds

Options :

1. Data in statement I alone is sufficient to answer the question while data in statement II is not.
2. Either data in statement I or statement II is sufficient to answer the question.
3. Data in statements I and II together are sufficient to answer the question.
4. Data in statement II alone is sufficient to answer the question while data in statement I is not.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Either data in statement I or statement II is sufficient to answer the question**.

Given statements:

(I) K sits third to the left of M. Only one person sits between K and N. R sits to the immediate left of N.

According to the question, the arrangement is as follows:

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From the above arrangement, R sits to the immediate right of K.

Hence, statement I alone is sufficient to answer the question.

(II) K sits second to the right of Q. Only two people sit between K and M. P sits second to the left of R.

According to the question, the arrangement is as follows:

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From the above arrangement, R sits to the immediate right of K.

Hence, Either data in statement I or statement II is sufficient to answer the question.

Question 14 :

If + means \times , \times means \div , and \div means +, what will be the value of the following expression? $5 \div 5 + 5 - 10 \times 10 = ?$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 101 Seconds

Options :

1. 15
2. 4
3. 5
4. 10

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **5**.

Given equation: $5 \div 5 + 5 - 10 \times 10 = ?$

Given conditions: + means \times , \times means \div , and \div means +

After interchanging the expression becomes:

$$= 5 + 5 - 5 \times 10 \div 10$$

$$= 5 + 5 - 5 \times 1$$

$$= 5 + 5 - 5$$

$$= 5$$

Question 15 :

Select the number from among the given options that can replace the question mark (?) in the following series. 58, 179, ?, 492, 688

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 45 Seconds

Options :

1. 300
2. 269
3. 313
4. 323

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **323**.

Given series: 58, 179, ?, 492, 688

The series follows this pattern:

$$58 + 11^2 = 58 + 121 = 179$$

$$179 + 12^2 = 179 + 144 = 323$$

$$323 + 13^2 = 323 + 169 = 492$$

$$492 + 14^2 = 492 + 196 = 688$$

So, the next term in the series is **323**.

**Question 16 :**

Three of the following words are alike in some manner and hence form a group. Which word does NOT belong to that group? (The words must be considered meaningful English words and must not be grouped based on the number of letters/number of consonants/vowels in the word)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. Excel
2. Keynote
3. PowerPoint

Word**Solution :**

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

The logic used here is:

Excel, PowerPoint, and Word are applications of Microsoft, whereas Keynote is a presentation software application developed as a part of the iWork productivity by Apple.

Hence, **option 2** is the odd one out.

Question 17 :

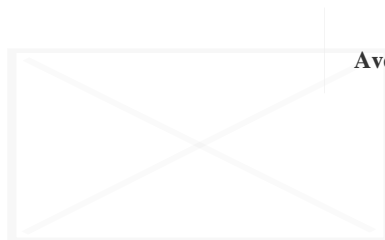
In a certain code language, 'PAINT' is written as '80', and 'DROP' is written as '59'. How will 'MARKET' be written in that language?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. 100
2. 85
3. 95
4. 90

**Solution :**

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **100**.

The logic used here is:

'PAINT' is written as '80'

Opposite of P = K = 11

Opposite of A = Z = 26

Opposite of I = R = 18

Opposite of N = M = 13

Opposite of T = G = 7

PAINT = 11 + 26 + 18 + 13 + 7 = 75

Number of letters in the word PAINT = 5

$$\text{PAINT} = 75 + 5 = 80$$

'DROP' is written as '59'

$$\text{Opposite of D} = \text{W} = 23$$

$$\text{Opposite of R} = \text{I} = 9$$

$$\text{Opposite of O} = \text{L} = 12$$

$$\text{Opposite of P} = \text{K} = 11$$

$$\text{DROP} = 23 + 9 + 12 + 11 = 55$$

Number of letters in the word DROP = 4

$$\text{DROP} = 55 + 4 = 59$$

Similarly;

Code for the word MARKET:

$$\text{Opposite of M} = \text{N} = 14$$

$$\text{Opposite of A} = \text{Z} = 26$$

$$\text{Opposite of R} = \text{I} = 9$$

$$\text{Opposite of K} = \text{P} = 16$$

$$\text{Opposite of E} = \text{V} = 22$$

$$\text{Opposite of T} = \text{G} = 7$$

$$\text{MARKET} = 14 + 26 + 9 + 16 + 22 + 7 = 94$$

Number of letters in the word MARKET = 6

$$\text{MARKET} = 94 + 6 = 100$$

Hence, **100** is the correct answer.

Question 18 :

A number has been denoted to each of the given letters. Select the option from the following four possible arrangements of these numbers that form a meaningful word. E = 1, Z = 2, L = 3, P = 4, U = 5, Z = 6

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

Options :

4, 5, 1, 6, 2, 3

2. 6, 1, 4, 3, 5, 2

3. 1, 5, 3, 4, 2, 6

4. 4, 5, 6, 2, 3, 1

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **4, 5, 6, 2, 3, 1**

P = 4, U = 5, Z = 6, Z = 2, L = 3, E = 1

So, the word formed is PUZZLE.

Question 19 :

Select the figure from the options that can replace the question mark (?) and complete the pattern.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 35 Seconds



Options :

1. cgl tier 2 py127

2. cgl tier 2 py127

3. cgl tier 2 py127

4. cgl tier 2 py127

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. cgl tier 2 py127 .

The figure that will complete the pattern:

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Question 20 :

Select the option that represents the letters that, when placed from left to right in the following blanks, will complete the letter-series. Q W _ R T Q _ F R _ Q W _ _ T _ _ H R T

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. F W T G R Q X

EXTGRQX

3. EWTGRQW

4. EWTHSQW

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **E W T G R Q W**.

The sequence is – E W T G R Q W

Given sequence: Q W _ R T Q _ F R _ Q W _ _ T _ _ H R T

Option 1: F W T G R Q X

Q W F R T / Q W F R T / Q W G R T / Q X H R T

Option 2: E X T G R Q X

Q W E R T / Q X F R T / Q W G R T / Q X H R T

Option 3: E W T G R Q W

Q W E R T / Q W F R T / Q W G R T / Q W H R T

Option 3 forms a particular pattern. So, there is no need to check further options.

Hence, **option 3** is the correct answer.

Question 21 :

Select the correct combination of mathematical signs to sequentially replace the * signs and balance the given equation.

$$21 * 3 * 36 * 2 * 23 = 68$$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 96 Seconds

Options :

1. $\times, , \div, +$

2. $\div, \times, +,$

3. $+, \times, , \div$

4. $\div, , \times, +$

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. $\times, , \div, +$.

Given equation: $21 \times 3 \times 36 \div 2 \times 23 = 68$

Let us check all the options:

Option 1: $\times, \div, +$

The expression becomes:

$$= 21 \times 3 \times 36 \div 2 + 23 = 68$$

$$= 21 \times 3 \times 18 + 23$$

$$= 63 \times 18 + 23$$

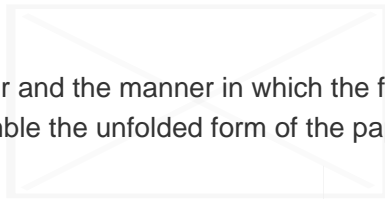
$$= 68 \text{ is equal to } 68.$$

As we have found our answer, so, there is no need to check further options.

Hence, **option 1** is the correct answer.

Question 22 :

The sequence of folding a piece of paper and the manner in which the folded paper has been cut is shown below. Choose a figure which would most closely resemble the unfolded form of the paper.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

Options :

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2. cgl tier 2 py127
3. cgl tier 2 py127
4. cgl tier 2 py127

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. cgl tier 2 py127 .

After the paper is folded and cut, the paper when unfolded will appear as follows:

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Question 23 :

Which of the following letter clusters should replace # and % so that the pattern and relationship followed between the letter-cluster pair on the left side of:: is the same as that on the right side of::? # : DKR :: PCL : %

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. # = BNQ, % = NFM
2. # = FHT, % = NFJ
3. # = COQ, % = OGH
4. # = BNP, % = NFJ

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. # = FHT, % = NFJ.

The logic used here is:

Given: #: DKR :: PCL: %

Option 1: # = BNQ, % = NFM

BNQ: DKR:: PCL: NFM

$$B - 2 = D$$

$$N - 3 = K$$

$$Q + 1 = R$$

$$P - 2 = N$$

$$C + 3 = F$$

This does not follow the logic.

Option 2: # = FHT, % = NFJ

FHT: DKR:: PCL: NFJ

$$F - 2 = D$$

$$H + 3 = K$$

$$T - 2 = R$$

$$P - 2 = N$$

$$C + 3 = F$$

$$L - 2 = J$$

This follows the logic.



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

Question 24 :

All 32 students in a class are standing in a row facing north. Akash is 12th from the right end while Priya is 18th from the left end. How many people are standing between Akash and Priya?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. Two
2. Four
3. Three
4. Five

Solution :

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

Total number of students = 32

Position of Akash from the right = 12th

Position of Priya from the left = 18th

Number of people between Akash and Priya = Total number of students - (Position of Akash from the right + Position of Priya from the left) = $32 - (12 + 18) = 32 - 30 = 2$

Question 25 :

Select the option in which the following figure is embedded. (Rotation is NOT allowed)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 45 Seconds

Options :

1. cgl tier 2 py127
2. cgl tier 2 py127
3. cgl tier 2 py127
4. cgl tier 2 py127

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. cgl tier 2 py127 .

The given figure is embedded in option 1, as shown below:

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Question 26 :

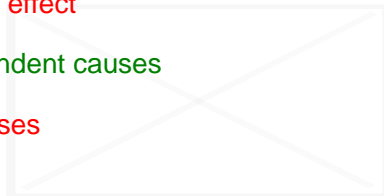
In this question, two statements I and II have been given. These statements may be independent causes or effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of the statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both statements and select the correct answer. I. This year College X reduced the cut-off marks to 50 from 60 for the entrance exam. II. In the last two years, the Students Union in College X has been actively negotiating with the college administration regarding the Quality of food and Health and Hygiene standards at the College Canteen.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :

1. II is the cause and I is its possible effect
2. I is the cause and II is its possible effect
3. Both I and II are effects of independent causes
4. Both I and II are independent causes



Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Both I and II are effects of independent causes.**

Given statements:

I. This year College X reduced the cut-off marks to 50 from 60 for the entrance exam.

For some reason, the cut-off for the college X has been reduced. So, it is an effect for an independent cause.

II. In the last two years, the Students Union in College X has been actively negotiating with the college administration regarding the Quality of food and Health and Hygiene standards at the College Canteen.

For the Quality of food and Health and Hygiene standards, the student union is negotiating with the college administration. So, it is an effect for an independent cause.

Question 27 :

'A # B' means 'A is the brother of B'. 'A @ B' means 'A is the daughter of B'. 'A & B' means 'A is the husband of B'. 'A % B' means 'A is the wife of B'. If W % D # G @ B & M @ I, then how is D related to M?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

Options :

Father's father

2. Father
3. Grandson
4. Son

Solution :

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

In the diagram shown;

Square shows males, the circle shows females, vertical lines show generations, a single horizontal line shows brothers or sisters, and double lines show a couple.

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From the above tree, D is the son of M.

Hence, **option 4** is the correct answer.



Question 28 :

Out of the following five figures, four are alike in some manner and one differs from these in that manner. Select the odd figure.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

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2. cgl tier 2 py127
3. cgl tier 2 py127
4. cgl tier 2 py127

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. cgl tier 2 py127

The outer design is concave and then convex in alternate steps.

The design inside the flower is lined only once, and then design inside the flower is circled twice, therefore again the flower is lined but this time the design will repeat 3 times.

Question 29 :

Select the set in which the numbers are related in the same way as the numbers of the following sets. (NOTE: Operations

should be performed on the whole numbers, without breaking down the numbers into their constituent digits. E.g. 13 – Operations on 13 such as adding /deleting /multiplying etc. to 13 can be performed. Breaking down 13 into 1 and 3 and then performing mathematical operations on 1 and 3 is NOT allowed) (11, 33, 17), (18, 44, 21)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 82 Seconds

Options :

1. (12, 40, 18)
2. (7, 32, 9)
3. (16, 43, 22)
4. (15, 34, 19)

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **(16, 43, 22)**.

The logic used here is:

(11, 33, 17)

$$11 + 17 = 28$$

$$28 + 5 = 33$$

(18, 44, 21)

$$18 + 21 = 39$$

$$39 + 5 = 44$$

Similarly,

(16, 43, 22)

$$16 + 22 = 38$$

$$38 + 5 = 43$$

Hence, **option 3** is the correct answer.

Question 30 :

Out of the following five figures, four are alike in some manner and one differs from these in that manner. Select the odd figure.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 43 Seconds

Options :

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2. cgl tier 2 py127
3. cgl tier 2 py127
4. cgl tier 2 py127

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. cgl tier 2 py127 .

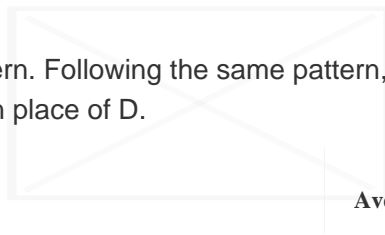
The logic used here is:

Both the eyes of the smiley are on the same side but in option 1 both the eyes are on the opposite side.

Hence, **option 1** is the odd one out.

Question 31 :

Figure A is related to B in a certain pattern. Following the same pattern, figure C is related to D. Study the pattern and select the figure that should be placed in place of D.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. cgl tier 2 py127
2. cgl tier 2 py127
3. cgl tier 2 py127
4. cgl tier 2 py127

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. cgl tier 2 py127 .

The logic used here is:

Logic between A and B:

1. The top left corner figure goes inside the triangle and the mirror image of the top left figure now goes to the bottom left corner.

2. The mirror image of the bottom right corner figure now goes to the top left corner.

Similarly; the pattern will be followed by C and D.

1. The top left corner figure goes inside the circle and the mirror image of the top left figure now goes to the bottom left corner.
2. The mirror image of the bottom right corner figure now goes to the top left corner.

The pattern is:

cgl tier 2 py127

Question 32 :

In a certain language, the word CLOCK is written as 4 – 13 – 17 – 4 – 12. How will you write PHONE in the same language?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 96 Seconds

Options :

1. 17 – 10 – 16 – 15 – 6
2. 17 – 9 – 16 – 17 – 6
3. 17 – 9 – 17 – 15 – 6
4. 16 – 9 – 15 – 16 – 5



Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. 17 – 9 – 17 – 15 – 6.

The logic used here is:

CLOCK is written as 4 – 13 – 17 – 4 – 12

$$C + 1 = 4$$

$$L + 1 = 13$$

$$O + 2 = 17$$

$$C + 1 = 4$$

$$K + 1 = 12$$

Similarly,

Code for the word PHONE:

$$P + 1 = 17$$

$$H + 1 = 9$$

$$O + 2 = 17$$

$$N + 1 = 15$$

$$E + 1 = 6$$

Hence, $17 - 9 - 17 - 15 - 6$ is the correct answer.

Question 33 :

In the following question, the statement is followed by two conclusions. Which of the two conclusions is/are true?

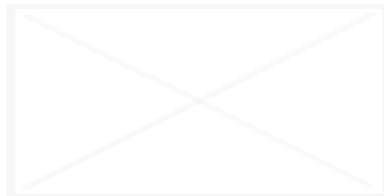
Statement: $M > K > I > J > H = G = F$ Conclusions: I. $H = F$ II. $J > G$

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

Options :

1. Only conclusion I is true
2. Both conclusions I and II are true
3. Only conclusion II is true
4. Neither conclusion I nor II is true



Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Only conclusion II is true.**

Statement: $M > K > I > J > H = G = F$

Conclusions:

I. $H = F$: **False** ($H = G = F$ which means $H = F$)

II. $J > G$: **True** ($J > H = G \Rightarrow J > G$)

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

Question 34 :

Select the figure from among the given options that can replace the question mark (?) in the following series.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. cgl tier 2 py127
2. cgl tier 2 py127

cgl tier 2 py127

4. cgl tier 2 py127

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. cgl tier 2 py127

All the arrows move in such a manner: +1, +2, +1, etc.

All the arrows are rotating on their own axis by 90 degrees in clockwise direction.

Question 35 :

Directions: A statement is given followed by two inferences I and II. You have to consider the statement to be true even if it seems to be at variance with commonly known facts. You have to decide which of the given inferences, if any, follow from the given statement. Statement: National Expressway-A is the widest expressway and is used by a few people. When people find an empty and wide road, people drive at high speed, which leads to accidents. Inference: I. All accidents happen due to overspeeding. II. High speed increases the risk of accidents.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

Options :

1. If only I follows
2. If both I and II follow
3. If only II follows
4. If neither I nor II follows

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **If only II follows.**

Given Statement:

National Expressway-A is the widest expressway and is used by a few people. When people find an empty and wide road, people drive at high speed, which leads to accidents.

Inference:

I. All accidents happen due to overspeeding.

We cannot surely say that all accidents are due to overspeeding. It can be for some other reasons like drunk driving, drowsy driving, etc.

II. High speed increases the risk of accidents.

We can say that high speed can be one of the reasons for the road accident. Hence, we can say that inference II follows.

Question 36 :

Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words. Willful destruction

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. Disaster
2. Combustion
3. Calamity
4. Sabotage

Solution :

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

One Word Substitution means using a specific word to replace a wordy phrase or sentence and making it shorter, concise, and clearer to understand.

Damage that is done on purpose and secretly is known as **sabotage**.

An event that causes a lot of harm or damage is known as a **disaster**.

The process of burning is known as **combustion**.

A terrible event that causes a lot of damage or harm is known as a **calamity**.

Question 37 :

Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph. A. Tigers are the largest members of the cat family. They are found in many parts of Asia. B. They mostly live in dark forests and sleep during the day. They come out for hunting pigs and deer by night. C. It is assumed that, probably, around 3,000 tigers live in the wild. This species looks spectacular and grand and they are very graceful in their movements. D. It is almost impossible for us to see them against a jungle background, especially when they are standing still, because of their striped coats. Unlike, most cats, the tiger likes bathing very much.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :

1. ABCD
2. CDBA

ACBD

4. ADBC

Solution :

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

The given question is an example of para jumbles.

Sentence A will be the first sentence as it talks about the largest cat family.

Sentence C further gives more information about the tigers and their species.

Sentence B will be following sentence C as it tells about their habitat and food.

Sentence D will be the last sentence as it concludes the para.

The correct sequence is:

A. Tigers are the largest members of the cat family. They are found in many parts of Asia.

C. It is assumed that, probably, around 3,000 tigers live in the wild. This species looks spectacular and grand and they are very graceful in their movements.

B. They mostly live in dark forests and sleep during the day. They come out for hunting pigs and deer by night.

D. It is almost impossible for us to see them against a jungle background, especially when they are standing still, because of their striped coats. Unlike, most cats, the tiger likes bathing very much.

Question 38 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. A good leader should be ready to _____ criticism.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 82 Seconds

Options :

1. settle

2. meet

3. face

4. carry

Solution :

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

The sentence talks about the leader handling the criticism. So, the appropriate word for the filler is 'face' which means to

have to deal with something unpleasant.

Sentence: A good leader should be ready to **face** criticism.

Question 39 :

Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. Which _____ does the minister take to reach the Assembly?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 46 Seconds

Options :

1. root
2. rot
3. route
4. riot

Solution :

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

In the sentence, a question is asked regarding how the minister reaches the assembly. So, the appropriate word for the filler is 'route' which means **is a traveled way**.

Sentence: Which **route** does the minister take to reach the Assembly?

Question 40 :

For the four-sentence (S1 to S4) paragraph below, sentences S1 and S4 are given. From the options P, Q, R, and S select the appropriate sentences for S2 and S3, respectively. (S1) The men and women took their places after the initial mingling, and immediately a surge of conversation filled the room. (S2) (S3) (S4) One or two of the women were actually bouncing up and down on the sofa cushions. (P) So, the two parties had to lean forward, their elbows on their knees. (Q) At the beginning they mingled awkwardly, clutching their drinks, and walking here and there. (R) Several people made a last-minute dash to the bathroom before the conversation could start. (S) The men's chairs were far enough away from the women's couches.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. P, R
2. R, Q
3. Q, S

S, P

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **S, P**.

The given question is an example of para jumbles.

Sentence S will follow S1 as in sentence S1, it tells about filling the room with the conversation. So, sentence S talks about the orientation of chairs in the room.

Sentence P will be following sentence S as it tells about the sitting posture of men and women in the room.

The correct sequence is:

(S1) The men and women took their places after the initial mingling, and immediately a surge of conversation filled the room.

(S2) (S) The men's chairs were far enough away from the women's couches.

(S3) (P) So, the two parties had to lean forward, their elbows on their knees.

(S4) One or two of the women were actually bouncing up and down on the sofa cushions.

Question 41 :

The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them may contain an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options. If you don't find any error, mark 'No error' as your answer. He lived close to / the train station, / yet travelled by bus.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. yet travelled by bus
2. No error
3. He lived close to
4. the train station

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **No error**.

Given sentence: He lived close to / the train station, / yet travelled by bus.

The given sentence is correct contextually and grammatically. Hence, no improvement is needed.

Question 42 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. Vishal is going to read the story _____.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. load
2. allow
3. aloud
4. allowed

Solution :

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

The sentence talks about reading the story by Vishal. So, the most appropriate word for the filler is 'aloud' which means in a voice that other people can hear.

Sentence: Vishal is going to read the story **aloud**.

Question 43 :

The following sentence has been split into four segments. Identify the segment that contains a grammatical error. My father give up / smoking when / I was twelve / years old.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 48 Seconds

Options :

1. My father give up
2. smoking when
3. I was twelve
4. years old

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **My father give up**.

Given sentence: My father give up / smoking when / I was twelve / years old.

As the sentence is in the past tense, so, 'My father give up' should be replaced by 'My father gave up' which means to stop trying to do something.

Correct sentence: **My father gave up** / smoking when / I was twelve / years old.

Question 44 :

Select the INCORRECTLY spelled word.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. Descendant
2. Deceased
3. Decimate
4. Desedent

Solution :

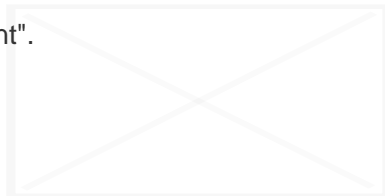
The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Desedent**.

The incorrectly spelled word is "Desedent".

Correctly spelled word: Decedent

Meaning: a deceased person.

Example: The judge will assess the situation, taking into account the wishes of the decedent.

**Question 45 :**

Select the option that expresses the given sentence in active voice. The task has been completed.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. Someone has completed the task.
2. Someone has been completing the task.
3. Someone will be completing the task.
4. Someone completes the task.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Someone has completed the task**.

Given sentence: The task has been completed. (Passive voice)

The given sentence is in the present perfect tense.

Structure of passive voice: Objective case of subject + has + been + V3 + by + Subjective case of object

Structure of active voice: Subject + has + V2 + Object

Sentence in active voice: Someone has completed the task.

Question 46 :

Select the option that expresses the given sentence in passive voice. We can buy books online from Amazon.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. Books were to be bought online from Amazon.
2. Books are bought online from Amazon.
3. Books can be bought online from Amazon.
4. Books could be bought online from Amazon.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Books can be bought online from Amazon.**

Given sentence: We can buy books online from Amazon. (Active voice)

Active voice: Subject + can + V1 + Object

Passive voice: **Objective case of subject + can + be + V3 + Subjective case of object**

Sentence in passive voice: Books can be bought online from Amazon.

Question 47 :

Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution required'. Edward II is tragic than some other plays by the dramatist.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

Options :

1. as least tragic as
2. No substitution required
3. the most tragic
4. less tragic than

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **less tragic than**.

Statement: Edward II is tragic than some other plays by the dramatist.

Some comparison is made between Edward and other dramatists, so, 'tragic than' is replaced by 'less tragic than'.

Correct statement: Edward II is **less tragic than** some other plays by the dramatist.

Question 48 :

Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph. a. Many fitness trainers encourage their clients to include these foods in their diet to build muscle. b. Power foods can be included in your everyday diet in a variety of ways. c. The secret to getting the most out of power foods is, of course, knowing how to cook them properly, buying seasonal produce, and recognizing your preferred flavor profile. d. Power foods are high in nutrients such as fiber, potassium, and minerals.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. d, b, c, a
2. d, a, b, c
3. b, c, a, d
4. a, d, b, c



Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **d, a, b, c**.

The given question is an example of para jumbles.

Sentence d will be the first sentence as it introduces power foods.

Sentence a further gives the reason why they are to be included in the diet by fitness trainers.

Sentence b will follow sentence a as it tells about the way to add it to the diet.

Sentence c will be the last sentence as it concludes the para.

The correct sequence is:

- d. Power foods are high in nutrients such as fiber, potassium, and minerals.
- a. Many fitness trainers encourage their clients to include these foods in their diet to build muscle.
- b. Power foods can be included in your everyday diet in a variety of ways.

c. The secret to getting the most out of power foods is, of course, knowing how to cook them properly, buying seasonal produce, and recognizing your preferred flavor profile.

Question 49 :

Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the underlined word. The new Principal of the school is stern, yet he understands the needs of his subordinates.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. Flippant
2. Lenient
3. Desolate
4. Noxious

Solution :

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

Antonym: a word opposite in meaning to another.

Stern means very serious.

Lenient is the correct antonym that means not as strict as expected.

Meaning of other words:

Flippant: not serious enough about things.

Desolate: very unhappy.

Noxious: harmful.

Question 50 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. The friends decided to play cards to _____ time while waiting for the cab.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. ignore
2. kill

move

4. ease

Solution :

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

The sentence talks about the friends who wanted to do something while waiting for the cab. So, the appropriate word for the filler is 'kill' which means to put an end to.

Sentence: The friends decided to play cards to **kill** time while waiting for the cab.

Question 51 :

Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph. A) Healthy, strong trees act as carbon sinks, offsetting carbon and reducing the effects of climate change. B) Trees help to clean the air we breathe. Through their leaves and bark, they absorb harmful pollutants and release clean oxygen for us to breathe. C) Increasing levels of carbon dioxide caused by deforestation and fossil fuel combustion trap heat in the atmosphere. D) In urban environments, trees absorb pollutant gases like nitrogen oxides, ozone, and carbon monoxide, and sweep up particles like dust and smoke.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. BDCA
2. DBAC
3. CDAB
4. ABCD

Solution :

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

The given question is an example of para jumbles.

Sentence B will be the first sentence as it talks about the trees and how they release oxygen to the atmosphere.

Sentence D further tells about the urban environments.

Sentence C will be following sentence D as it tells about the reasons for heat in urban areas.

Sentence A will be the last sentence as it concludes the para.

The correct sequence is:

- B) Trees help to clean the air we breathe. Through their leaves and bark, they absorb harmful pollutants and release clean oxygen for us to breathe.
- D) In urban environments, trees absorb pollutant gases like nitrogen oxides, ozone, and carbon monoxide, and sweep up particles like dust and smoke.
- C) Increasing levels of carbon dioxide caused by deforestation and fossil fuel combustion trap heat in the atmosphere.
- A) Healthy, strong trees act as carbon sinks, offsetting carbon and reducing the effects of climate change.

Question 52 :

Select the option that expresses the given sentence in reported speech. Shikha said, "The heavy rain this week has spoiled all my travel plans."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. Shikha said that the heavy rain that week had spoiled all her travel plans.
2. Shikha told me that the heavy rain that week had spoiled all her travel plans.
3. Shikha said that the heavy rain that week has spoiled all her travel plans.
4. Shikha said that the heavy rain this week had spoiled all her travel plans.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Shikha said that the heavy rain that week had spoiled all her travel plans.**

Given sentence: Shikha said, "The heavy rain this week has spoiled all my travel plans."

In indirect speech, we need to remove commas and inverted commas.

The first-person pronouns are changed to third-person pronouns, so, 'my' is changed to 'her'.

'This week' is replaced by 'that week'.

So, the final sentence is:

Shikha said that the heavy rain that week had spoiled all her travel plans.

Question 53 :

Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words. A person who admires himself or herself too much, especially their appearance.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

Narcissist

2. Egoist
3. Selfish
4. Dictator

Solution :

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

One Word Substitution means using a specific word to replace a wordy phrase or sentence and making it shorter, concise, and clearer to understand.

A person who admires himself or herself too much, especially their appearance known as a **narcissist**.

An arrogantly conceited person is known as an egoist.

A person thinking only about your own needs or wishes and not about other people's is known as **selfish**.

A ruler who has total power in a country is known as a **dictator**.

Question 54 :

Replace the underlined word with its synonym to make the sentence more meaningful. Narcotic drug addiction is in vogue these days, as it is the most popular form of substance abuse.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. Demand
2. Obscurity
3. Standard
4. Fashion

Solution :

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

Synonym: Words that have the same or nearly the same meaning.

Given word: Vogue

Meaning: a fashion for something.

The word that seems to be its synonym is 'Fashion' as it means the style of dressing that is the most popular at a particular

time.

Meaning of other words:

Demand: a strong request.

Obscurity: the state of not being known to many people.

Standard: a level of quality.

Question 55 :

Select the appropriate idiom that can replace the underlined phrase in the following sentence. My father's office is at a close distance from home.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. from hand to mouth
2. a part and parcel
3. at a stone's throw
4. at sixes and sevens



Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **at a stone's throw**.

Idioms: A group of words established by usage as having a meaning not deducible from those of the individual words.

In this, you need to find an appropriate idiom that can replace the underlined phrase.

Given sentence: My father's office is at a close distance from home.

"At a stone's throw" means at a close distance.

Question 56 :

Given below are four jumbled sentences. Select the option that gives their correct logical sequence. A. They stand undefeated in the realms of Shakespeare and Homer. B. India is a country where people are full of immense prolixity and exemplary storytelling. C. Additionally, the philosophical discourse and discussions on various dilemmas of life associated with the Bhagavad Gita are highly appreciated by scholars from all over the world. D. Mahabharata and Ramayana are two great examples of colossal works that unquestionably enjoy the virtue of being peak sources for the cultural ethos of the country.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :

1. DACB
2. BDAC
3. ACBD
4. BACD

Solution :

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

The given question is an example of para jumbles.

Sentence B will be the first sentence as it talks about the storytelling that is very popular in India.

Sentence D further gives examples of works that are very famous.

Sentence A will be following sentence D as it tells about how both stand out in front of Shakespeare and Homer.

Sentence C will be the last sentence as it concludes the para.

The correct sequence is:

B. India is a country where people are full of immense prolixity and exemplary storytelling.

D. Mahabharata and Ramayana are two great examples of colossal works that unquestionably enjoy the virtue of being peak sources for the cultural ethos of the country.

A. They stand undefeated in the realms of Shakespeare and Homer.

C. Additionally, the philosophical discourse and discussions on various dilemmas of life associated with the Bhagavad Gita are highly appreciated by scholars from all over the world.

Question 57 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. The house they bought was _____ spacious than their previous house.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. mostly
2. most
3. as

more

Solution :

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

The sentence talks about the comparison of the current and previous house. So, the appropriate determiner for the filler is 'more' which is used to indicate that there is a greater amount of something than before.

Sentence: The house they bought was **more** spacious than their previous house.

Question 58 :

Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph. A. The principles that emerged from those trials, known as the Nuremberg Code, are broadly applicable to many types of health-related research involving human participants, including clinical trials. B. The growing breadth and complexity of contemporary health challenges have produced a range of difficult questions that cannot always be adequately addressed by relying exclusively on existing policies, guidelines, or codes of conduct. C. Recent formal efforts to articulate international standards of ethics applicable to health and health care can be traced to the Nuremberg trials of 1947, during which the horrors of Nazi medical experiments came to light. D. Ethical questions related to health, health care, and public health cover topics as diverse as moral issues around reproduction, state obligations in the provision of health care services, and appropriate measures to control infectious disease.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

Options :

1. DCAB
2. ACDB
3. DACB
4. DABC

Solution :

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

The given question is an example of para jumbles.

Sentence D will be the first sentence as it talks about the main subject ethical questions that are asked related to health and health care.

Sentence C further gives more information about the age-old trial of Nuremberg.

Sentence A will follow sentence C as it tells more information about those trials.

Sentence B will be the last sentence as it concludes the para.

The correct sequence is:

D. Ethical questions related to health, health care, and public health cover topics as diverse as moral issues around reproduction, state obligations in the provision of health care services, and appropriate measures to control infectious disease.

C. Recent formal efforts to articulate international standards of ethics applicable to health and health care can be traced to the Nuremberg trials of 1947, during which the horrors of Nazi medical experiments came to light.

A. The principles that emerged from those trials, known as the Nuremberg Code, are broadly applicable to many types of health-related research involving human participants, including clinical trials.

B. The growing breadth and complexity of contemporary health challenges have produced a range of difficult questions that cannot always be adequately addressed by relying exclusively on existing policies, guidelines, or codes of conduct.

Question 59 :

Select the option that expresses the given sentence in active voice. My request should be considered.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 92 Seconds

Options :

1. Please have consider my request.
2. Please do consider mine request.
3. Consider my request.
4. Please consider my request.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Please consider my request.**

Given sentence: My request should be considered. (Passive voice)

Structure of passive voice: Objective case of subject + should + be + V3 + Subjective case of object

Structure of active voice: Subject + V1 + Object

Sentence in active voice: Please consider my request.

Question 60 :

Select the option that expresses the given sentence in indirect speech. My brother said to me, "Don't play in the rain."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. My brother said to me don't play in the rain.
2. My brother forbade me to play in the rain.
3. My brother assured me not to play in the rain.
4. My brother refused me to not play in the rain.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **My brother forbade me to play in the rain.**

Given sentence: My brother said to me, "Don't play in the rain."

In indirect speech, we need to remove commas and inverted commas.

'said to' is changed to forbade me which means to not allow something.

So, the final sentence is:

My brother forbade me to play in the rain.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank. The Maasais live in (1)_____ very beautiful part of Africa. They live on the wide plains in southern and northern Kenya and northern Tanzania. The area (2)_____ of miles of rolling grassland, on which you can find thorny bushes and rocky hills. The people move from one place to another according to the seasons, looking for grasses and other plants (3)_____ which their cattle can graze. They have no permanent home. When they want to settle in a place for some time, they build a kind of camp called a 'Manyatta', where a few families live for a (4)_____ weeks or months. Then they move on again, taking their few belongings with them, and burning the old 'Manyatta' to the ground.

Question 61 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 2.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 99 Seconds

Options :

1. consists
2. surrounds
3. measures
4. considers

Solution :

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

The passage talks about the Massais. The sentence talks about the structure of plains of southern and northern Kenya and northern Tanzania where they live.

So, the appropriate word for the filler is '**consists**' means **made up of**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank. The Maasais live in (1)_____ very beautiful part of Africa. They live on the wide plains in southern and northern Kenya and northern Tanzania. The area (2)_____ of miles of rolling grassland, on which you can find thorny bushes and rocky hills. The people move from one place to another according to the seasons, looking for grasses and other plants (3)_____ which their cattle can graze. They have no permanent home. When they want to settle in a place for some time, they build a kind of camp called a 'Manyatta', where a few families live for a (4)_____ weeks or months. Then they move on again, taking their few belongings with them, and burning the old 'Manyatta' to the ground.

Question 62 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 3.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 82 Seconds

Options :

1. with
2. at
3. on
4. by

Solution :

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

The passage talks about the Massais. The sentence talks about the people who move here and there according to the seasons. So, the appropriate word for the filler is 'on' which is used to refer to the grasses where their cattle can graze.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank. The Maasais live in (1)_____ very beautiful part of Africa. They live on the wide plains in southern and northern Kenya and northern Tanzania. The area (2)_____ of miles of rolling grassland, on which you can find thorny bushes and rocky hills. The people move from one place to another according to the seasons, looking for grasses and other plants (3)_____ which their cattle can graze. They have no permanent home. When they want to settle in a place for some time, they build a kind of camp called a 'Manyatta', where a few families live for a (4)_____ weeks or

months. Then they move on again, taking their few belongings with them, and burning the old 'Manyatta' to the ground.

Question 63 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 4.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. little
2. least
3. few
4. significant

Solution :

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

The passage talks about the Massais. The sentence talks about a temporary home called Manyatta where they live. So, the appropriate word for the filler is 'few which is used to refer to a small period of time.

Comprehension :

Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it. The number of Indian students going abroad for higher studies has increased by 68.79 percent in the past year, according to data provided by the Minister of State in the Ministry of Education, Subhas Sarkar. As per the data provided by him in the Lok Sabha, the number of Indians enrolled in foreign varsities increased from 4.44 lakh in 2021 to 7.5 lakh in 2022. He clarified that while the Bureau of Immigration and Ministry of Home Affairs maintain departure and arrival data of Indians, there is no index for capturing the category of Indians going abroad for higher education. "Purpose of Indians going abroad for higher education is captured manually based either on their verbal disclosure or the type of visa of the destination country produced by them at the time of immigration clearance," Sarkar said. According to the data provided by the ministry, the number of Indian nationals increased from 4.54 lakh in 2017 to 5.17 lakh in 2018. There was a significant increase in 2019 as well, with 5.86 lakh students flying out of the country. However, during the Covid pandemic, the number of Indian nationals in foreign varsities saw a drastic dip as only 2.59 lakh students were registered. While the number continued to remain low, it saw a slight increase in 2021 with 4.44 lakh registrations. However, the number has significantly jumped to 7.5 lakh in 2022. The increase in the number of Indian nationals abroad corresponds with the latest immigration reports from some of the popular study-abroad destinations such as the US, UK, and Australia. For the UK, the Immigration Statistics Report states that 127,731 visas were granted to Indian students in September 2022, an increase of 93,470 (+273 percent) against 34,261 in 2019. Similarly, in the US, the number of Indian students has more than doubled, and the Open Doors Report 2022 has predicted that the number of Indian students heading to America is likely to surpass those from China in 2022-23.

Question 64 :

In 2019, how many Indian students went abroad?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 124 Seconds

Options :

1. 5.17 lakh
2. 4.54 lakh
3. 5.86 lakh
4. 4.44 lakh

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **5.86 lakh**.

From the lines, "There was a significant increase in 2019 as well, with 5.86 lakh students flying out of the country." it is clear that in 2019, 5.86 lakh Indian students went abroad.

Comprehension :

Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it. The number of Indian students going abroad for higher studies has increased by 68.79 percent in the past year, according to data provided by the Minister of State in the Ministry of Education, Subhas Sarkar. As per the data provided by him in the Lok Sabha, the number of Indians enrolled in foreign varsities increased from 4.44 lakh in 2021 to 7.5 lakh in 2022. He clarified that while the Bureau of Immigration and Ministry of Home Affairs maintain departure and arrival data of Indians, there is no index for capturing the category of Indians going abroad for higher education. "Purpose of Indians going abroad for higher education is captured manually based either on their verbal disclosure or the type of visa of the destination country produced by them at the time of immigration clearance," Sarkar said. According to the data provided by the ministry, the number of Indian nationals increased from 4.54 lakh in 2017 to 5.17 lakh in 2018. There was a significant increase in 2019 as well, with 5.86 lakh students flying out of the country. However, during the Covid pandemic, the number of Indian nationals in foreign varsities saw a drastic dip as only 2.59 lakh students were registered. While the number continued to remain low, it saw a slight increase in 2021 with 4.44 lakh registrations. However, the number has significantly jumped to 7.5 lakh in 2022. The increase in the number of Indian nationals abroad corresponds with the latest immigration reports from some of the popular study-abroad destinations such as the US, UK, and Australia. For the UK, the Immigration Statistics Report states that 127,731 visas were granted to Indian students in September 2022, an increase of 93,470 (+273 percent) against 34,261 in 2019. Similarly, in the US, the number of Indian students has more than doubled, and the Open Doors Report 2022 has predicted that the number of Indian students heading to America is likely to surpass those from China in 2022-23.

Question 65 :

Which of the following countries is not very popular with Indian students for studies?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 125 Seconds

Options :

1. Australia
2. USA
3. UK
4. China

Solution :

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

From the lines, "The increase in the number of Indian nationals abroad corresponds with the latest immigration reports from some of the popular study-abroad destinations such as the US, UK, and Australia." it is clear that China is not very popular with Indian students for studies.

Comprehension :

Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it. The number of Indian students going abroad for higher studies has increased by 68.79 percent in the past year, according to data provided by the Minister of State in the Ministry of Education, Subhas Sarkar. As per the data provided by him in the Lok Sabha, the number of Indians enrolled in foreign varsities increased from 4.44 lakh in 2021 to 7.5 lakh in 2022. He clarified that while the Bureau of Immigration and Ministry of Home Affairs maintain departure and arrival data of Indians, there is no index for capturing the category of Indians going abroad for higher education. "Purpose of Indians going abroad for higher education is captured manually based either on their verbal disclosure or the type of visa of the destination country produced by them at the time of immigration clearance," Sarkar said. According to the data provided by the ministry, the number of Indian nationals increased from 4.54 lakh in 2017 to 5.17 lakh in 2018. There was a significant increase in 2019 as well, with 5.86 lakh students flying out of the country. However, during the Covid pandemic, the number of Indian nationals in foreign varsities saw a drastic dip as only 2.59 lakh students were registered. While the number continued to remain low, it saw a slight increase in 2021 with 4.44 lakh registrations. However, the number has significantly jumped to 7.5 lakh in 2022. The increase in the number of Indian nationals abroad corresponds with the latest immigration reports from some of the popular study-abroad destinations such as the US, UK, and Australia. For the UK, the Immigration Statistics Report states that 127,731 visas were granted to Indian students in September 2022, an increase of 93,470 (+273 percent) against 34,261 in 2019. Similarly, in the US, the number of Indian students has more than doubled, and the Open Doors Report 2022 has predicted that the number of Indian students heading to America is likely to surpass those from China in 2022-23.

Question 66 :

How do we know the number of students getting visas for studies in the UK?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 130 Seconds

Options :

1. from the records of Ministry of Home Affairs
2. from the Immigration Statistics Report
3. from the records of the Bureau of Immigration
4. from the Ministry of Education

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **from the Immigration Statistics Report**.

From the lines, "For the UK, the Immigration Statistics Report states that 127,731 visas were granted to Indian students in September 2022, an increase of 93,470 (+273 percent) against 34,261 in 2019", it is clear that from the Immigration Statistics Report we know the number of students getting visas for studies in the UK.

Comprehension :

Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it. The number of Indian students going abroad for higher studies has increased by 68.79 percent in the past year, according to data provided by the Minister of State in the Ministry of Education, Subhas Sarkar. As per the data provided by him in the Lok Sabha, the number of Indians enrolled in foreign varsities increased from 4.44 lakh in 2021 to 7.5 lakh in 2022. He clarified that while the Bureau of Immigration and Ministry of Home Affairs maintain departure and arrival data of Indians, there is no index for capturing the category of Indians going abroad for higher education. "Purpose of Indians going abroad for higher education is captured manually based either on their verbal disclosure or the type of visa of the destination country produced by them at the time of immigration clearance," Sarkar said. According to the data provided by the ministry, the number of Indian nationals increased from 4.54 lakh in 2017 to 5.17 lakh in 2018. There was a significant increase in 2019 as well, with 5.86 lakh students flying out of the country. However, during the Covid pandemic, the number of Indian nationals in foreign varsities saw a drastic dip as only 2.59 lakh students were registered. While the number continued to remain low, it saw a slight increase in 2021 with 4.44 lakh registrations. However, the number has significantly jumped to 7.5 lakh in 2022. The increase in the number of Indian nationals abroad corresponds with the latest immigration reports from some of the popular study-abroad destinations such as the US, UK, and Australia. For the UK, the Immigration Statistics Report states that 127,731 visas were granted to Indian students in September 2022, an increase of 93,470 (+273 percent) against 34,261 in 2019. Similarly, in the US, the number of Indian students has more than doubled, and the Open Doors Report 2022 has predicted that the number of Indian students heading to America is likely to surpass those from China in 2022-23.

Question 67 :

The passage is mainly about

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 134 Seconds

Options :

1. immigration of Indians to UK, US, and Australia
2. Indians enrolled in foreign universities
3. Indians going to America for higher studies
4. Indians going abroad for higher studies

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Indians going abroad for higher studies.**

The first line of the passage talks about the number of students going abroad and the whole passage is about it. So, the passage is mainly about Indians going abroad for higher studies.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. We sit in the last row, bumped about but free of stares. The bus rolls out of the dull crossroads of the city, and we are soon in the open countryside, with fields of sunflowers as far as the eye can see, their heads all facing us. Where there is no water, the land reverts to the desert. While still on level ground, we see in the distance the tall range of Mount Bogda, abrupt like a shining prism laid horizontally on the desert surface. It is over 5,000 meters high, and the peaks are under permanent snow, in powerful contrast to the flat desert all around. Heaven Lake lies part of the way up this range, about 2,000 meters above sea level, at the foot of one of the highest snow peaks. As the bus climbs, the sky, brilliant before, grows overcast. I have brought nothing warm to wear. It is all down at the hotel in Urumqi. Rain begins to fall. The man behind me is eating overpoweringly smelly goat's cheese. The bus window leaks inhospitably but reveals a beautiful view. We have passed quickly from the desert through arable land to pasture and the ground is now green with grass, the slopes dark with pine. A few cattle drink at a clear stream flowing past moss-covered stones; it is a Constable landscape. The stream changes into a white torrent, and as we climb higher I wish more and more that I had brought with me something warmer than the pair of shorts that have served me so well in the desert. The stream (which, we are told, rises in Heaven Lake) disappears, and we continue our slow ascent. About noon, we arrive at Heaven Lake and look for a place to stay at the foot, which is the resort area. We get a room in a small cottage, and I am happy to note that there are thick quilts on the bed. Standing outside the cottage, we survey our surroundings. Heaven Lake is long, sardine-shaped, and fed by snowmelt from a stream at its head. The lake is an intense blue, surrounded on all sides by green mountain walls, dotted with distant sheep. At the head of the lake, beyond the delta of the inflowing stream, is a massive snow-capped peak which dominates the vista; it is part of a series of peaks that culminate, a little out of view, in Mount Bogda itself. For those who live in the resort, there is a small mess hall by the shore. We eat here sometimes and sometimes buy food from the vendors outside, who sell kabab and naan until the last buses leave. The kababs, cooked on skewers over charcoal braziers, are particularly good; highly spiced and well done. Horse's milk is available too from the local Kazakh herdsmen, but I decline this. I am so affected by the cold that Mr. Cao, the relaxed young man who runs the mess, lends me a spare pair of trousers, several sizes too large but more

than comfortable. Once I am warm again, I feel a pre-dinner spurt of energy—dinner will be long in coming—and I ask him whether the lake is good for swimming in.

Question 68 :

Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the word 'accept' from the passage.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 201 Seconds

Options :

1. Reject
2. Refuse
3. Decline
4. Turn down

Solution :

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

Antonym: a word opposite in meaning to another.

Accept means to say yes to something.

Decline is the correct antonym that means to refuse.

Meaning of other words:

Reject: to refuse.

Refuse: to decline to give.

Turn down: reject something offered.

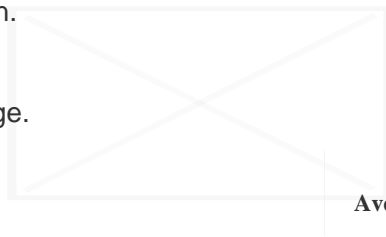
Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. We sit in the last row, bumped about but free of stares. The bus rolls out of the dull crossroads of the city, and we are soon in the open countryside, with fields of sunflowers as far as the eye can see, their heads all facing us. Where there is no water, the land reverts to the desert. While still on level ground, we see in the distance the tall range of Mount Bogda, abrupt like a shining prism laid horizontally on the desert surface. It is over 5,000 meters high, and the peaks are under permanent snow, in powerful contrast to the flat desert all around. Heaven Lake lies part of the way up this range, about 2,000 meters above sea level, at the foot of one of the highest snow peaks. As the bus climbs, the sky, brilliant before, grows overcast. I have brought nothing warm to wear. It is all down at the hotel in Urumqi. Rain begins to fall. The man behind me is eating overpoweringly smelly goat's cheese. The bus window leaks inhospitably but reveals a beautiful view. We have passed quickly from the desert through arable land to pasture and the ground is now green with grass, the slopes dark with pine. A few cattle drink at a clear stream flowing past

moss-covered stones; it is a Constable landscape. The stream changes into a white torrent, and as we climb higher I wish more and more that I had brought with me something warmer than the pair of shorts that have served me so well in the desert. The stream (which, we are told, rises in Heaven Lake) disappears, and we continue our slow ascent. About noon, we arrive at Heaven Lake and look for a place to stay at the foot, which is the resort area. We get a room in a small cottage, and I am happy to note that there are thick quilts on the bed. Standing outside the cottage, we survey our surroundings. Heaven Lake is long, sardine-shaped, and fed by snowmelt from a stream at its head. The lake is an intense blue, surrounded on all sides by green mountain walls, dotted with distant sheep. At the head of the lake, beyond the delta of the inflowing stream, is a massive snow-capped peak which dominates the vista; it is part of a series of peaks that culminate, a little out of view, in Mount Bogda itself. For those who live in the resort, there is a small mess hall by the shore. We eat here sometimes and sometimes buy food from the vendors outside, who sell kabab and naan until the last buses leave. The kababs, cooked on skewers over charcoal braziers, are particularly good; highly spiced and well done. Horse's milk is available too from the local Kazakh herdsmen, but I decline this. I am so affected by the cold that Mr. Cao, the relaxed young man who runs the mess, lends me a spare pair of trousers, several sizes too large but more than comfortable. Once I am warm again, I feel a pre-dinner spurt of energy—dinner will be long in coming—and I ask him whether the lake is good for swimming in.

Question 69 :

Select an appropriate title for the passage.



Average Time : 200 Seconds

Difficulty : Moderate

Options :

1. Shorts to Trousers
2. Lake Heaven
3. Peasant Life
4. Journey to Mount Bogda

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Lake Heaven**.

The passage talks about Heaven Lake's beauty and the protagonist's journey to it. So, the most appropriate title for the passage is Lake Heaven.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. We sit in the last row, bumped about but free of stares. The bus rolls out of the dull crossroads of the city, and we are soon in the open countryside, with fields of sunflowers as far as the eye can see, their heads all facing us. Where there is no water, the land reverts to the desert. While still on level ground, we see in the distance the tall range of Mount Bogda, abrupt like a shining prism laid horizontally on the desert surface. It is over 5,000 meters high, and the peaks are under permanent snow, in powerful contrast to the flat desert all

around. Heaven Lake lies part of the way up this range, about 2,000 meters above sea level, at the foot of one of the highest snow peaks. As the bus climbs, the sky, brilliant before, grows overcast. I have brought nothing warm to wear. It is all down at the hotel in Urumqi. Rain begins to fall. The man behind me is eating overpoweringly smelly goat's cheese. The bus window leaks inhospitably but reveals a beautiful view. We have passed quickly from the desert through arable land to pasture and the ground is now green with grass, the slopes dark with pine. A few cattle drink at a clear stream flowing past moss-covered stones; it is a Constable landscape. The stream changes into a white torrent, and as we climb higher I wish more and more that I had brought with me something warmer than the pair of shorts that have served me so well in the desert. The stream (which, we are told, rises in Heaven Lake) disappears, and we continue our slow ascent. About noon, we arrive at Heaven Lake and look for a place to stay at the foot, which is the resort area. We get a room in a small cottage, and I am happy to note that there are thick quilts on the bed. Standing outside the cottage, we survey our surroundings. Heaven Lake is long, sardine-shaped, and fed by snowmelt from a stream at its head. The lake is an intense blue, surrounded on all sides by green mountain walls, dotted with distant sheep. At the head of the lake, beyond the delta of the inflowing stream, is a massive snow-capped peak which dominates the vista; it is part of a series of peaks that culminate, a little out of view, in Mount Bogda itself. For those who live in the resort, there is a small mess hall by the shore. We eat here sometimes and sometimes buy food from the vendors outside, who sell kabab and naan until the last buses leave. The kababs, cooked on skewers over charcoal braziers, are particularly good; highly spiced and well done. Horse's milk is available too from the local Kazakh herdsmen, but I decline this. I am so affected by the cold that Mr. Cao, the relaxed young man who runs the mess, lends me a spare pair of trousers, several sizes too large but more than comfortable. Once I am warm again, I feel a pre-dinner spurt of energy—dinner will be long in coming—and I ask him whether the lake is good for swimming in.

Question 70 :

What is the tone of the passage?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 192 Seconds

Options :

1. Romantic
2. Angry
3. Serene
4. Agitated

Solution :

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

As the passage talks about the beauty of Heaven Lake, the tone of the passage is serene which means calm and peaceful.

Meaning of other words:

Romantic: having a quality that strongly affects your emotions.

Angry: strong resentment.

Agitated: worried.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. We sit in the last row, bumped about but free of stares. The bus rolls out of the dull crossroads of the city, and we are soon in the open countryside, with fields of sunflowers as far as the eye can see, their heads all facing us. Where there is no water, the land reverts to the desert. While still on level ground, we see in the distance the tall range of Mount Bogda, abrupt like a shining prism laid horizontally on the desert surface. It is over 5,000 meters high, and the peaks are under permanent snow, in powerful contrast to the flat desert all around. Heaven Lake lies part of the way up this range, about 2,000 meters above sea level, at the foot of one of the highest snow peaks. As the bus climbs, the sky, brilliant before, grows overcast. I have brought nothing warm to wear. It is all down at the hotel in Urumqi. Rain begins to fall. The man behind me is eating overpoweringly smelly goat's cheese. The bus window leaks inhospitably but reveals a beautiful view. We have passed quickly from the desert through arable land to pasture and the ground is now green with grass, the slopes dark with pine. A few cattle drink at a clear stream flowing past moss-covered stones; it is a Constable landscape. The stream changes into a white torrent, and as we climb higher I wish more and more that I had brought with me something warmer than the pair of shorts that have served me so well in the desert. The stream (which, we are told, rises in Heaven Lake) disappears, and we continue our slow ascent. About noon, we arrive at Heaven Lake and look for a place to stay at the foot, which is the resort area. We get a room in a small cottage, and I am happy to note that there are thick quilts on the bed. Standing outside the cottage, we survey our surroundings. Heaven Lake is long, sardine-shaped, and fed by snowmelt from a stream at its head. The lake is an intense blue, surrounded on all sides by green mountain walls, dotted with distant sheep. At the head of the lake, beyond the delta of the inflowing stream, is a massive snow-capped peak which dominates the vista; it is part of a series of peaks that culminate, a little out of view, in Mount Bogda itself. For those who live in the resort, there is a small mess hall by the shore. We eat here sometimes and sometimes buy food from the vendors outside, who sell kabab and naan until the last buses leave. The kababs, cooked on skewers over charcoal braziers, are particularly good; highly spiced and well done. Horse's milk is available too from the local Kazakh herdsmen, but I decline this. I am so affected by the cold that Mr. Cao, the relaxed young man who runs the mess, lends me a spare pair of trousers, several sizes too large but more than comfortable. Once I am warm again, I feel a pre-dinner spurt of energy—dinner will be long in coming—and I ask him whether the lake is good for swimming in.

Question 71 :

What is the protagonist wearing in the bus?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 197 Seconds

Options :

1. A dhoti

Trousers

3. A pair of shorts

4. Long sleeved shirt

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **A pair of shorts.**

From the lines, "The stream changes into a white torrent, and as we climb higher I wish more and more that I had brought with me something warmer than the pair of shorts that have served me so well in the desert." we can say that the protagonist was wearing a pair of shorts in the bus.

Comprehension :

Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it. From January 28 to February 4, 2023, a Chinese-operated, large white high-altitude balloon was seen in North American airspace, including Alaska, western Canada, and the contiguous United States. The American and Canadian militaries asserted that the balloon was for surveillance, while the Chinese government maintained it was a civilian meteorological research airship that had been blown off course. Analysts said that the balloon's flight path and structural characteristics made it dissimilar from those which have typically been used for meteorological research. The U.S. Department of State said that the balloon was capable of locating electronic communication devices, including mobile phones and radios, and that American U-2 reconnaissance aircraft deployed to track the balloon in the air revealed that the balloon carried antennas and other equipment "clearly for intelligence surveillance and inconsistent with the equipment on board weather balloons." The State Department said that the spy balloon was part of a global Chinese military-directed surveillance effort in which Chinese spy balloons have flown over more than 40 nations in five continents. On February 4, the U.S. Air Force shot down the balloon over U.S. territorial waters off the coast of South Carolina, on the order of U.S. President Joe Biden. Debris from the wreckage was recovered and sent to the FBI Laboratory in Quantico, Virginia, for analysis. The incident increased U.S.-China tensions. The incident prompted U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken to delay a diplomatic visit to Beijing, which was set to be his first since 2018. It also further strained Canada–China relations, as Canada summoned the Chinese ambassador because of the violation of Canadian airspace. On February 3, the U.S. Department of Defense announced that a second Chinese balloon was passing over Latin America, which China also said belonged to it. On February 10, the Air Force shot down another aerial object over U.S. territory at the order of President Biden.

Question 72 :

The passage is mainly about

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 135 Seconds

Options :

1. the strained relations between US and China

a Chinese spy balloon flying over US and Canadian territories

3. China's global military-directed surveillance

4. Chinese balloons flying all over the world

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **a Chinese spy balloon flying over US and Canadian territories.**

As the passage talks about the balloon and how it was used for surveillance, how they carried antennas and other equipment, so, the passage is mainly about a Chinese spy balloon flying over US and Canadian territories.

Comprehension :

Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it. From January 28 to February 4, 2023, a Chinese-operated, large white high-altitude balloon was seen in North American airspace, including Alaska, western Canada, and the contiguous United States. The American and Canadian militaries asserted that the balloon was for surveillance, while the Chinese government maintained it was a civilian meteorological research airship that had been blown off course. Analysts said that the balloon's flight path and structural characteristics made it dissimilar from those which have typically been used for meteorological research. The U.S. Department of State said that the balloon was capable of locating electronic communication devices, including mobile phones and radios, and that American U-2 reconnaissance aircraft deployed to track the balloon in the air revealed that the balloon carried antennas and other equipment "clearly for intelligence surveillance and inconsistent with the equipment on board weather balloons." The State Department said that the spy balloon was part of a global Chinese military-directed surveillance effort in which Chinese spy balloons have flown over more than 40 nations in five continents. On February 4, the U.S. Air Force shot down the balloon over U.S. territorial waters off the coast of South Carolina, on the order of U.S. President Joe Biden. Debris from the wreckage was recovered and sent to the FBI Laboratory in Quantico, Virginia, for analysis. The incident increased U.S.-China tensions. The incident prompted U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken to delay a diplomatic visit to Beijing, which was set to be his first since 2018. It also further strained Canada–China relations, as Canada summoned the Chinese ambassador because of the violation of Canadian airspace. On February 3, the U.S. Department of Defense announced that a second Chinese balloon was passing over Latin America, which China also said belonged to it. On February 10, the Air Force shot down another aerial object over U.S. territory at the order of President Biden.

Question 73 :

Read the statements given below. A. The US Air Force shot down the Chinese balloon over US territorial waters. B. Tensions between China and the US have increased and the visit of the U.S. Secretary of State to Beijing has been postponed.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 145 Seconds

Options :

1. Both A and B are true but B is not the correct reason for A.

Both A and B are true and B is the correct reason for A.

3. A is false and B is true.

4. A is true and B is false.

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Both A and B are true and B is the correct reason for A.**

Given statements:

A. The US Air Force shot down the Chinese balloon over US territorial waters.

B. Tensions between China and the US have increased and the visit of the U.S. Secretary of State to Beijing has been postponed.

From the lines, "Chinese spy balloons have flown over more than 40 nations in five continents. On February 4, the U.S. Air Force shot down the balloon over U.S. territorial waters off the coast of South Carolina, on the order of U.S. President Joe Biden. Debris from the wreckage was recovered and sent to the FBI Laboratory in Quantico, Virginia, for analysis. The incident increased U.S.-China tensions." B is the correct reason for A.

Comprehension :

Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it. From January 28 to February 4, 2023, a Chinese-operated, large white high-altitude balloon was seen in North American airspace, including Alaska, western Canada, and the contiguous United States. The American and Canadian militaries asserted that the balloon was for surveillance, while the Chinese government maintained it was a civilian meteorological research airship that had been blown off course. Analysts said that the balloon's flight path and structural characteristics made it dissimilar from those which have typically been used for meteorological research. The U.S. Department of State said that the balloon was capable of locating electronic communication devices, including mobile phones and radios, and that American U-2 reconnaissance aircraft deployed to track the balloon in the air revealed that the balloon carried antennas and other equipment "clearly for intelligence surveillance and inconsistent with the equipment on board weather balloons." The State Department said that the spy balloon was part of a global Chinese military-directed surveillance effort in which Chinese spy balloons have flown over more than 40 nations in five continents. On February 4, the U.S. Air Force shot down the balloon over U.S. territorial waters off the coast of South Carolina, on the order of U.S. President Joe Biden. Debris from the wreckage was recovered and sent to the FBI Laboratory in Quantico, Virginia, for analysis. The incident increased U.S.-China tensions. The incident prompted U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken to delay a diplomatic visit to Beijing, which was set to be his first since 2018. It also further strained Canada–China relations, as Canada summoned the Chinese ambassador because of the violation of Canadian airspace. On February 3, the U.S. Department of Defense announced that a second Chinese balloon was passing over Latin America, which China also said belonged to it. On February 10, the Air Force shot down another aerial object over U.S. territory at the order of President Biden.

Question 74 :

How did the US make sure that the Balloon flying over its territory was a 'spy' balloon?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 166 Seconds

Options :

1. the FBI lab confirmed that it was a spy balloon
2. the analysts studied its flight path and said so
3. it's reconnaissance aircraft saw the antennas and equipment of the balloon
4. it got the samples of the balloon checked in a lab

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **it's reconnaissance aircraft saw the antennas and equipment of the balloon.**

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Question 75 :

The word 'contiguous' means

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 153 Seconds

Options :

1. adjoining
2. far off
3. spreading
4. separated

Solution :

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

'Contiguous' means next to each other.

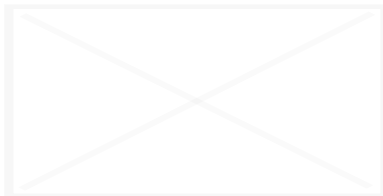
Adjoining means joined to something.

Spreading means to extend the range.

Far off means a great distance away.

Separated means to make people move apart.

Hence, the word 'contiguous' means **Adjoining**.



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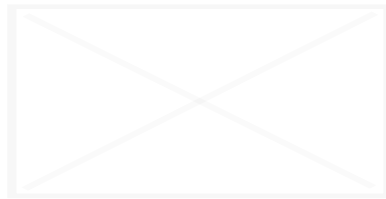
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1. 75 questions were moderate.
2. The safe score is 140 marks.
3. , 45 questions were asked from English Language and 30 questions were asked from Logical Reasoning
4. 17 questions should have been skipped if you were short of time.

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English Language

1. Reading Comprehension - 12
2. Cloze Test - 4
3. Error Spotting - 2
4. Sentence & Para Jumbles - 6
5. Idioms - 2
6. One Word Substitution - 2
7. Filler (Misc) - 1
8. Narration - 3
9. Voice - 3
10. Sentence Improvement - 1
11. Synonym - 1
12. Antonym - 2
13. Filler (Vocab) - 3
14. Filler (Grammar) - 1
15. Incorrectly Spelt - 2
16. Incorrectly Spelt - 2



Logical Reasoning

1. Coding Decoding - 2
2. Mirror And Water Image - 1
3. Analogy - 3
4. Classification - 4
5. Seating Arrangement - 1
6. Blood Relation - 2
7. Order And Ranking - 1
8. Syllogism - 1
9. Analytical Reasoning - 3
10. Alphabet Test - 1
11. Paper Folding And Cutting - 1
12. Mathematical Inequality - 1
13. Series - 3
14. Mathematical Reasoning - 2
15. Data Sufficiency - 2
16. Embedded Figure - 1
17. Completion Of Figure - 1

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