



Ssc Cgl Tier II Previous Year Question Paper Overview

Here, you can solve all the questions asked in Ssc Cgl Tier II Previous Year Question Paper on 2020-11-16 in the Morning exam. The detailed solutions are also provided for every previous year question and some of these questions can be asked again in your Ssc Cgl Tier II exam. There are 200 questions in the exam and 120 minutes are provided for the Ssc Cgl Tier II exam. The Cutoff of the exam was 150 marks hence you should try to score at least 160 marks.

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

Question 1 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. The young man prayed to God to help him clear that interview.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. The young man said, "O God! Help me clear this interview."
2. The young man said, "O God! Help him to clear that interview."
3. The young man said to God, "Will you help me clear that interview?"
4. The young man said to God, "You have to help me clear that interview."

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **The young man said, "O God! Help me clear this interview."**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- The given sentence is an example of an exclamatory sentence. The notion of these kinds of sentences is 'joy, sorrow, surprise, applause, detest, hate, etc.'" Reporting Verbs are changed according to the notion of Reported Speech. These verbs are 'exclaimed with surprise, exclaimed with sorrow, exclaimed with joy, exclaimed with contempt, etc.'
- In the reportig verb, 'said' will be used in place of 'prayed'.
- Comma and inverted commas will be removed. And conjunction 'to' will also be removed.
- 'O God!' will be added.

'Him' will be changed into 'me'.

- 'That' will be changed into 'this'.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **The young man said, "O God! Help me clear this interview."**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **The young man said, "O God! Help me clear this interview."**

Question 2 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. No one of them come to the inauguration of our new factory.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 104 Seconds

Options :

1. come to the
2. No one of them
3. inauguration of
4. our new factory

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **come to the**.

- If we carefully examine the sentence, we can easily figure out that it is talking about an incident of the past. Thus, we will use the simple past tense 'came' instead of 'come'.

The correct sentence will be:-

No one of them came to the inauguration of our new factory.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **come to the**.

Question 3 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. By whom were you pushed into the mud?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Whom did you push into the mud?
2. Who pushed you into the mud?



Who has pushed you into the mud?

4. Who was pushing you into the mud?

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Who pushed you into the mud?**

Passive form: **By whom were you pushed into the mud?**

- In the given sentence, 'were + V₃' has been used, which implies that the active form should contain '**past participle**'.
- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Remove the word 'by' when converting into active form.
- As the sentence is an interrogative sentence, so the word 'who' will be used.

The active form will be: **Who pushed you into the mud?**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Who pushed you into the mud?**

Question 4 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. The supervisor said to the worker, "How long have you been working for this company?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :

1. The supervisor asked the worker that how long you had been working for that company.
2. The supervisor asked the worker how long he had been working for that company.
3. The supervisor asked the worker how long had he being working for that company.
4. The supervisor asked the worker for how long had he been working for this company.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **The supervisor asked the worker how long he had been working for that company.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and '**that**' will be used.
- The reporting verb 'said to' will be changed into 'asked'.
- 'How' will be used as a conjunction because we know that if the reported speech is interrogative with question word



then the question word itself becomes the conjunction.

- 'You' will be changed into 'he'.
- In the reporting speech, present perfect continuous tense 'have been working' will be changed into past perfect continuous tense 'had been working'.
- 'This' will be changed into 'That'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **The supervisor asked the worker how long he had been working for that company.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **The supervisor asked the worker how long he had been working for that company.**

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____ are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 5 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 10.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 121 Seconds

Options :

1. consequences
2. quantity
3. expense
4. effectiveness

Solution :

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

Let's see the meanings of the given words:

- **consequence**- something that happens or follows as a result of something else.
- **quality**- the standard of something as measured against other things of a similar kind; the degree of excellence of something.
- **expense**- the cost required for something, the money spent on something.



effectiveness- the degree to which something is successful in producing the desired result; success.

As per the context of the sentence examinations are a tool to evaluate the usefulness of teaching. In the given question, the noun 'effectiveness' is the correct choice in the given blank.

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

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____ are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 6 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 4

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. vocations
2. recruitments
3. functions
4. functions

Solution :

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

Let's see the meanings of the given words:

- **vocations**- a strong feeling of suitability for a particular career or occupation.
- **recruitments**- the action of finding new people to join an organization or support a cause.
- **functions**- an activity or purpose natural to or intended for a person or thing.
- **occupations**- a job or profession.

As per the context of the sentence, all competitive exams, whether admission related or finding suitable people for jobs, are based on elimination. Therefore, the word 'recruitments' is the correct choice for the given blank.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **recruitments**.

Question 7 :



Select the correct active form of the given sentence. Kites have been bought by many children.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. Many children have bought kites.
2. Many children bought kites.
3. Many children had bought kites.
4. Many children are buying kites.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Many children have bought kites.**

Passive form: **Kites have been bought by many children.**

- In the given sentence, '**have + been + V₃ i.e. bought**' has been used, which implies that the active form should contain '**has/have + V₃ i.e. bought**'.
- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Remove the word 'by' when converting into active form.
- Lastly, as "children" is a plural subject, therefore, '**have**' will be used.

The active form will be: **Many children have bought kites.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Many children have bought kites.**

Question 8 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. He said to Manoj, "I celebrated my birthday two days ago.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 78 Seconds

Options :

1. He told Manoj that he celebrated my birthday two days before.
2. He told Manoj that he had celebrated his birthday two days before.
3. He told Manoj that he celebrated his birthday two days ago.
4. He told Manoj that I celebrated my birthday two days ago.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **He told Manoj that he had celebrated his birthday two days before.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and **'that'** will be used.
- The reporting verb "Said to" will be changed into "told".
- In the reported speech, 'celebrated' will be changed into 'had celebrated'. (Simple past tense to Past perfect tense)
- The pronoun 'I' will be changed into 'he'.
- The pronoun 'my' will be changed into 'his'
- Lastly, 'two daays ago' will be changed into 'two days before'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **He told Manoj that he had celebrated his birthday two days before.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **He told Manoj that he had celebrated his birthday two days before.**

Question 9 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. However, Yusuf comforted himself by imagining the hotel food in store for him the next day. B. First, Yusuf's stomach was occupied by excitement. C. It was difficult to eat dinner that night. D. Secondly, mother was on one of her health trips and had prepared sprouted beans and yoghurt.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 103 Seconds

Options :

1. BADC
2. CBDA
3. BCAD
4. ACBD

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- In the given question sentence C will be the first sentence because it is the starting of an incident.
- Sentence B and sentence D, 'First' and 'Second' are cardinals (those that indicate order or sequence of happenings). Therefore, sentence B will be the next sentence and sentence D will follow it.
- Lastly, sentence A will be used because it makes a contrasting conclusion.



Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 2** i.e. **CBDA**.

The paragraph is: **It was difficult to eat dinner that night. First, Yusuf's stomach was occupied by excitement. Secondly, mother was on one of her health trips and had prepared sprouted beans and yogurt. However, Yusuf comforted himself by imagining the hotel food in store for him the next day.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **CBDA**.

Question 10 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. If we lay our heads together, we will surely find a solution.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 93 Seconds

Options :

1. work in consultation
2. rest for a while
3. take a break
4. work in isolation

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **work in consultation**.

- The idiom "**lay our heads together**" means "**To work together to come up with an idea or solution.**"

For example: *If the two of you lay your heads together, I'm confident you'll figure out a workable solution.*

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **work in consultation**.

Question 11 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. The tired and vexed travellers waiting at the airport for a long time.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

Options :

1. waiting at the airport
2. vexed travellers
3. The tired and

for a long time

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **waiting at the airport**.

- Here, 'waiting' is used as a main verb. But the helping verb is missing.
- The given sentence is in past tense. Therefore, 'were' will be used here as the helping verb.

The correct sentence will be:- **The tired and vexed travellers were waiting at the airport for a long time.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **waiting at the airport**.

Question 12 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. His probation was extended because his performance was not up to the mark.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. lacking in maturity
2. of the desired height
3. up to the required standard
4. more than expected

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **up to the required standard**.

- The idiom "up to the mark" means "to be good enough; as good as expected; to meet a minimum standard of quality".

For example: *Continuous training will ensure that all work delivered will be up to the mark.*

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **up to the required standard**.

Question 13 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. She told her brother that she was going to meet her friend.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

Options :

1. She said to her brother, "She will go to meet her friend."



She said to her brother, "I am gone to meet her friend."

3. She said to her brother, "I was going to meet my friend."

4. She said to her brother, "I am going to meet my friend."

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **She said to her brother, "I am going to meet my friend."**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- '**That**' will be omitted and Inverted commas will be used.
- The reporting verb is in simple past tense i.e. '**said**', will be used.
- In the reporting speech, change the past continuous tense form i.e. '**was going**' into present continuous tense form i.e. '**do**' and the past perfect tense i.e. '**had never attempted**' into present perfect tense i.e. '**am going**', when converting into direct speech.
- Next, the pronoun '**she**' will be changed to pronoun '**I**' in direct speech.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **She said to her brother, "I am going to meet my friend."**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **She said to her brother, "I am going to meet my friend."**

Question 14 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. An imaginary ideal society.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 100 Seconds

Options :

1. Model
2. Ultimate
3. Utopia
4. Flawless

Solution :

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

The word '**Utopia**' means '**a perfect society in which people work well with each other and are happy**'.

For example: *Humans, in the developed world at least, are as close to utopia as they are ever likely to be, argues the professor.*

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Utopia**.

**Question 15 :**

Select the misspelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 47 Seconds

Options :

1. partner
2. florish
3. approach
4. slander

Solution :

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

In the given question 'florish' is misspelt. The correct spelling is **flourish** which means **grow or develop successfully**.

For example: *Watercolour painting began to flourish in Britain around 1750.*

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **florish**.

Question 16 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. He said to me, "Your father is waiting for you at the reception."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. He told me that your father was waiting for him at the reception.
2. He told me that my father was waiting for me at the reception.
3. He told me that his father was waiting for you at the reception.
4. He told to me my father was waiting for you at the reception.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **He told me that my father was waiting for me at the reception**.

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and 'that' will be used.
- The reporting verb 'said' to will be changed into 'told'.
- In the reporting speech, present continuous tense will be changed to past continuous tense.



'Your' will be changed into 'my' and 'you' will be changed into 'me'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **He told me that my father was waiting for me at the reception.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **He told me that my father was waiting for me at the reception.**

Question 17 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. The three of them shouted out to each another when the train started moving.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. The three of them
2. when the train
3. shouted out to each another.
4. started moving

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **shouted out to each another.**

- The erroneous part 'shouted out to each another' will be changed to "shouted out to 'one another'".
- The given sentence is an example of Reciprocal Pronoun. We know that 'each other' is used when there are two people.
- We know that when we are talking about more than two people, we should use a different reciprocal pronoun that is 'one another'.

The correct sentence will be:-

The three of them shouted out to one another when the train started moving.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **shouted out to each another.**

Question 18 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. People were driving away wild pigs from the fields by shooting at them. B. We were passing through the sugarcane fields near Mysore. C. We thought that the shooting was over when a sloth bear came running towards us. D. Some got shot and others escaped.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :



CDAB

2. BADC

3. DABC

4. ACDB

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- In the given question sentence B will be the first statement because it is the starting of an incident.
- Sentence B talks about the author's traveling to the fields of sugarcane and sentence A explains what people were doing in those fields. Therefore, sentence A will be the next sentence.
- Sentence A ends with 'pigs shooting' and sentence D tells how some pigs were shot and some pigs had escaped. Thus, sentence D is the third sentence.
- Lastly, sentence C will be used because it tells how the shooting ended with the coming of a sloth bear.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 2** i.e. **BADC**.

The paragraph is: **We were passing through the sugarcane fields near Mysore. People were driving away wild pigs from the fields by shooting at them. Some got shot while others escaped. We thought that the shooting was over when a sloth bear came running towards us.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **BADC**.

Question 19 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. Hang the washing on the clothesline.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 98 Seconds

Options :

1. Let the washing be hung on the clothesline.
2. Let the washing to be hung on the clothesline.
3. Let the washing hanging on the clothesline.
4. Let the washing be hanged on the clothesline.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Let the washing be hung on the clothesline.**

Active form: **Hang the washing on the clothesline.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- The given sentence is an example of an Imperative sentence.
- Imperative sentence: If someone gives a command, request, express a desire, or wish, in a sentence then such sentences are called Imperatives sentences.
- The structure of the given sentence will be **Let + Sub + be + V₃**. 'Let' will be added to start the sentence, as a passive form of a command.
- 'Hang' will be changed into past participle form i.e. **'hung'**.

The passive form will be: **Let the washing be hung on the clothesline.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Let the washing be hung on the clothesline.**

Question 20 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. The Principal says, "Hard work is the key to success."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 93 Seconds

Options :

1. The Principal said that hard work was the key to success.
2. The Principal says that hard work was the key to success.
3. The Principal says that hard work is the key to success.
4. The Principal say that hard work is the key to success.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The Principal says that hard work is the key to success.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and **'that'** will be used.
- In the given sentence reporting verb is in the present tense. Therefore, there will be no change in the reported speech.



The given sentence is a universal truth as well. We know that when Universal Truth, Proverb, Habitual truth, Historical event in the past, etc. is used as a reported speech their tense does not change.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **The Principal says that hard work is the key to success.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The Principal says that hard work is the key to success.**

Question 21 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. The librarian said to her, "You can borrow only two books at a time."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 88 Seconds

Options :

1. The librarian told her that she could borrow only two books at a time.
2. The librarian told her that she can borrow only two books at a time.
3. The librarian told her that you can borrow only two books at a time.
4. The librarian told her that they could borrow only two books at a time.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **The librarian told her that she could borrow only two books at a time.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and 'that' will be used.
- The reporting verb 'said to' will be changed into 'told'.
- In the reporting speech, the verb 'can' will be changed to 'could' when converting into indirect speech.
- 'You' will be changed into 'She'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **The librarian told her that she could borrow only two books at a time.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **The librarian told her that she could borrow only two books at a time.**

Question 22 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. Someone had been smart enough to remove it before I went on the rampage. B. My hands had been itching to tear down that collage from my bedroom wall. C. But I found the wall bare. D. So, I entered my room in a hurry.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 97 Seconds

Options :



- DABC
2. CBAD
3. ABCD
4. BDCA

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- Sentence B will be the first sentence because it is the starting of an incident.
- Sentence D will be used next because sentence B talks about 'tearing down' of the collage and sentence D further tell what the author did to tear down that collage.
- Sentence C will be used next because it further explains what the author found when he entered that room.
- Lastly, sentence A will be used to give a possible explanation the author thinks of the wall being bare.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 4** i.e. **BDCA**.

The paragraph is: **My hands had been itching to tear down that collage from my bedroom wall. So, I entered my room in a hurry. But I found the wall bare. Someone had been smart enough to remove it before I went on the rampage.**

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

Question 23 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. Mahesh said to Priya, "How will you pay off your debts?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 96 Seconds

Options :

1. Mahesh asked Priya how will she pay off her debts.
2. Mahesh asked Priya how she would pay off her debts.
3. Mahesh asked Priya how she would pay off your debts.
4. Mahesh asked Priya that how you will pay off your debts.

Solution :



The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Mahesh asked Priya how she would pay off her debts.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted.
- The reporting verb, 'said to' will be changed into 'asked' because the given sentence is an example of an interrogative sentence with a question word.
- In the reporting speech, the verb 'will' will be changed to 'would' when converting into indirect speech.
- 'How' will be used as a conjunction because we know that in an interrogative sentence with a question word the question word itself becomes the conjunction.
- 'You' will be changed into 'She' and 'Your' will be changed into 'Her'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **Mahesh asked Priya how she would pay off her debts.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Mahesh asked Priya how she would pay off her debts.**

Question 24 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. She could not accompany her daughter due to visa restrictions. B. That trip to Florida with her father Yuri launched her on the path to success. C. Maria had not yet celebrated her tenth birthday when she was packed off in a train to the United States. D. But it also required a heart-wrenching two-year separation from her mother Yelena.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 106 Seconds

Options :

1. CADB
2. BCAD
3. CBDA
4. ABCD

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- Sentence C will be the first sentence. Here, the given question tells 'Maria has not yet celebrated her tenth birthday', it is the starting of an incident.

Sentence C tells about 'Maria traveling to the United States' and sentence B further explains her trip. 'She had traveled with her father to Florida'. Therefore, sentence B will follow sentence C.

- Sentence D will be used next because it tells that she had left her mother behind.
- Lastly, sentence A will be used to explain why her mother could not travel with her.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 3** i.e. **CBDA**.

The paragraph is: **Maria had not yet celebrated her tenth birthday when she was packed off in a train to the United States. That trip to Florida with her father Yuri launched her on the path to success. But it also required a heart-wrenching two-year separation from her mother Yelena. She could not accompany her daughter due to visa restrictions.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **CBDA**.

Question 25 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. They are lifting the car with a crane.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 101 Seconds

Options :

1. The car had lifted with a crane.
2. The car is lifted with a crane.
3. The car was being lifted with a crane.
4. The car is being lifted with a crane.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **The car is being lifted with a crane.**

Active form: **They are lifting the car with a crane.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Now, convert the main verb into its past participle or third form while converting from active to passive voice.
- In this case, the subject 'they' will become hidden in passive voice because the focus is on the crane being lifted and 'them' only serves a necessary actor in the active voice, which is no more needed in the passive voice.

Now, the given sentence is in present continuous tense. When the active form is in "**is/are/am + V₁ + ing**" form then the passive voice should follow the format "**is/are/am + being + V₃**" form.

The passive form will be: **The car is being lifted with a crane.**



Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **The car is being lifted with a crane.**

Question 26 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. You have not showed any improvement in your handwriting.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 103 Seconds****Options :**

1. No improvement
2. has not shown
3. have not shown
4. had not showed

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **have not shown.**

- The error lies in the option 3 due to the wrong usage of tense.
- The given sentence is an example of present perfect tense. Therefore, third form of 'show' i.e. '**shown**' will be used.

The correct sentence will be:- **You have not shown any improvement in your handwriting.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **have not shown.**

Question 27 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. She has been a member of this club since it's formation.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 59 Seconds****Options :**

1. this club
2. since it's formation
3. She has been
4. a member of

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **since it's formation.**



The erroneous Part 'since it's formation' will be changed to '**since its formation**'.

- **It's** is a contraction of "it is" or "it has".
- Whereas, '**Its**' is a possessive determiner we use to say that something belongs to or refers to something.
- Here, in the given question, possessive case i.e. '**its**' should be used because it is talking about the formation of the club.

The correct sentence will be:- **She has been a member of this club since its formation.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **since it's formation**.

Question 28 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. He was considered a genius by his school headmaster.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 78 Seconds

Options :

1. was been considered
2. was to be considered
3. was considering
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **No improvement**.

The given sentence is an example of Passive Voice. Here, 'was considered' is rightly used.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **No improvement**.

Question 29 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. Only home-cooked food is eaten by us.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. We are eating only home-cooked food.
2. We ate only home-cooked food.

We eat only home-cooked food.

4. We have eaten only home-cooked food.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **We eat only home-cooked food.**

Passive form: **Only home-cooked food is eaten by us.**

- In the given sentence, 'is + V₃ i.e. eaten' has been used, which implies that the active form should contain 'base form'.
- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Remove the word 'by' when converting into active form.
- 'Us' will be changed into 'We'.

The active form will be: **We eat only home-cooked food.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **We eat only home-cooked food.**

Question 30 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. We have looked at the plan carefully.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. The plan was looked at carefully.
2. The plan is being looked at carefully.
3. The plan have been looked at carefully.
4. The plan has been looked at carefully.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **The plan has been looked at carefully.**

Active form: **We have looked at the plan carefully.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Now, convert the main verb into its past participle or third form while converting from active to passive voice.



Now, the given sentence is in present perfect tense. When the active form is in "has/have + V₃" form then the passive voice should follow the format "has/have + been + V₃" form.

The passive form will be: **The plan has been looked at carefully.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **The plan has been looked at carefully.**

Question 31 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. Why not you to be a good boy and sit down?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 90 Seconds

Options :

1. don't you be
2. you are not being
3. No improvement
4. you not be

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **don't you be.**

- We know that after the question word 'why' we should use an auxiliary verb.
- After 'why' we should use the auxiliary verb 'do'.
- In the given question 'not' is used which is grammatically incorrect. Whereas, it should be 'don't you'.
- Here, 'to' is also used incorrectly. It should be removed.

The correct sentence will be:- **Why don't you be a good boy and sit down?**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **don't you be.**

Question 32 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. I was being depressed when you called.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. being depressing
2. feeling depressed



No improvement

4. going depressed

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **feeling depressed**.

- Here, the sentence is conveying a short momentary state of mind. The word being is used when we are conveying something that has been existing for a long time, a considerable duration.
- 'Feeling' is something that happens for a short span of time, momentarily. Hence, 'feeling' is the most appropriate word.

The correct sentence will be:- **I was feeling depressed when you called.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **feeling depressed**.

Question 33 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. The threat of the pandemic is not just a cry in the wilderness.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. an unheeded warning
2. mourning for the loss
3. tears of sorrow
4. spreading rumours

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **an unheeded warning**.

- The idiom "**a cry in the wilderness**" means "**someone who is pointing out the dangers in a situation or the truth about it, but nobody is paying any attention**".

For example: **He was voice crying in the wilderness as he tried to expose the vast corruption within the organization.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **an unheeded warning**.

Question 34 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. Neha exclaimed that it was a very pleasant surprise.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. Neha said, "What a pleasant surprise!"
2. Neha said, "Is it a very pleasant surprise?"
3. Neha said, "It is a very pleasant surprise."
4. Neha said, "How a pleasant surprise!"

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Neha said, "What a pleasant surprise!"**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- 'That' will be omitted and Inverted commas will be used.
- The sentence is an exclamatory sentence. The notion of these kinds of sentences is 'joy, sorrow, surprise, applause, detest, hate, etc. reporting verbs are changed according to the notion of reported speech. These verbs are 'exclaimed with surprise, exclaimed with sorrow, exclaimed with joy, exclaimed with contempt, etc.
- In the reporting verb, 'exclaimed' will be changed into 'said'.
- 'Was' will be removed as its purpose is accounted for when converting to direct speech.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **Neha said, "What a pleasant surprise!"**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Neha said, "What a pleasant surprise!"**

Question 35 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. She felt like a fish out of water at her new job.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 88 Seconds

Options :

1. comfortable and relaxed
2. angry and hurt
3. happy and free
4. uncomfortable and restless

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **uncomfortable and restless.**



The idiom "like a fish out of water" means "to feel awkward because you are in a situation that you have not experienced before or because you are very different from the people around you".

For example: *I felt like a fish out of water in my new school.*

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **uncomfortable and restless**.

Question 36 :

Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. GRADUALLY

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Readily
2. Constantly
3. Abruptly
4. Steadily

Solution :

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

- The word '**Gradually**' means '**in a gradual way, slowly by degrees**'.

For example: *After the war life gradually got back to normal.*

- The most appropriate antonym of the given word is '**Abruptly**' which means '**suddenly and unexpectedly**'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Abruptly**.

Question 37 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. She asked her mother where her gold bracelet was.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. She said to her mother, "Where is my gold bracelet?"
2. She said to her mother, "Where was her gold bracelet?"
3. She said to her mother, "Where was my gold bracelet?"
4. She asked to her mother, "Where my gold bracelet is?"

Solution :



The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **She said to her mother, “Where is my gold bracelet?”**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- 'That' will be omitted and Inverted commas will be used.
- The reporting verb is in simple past tense i.e. 'said', will be used.
- In the reporting speech, change the past tense form i.e. 'was' into present tense form i.e. 'is' when converting into direct speech.
- Next, the pronoun 'her' will be changed to pronoun 'my' in direct speech.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **She said to her mother, “Where is my gold bracelet?”**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **She said to her mother, “Where is my gold bracelet?”**

Question 38 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. Saaransh said he had solved the crossword the previous day.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

Options :

1. Saaransh said, “He has solved the crossword the previous day.”
2. Saaransh said, “I have solved the crossword the previous day.”
3. Saaransh said, “He have solved the crossword yesterday.”
4. Saaransh said, “I solved the crossword yesterday.”

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Saaransh said, “I solved the crossword yesterday.”**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will be used.
- The reporting verb is in simple past tense i.e. 'said', hence, it will remain unchanged.
- In the reporting speech, change the past perfect tense form i.e. 'had solved' into past tense form i.e. 'solved' when converting into direct speech.
- Next, the second person pronoun 'he' will be changed to first person pronoun 'I' in direct speech.
- 'The previous day' will be changed into 'yesterday'.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **Saaransh said, “I solved the crossword yesterday.”**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Saaransh said, “I solved the crossword yesterday.”**

Question 39 :



Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. Therefore, I bought a good house in a respectable neighbourhood. B. This made me eager to welcome the first guest at home and show my hospitality. C. I intended to be a model citizen in the neighbourhood. D. I decided it was time for me to settle down.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 102 Seconds

Options :

1. DBCA
2. CBDA
3. DACB
4. CADB

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- Sentence D will be the first sentence because it is the starting of an incident.
- Sentence D describes that the writer has decided to settle down and sentence A explains what the writer did to settle down. Therefore, the next sentence will be sentence A.
- Sentence A is connected with sentence C because it tells what the writer intends to do after buying a house. Hence, sentence C will be the next sentence.
- And Lastly, sentence B will come because it shows how the writer decides to implement what he said in sentence C.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 3** i.e. **DACB**.

The paragraph is: **I decided it was time for me to settle down. Therefore, I bought a good house in a respectable neighborhood. I intended to be a model citizen in the neighborhood. This made me eager to welcome the first guest at home and show my hospitality.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **DACB**.

Question 40 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. I told my parents not to worry about me.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 99 Seconds

Options :

I said to my parents, "You don't be worried about me."

2. I said to my parents, "Don't worry about me."

3. I said to my parents, "You don't have to worry about me."

4. I said to my parents, "Nothing to worry about me."

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **I said to my parents, "Don't worry about me."**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted comma will be used.
- The given sentence is an example of an imperative sentence.
- Usually in an imperative sentence Reporting Verb is changed to 'ordered, advised, requested, commanded, beg, forbade, suggested, proposed, assured, asked, reminded, warned, agreed, refused, promised, etc.
- But in the given question reporting verb is 'told', so, we have to transform sentences accordingly. 'Told' will be changed into 'said to'.
- We know that in imperative sentences 'not to/to' is added in indirect speech. So, in 'direct speech', 'not to' will be changed into 'don't'.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **I said to my parents, "Don't worry about me."**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **I said to my parents, "Don't worry about me."**

Question 41 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. Razia Sultana ruled over the northern part of India.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 97 Seconds

Options :

1. The northern part of India is ruled over by Razia Sultana.
2. The northern part of India was being ruled over by Razia Sultana.
3. The northern part of India had been ruled over by Razia Sultana.
4. The northern part of India was ruled over by Razia Sultana.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **The northern part of India was ruled over by Razia Sultana.**

Active form: **Razia Sultana ruled over the northern part of India.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Now, convert the main verb into its past participle or third form while converting from active to passive voice.
- Use the word "by" before the subject in the passive sentence.

Now, the given sentence is in present perfect tense. When the active form is in "**past participle**" form then the passive voice should follow the format "**was + V₃**" form.

The passive form will be: **The northern part of India was ruled over by Razia Sultana.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **The northern part of India was ruled over by Razia Sultana.**

Question 42 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. The news of a leopard in the city spread like wild fire.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 98 Seconds

Options :

1. caused fear
2. spread slowly
3. caused damage
4. spread rapidly

Solution :

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

- The idiom "**Spread like wildfire**" means "**to spread, circulate, or propagate very quickly and widely**".

For example: *News of the scandal **spread like wildfire** across the news outlets.*

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

Question 43 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. There was enough evidence to convict him on selling of fake medicines.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :



on selling of

2. fake medicines
3. There was enough evidence
4. to convict him

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **on selling of**.

- The error lies in the option 1 due to the wrong usage of article.
- In the given sentence, the use of the specified or particular noun 'selling' without any article is incorrect.
- The definite article is used before singular and plural nouns when the noun is specific or particular.
- Therefore, the definite article '**the**' should be used before the specific noun 'selling'.

The correct sentence will be:-

There was enough evidence to convict him on the selling of fake medicines.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **on selling of**.

Question 44 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. He asked me to sing a song.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. I was being asked to sing a song.
2. I was asked to sing a song.
3. I had been asked to sing a song.
4. I am asked to sing a song.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **I was asked to sing a song**.

Active form: **He asked me to sing a song**.

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa



while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.

- Now, convert the main verb into its past participle or third form while converting from active to passive voice.
- Use the word "by" before the subject in the passive sentence.
- When we convert this sentence into passive voice, the subject 'He' of the active voice becomes the hidden object 'him', the object 'me' becomes the subject 'I'.

Now, the given sentence is in present perfect tense. When the active form is in "**past participle**" form then the passive voice should follow the format "**was + V₃**" form.

The passive form will be: **I was asked to sing a song.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **I was asked to sing a song.**

Question 45 :

Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. ENDORSE

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 94 Seconds

Options :

1. Renounce
2. Support
3. Advocate
4. Affirm

Solution :

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

- The word 'Endorse' means 'to say publicly that you give official support or agreement to a plan, statement, decision, etc.'.
- The most appropriate antonym of the given word is 'Renounce' which means 'to say formally that you no longer want to have something or to be connected with something'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Renounce.**

Question 46 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. I didn't knew you had gone to Goa for a vacation.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. for a vacation



you had gone

3. to Goa

4. I didn't knew

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **I didn't knew**.

- The error lies in the option 4 due to the wrong usage of verb.
- Whenever 'did' is used as an auxiliary verb, the main verb will be in 1st form. Therefore, in the sentence, the verb 'knew' will be replaced by '**know**'.

The correct sentence will be:-

I didn't know you had gone to Goa for a vacation.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **I didn't knew**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Plato is the earliest important educational thinker, and education is an essential element in 'The Republic' (his most important work on philosophy and political theory, written around 360 B.C.). In it, he advocates some rather extreme methods: removing children from their mothers' care and raising them as wards of the state, and differentiating children suitable to the various castes, the highest receiving the most education, so that they could act as guardians of the city and care for the less able. He believed that education should be holistic, including facts, skills, physical discipline, music and art. Plato believed that talent and intelligence is not distributed genetically and thus is be found in children born to all classes, although his proposed system of selective public education for an educated minority of the population does not really follow a democratic model. Aristotle considered human nature, habit and reason to be equally important forces to be cultivated in education, the ultimate aim of which should be to produce good and virtuous citizens. He proposed that teachers lead their students systematically, and that repetition be used as a key tool to develop good habits, unlike Socrates' emphasis on questioning his listeners to bring out their own ideas. He emphasized the balancing of the theoretical and practical aspects of subjects taught, among which he explicitly mentions reading, writing, mathematics, music, physical education, literature, history, and a wide range of sciences, as well as play, which he also considered important.

Question 47 :

Which of these methods is NOT advocated in 'The Republic'?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 129 Seconds

Options :

1. Imparting similar education to all children



Differentiating children based on castes

3. Bringing up children under state guardianship

4. Keeping children away from mothers

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Imparting similar education to all children.**

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"Plato is the earliest important educational thinker, and education is an essential element in 'The Republic' (his most important work on philosophy and political theory, written around 360 B.C.). In it, he advocates some rather extreme methods: removing children from their mothers' care and raising them as wards of the state, and differentiating children suitable to the various castes, the highest receiving the most education, so that they could act as guardians of the city and care for the less able."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that imparting similar education to all children isn't not included in 'The Republic'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Imparting similar education to all children.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Plato is the earliest important educational thinker, and education is an essential element in 'The Republic' (his most important work on philosophy and political theory, written around 360 B.C.). In it, he advocates some rather extreme methods: removing children from their mothers' care and raising them as wards of the state, and differentiating children suitable to the various castes, the highest receiving the most education, so that they could act as guardians of the city and care for the less able. He believed that education should be holistic, including facts, skills, physical discipline, music and art. Plato believed that talent and intelligence is not distributed genetically and thus is be found in children born to all classes, although his proposed system of selective public education for an educated minority of the population does not really follow a democratic model. Aristotle considered human nature, habit and reason to be equally important forces to be cultivated in education, the ultimate aim of which should be to produce good and virtuous citizens. He proposed that teachers lead their students systematically, and that repetition be used as a key tool to develop good habits, unlike Socrates' emphasis on questioning his listeners to bring out their own ideas. He emphasized the balancing of the theoretical and practical aspects of subjects taught, among which he explicitly mentions reading, writing, mathematics, music, physical education, literature, history, and a wide range of sciences, as well as play, which he also considered important.

Question 48 :

Which of these statements is NOT true?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 143 Seconds

Options :

Plato's methods of education can be called 'extreme'

2. Socrates considered music and physical education as important aspects of learning.
3. The Republic was written around 360 A.D.
4. Socrates encouraged the listeners to come up with original ideas.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The Republic was written around 360 A.D.**

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"Plato is the earliest important educational thinker and education is an essential element in 'The Republic' (his most important work on philosophy and political theory, written around 360 B.C.)."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that 'The Republic' was written around 360 B.C. and not 360 A.D. Therefore, the statement given in option 3 is incorrect.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The Republic was written around 360 A.D.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Plato is the earliest important educational thinker, and education is an essential element in 'The Republic' (his most important work on philosophy and political theory, written around 360 B.C.). In it, he advocates some rather extreme methods: removing children from their mothers' care and raising them as wards of the state, and differentiating children suitable to the various castes, the highest receiving the most education, so that they could act as guardians of the city and care for the less able. He believed that education should be holistic, including facts, skills, physical discipline, music and art. Plato believed that talent and intelligence is not distributed genetically and thus is be found in children born to all classes, although his proposed system of selective public education for an educated minority of the population does not really follow a democratic model. Aristotle considered human nature, habit and reason to be equally important forces to be cultivated in education, the ultimate aim of which should be to produce good and virtuous citizens. He proposed that teachers lead their students systematically, and that repetition be used as a key tool to develop good habits, unlike Socrates' emphasis on questioning his listeners to bring out their own ideas. He emphasized the balancing of the theoretical and practical aspects of subjects taught, among which he explicitly mentions reading, writing, mathematics, music, physical education, literature, history, and a wide range of sciences, as well as play, which he also considered important.

Question 49 :

Children who are imparted highest education, would be responsible for:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 137 Seconds

Options :

1. guarding the city



teaching the illiterate

3. developing talent and skills

4. inculcating good habits

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **guarding the city**.

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"In it, he advocates some rather extreme methods: removing children from their mothers' care and raising them as wards of the state, and differentiating children suitable to the various castes, the highest receiving the most education, so that they could act as guardians of the city and care for the less able."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that the children who are imparted the highest education, would be responsible for guarding the city.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **guarding the city**.

Question 50 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. She said to me, "Have you ever flown a kite?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. She asked me if I ever flew a kite.
2. She asked me that had I ever flown a kite.
3. She asked me if I had ever flown a kite.
4. She asked me if you have ever flown a kite.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **She asked me if I had ever flown a kite**.

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and 'if' will be used.
- The given question is an example of an Interrogative sentence, therefore, 'said to' will be changed into 'asked'.
- The pronoun 'you' will be changed to pronoun 'I'.
- In the given sentence, 'have + V₃' has been used, which implies that the indirect form should contain 'had + V₃'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **She asked me if I had ever flown a kite**.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **She asked me if I had ever flown a kite**.

**Comprehension :**

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Chanhudaro was a tiny settlement (less than 7 hectares) as compared to Mohenjodaro (125 hectares), almost exclusively devoted to craft production, including bead-making, shellcutting, metal-working, seal-making and weight-making. The variety of materials used to make beads is remarkable: stones like carnelian (of a beautiful red colour), jasper, crystal, quartz and steatite; metals like copper, bronze and gold; and shell, faience and terracotta or burnt clay. Some beads were made of two or more stones, cemented together, some of stone with gold caps. The shapes were numerous – disc shaped, cylindrical, spherical, barrel-shaped, segmented. Some were decorated by incising or painting, and some had designs etched onto them. Techniques for making beads differed according to the material. Steatite, a very soft stone, was easily worked. Some beads were moulded out of a paste made with steatite powder. This permitted making a variety of shapes, unlike the geometrical forms made out of harder stones. How the steatite micro bead was made remains a puzzle for archaeologists studying ancient technology. Archaeologists' experiments have revealed that the red colour of carnelian was obtained by firing the yellowish raw material and beads at various stages of production. Nodules were chipped into rough shapes, and then finely flaked into the final form. Grinding, polishing and finally drilling completed the process. Specialised drills have been found at Chanhudaro, Lothal and more recently at Dholavira. Nageshwar and Balakot, both settlements are near the coast. These were specialised centres for making shell objects – including bangles, ladles and inlay – which were taken to other settlements. Similarly, it is likely that finished products (such as beads) from Chanhudaro and Lothal were taken to the large urban centres such as Mohenjodaro and Harappa.

Question 51 :

According to the text, which of these crafts was Not practised in Chanhudaro?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 161 Seconds****Options :**

1. Seal making
2. Metal cutting
3. Paper making
4. Weight making

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **paper making**.

In the given paragraph, it is written that: "*Chanhudaro was a tiny settlement (less than 7 hectares) as compared to Mohenjodaro (125 hectares), almost exclusively devoted to craft production, including bead-making, shell cutting, metal-working, seal-making and weight-making.*"

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that paper making was not practised in Chanhudaro.



Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **paper making**.

Question 52 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A partner in crime

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. Agent
2. Amateur
3. Accomplice
4. Alibi

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given options:

- **Accomplice**- a person who helps another commit a crime.
- **Agent**- a person who acts on behalf of another person or group.
- **Amateur**- a person who engages in a pursuit, especially a sport, on an unpaid rather than a professional basis.
- **Alibi**- a claim or piece of evidence that one was elsewhere when an act, typically a criminal one, is alleged to have taken place.

Hence, from the given meanings, we find that **Accomplice** is the correct one-word substitute.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Accomplice**.

Question 53 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. Your lunch box has been packed by mother.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. Mother is packing your lunch box.
2. Mother has packed your lunch box.
3. Mother had packed your lunch box.
4. Mother will pack your lunch box.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Mother has packed your lunch box.**

Passive form: **Your lunch box has been packed by mother.**

- In the given sentence, '**has + been + V₃ i.e. packed**' has been used, which implies that the active form should contain '**has/have + V₃ i.e. packed**'.
- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Remove the word 'by' when converting into active form.
- Lastly, as "Mother" is a singular subject, therefore, '**has**' will be used.

The active form will be: **Mother has packed your lunch box.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Mother has packed your lunch box.**

Question 54 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. The policeman warned us not to block the traffic.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. The policeman said to us, "We should not block the traffic."
2. The policeman said to us, "Do not block the traffic."
3. The policeman said to us, "Let us not block the traffic."
4. The policeman said to us, "You did not block the traffic."

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **The policeman said to us, "Do not block the traffic."**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will be used.
- An imperative sentence always indicates a command, request, or advise. So, we have to use appropriate verb according to command, request, or advise.
- If the Reported Speech is Negative, the word 'not' is used in direct narration.
- The reporting verb 'warned' is used in 'direct' speech, therefore, "do not" is used as a command or entreaty not to do something.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **The policeman said to us, "Do not block the traffic."**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **The policeman said to us, "Do not block the traffic."**

Question 55 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. Dr Prince became aware of a small figure standing in the aisle beside his seat. B. "Won't your mother be wondering where you are?" he asked her. C. He brought his eyes into focus and saw that it was a girl of seven or eight. D. She was staring at him steadily with large blue eyes

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 104 Seconds

Options :

1. ACDB
2. BDAC
3. CDBA
4. ABCD

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- Here, in the given question only sentence A can be the first sentence because it is the start of an incident and 'Dr. Prince' is a noun.
- Also, sentence C is connected with sentence A, as sentence C describes 'Dr. Prince' saw a girl of seven or eight.
- And sentence D explains how that girl was staring at him or what she was doing.
- Lastly, sentence B will be used, because, what 'Dr. Prince' asked that Girl is shown.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 1** i.e. **ACDB**.

The paragraph is: **Dr Prince became aware of a small figure standing in the aisle beside his seat. He brought his eyes into focus and saw that it was a girl of seven or eight. She was staring at him steadily with large blue eyes. "Won't your mother be wondering where you are?" he asked her.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **ACDB**.

Question 56 :

Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. CRUCIAL

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 98 Seconds

Options :

1. Trivial
2. Urgent
3. Stable
4. Essential

Solution :

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

- The word '**Crucial**' means '**extremely important**'.

For example: *Early diagnosis of the illness is crucial for successful treatment.*

- The most appropriate antonym of the given word is '**Trivial**' which means '**of little importance; not worth considering**'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Trivial**.

Question 57 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. The venue for the wedding have not been finalised yet.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. for the wedding
2. The venue
3. have not been
4. finalised yet

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **have not yet**.

- The error lies in the option 3 due to the wrong usage of subject-verb agreement.
- In the given sentence the main subject is 'the venue' and it is singular.
- Therefore, a singular helping verb should be used.



Thus, the sentence can be corrected by using the singular verb **'has'** to maintain subject-verb agreement.

The correct sentence will be:- **The venue for the wedding has not been finalized yet.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **have not yet.**

Question 58 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A very large impressive residence

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. Cottage
2. Cabin
3. Igloo
4. Mansion

Solution :

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

The word **'Mansion'** means **'a very large, expensive house'**.

For example: *The street is lined with enormous mansions where the rich and famous live.*

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

Question 59 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. I have been working with children before, so I know what to expect.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. have worked
2. am working
3. work
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **have worked**.

- The error lies in the option 1 due to the wrong usage of tense.
- Here, 'have been working' is wrongly used because we know that present perfect continuous tense is used when we talk about an action that began in the past and continues in the present. And may also continue in the future.
- Here, the given sentence is not continuous. And the action is no longer being performed.
- Hence, the tense shall be present perfect tense.

The correct sentence will be:- **I have worked with children before, so I know what to expect.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **have worked**.

Question 60 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. They are making elaborate arrangements for the party.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. Elaborate arrangements have been made for the party.
2. Elaborate arrangements were being made for the party.
3. Elaborate arrangements are made for the party.
4. Elaborate arrangements are being made for the party.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Elaborate arrangements are being made for the party.**

Active form: **They are making elaborate arrangements for the party.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Now, convert the main verb into its past participle or third form while converting from active to passive voice.
- Use the word "by" before the subject in the passive sentence.
- However, the subject 'they' will not be used as 'by them' because it becomes the hidden subject here. This is so because here the action is the central focus and the actor can be any unknown/general entity.

Now, the given sentence is in present continuous tense. When the active form is in "**is/are/am + V1 + ing**" form then the



passive voice should follow the format "is/are/am + being + V₃" form.

The passive form will be: **Elaborate arrangements are being made for the party.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Elaborate arrangements are being made for the party.**

Question 61 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. They will lay the foundation stone next week.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 105 Seconds

Options :

1. The foundation stone is being laid by them next week.
2. The foundation stone will be laying by next week.
3. The foundation stone will be laid by them next week.
4. The foundation stone will have been laid by them next week.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The foundation stone will be laid by them next week.**

Active form: **They will lay the foundation stone next week.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Now, convert the main verb into its past participle or third form while converting from active to passive voice.
- Use the word "by" before the subject in the passive sentence.
- 'Will lay' will be changed into 'will be laid' because of subject-verb agreement.
- 'They' will be changed to 'them'.

The passive form will be: **The foundation stone will be laid by them next week.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The foundation stone will be laid by them next week.**

Question 62 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. So, those subjected to make-up had to face a fiery misery. B. There were lights at all angles and around half a dozen large mirrors in the room. C. The make-up room had the look of a hair-cutting salon. D. They were all incandescent lights.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 99 Seconds

Options :



DCAB

2. ADBC

3. BADC

4. CBDA

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- Sentence C will be the first sentence. It tells about the make-up room.
- Sentence B will be the next sentence because sentence B explains 'How the make-up room looks'.
- Sentence D further explains the lights 'the make-up room'.
- Lastly, sentence A will be used because it explains a result of the fact stated in sentence D.

The paragraph is: **The make-up room had the look of a hair-cutting salon. There were lights at all angles and around half a dozen large mirrors in the room. They were all incandescent lights. So, those subjected to make-up had to face a fiery misery.**

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

Question 63 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. My neighbour said to me, "Hello! How are you?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. My neighbour said hello and asked how are you.
2. My neighbour greeted me and asked how I was.
3. My neighbour said hello and asked how were I.
4. My neighbour greeted me and asked how was I.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **My neighbour greeted me and asked how I was.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted.
- In the given sentence rules of both 'Optative and Interrogative' will apply.
- The sentence that has the notion of 'wish, pray, curse, bless, etc. are called Optative Sentences. Here, in the given sentence 'said to' will be changed into 'greeted'.
- Further, 'asked' will be added, the given sentence is an example of an interrogative sentence.
- 'And' conjunction will be added to make a meaningful sentence.
- In the reporting speech, the verb 'are' will be changed to 'was' when converting into indirect speech.
- 'You' will be changed into 'I'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **My neighbour greeted me and asked how I was.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **My neighbour greeted me and asked how I was.**

Question 64 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. She had never seen so large and so golden an apple. B. Hilda was passing through an orchard when an apple fell at her feet. C. So, she wrapped it in her handkerchief and carried it home to store it in her drawer. D. She held it carefully in her clasped hands and thought it would be a pity to eat it.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 107 Seconds

Options :

1. ABCD
2. BADC
3. BCAD
4. DACB

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- In the given question sentence B will be the first sentence because it is the starting of an incident and 'Hilda' is a noun as well.
- Sentence B talks about 'Hilda' passing through an orchard and falling of an apple at her feet and sentence A

describes that apple. Therefore, sentence B will be followed by sentence A.

- Sentence D will come next because sentence A talks about an apple and sentence D talks about her taking that apple in her hand.
- Lastly, sentence C will be used because tells what Hilda did with the apple after holding it in her hands.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 2** i.e. **BADC**.

The paragraph is: **Hilda was passing through an orchard when an apple fell at her feet. She had never seen such a large and so golden an apple. She held it carefully in her clasped hands and thought it would be a pity to eat it. So, she wrapped it in her handkerchief and carried it home to store it in her drawer.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **BADC**.

Question 65 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. The state of being married to one person at a time

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 106 Seconds

Options :

1. Monogamy
2. Polygamy
3. Homogamy
4. Bigamy

Solution :

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

The word '**Monogamy**' means '**the fact or custom of having a single relationship or marriage with only one other person at a time**'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Monogamy**.

Question 66 :

Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word. EFFICIENCY

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 43 Seconds

Options :

1. Disability
2. Capability



Fluency

4. Tendency

Solution :

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

- The word 'Efficiency' means 'the condition or fact of producing the results you want without waste, or a particular way in which this is done'.
- The most appropriate synonym of the given word is 'Capability' which means 'the ability or power to do something'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Capability**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A raptor's day begins soon after dawn. They (1)_____ their wings for a quick warm-up and are ready for the hunt. Nature (2)_____ these birds so well that they do not need to hunt every day. By (3)_____ a good kill on a particular day, the larger raptor can go without hunting (4)_____ two or three weeks. These predators can do without regular meals. This helps them to (5)_____ if there is bad weather or lack of food

Question 67 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :

1. fling
2. flap
3. flee
4. flow

Solution :

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

Let's see the meanings of the given words:

- fling- to throw somebody/something suddenly and carelessly or with great force.
- flap- the action of a bird waving its wings when flying, or of something else moving in this way.
- flee- to run away or escape from something
- flow- a steady, continuous movement of something/somebody.



The birds usually move their wings up and down before getting ready to fly. Therefore, in the given question, the word 'flap' is the correct choice in the given blank.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **flap**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her.

Question 68 :

At what age did Sulekha damage her brain?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 173 Seconds

Options :

1. Ten months
2. Five years
3. Sevean years
4. Two years

Solution :



The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Ten months**.

In the given passage, it is mentioned that *"When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Sulekha damaged her brain when she was ten months old.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Ten months**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her.

Question 69 :

What did the small pox attack do to Sulekha?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 165 Seconds

Options :

1. It made her look ugly.
2. It made her dull.
3. It damaged her speech.



It damaged her eyes.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **It made her look ugly.**

In the given passage, it is mentioned that *"But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that small pox made Sulekha look ugly.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **It made her look ugly.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her.

Question 70 :

Sulekha came to be called Bholi because she was:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 170 Seconds

Options :

1. not very intelligent



fair and pretty

3. healthy and strong

4. the youngest daughter

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **not very intelligent**.

In the given passage, it is mentioned that *"When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Sulekha was known as Bholi due to the lack of intelligence.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **not very intelligent**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her."

Question 71 :

How was Ramlal expected to set an example for the villagers?

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 173 Seconds****Options :**

1. By treating Bholi as an equal
2. By marrying off his daughters at an early age
3. By sending his daughters to school
4. By sending his sons to school

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **By sending his daughters to school.**

In the given passage, it is mentioned that "He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school."

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Ramlal could set an example by sending his daughters to school.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **By sending his daughters to school.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense.



Let the teachers at school worry about her.

Question 72 :

Why was Ramlal worried about Bholi?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 175 Seconds

Options :

1. She was too old to get married
2. It would be difficult to arrange her marriage
3. It was difficult to comprehend her speech.
4. She was not willing to get educated.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **It would be difficult to arrange her marriage.**

In the given passage, it is mentioned that *"Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi."*

Upon perusal of the above statements, it can be concluded that because of Bholi's looks it would be difficult to arrange her marriage.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **It would be difficult to arrange her marriage.**

Question 73 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order A. Soon, Mahima's castle was ready. B. As for Sudhir's castle, even the walls weren't ready yet. C. It was beautiful with big and small domes and arches. D. Sudhir and Mahima settled down on the sand and each began to make a separate castle

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

Options :

1. CBDA
2. ABDC
3. DBCA
4. DACB

**Solution :**

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- **Sentence D** introduces us to the vague subjects 'Sudhir and Mahima'. It is the introductory sentence and will be put in the first place.
- **Sentence A** tells us about the completion of Mahima's castle. It will be put in second place.
- **Sentence C** tells us about the specifications of the castle of Mahima. So it will follow Sentence A.
- The last **sentence** is **B** as it mentions the progress of the castle of Sudhir.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 4** i.e. **DACB**.

The paragraph is: **Sudhir and Mahima settled down on the sand and each began to make a separate castle. Soon, Mahima's castle was ready. It was beautiful with big and small domes and arches. As for Sudhir's castle, even the walls weren't ready yet.**

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

Question 74 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. He loses his tempers on the slightest provocation.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 98 Seconds

Options :

1. He loses
2. his tempers on
3. the slightest
4. provocation

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **his tempers on**.

- The error lies in the option 2 due to the wrong usage of plural form.
- There are some uncountable nouns which don't take the articles 'a/an' and plural form. For example, furniture, scenery, luggage, temper, hair, knowledge, equipment, pottery, music, jewellery, etc.



So, the word '**temper**' will be used instead of '**tempers**' as per the rule given above.

The correct sentence will be:-

He loses his temper on the slightest provocation.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **his tempers on**.

Question 75 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. The _____ chair was discarded by the tenant.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :

1. broke
2. broken
3. broking
4. break

Solution :

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

The verb **break** means **separate or cause to separate into pieces as a result of a blow, shock, or strain**.

But the given statement is in past tense, so the past participle of the verb i.e. **broken** will be used.

The sentence is: **The broken chair was discarded by the tenant.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **broken**.

Question 76 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. I will not go to the party lest you will promise to accompany me.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. until you should
2. if you will
3. No improvement



unless you

Solution :

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

- The error lies in the option 4 due to the wrong usage of the conjunction.
- In the given sentence, the use of the conjunction 'lest' is incorrect. The conjunction 'lest' means with the intention of preventing something undesirable; to avoid the risk of.
- The conjunction '**unless**' should be used in place of 'lest' as per the context of the sentence. The conjunction 'unless' means except if (used to introduce the case in which a statement being made is not true or valid).
- 'Unless' is followed by a present tense, a past tense, or a past perfect tense (never by a conditional).
- The given sentence is the first conditional sentence, therefore the format should be **unless + present tense**.
- Therefore, the use of the verb 'will' is superfluous and it should be removed from the sentence.

The correct sentence will be:-

I will not go to the party unless you promise to accompany me.

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

Question 77 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. The landlord said to me, "Did you pay the water bill on time?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 90 Seconds

Options :

1. The landlord asked me did I paid the water bill on time.
2. The landlord asked me if I had paid the water bill on time
3. The landlord asked to me that did I pay the water bill on time.
4. The landlord asked me if I paid the water bill on time.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **The landlord asked me if I had paid the water bill on time**.

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and 'if' will be used.
- When the direct speech is in an interrogative form, the reporting verb said to is converted into asked.



Past simple tense i.e. 'did pay' in direct speech changes to past perfect in indirect speech i.e. 'I paid'.

- Further, the pronoun 'you' will be changed to 'I'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **The landlord asked me if I had paid the water bill on time.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **The landlord asked me if I had paid the water bill on time.**

Question 78 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. The artists will arrive _____ an hour

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 89 Seconds

Options :

1. within
2. before
3. between
4. along

Solution :

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

The preposition **within** means **in a period not longer than a particular length of time**.

As per the context of the sentence, the artists are going to reach in or earlier than an hour. So, we find that **within** is the correct choice.

Correct Sentence: **The artists will arrive within an hour.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **within**.

Question 79 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. One who does not care for art or literature

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. Pessimist
2. Philatelist
3. Philistine
4. Plagiarist

**Solution :**

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **Philistine**- a person who is hostile or indifferent to culture and the arts, or who has no understanding of them.
- **Pessimist**- a person who tends to see the worst aspect of things or believe that the worst will happen.
- **Philatelist**- one who collects or studies stamps.
- **Plagiarist**- a person who uses another person's ideas or work and pretends that it is their own.

Thus, from the given meanings, we find that **Philistine** is the correct one-word substitute.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Philistine**.

Question 80 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. Mummy struggled to pull them apart and finally succeeded. B. She tried to get them to make up but they did not listen. C. It was a fierce fight, of course. D. The two children scratched and hit each other

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 78 Seconds

Options :

1. ACBD
2. DBAC
3. CBDA
4. CDAB

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- Sentence C introduces us to the subject 'fight'. So, **sentence C** is the first sentence after rearrangement.
- **Sentence D** tells us about the two children and their spat. It will be put in second place.
- **Sentence A** tells us about the mother's successful intervention to end their quarrel. It will be put in third place.
- The **last sentence is B** as it mentions the mother's attempt at the reconciliation between her children.

Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 4** i.e. **CDAB**.

The paragraph is: **It was a fierce fight, of course. The two children scratched and hit each other. Mummy struggled to pull them apart and finally succeeded. She tried to get them to make up but they did not listen.**

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

Question 81 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. Harsh has applied for leave.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 94 Seconds

Options :

1. Leave had been applied by Harsh.
2. Leave was applied by Harsh.
3. Leave has been applied for by Harsh.
4. Leave is applied for by Harsh.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Leave has been applied for by Harsh**.

Active form: **Harsh has applied for leave.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- In the given sentence, '**has + V₃ i.e. applied**' has been used, which implies that the passive form should contain '**has/have + been + V₃ i.e. applied**'.
- Use the word "by" before the subject in the passive sentence.

The passive form will be: **Leave has been applied for by Harsh.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Leave has been applied for by Harsh**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

**Question 82 :**

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 103 Seconds

Options :

1. asset
2. worth
3. credit
4. value

Solution :

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

Let's see the meanings of the given words:

- **Asset:** something that is owned by a person, company, or organization, such as money, property, or land.
- **Worth:** to be important or useful to have or do; having a particular value (in money); used as a way of recommending or advising.
- **Credit:** a method of paying for goods or services at a later time, usually paying interest as well as the original money; praise or approval, esp. to recognize achievement.
- **Value:** the amount of money that something is worth; the importance or worth of something for someone.

The phrase '*be worth something*' means *to be important or interesting enough to be a reason for doing something*. In the current scenario, the adjective '**worth**' is the correct choice in the given blank.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **worth**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 83 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 104 Seconds

Options :

1. **asset**
2. **worth**
3. **credit**
4. **value**

Solution :

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

Let's see the meanings of the given words:

- **Asset:** something that is owned by a person, company, or organization, such as money, property, or land.
- **Worth:** to be important or useful to have or do; having a particular value (in money); used as a way of recommending or advising.
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The phrase '*be worth something*' means *to be important or interesting enough to be a reason for doing something*. In the current scenario, the adjective '**worth**' is the correct choice in the given blank.

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Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 84 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 2

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 104 Seconds

Options :

1. **wide**
2. **tall**



short

4. narrow

Solution :

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

In the given blank, since 'market' is a place where vendors convene to sell their goods, therefore, we need an adjective that includes a range or variety of different products.

Now, let's look at the meanings of the given words:

- **wide**- including many types of things or covering a large area.
- **tall**- of more than average height, or of a particular height.
- **short**- having little length, distance, or height.
- **narrow**- limited to a small area of interest, activity, or thought.

In the current blank, the adjective "wide" fits best.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **wide**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 85 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 94 Seconds

Options :

1. Debating
2. Bargaining
3. Fighting
4. Snatching

Solution :



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

When one goes to the market to shop anything, negotiating with the dealer or shopkeeper is an integral part of the process.

Therefore, in the current blank, the word 'Bargaining' is the correct choice.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Bargaining**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 86 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. case
2. contract
3. pact
4. deal

Solution :

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

When the dealer and the shopper agree on the common price of a commodity, it gives satisfaction to the customer.

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **case:** a particular situation or example of something.
- **contract:** to make a written legal agreement with somebody to do something.
- **pact:** a formal agreement between two people or groups of people.
- **deal:** to do business, especially buying and selling goods.

In the given question, the word 'deal' is the correct answer.

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

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 87 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 5.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 90 Seconds

Options :

1. improvement
2. creation
3. exertion
4. achievement

Solution :

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

As per the context of the sentence, a housewife feels good after succeeding in doing something very good and difficult.

Now, let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **improvement**: the process of making something better or of getting better.
- **creation**: the act of creating something, or the thing that is created.
- **exertion**: the use of a lot of mental or physical effort.
- **achievement**: something very good and difficult that you have succeeded in doing.

After going through the meanings of the words, the word 'achievement' fits best according to the context of the sentence.

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

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the

necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 88 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 6.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 95 Seconds****Options :**

1. to
2. of
3. in
4. at

Solution :

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

The preposition 'to' is used to identify the person or thing affected of-expressing the relationship between a part and a whole. Thus, the phrase 'bring a smile to somebody's lips/face' means 'to make someone smile'.

For example: *Her words brought a sudden smile to his lips.*

So, the correct preposition for the given blank is 'to'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **to**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 89 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 7.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 80 Seconds****Options :**

parts

2. steps

3. tours

4. walks

Solution :

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

The idiom 'all walks of life' means 'people of all ethnicities and socio-economic classes'.

For example: *The primary focus of our club is to bring together people from all walks of life.*

So, the word 'walks' fits best in the given blank.

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

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 90 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 8.

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. rub

2. swipe

3. join

4. pat

Solution :

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

The phrase 'rub shoulders with' means 'to meet and spend time with someone'.

For example: *She claims that she rubs shoulders with royalty all the time.*

So, the word 'rub' fits best in the given blank.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **rub**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 91 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 9.

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. custom
2. system
3. pattern
4. schedule

Solution :

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

As per the context of the sentence, people take out time of their busy day-to-day plans or timetable.

Therefore, in the current scenario, the word 'schedule' is the correct choice for the given blank.

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

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

**Question 92 :**

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 10

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. exchange
2. return
3. transfer
4. displace

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **Exchange:** the act of giving something to someone and them giving you something else.
- **Return:** an occasion when someone goes or comes back to a place where they were before.
- **Transfer:** to move someone or something from one place, vehicle, person, or group to another.
- **Displace:** to force something out of its usual or original position.

The word 'exchange' best fits in the given blank, as exchanging greeting with someone means 'something friendly or polite that you say or do when you meet or welcome someone'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **exchange**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A market place is always abuzz with activity. It is especially (1)_____ a visit in the evenings. A (2)_____ range of items are on display. (3)_____ and getting a satisfactory (4)_____ give the necessary sense of (5)_____ to the bored housewife and bring a smile (6)_____ her face. People from all (7)_____ of life, rich and poor, (8)_____ shoulders with each other. From their busy (9)_____, here people find time to (10)_____ a greeting with friends or neighbours.

Question 93 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 10.

Average Time : 88 Seconds

Options :

exchange

2. return
3. transfer
4. displace

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **Exchange:** the act of giving something to someone and them giving you something else.
- **Return:** an occasion when someone goes or comes back to a place where they were before.
- **Transfer:** to move someone or something from one place, vehicle, person, or group to another.
- **Displace:** to force something out of its usual or original position.

The word 'exchange' best fits in the given blank, as exchanging greeting with someone means 'something friendly or polite that you say or do when you meet or welcome someone'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **exchange**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____ are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 94 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

Options :

1. stamina
2. life
3. spirit
4. soul

**Solution :**

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

Let's look at the meanings of the given words:

- **stamina**- the ability to sustain prolonged physical or mental effort.
- **life**- the quality that people, animals or plants have when they are not dead.
- **spirit**- the quality of courage, energy, and determination or assertiveness.
- **soul**- the spiritual or immaterial part of a human being or animal, regarded as immortal.

As per the context of the sentence, a no-examination policy would bring an end to the competitive perseverance among the students.

Thus, the correct word is 'spirit', according to the context of the sentence.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **spirit**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____ are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 95 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

Options :

1. important
2. applicable
3. convenient
4. auspicious

Solution :

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

Let's look at the meanings of the given words:

- **important**- of great significance or value; likely to have a profound effect on success, survival, or well-being.

applicable- relevant or appropriate.

- **convenient**- suitable or practical for a particular purpose; not causing difficulty.
- **auspicious**-conducive to success; favorable.

As per the context of the sentence, encouraging healthy competition is very crucial in today's age. Thus, the correct word is 'important', according to the context of the sentence.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **important**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____ are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 96 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. times
2. season
3. period
4. term

Solution :

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

Let's see the meanings of the given words:

- **times**- the indefinite continued progress of existence and events in the past, present, and future regarded as a whole.
- **season**- a fixed time in the year when a particular sport is played.
- **period**- a length or portion of time.
- **term**-language used on a particular occasion, a way of expressing oneself.

The term 'in today's times/age' means 'at the present time'. Thus, the correct word is 'times', according to the context of the sentence.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **times**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____ are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 97 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 5.

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. in
2. between
3. on
4. among

Solution :

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

The preposition 'in' is used:

- Used for unspecific times during a day, month, season, year.
- Used to indicate a location or place.
- Used to indicate a shape, color, or size.
- Used to express while doing something.
- Used to indicate a belief, opinion, interest, or feeling.

The phrase 'in someone's absence' means 'while someone is away'. So, the correct preposition will be 'in', which is best suited in the given blank.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **in**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____



are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 98 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 6

Average Time : 77 Seconds

Options :

1. that
2. which
3. those
4. these

Solution :

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

The pronouns that connect a clause or phrase to a noun or a pronoun, is called a relative pronoun. The most common relative pronouns are: who, whom, whose, which, that.

For example: *We don't know the person who donated this money.*

We use 'those' in relative clauses referring to the more distant of two things near to the speaker. Therefore, as per the rule given above, 'those' will be used in the blank part of the sentence.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **those**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____ are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 99 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 8

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 82 Seconds

Options :

encourage

2. recover

3. improve

4. reform

Solution :

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

Let's see the meanings of the given words:

- **encourage**- to give hope, support or confidence to somebody.
- **recover**- to become well again after you have been ill; to find or get back something that was lost or stolen.
- **improve**- to become or to make something better.
- **reform**- to improve your behaviour; to make somebody do this; to change a system, the law, etc. in order to make it better.

As per the context of the sentence, the students who need to be better will not be able to know the valuable assessment of their knowledge. Therefore, in the given question, the verb 'improve' is the correct choice for the given blank.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **improve**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A no-examination policy would kill the competitive (1)_____ among the students. It is (2)_____ to encourage healthy competition in today's (3)_____ where all admissions and job (4)_____ are based on elimination. Also, (5)_____ the total absence of examinations, (6)_____ who truly deserve may not get fair (7)_____, while those who need to (8)_____ may not get the right (9)_____. Moreover, examinations help to assess the (10)_____ of teaching.

Question 100 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 9.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 98 Seconds

Options :

1. decision
2. agreement
3. settlement



feedback

Solution :

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

Let's see the meanings of the given words:

- **decision**- a choice or judgement that you make after thinking about various possibilities.
- **agreement**- a contract or decision that two or more people have made together.
- **settlement**- an official agreement that ends an argument; the act of reaching an agreement.
- **feedback**- information or comments about something that you have done which tells you how good or bad it is.

As per the context of the sentence, the students who need to be better will not be able to know the valuable assessment of their knowledge. Therefore, in the given question, the noun 'feedback' is the correct choice in the given blank.

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

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A raptor's day begins soon after dawn. They (1)_____ their wings for a quick warm-up and are ready for the hunt. Nature (2)_____ these birds so well that they do not need to hunt every day. By (3)_____ a good kill on a particular day, the larger raptor can go without hunting (4)_____ two or three weeks. These predators can do without regular meals. This helps them to (5)_____ if there is bad weather or lack of food

Question 101 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 99 Seconds

Options :

1. has build
2. has built
3. have built
4. have build

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **has built**.

The present perfect tense is a verb tense that shows an action or state that either occurred at an indefinite time in the past or began in the past and continued to the present time. The structure of sentence using present perfect tense is given below:

Subject + has/have + past participle + Object.

In the given blank, we need to follow the structure in the form. So, according to the rule given above, 'has built' is the most appropriate choice as the subject 'nature' is singular.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **has built**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A raptor's day begins soon after dawn. They (1)_____ their wings for a quick warm-up and are ready for the hunt. Nature (2)_____ these birds so well that they do not need to hunt every day. By (3)_____ a good kill on a particular day, the larger raptor can go without hunting (4)_____ two or three weeks. These predators can do without regular meals. This helps them to (5)_____ if there is bad weather or lack of food

Question 102 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 3

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 90 Seconds

Options :

1. talking
2. having
3. doing
4. making

Solution :

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

The idiom 'making a killing' means 'to earn a lot of money/resources in a short time and with little effort'.

For example: *They made a killing with the sale of their London house.*

Therefore, in the given question, the word 'making' is the correct choice for the given blank.

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

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A raptor's day begins soon after dawn. They (1)_____ their wings for a quick warm-up and are ready for the hunt. Nature (2)_____ these birds so well that they do not need to hunt every day. By (3)_____ a good kill on a particular day, the larger raptor can go without hunting (4)_____ two or three weeks. These predators can do without regular meals. This helps them to (5)_____ if there is bad weather or lack of food

**Question 103 :**

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 4

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. in
2. for
3. since
4. from

Solution :

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

We use the preposition 'for' in the following cases:

- Used to indicate the use of something.
- Used to mean because of.
- Used to indicate time or duration.

As per the context of the sentence, the raptors can manage without food for a particular period of time. Thus, we find that the preposition 'for' is the correct choice here.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **for**.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number. A raptor's day begins soon after dawn. They (1)_____ their wings for a quick warm-up and are ready for the hunt. Nature (2)_____ these birds so well that they do not need to hunt every day. By (3)_____ a good kill on a particular day, the larger raptor can go without hunting (4)_____ two or three weeks. These predators can do without regular meals. This helps them to (5)_____ if there is bad weather or lack of food

Question 104 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 5.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 82 Seconds

Options :

1. survive
2. satisfy



saturate

4. support

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **survive**- to continue to live or exist in or after a difficult or dangerous situation.
- **satisfy**- to make somebody pleased by doing or giving him/her what he/she wants.
- **saturate**- to make something extremely wet; to fill something so completely that it is impossible to add any more.
- **support**- help and encouragement that you give to a person or thing; to help somebody by saying that you agree with him/her/it, and sometimes giving practical help such as money.

As per the context of the sentence, the raptors can manage without food in case of bad weather or scarcity of food. Thus, we find that the verb 'survive' is the correct choice here.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **survive**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was first and foremost a poet. As one of the earliest educators to think in terms of the global village, he envisioned an education that was deeply rooted in one's immediate surroundings but connected to the cultures of the wider world. Located in the heart of nature, the school aimed to combine education with a sense of obligation towards the larger civic community. Blending the best of western and traditional eastern systems of education, the curriculum revolved organically around nature with classes being held in the open air. Tagore wanted his students to feel free despite being in the formal learning environment of a school, because he himself had dropped out of school when he found himself unable to think and felt claustrophobic within the four walls of a classroom. Nature walks and excursions were a part of the curriculum, special attention was paid to natural phenomena and students were encouraged to follow the life cycles of insects, birds



and plants. The rural paradise of Santiniketan, Tagore's erstwhile home, has become a thriving centre of art, education and internationalism over the years

Question 105 :

Rabindranath was a 'formidable' literary force. This implies he was:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 189 Seconds

Options :

1. an orthodox educationist
2. an avid reader of books
3. a wealthy landowner
4. a powerful writer

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **a powerful writer**.

The word '**formidable**' means '*causing you to have fear or respect for something or someone because that thing or person is large, powerful, or difficult*'.

Example: *He worked in the property business for a number of years, acquiring a reputation as a formidable wheeler-dealer.*

Thus, the term 'formidable' implies that Rabindranath was a powerful writer.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **a powerful writer**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was

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Question 106 :

What does the name Santiniketan mean?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 168 Seconds

Options :

1. Above of love
2. Abode of peace
3. Above of culture
4. Above of learning

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Abode of peace**.

In the given paragraph, it is written that: "*Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul.*"

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that '*Santiniketan*' means '*abode of peace*'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Abode of peace**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a



landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was first and foremost a poet. As one of the earliest educators to think in terms of the global village, he envisioned an education that was deeply rooted in one's immediate surroundings but connected to the cultures of the wider world. Located in the heart of nature, the school aimed to combine education with a sense of obligation towards the larger civic community. Blending the best of western and traditional eastern systems of education, the curriculum revolved organically around nature with classes being held in the open air. Tagore wanted his students to feel free despite being in the formal learning environment of a school, because he himself had dropped out of school when he found himself unable to think and felt claustrophobic within the four walls of a classroom. Nature walks and excursions were a part of the curriculum, special attention was paid to natural phenomena and students were encouraged to follow the life cycles of insects, birds and plants. The rural paradise of Santiniketan, Tagore's erstwhile home, has become a thriving centre of art, education and internationalism over the years

Question 107 :

When did Santiniketan grow into a university?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 166 Seconds****Options :**

1. In 1922
2. In 1863
3. In 1921
4. In 1862

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **In 1921**.

In the given paragraph, it is written that: "Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country."

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Santiniketan grow into a university in 1921.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **In 1921**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a



place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was first and foremost a poet. As one of the earliest educators to think in terms of the global village, he envisioned an education that was deeply rooted in one's immediate surroundings but connected to the cultures of the wider world. Located in the heart of nature, the school aimed to combine education with a sense of obligation towards the larger civic community. Blending the best of western and traditional eastern systems of education, the curriculum revolved organically around nature with classes being held in the open air. Tagore wanted his students to feel free despite being in the formal learning environment of a school, because he himself had dropped out of school when he found himself unable to think and felt claustrophobic within the four walls of a classroom. Nature walks and excursions were a part of the curriculum, special attention was paid to natural phenomena and students were encouraged to follow the life cycles of insects, birds and plants. The rural paradise of Santiniketan, Tagore's erstwhile home, has become a thriving centre of art, education and internationalism over the years

Question 108 :

The word 'unfettered' in the text suggests:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 164 Seconds

Options :

1. bound by religious beliefs
2. free from barriers
3. outside the classroom
4. restricted by regional differences

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **free from barriers**.

The word '*unfettered*' means '*not limited by rules or any other controlling influence*'.

Example: *Poets are unfettered by the normal rules of sentence structure.*



Thus, the word 'unfettered' in the text suggests '*free from barriers*'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **free from barriers**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was first and foremost a poet. As one of the earliest educators to think in terms of the global village, he envisioned an education that was deeply rooted in one's immediate surroundings but connected to the cultures of the wider world. Located in the heart of nature, the school aimed to combine education with a sense of obligation towards the larger civic community. Blending the best of western and traditional eastern systems of education, the curriculum revolved organically around nature with classes being held in the open air. Tagore wanted his students to feel free despite being in the formal learning environment of a school, because he himself had dropped out of school when he found himself unable to think and felt claustrophobic within the four walls of a classroom. Nature walks and excursions were a part of the curriculum, special attention was paid to natural phenomena and students were encouraged to follow the life cycles of insects, birds and plants. The rural paradise of Santiniketan, Tagore's erstwhile home, has become a thriving centre of art, education and internationalism over the years

Question 109 :

With what aim was Santiniketan established?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 164 Seconds

Options :

1. To nurture plants, birds and insects
2. To attract the most creative minds
3. To make it the perfect place for meditation
4. To encourage education outside the classroom

**Solution :**

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **To encourage education outside the classroom.**

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that the main aim behind the establishment of Santiniketan was to encourage education outside the classroom.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **To encourage education outside the classroom.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was first and foremost a poet. As one of the earliest educators to think in terms of the global village, he envisioned an education that was deeply rooted in one's immediate surroundings but connected to the cultures of the wider world. Located in the heart of nature, the school aimed to combine education with a sense of obligation towards the larger civic community. Blending the best of western and traditional eastern systems of education, the curriculum revolved organically around nature with classes being held in the open air. Tagore wanted his students to feel free despite being in the formal learning environment of a school, because he himself had dropped out of school when he found himself unable to think and felt claustrophobic within the four walls of a classroom. Nature walks and excursions were a part of the curriculum, special attention was paid to natural phenomena and students were encouraged to follow the life cycles of insects, birds and plants. The rural paradise of Santiniketan, Tagore's erstwhile home, has become a thriving centre of art, education and internationalism over the years

Question 110 :

Why did Rabindranath drop out of school?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 176 Seconds

Options :

1. He found the curriculum too tough.
2. He wanted a formal learning environment.
3. He felt stifled within the classroom.
4. He was not interested in studies

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **He felt stifled within the classroom.**

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"Tagore wanted his students to feel free despite being in the formal learning environment of a school, because he himself had dropped out of school when he found himself unable to think and felt claustrophobic within the four walls of a classroom."*

A claustrophobic place is small and closed, and makes you feel uncomfortable when you are in it. The synonym of the word **claustrophobic** is **stifled** which means to (cause to) be unable to breathe because you have no air.

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Rabindranath dropped out of school due to feeling constrained within the classroom.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **He felt stifled within the classroom.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was first and foremost a poet. As one of the earliest educators to think in terms of the global village, he envisioned an education that was deeply rooted in one's immediate surroundings but connected to the cultures of the wider world. Located in the heart of nature, the school aimed to combine education with a sense of obligation towards the larger civic community. Blending the best of western and traditional eastern systems of education, the curriculum revolved organically around nature with classes being held in the open air. Tagore wanted his students to feel free despite being in the formal learning environment of a school, because he himself had dropped out of school when he found himself unable to think

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Question 111 :

Tagore's 'erstwhile' home means:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 189 Seconds

Options :

1. serene abode
2. former home
3. rural retreat
4. magnificent house

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **former home**.

The word '*erstwhile*' means '*former or previous*'.

For example: *The border separated many schools and colleges from their erstwhile catchment areas.*

Thus '*Tagore's erstwhile home*' means **former home**.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **former home**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was



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Question 112 :

The curriculum designed for Santiniketan was a blend of:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 162 Seconds

Options :

1. spiritual and religious exchange
2. science and religion
3. human values, art and culture
4. western education and village practices

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **human values, art and culture.**

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"Blending the best of western and traditional eastern systems of education, the curriculum revolved organically around nature with classes being held in the open air..... Nature walks and excursions were a part of the curriculum, special attention was paid to natural phenomena and students were encouraged to follow the life cycles of insects, birds and plants."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that the curriculum was a blend of human values, art and culture.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **human values, art and culture.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and

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Question 113 :

Which of these statements about Santiniketan is NOT true?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 178 Seconds

Options :

1. Santiniketan is located in the western most part of Bengal.
2. Santiniketan grew into Visva Bharati university.
3. At Santiniketan, classes were held in the open air
4. Santiniketan was set up by Rabindranath Tagore.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Santiniketan was set up by Rabindranath Tagore.**

In the given paragraph, it is written that: "In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul."

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Santiniketan was set up by Debendranath Tagore. Thus, the statement given in option 4 is incorrect.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Santiniketan was set up by Rabindranath Tagore.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Santiniketan embodies Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a place of learning that is unfettered by religious and regional barriers. Established in 1863 with the aim of helping education go beyond the confines of the classroom, Santiniketan grew into the Visva Bharati University in 1921, attracting some of the most creative minds in the country. He developed a curriculum that was a unique blend of art, human values and cultural interchange. Even today, in every step, in every brick and in every tree at Santiniketan, one can still feel his presence, his passion, his dedication and his pride in the institution. In 1862, Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath, was taking a boat ride through Birbhum, the westernmost corner of Bengal, when he came across a landscape that struck him as the perfect place for meditation. He bought the large tract of land and built a small house and planted some saplings around it. Debendranath Tagore decided to call the place Santiniketan, or the 'abode of peace', because of the serenity it brought to his soul. In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation. In the years that followed, Debendranath's son Rabindranath went on to become one of the most formidable literary forces India has ever produced. He wrote in all literary genres but he was first and foremost a poet. As one of the earliest educators to think in terms of the global village, he envisioned an education that was deeply rooted in one's immediate surroundings but connected to the cultures of the wider world. Located in the heart of nature, the school aimed to combine education with a sense of obligation towards the larger civic community. Blending the best of western and traditional eastern systems of education, the curriculum revolved organically around nature with classes being held in the open air. Tagore wanted his students to feel free despite being in the formal learning environment of a school, because he himself had dropped out of school when he found himself unable to think and felt claustrophobic within the four walls of a classroom. Nature walks and excursions were a part of the curriculum, special attention was paid to natural phenomena and students were encouraged to follow the life cycles of insects, birds and plants. The rural paradise of Santiniketan, Tagore's erstwhile home, has become a thriving centre of art, education and internationalism over the years

Question 114 :

What did Santiniketan initially serve as?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 188 Seconds

Options :

1. A classroom
2. A summer house
3. A spiritual centre



A holiday report

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **A spiritual centre**.

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"In 1863, he turned it into a spiritual centre where people from all religions, castes and creeds came and participated in meditation."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Santiniketan initially served as a spiritual centre.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **A spiritual centre**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Plato is the earliest important educational thinker, and education is an essential element in 'The Republic' (his most important work on philosophy and political theory, written around 360 B.C.). In it, he advocates some rather extreme methods: removing children from their mothers' care and raising them as wards of the state, and differentiating children suitable to the various castes, the highest receiving the most education, so that they could act as guardians of the city and care for the less able. He believed that education should be holistic, including facts, skills, physical discipline, music and art. Plato believed that talent and intelligence is not distributed genetically and thus is to be found in children born to all classes, although his proposed system of selective public education for an educated minority of the population does not really follow a democratic model. Aristotle considered human nature, habit and reason to be equally important forces to be cultivated in education, the ultimate aim of which should be to produce good and virtuous citizens. He proposed that teachers lead their students systematically, and that repetition be used as a key tool to develop good habits, unlike Socrates' emphasis on questioning his listeners to bring out their own ideas. He emphasized the balancing of the theoretical and practical aspects of subjects taught, among which he explicitly mentions reading, writing, mathematics, music, physical education, literature, history, and a wide range of sciences, as well as play, which he also considered important.

Question 115 :

What tool does Aristotle advocate to teachers to develop good habits in students?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 123 Seconds

Options :

1. Writing
2. Reading
3. Questioning
4. Repetition

Solution :



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

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"He proposed that teachers lead their students systematically, and that repetition be used as a key tool to develop good habits, unlike Socrates' emphasis on questioning his listeners to bring out their own ideas."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that 'repetition' is the tool advocated by Aristotle to develop good habits in students.

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

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Plato is the earliest important educational thinker, and education is an essential element in 'The Republic' (his most important work on philosophy and political theory, written around 360 B.C.). In it, he advocates some rather extreme methods: removing children from their mothers' care and raising them as wards of the state, and differentiating children suitable to the various castes, the highest receiving the most education, so that they could act as guardians of the city and care for the less able. He believed that education should be holistic, including facts, skills, physical discipline, music and art. Plato believed that talent and intelligence is not distributed genetically and thus is be found in children born to all classes, although his proposed system of selective public education for an educated minority of the population does not really follow a democratic model. Aristotle considered human nature, habit and reason to be equally important forces to be cultivated in education, the ultimate aim of which should be to produce good and virtuous citizens. He proposed that teachers lead their students systematically, and that repetition be used as a key tool to develop good habits, unlike Socrates' emphasis on questioning his listeners to bring out their own ideas. He emphasized the balancing of the theoretical and practical aspects of subjects taught, among which he explicitly mentions reading, writing, mathematics, music, physical education, literature, history, and a wide range of sciences, as well as play, which he also considered important.

Question 116 :

Aristotle believed that virtuous citizens could be produced by cultivating:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 123 Seconds

Options :

1. art and music
2. habit and reason
3. mathematics and science
4. theoretical aspects of education

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **habit and reason**.



In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"Aristotle considered human nature, habit and reason to be equally important forces to be cultivated in education, the ultimate aim of which should be to produce good and virtuous citizens."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Aristotle believed that habit and reason were crucial factors in making virtuous citizens.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **habit and reason**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Chanhudaro was a tiny settlement (less than 7 hectares) as compared to Mohenjodaro (125 hectares), almost exclusively devoted to craft production, including bead-making, shellcutting, metal-working, seal-making and weight-making. The variety of materials used to make beads is remarkable: stones like carnelian (of a beautiful red colour), jasper, crystal, quartz and steatite; metals like copper, bronze and gold; and shell, faience and terracotta or burnt clay. Some beads were made of two or more stones, cemented together, some of stone with gold caps. The shapes were numerous – disc shaped, cylindrical, spherical, barrel-shaped, segmented. Some were decorated by incising or painting, and some had designs etched onto them. Techniques for making beads differed according to the material. Steatite, a very soft stone, was easily worked. Some beads were moulded out of a paste made with steatite powder. This permitted making a variety of shapes, unlike the geometrical forms made out of harder stones. How the steatite micro bead was made remains a puzzle for archaeologists studying ancient technology. Archaeologists' experiments have revealed that the red colour of carnelian was obtained by firing the yellowish raw material and beads at various stages of production. Nodules were chipped into rough shapes, and then finely flaked into the final form. Grinding, polishing and finally drilling completed the process. Specialised drills have been found at Chanhudaro, Lothal and more recently at Dholavira. Nageshwar and Balakot, both settlements are near the coast. These were specialised centres for making shell objects – including bangles, ladles and inlay – which were taken to other settlements. Similarly, it is likely that finished products (such as beads) from Chanhudaro and Lothal were taken to the large urban centres such as Mohenjodaro and Harappa.

Question 117 :

Which of these statements is NOT true?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 133 Seconds

Options :

1. Beads were made in numerous shapes and sizes.
2. Chanhudaro was exclusively devoted to craft production.
3. Carnelian is a beautiful reddish stone
4. Harappa and Mohenjodaro were large urban centres

Solution :



The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Carnelian is a beautiful reddish stone.**

In the given paragraph, it is written that: *"The variety of materials used to make beads is remarkable: stones like carnelian (of a beautiful red colour), jasper, crystal, quartz and steatite; metals like copper, bronze and gold; and shell, faience and terracotta or burnt clay."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Carnelian is a red-coloured stone.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Carnelian is a beautiful reddish stone.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Chanhudaro was a tiny settlement (less than 7 hectares) as compared to Mohenjodaro (125 hectares), almost exclusively devoted to craft production, including bead-making, shellcutting, metal-working, seal-making and weight-making. The variety of materials used to make beads is remarkable: stones like carnelian (of a beautiful red colour), jasper, crystal, quartz and steatite; metals like copper, bronze and gold; and shell, faience and terracotta or burnt clay. Some beads were made of two or more stones, cemented together, some of stone with gold caps. The shapes were numerous – disc shaped, cylindrical, spherical, barrel-shaped, segmented. Some were decorated by incising or painting, and some had designs etched onto them. Techniques for making beads differed according to the material. Steatite, a very soft stone, was easily worked. Some beads were moulded out of a paste made with steatite powder. This permitted making a variety of shapes, unlike the geometrical forms made out of harder stones. How the steatite micro bead was made remains a puzzle for archaeologists studying ancient technology. Archaeologists' experiments have revealed that the red colour of carnelian was obtained by firing the yellowish raw material and beads at various stages of production. Nodules were chipped into rough shapes, and then finely flaked into the final form. Grinding, polishing and finally drilling completed the process. Specialised drills have been found at Chanhudaro, Lothal and more recently at Dholavira. Nageshwar and Balakot, both settlements are near the coast. These were specialised centres for making shell objects – including bangles, ladles and inlay – which were taken to other settlements. Similarly, it is likely that finished products (such as beads) from Chanhudaro and Lothal were taken to the large urban centres such as Mohenjodaro and Harappa.

Question 118 :

Shell objects were mostly made at Nageshwar and Balakot because:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 141 Seconds

Options :

1. the women loved to wear bangles made of shells
2. shells were readily available in these coastal areas
3. shells were transported here from Lothal
4. specialised drills were found here

**Solution :**

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **shells were readily available in these coastal areas.**

In the given paragraph, it is written that: "*Nageshwar and Balakot, both settlements are near the coast. These were specialized centres for making shell objects - including bangles, ladles and inlay - which were taken to other settlements.*"

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that the reason shell objects were mostly made at Nageshwar and Balakot was, shells were readily available in these coastal areas.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **shells were readily available in these coastal areas.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Chanhudaro was a tiny settlement (less than 7 hectares) as compared to Mohenjodaro (125 hectares), almost exclusively devoted to craft production, including bead-making, shellcutting, metal-working, seal-making and weight-making. The variety of materials used to make beads is remarkable: stones like carnelian (of a beautiful red colour), jasper, crystal, quartz and steatite; metals like copper, bronze and gold; and shell, faience and terracotta or burnt clay. Some beads were made of two or more stones, cemented together, some of stone with gold caps. The shapes were numerous – disc shaped, cylindrical, spherical, barrel-shaped, segmented. Some were decorated by incising or painting, and some had designs etched onto them. Techniques for making beads differed according to the material. Steatite, a very soft stone, was easily worked. Some beads were moulded out of a paste made with steatite powder. This permitted making a variety of shapes, unlike the geometrical forms made out of harder stones. How the steatite micro bead was made remains a puzzle for archaeologists studying ancient technology. Archaeologists' experiments have revealed that the red colour of carnelian was obtained by firing the yellowish raw material and beads at various stages of production. Nodules were chipped into rough shapes, and then finely flaked into the final form. Grinding, polishing and finally drilling completed the process. Specialised drills have been found at Chanhudaro, Lothal and more recently at Dholavira. Nageshwar and Balakot, both settlements are near the coast. These were specialised centres for making shell objects – including bangles, ladles and inlay – which were taken to other settlements. Similarly, it is likely that finished products (such as beads) from Chanhudaro and Lothal were taken to the large urban centres such as Mohenjodaro and Harappa.

Question 119 :

Which of these stones is very soft and easy to mould?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 144 Seconds

Options :

1. jasper
2. Crystal
3. Steatite



Quartz

Solution :

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

In the given paragraph, it is written that: "*Steatite, a very soft stone, was easily worked.*"

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Steatite is very soft and easy to mould.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Steatite**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Chanhudaro was a tiny settlement (less than 7 hectares) as compared to Mohenjodaro (125 hectares), almost exclusively devoted to craft production, including bead-making, shellcutting, metal-working, seal-making and weight-making. The variety of materials used to make beads is remarkable: stones like carnelian (of a beautiful red colour), jasper, crystal, quartz and steatite; metals like copper, bronze and gold; and shell, faience and terracotta or burnt clay. Some beads were made of two or more stones, cemented together, some of stone with gold caps. The shapes were numerous – disc shaped, cylindrical, spherical, barrel-shaped, segmented. Some were decorated by incising or painting, and some had designs etched onto them. Techniques for making beads differed according to the material. Steatite, a very soft stone, was easily worked. Some beads were moulded out of a paste made with steatite powder. This permitted making a variety of shapes, unlike the geometrical forms made out of harder stones. How the steatite micro bead was made remains a puzzle for archaeologists studying ancient technology. Archaeologists' experiments have revealed that the red colour of carnelian was obtained by firing the yellowish raw material and beads at various stages of production. Nodules were chipped into rough shapes, and then finely flaked into the final form. Grinding, polishing and finally drilling completed the process. Specialised drills have been found at Chanhudaro, Lothal and more recently at Dholavira. Nageshwar and Balakot, both settlements are near the coast. These were specialised centres for making shell objects – including bangles, ladles and inlay – which were taken to other settlements. Similarly, it is likely that finished products (such as beads) from Chanhudaro and Lothal were taken to the large urban centres such as Mohenjodaro and Harappa.

Question 120 :

Which is the final process in the production of beads?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 124 Seconds

Options :

1. Polishing
2. Grinding
3. Drilling



Chipping

Solution :

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

In the given paragraph, it is written that: "*Grinding, polishing and finally drilling completed the process.*"

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that drilling is the final process in the production of beads.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Drilling**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her."

Question 121 :

Which of these statements is NOT true about Bholi?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 160 Seconds

Options :

1. She was seven when her eldest sister got married



She was neglected by her family.

3. She was a simpleton.

4. She was healthy and strong.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **She was healthy and strong.**

In the given passage, it is mentioned that *"All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Bholi was not strong and healthy, like her siblings. So, the statement given in option 4 is incorrect.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **She was healthy and strong.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her.

Question 122 :

Bholi's mother agreed to send her to school because:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 170 Seconds

**Options :**

1. she wanted to wash her hands off Bholi
2. she cared for Bholi's well-being
3. Bholi was neglected at home
4. she wanted to educate Bholi

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **she wanted to wash her hands off Bholi.**

In the given passage, it is mentioned that *"At last, his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her."*

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Bholi's mother wanted to get rid of her by sending Bholi to school. The idiom 'was her hands off' means 'to renounce, abandon, or distance oneself from someone or something'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **she wanted to wash her hands off Bholi.**

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her."

**Question 123 :**

The word 'disfigured' suggests that Bholi's looks were:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 186 Seconds

Options :

1. enhanced
2. impaired
3. improved
4. preserved

Solution :

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

The word '*disfigured*' means '*to spoil the appearance of somebody/something.*'

Now, let's see the meanings of the given words:

- **enhanced**- to improve something or to make something look better.
- **impaired**- to damage something or make it weaker.
- **improved**- to become or to make something better.
- **preserved**- to keep something safe or in good condition.

Thus, the term '**disfigured**' implies that Bholi's looks were **impaired** by smallpox.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **impaired**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms



for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her.

Question 124 :

Who was invited to inaugurate the girls' school?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 176 Seconds****Options :**

1. School Headmaster
2. Revenue official
3. Tehsildar
4. Village head

Solution :

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

In the given passage, it is mentioned that "*The Tehsildar Sahib came to perform its opening ceremony.*"

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that Tehsildar was invited to the opening ceremony of the primary school.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Tehsildar**.

Comprehension :

Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Her name was Sulekha, but since her childhood everyone had been calling her Bholi, the simpleton. She was the fourth daughter of Ramlal. When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton. At birth, the child was very fair and pretty. But when she was two years old, she had an attack of smallpox. Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pockmarks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five as she was a slow learner, and when at last she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little. Ramlal had seven children — three sons and four daughters, and the youngest of them was Bholi. It was a prosperous farmer's household and there was plenty to eat and drink. All the children except Bholi were healthy and



strong. The sons had been sent to the city to study in schools and later in colleges. Of the daughters, Radha, the eldest, had already been married. The second daughter Mangla's marriage had also been settled, and when that was done, Ramlal would think of the third, Champa. They were good-looking, healthy girls, and it was not difficult to find bridegrooms for them. But Ramlal was worried about Bholi. She had neither good looks nor intelligence. From her very childhood Bholi was neglected at home. She was seven years old when Mangla was married. The same year a primary school for girls was opened in their village. The Tehsildar sahib came to perform its opening ceremony. He said to Ramlal, "As a revenue official you are the representative of the government in the village and so you must set an example to the villagers. You must send your daughters to school." That night when Ramlal consulted his wife, she cried, "Are you crazy? If girls go to school, who will marry them?" But Ramlal had not the courage to disobey the Tehsildar. At last his wife said, "I will tell you what to do. Send Bholi to school. As it is, there is little chance of her getting married, with her ugly face and lack of sense. Let the teachers at school worry about her."

Question 125 :

'Backward child' in the passage means:

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 161 Seconds

Options :

1. belonging to an underprivileged community
2. mentally challenged
3. physically challenged
4. 1. belonging to a poor family

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **mentally challenged**.

In the given passage, it is mentioned that "*When she was ten months old, she had fallen off the cot on her head and perhaps it had damaged some part of her brain. That was why she remained a backward child and came to be known as Bholi, the simpleton.*"

Upon perusal of the above statement, it can be concluded that due to brain injury, Bholi was a backward child i.e. mentally challenged.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **mentally challenged**.

Question 126 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. Neither Sam nor I are interested in attending the meeting

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 64 Seconds



Options :

1. Neither Sam nor I
2. are interested
3. in attending
4. the meeting

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **are interested**.

- The error lies in the option 2 due to the wrong usage of subject-verb agreement.
- If the main subject is followed by the following words/phrases, the verb will conform to the nearest subject.
- In the second part of the given sentence, the auxiliary verb 'am' will be used as the nearest subject is singular.
- Thus, the sentence can be corrected by using the singular verb '**am**' to maintain subject-verb agreement.

The correct sentence will be:-

Neither Sam nor I am interested in attending the meeting.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **are interested**.

Question 127 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. Was your bag left in the bus?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. Did you left your bag in the bus?
2. Was you leaving your bag in the bus?
3. Have you left your bag in the bus?
4. Did you leave your bag in the bus?

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Did you leave your bag in the bus?**

Passive form: **Was your bag left in the bus?**

We need to follow these instructions while changing the voice of an interrogative sentence.



The inverted form of the verb i.e. 'Did' will commence the sentence.

- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- The given sentence is in the simple past tense.
- The active voice form for the simple past interrogative sentence: Helping verb (Did) + subject + V1+ object?

The active form will be: **Did you leave your bag in the bus?**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Did you leave your bag in the bus?**

Question 128 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A doctor who treats skin diseases

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. Ophthalmologist
2. Dermatologis
3. Cardiologist
4. Orthodontist

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given terms:

- **Dermatologist**- a medical practitioner qualified to diagnose and treat skin disorders.
- **Ophthalmologist**- a specialist in the branch of medicine concerned with the study and treatment of disorders and diseases of the eye.
- **Cardiologist**- a doctor who specializes in the study or treatment of heart diseases and heart abnormalities.
- **Orthodontist**- a dentist who is qualified to treat irregularities in the teeth and jaws.

Hence, from the given meanings, we find that **Dermatologist** is the correct one-word substitute.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Dermatologist**.

Question 129 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. The catch should not be dropped

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :



Have you dropped the catch?

- Let the catch not be dropped
- You would not drop the catch.
- Don't drop the catch.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Don't drop the catch.**

Passive form: **The catch should not be dropped.**

An imperative sentence does not normally have a subject. It is used to express a command or request.

The imperative sentence in the active voice takes the following form: V, + Object.

whereas in the passive voice, it takes the following form: Object + should be + V3.

Following the active voice form, we finally get- **Don't drop the catch.**

Hence, the **Option 4** i.e. **Don't drop the catch.**

Question 130 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. If the audit report shows anomalies, the finance manager will be brought to book.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

- held accountable
- rewarded suitably
- supported fully
- given a promotion

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **held accountable.**

The idiom '*brought to book*' means '*to punish someone and make that person explain their behaviour*'.

For example: *I'm really worried that I'll be brought to book for my outburst during the meeting. I just hope I don't get fired.*

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **held accountable.**

Question 131 :



Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. Laws and rules are made to safeguarding our rights and protect us

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. safeguarding our rights
2. Laws and rules
3. are made to
4. and protect us

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **safeguarding our rights**.

- The error lies in the option 1 due to the wrong usage of to-infinitive form.
- A to-infinitive is the 'to + the base form of the verb', e.g., to sing, to dance, etc.
- According to the rule, 'to safeguard' will be used in the sentence.

The correct sentence will be: **Laws and rules are made to safeguard our rights and protect us.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **safeguarding our rights**.

Question 132 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A place where gambling games are played

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. Casino
2. Arena
3. Stadium
4. Gymnasium

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **Casino**- a public room or building where gambling games are played.



Arena- a level area surrounded by seats for spectators, in which sports, entertainments, and other public events are held.

- **Stadium**- a sports arena with tiers of seats for spectators.
- **Gymnasium**- a room or building equipped for gymnastics, games, and other physical exercises.

Hence, from the given meanings, we find that **Casino** is the correct one-word substitute.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Casino**.

Question 133 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. Safe to drink

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. Delectable
2. Feasible
3. Potable
4. Edible

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **Potable**- safe to drink; drinkable.
- **Delectable**- (of food or drink) delicious.
- **Feasible**- possible to do easily or conveniently.
- **Edible**- fit or suitable to be eaten.

Hence, from the given meanings, we find that **Potable** is the correct one-word substitute.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Potable**.

Question 134 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. A hole is in my pocket.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

Options :



There is a hole

2. A hole there is
3. A hole are there
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **There is a hole.**

- The error lies in option 1 due to not using adverb.
- An adverb is a word or phrase that modifies or qualifies an adjective, verb, or other adverb or a word group, expressing a relation of place, time, circumstance, manner, etc.
- Adverb 'there' is used to introduce the subject of a sentence, especially before the verbs be, seem, and appear.

For example: *There seemed to be a problem with finding a date for the meeting.*

- Hence in the given underlined part of the sentence, adverb **there** will be used.

The correct sentence is: **There is a hole in my pocket.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **There is a hole.**

Question 135 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. Many a person are unable of distinguish right from wrong.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. are unable to
2. is unable to
3. are capable of
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **is unable to.**

- In a sentence, the verb is used according to person and number.
- In the given sentence, plural verb i.e. **are** is used whereas in the words such as *each, every/everyone, someone/somebody, none/nobody, one, any, many a, more than one, etc.* verbs used will be singular.



Secondly, the correct preposition will be 'to' instead of 'of' in the given sentence.

- Therefore, as per the rule, 'is unable to' will be used in the underlined part of the given question.

The correct sentence is : **Many a person is unable to distinguish right from wrong.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **is unable to**.

Question 136 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. He was hit in the eye by an arrow

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. An arrow will hit him in the eye
2. An arrow hit him in the eye.
3. An arrow has hit him in the eye.
4. An arrow was hitting him in the eye

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **An arrow hit him in the eye**.

Passive form: **He was hit in the eye by an arrow.**

- In the given sentence, 'was + hit' has been used, which implies that the active form should contain '**past participle form i.e. hit**'. (Rule for changing simple past tense)
- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Remove the word 'by' when converting into active form.
- Lastly, change the pronoun i.e. **he** to **him** while converting it into active form.

The active form will be: **An arrow hit him in the eye.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **An arrow hit him in the eye**.

Question 137 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. Poor people have run down of food supplies during the lockdown.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 84 Seconds

Options :



during the lockdown

2. Poor people have
3. run down of
4. food supplies

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **run down of**.

- The error lies in the option 3 due to the wrong usage of phrasal verb.
- The phrase **run down** means **criticize, disparage**.
- As per the context of the sentence, the poor didn't have any food left during the lockdown. So, the phrase **run out of** should be used as it means **have none/nothing left**.

The correct sentence is: **Poor people have run out of food supplies during the lockdown.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **run down of**.

Question 138 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. Some turned their eyes to the TV screen waiting for the movie to begin. B. No sooner had the big jet taken off than the passengers began to busy themselves. C. They knew it would be a long flight to Boston. D. Others took out books and magazines to read

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. BDAC
2. CBAD
3. BCAD
4. CBDA

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:



Sentence B introduces us to the subject 'The big jet and the passengers'. It is the introductory sentence and will be put in the first place.

- **Sentence C** tells us about the perception of the passengers about the long flight. It will be put in second place.
- **Sentence A** tells us about some of the passengers' anticipation about the beginning of the movie. So it will follow Sentence C.
- The **last sentence is D** as it mentions the activities followed by the other passengers.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 3** i.e. **BCAD**.

The paragraph is: **No sooner had the big jet taken off than the passengers began to busy themselves. They knew it would be a long flight to Boston. Some turned their eyes to the TV screen waiting for the movie to begin. Others took out books and magazines to read.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **BCAD**.

Question 139 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A government by the nobles

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 100 Seconds

Options :

1. Aristocracy
2. Oligarchy
3. Democracy
4. Monarchy

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **Aristocracy**- the highest class in certain societies, especially those holding hereditary titles or offices.
- **Oligarchy**- a small group of people having control of a country, organization, or institution.
- **Democracy**- a system of government by the whole population or all the eligible members of a state, typically through elected representatives.
- **Monarchy**- a form of government with a monarch at the head.

Hence, from the given meanings, we find that **Aristocracy** is the correct one-word substitute.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Aristocracy**.

**Question 140 :**

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. The commander ordered the soldiers to climb the hill

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 66 Seconds****Options :**

1. The commander ordered to the soldiers, "Go and climb the hill."
2. The commander said to the soldiers, "Please climb the hill."
3. The commander said to the soldiers, "Start climbing the hill."
4. The commander said to the soldiers, "Climb the hill."

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **The commander said to the soldiers, "Climb the hill."**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- 'To infinitive' is replaced by a comma and Inverted commas will be used.
- When the sentence is in an imperative form, change the sentence in an indirect speech from imperative to assertive.
- The tense of reported speech is changed only when the reporting verb is in the past tense. The reporting verb **ordered** is converted into **said to**.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **The commander said to the soldiers, "Climb the hill."**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **The commander said to the soldiers, "Climb the hill."**

Question 141 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. The small cafe at the end of the road is her.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 86 Seconds****Options :**

1. of the road
2. is her
3. at the end
4. The small cafe

Solution :

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

The error lies in the option 2 due to the wrong usage of pronoun.

- The possessive pronouns are: my, our, your, his, her, its, and their.
- There's an independent form of each of these pronouns mine, ours, yours, his, hers, its, and theirs.
- Independent possessive pronouns (also called absolute possessive pronouns) must be used without a noun.
- As per the rule given above, 'hers' will be used instead of 'her' in the sentence.

The correct sentence will be:-

The small cafe at the end of the road is hers.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **is her**.

Question 142 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. If you had asked me, I had told you not to invest in that property

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 77 Seconds

Options :

1. I will tell you
2. I would tell you
3. I would have told you
4. 1. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **I would have told you**.

- Conditional sentences are statements discussing known factors or hypothetical situations and their consequences.
- This particular type is followed when something didn't happen as a certain condition wasn't fulfilled.
- The structure of these type of sentences is: If + Subject + had + V₃ + object, Subject + would have + V₂ + Object.
- Therefore, in the underlined part of the given question, 'would have told' will be used as per the rule given above.

The correct sentence is:- **If you had asked me, I would have told you not to invest in that property.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **I would have told you**.

Question 143 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. His comments cast a slur upon the integrity of his manager



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. damaged
2. redeemed
3. praised
4. improved

Solution :

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

The idiom '**cast a slur upon**' means '**to bring discredit or disgrace; damage**'.

For example: *Manny's elopement with her boyfriend cast a slur upon her family.*

In the given question, the integrity of the manager has been damaged due to comments by him. So the correct meaning of the given idiom is damaged.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **damaged**.

Question 144 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. You might be promoted this year

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

Options :

1. They might promote you this year
2. They will promote you this year.
3. You may promote them this year
4. They should have promoted you this year.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **They might promote you this year**.

Passive form: **You might be promoted this year**.

- In the given sentence, '**past participle i.e. promoted**' has been used, which implies that the active form should contain '**base form i.e. promote**'. (Rules for Simple Present tense.)
- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-



versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.

- Remove the auxilliary verb 'be' when converting into active form.

The active form will be: **They might promote you this year.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **They might promote you this year.**

Question 145 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. The teacher says, "Magnets attract objects made of iron."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. The teacher says magnets attracts objects made of iron.
2. The teacher says that magnets attract objects made of iron
3. The teacher said that magnets attracted objects made of iron.
4. The teacher said that magnets were attracting objects made of iron.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **The teacher says that magnets attract objects made of iron.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and 'that' will be used.
- The tense of indirect/reported speech will remain the same as the reporting verb is in the present tense.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **The teacher says that magnets attract objects made of iron.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **The teacher says that magnets attract objects made of iron.**

Question 146 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. She are having two brothers and three sisters

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :

1. is having
2. has

No improvement

4. have

Solution :

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

- **Has** indicate possession in the present tense (describing events that are currently happening).
- We need a verb that shows possession, the verb '**has**' will be the correct choice.
- And, **has** is used with he, she, and it.

The correct sentence is:- **She has two brothers and three sisters.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **has**.

Question 147 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. The Prime Minister has said, "The government will extend help to the unorganised sector."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. The Prime Minister said that the government has extended help to the unorganised sector.
2. The Prime Minister said that the government would extend help to the unorganised sector
3. The Prime Minister has said that the government will extend help to the unorganised sector.
4. The Prime Minister has said that the government extended help to the unorganised sector. Question ID : 8161615810 Status : Answered Chosen Option : 2 Q.80 Select the correct active form of the given sentence. A new song is being composed by her. Ans 1. She has been composing a new song. 2. She is composing a new song.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The Prime Minister has said that the government will extend help to the unorganised sector.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and '**that**' will be used.
- The tense of indirect/reported speech will remain the same as the reporting verb is in the present tense.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **The Prime Minister has said that the government will extend help to the unorganised sector.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The Prime Minister has said that the government will extend help to the**



unorganised sector.

Question 148 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. A new song is being composed by her

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 92 Seconds

Options :

1. She has been composing a new song.
2. She is composing a new song.
3. She has composed a new song.
4. She composed a new song.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **She is composing a new song.**

Passive form: **A new song is being composed by her.**

- In the given sentence, 'is + being + V₃ i.e. composed' has been used, which implies that the active form should contain 'is/are/am + V₁ + ing i.e. composing'. (Rule for changing present continuous tense.)
- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Remove the word 'by' when converting into active form.
- Lastly, change the pronoun from **her** to **she** when converting into active form.

The active form will be: **She is composing a new song.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **She is composing a new song.**

Question 149 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. The boy requested his mother to give him a mango.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 84 Seconds

Options :

1. The boy said to his mother, "Give me a mango now."
2. The mother said to the boy, "Give him a mango."
3. The boy said to his mother, "Will you give me a mango?"
4. The boy said to his mother, "Please give me a mango."

**Solution :**

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **The boy said to his mother, "Please give me a mango."**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- 'To' infinitive' is replaced by a comma and Inverted commas will be used.
- The reporting verb **said to** will replace **requested** because the sentence is in imperative form.
- Next, the pronoun '**him**' will be changed to first person pronoun '**me**' in direct speech.
- In the imperative sentence, the word **Please** will be used when converting into direct speech.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **The boy said to his mother, "Please give me a mango."**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **The boy said to his mother, "Please give me a mango."**

Question 150 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. Mother said to her, "Paint the river blue."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 90 Seconds****Options :**

1. Mother told to her paint the river blue.
2. Mother asked her paint the river blue.
3. Mother said her to paint the river blue.
4. Mother told her to paint the river blue.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Mother told her to paint the river blue.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and 'to' infinitive' is used in place of comma.
- In imperative sentences, the reporting verb **said to** is converted into **told**.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **Mother told her to paint the river blue.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **Mother told her to paint the river blue.**

Question 151 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A group of lions

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

Pride

2. Herd

3. Colony

4. Park

Solution :

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

The word **Pride** means a **group of lions**.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **Pride**.

Question 152 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. I am not use to drink coffee.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 46 Seconds

Options :

1. No improvement
2. not used to drinking
3. not use to drank
4. not used to drink

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **not used to drinking**.

- The verbs/adjectives/phrases given below are followed by 'V, + ing':
with a view to, addicted to, used to, before, given/taken to, prone to, in addition to, look forward to, owing to, etc.
- When the phrase 'used to' is used in the present tense, the verb i.e. drinking will be used.

The correct sentence will be:- **I am not used to drinking coffee**.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **not used to drinking**.

Question 153 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined statement in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. I suggest you to see a solicitor



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. am suggesting you
2. suggest that you
3. No improvement
4. suggest you that

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **suggest that you**.

The given sentence is an example of indirect speech form as there are no comma and inverted commas.

In that case, the verb 'suggest' will be followed by the conjunction 'that'.

Thus, in the given scenario, the correct choice will be **option 2** i.e. **suggest that you**.

The correct sentence is: **I suggest that you see a solicitor**.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **suggest that you**.

Question 154 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. Her success as a singer was a nine days' wonder

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

Options :

1. eternal fame
2. a short-lived sensation
3. a proud achievement
4. an impossible feat

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **a short-lived sensation**.

The idiom **A nine days' wonder** means **something that attracts great interest for a short while but is then forgotten**.

For example: *The song was a nine days' wonder.*



Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **a short-lived sensation**.

Question 155 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. The man played the flute and led all the mouse out of the town.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 53 Seconds****Options :**

1. out of the town
2. the flute and led
3. The man played
4. all the mouse

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **all the mouse**.

- Some nouns are not made plural by adding 's/es'. It is done in a different manner. For example: criterion-criteria, mouse- mice, phenomenon- phenomena, radius- radii, syllabus-syllabi, etc.
- We need the plural form of the given noun in the sentence i.e. **mice**.

The correct sentence will be:-

The man played the flute and led all the mice out of the town.

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

Question 156 :

Select the correct active form of the given sentence. Let the shops be opened

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 61 Seconds****Options :**

1. The shops should be opened.
2. Have the shops opened?
3. Open the shops.
4. The shops are open.

Solution :



The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Open the shops..**

Passive form: **Let the shops be opened.**

- The imperative sentence in the active and passive voice takes the following form:

Vâ• + Object. (Active form)

Let + object + be + past participle. (Passive form)

- Now, simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Remove the word 'be' when converting into active form.

The active form will be: **Open the shops.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Open the shops.**

Question 157 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order A. But he seems to have become weary when it came to the ears. B. The result is that we spend all our hours hankering after something unattainable, namely silence. C. God constructed the human body with a lot of forethought and solicitude. D. He left them as the most vulnerable part of a human being.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. CDBA
2. CADB
3. DABC
4. BCDA

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- **Sentence C** introduces us to the subject 'God and the way he made the human body'. It is the introductory sentence



and will be put in the first place.

- **Sentence A** tells us about God's condition while making ears. It will be put in second place.
- **Sentence D** tells us about the human ear as the most vulnerable part of the body. It will be put in third place.
- The **last sentence is B** as it mentions the human's pursuit of silence.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 2** i.e. **CADB**.

The paragraph is: **God constructed the human body with a lot of forethought and solicitude. But he seems to have become weary when it came to the ears. He left them as the most vulnerable part of a human being. The result is that we spend all our hours hankering after something unattainable, namely silence.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **CADB**.

Question 158 :

Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word. REVIVE

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 100 Seconds

Options :

1. Review
2. Damage
3. Restore
4. Depress

Solution :

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

- The word '**Restore**' means '**bring back (a previous right, practice, custom, or situation); reinstate, revive**'.
- The most appropriate synonym of the given word is '**Revive**' which means '**to become or to make something popular again; to begin to do or use something again**'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Restore**.

Question 159 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. We must plan how can we cope with the present situation.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :



cope with the

2. We must plan

3. how can we

4. present situation

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **how can we**.

- Since the given sentence is assertive, the use of the inverted form of the verb is wrong in the sentence.
- Therefore, 'how we can' will be used instead of 'how can we' in the sentence.

The correct sentence will be:-

We must plan how we can cope with the present situation.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **how can we**.

Question 160 :

Select the misspelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. sence
2. stretch
3. swallow
4. survey

Solution :

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

- The correctly spelt word is '**Stretch**' which means '**to spread over a large area or distance; to go as far as or past the usual limit of something**'.

For example: *This movie really stretches the patience of the audience to the limit.*

All the words, except that given in option 2, are correctly spelt.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **stretch**.

**Question 161 :**

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. The tailor said to him, "Your shirt will be ready by tomorrow."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 57 Seconds****Options :**

1. The tailor told him that his shirt will be ready by tomorrow.
2. The tailor told to him that your shirt will be ready by the next day.
3. The tailor told him that his shirt would be ready by the next day.
4. The tailor told him that your shirt would be ready by tomorrow

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The tailor told him that his shirt would be ready by the next day.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and 'that' will be used.
- In imperative sentences, the reporting verb 'said to' will change to 'told'.
- In the reporting speech, the verb 'will' will be changed to 'would' when converting into indirect speech.
- The pronoun 'your' will be changed into the pronoun 'his' when converting into indirect speech.
- Lastly, the word 'tomorrow' will be changes to 'the next day'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **The tailor told him that his shirt would be ready by the next day.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **The tailor told him that his shirt would be ready by the next day.**

Question 162 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. But it does not appear to have any effect on the children. B. School teachers try to do their best from the early years by ordering, "Silence!" every few seconds in the class. C. They look sweet and elegant but the moment they open their mouths, they let out a shattering volume of sound. D. Someone noted recently that present day babies are peculiarly loud-throated.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 110 Seconds****Options :**

1. DCBA
2. ACBD
3. CABD

**BACD****Solution :**

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- The **sentence D** is independent of any other sentences as it is giving general information about "present-day babies". Hence, D is the first part .
- The pronoun "they" mentioned in the **sentence C** refers back to the 'babies' mentioned in the sentence D Hence, C follows D.
- The word 'Silence!' in the **sentence B** is linked with the phrase 'shattering volume of sound' mentioned in the sentence C Hence, B follows C.
- The **sentence A** is the concluding sentence. Hence, A is the last sentence.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 1** i.e. **DCBA**.

The paragraph is: **Someone noted recently that present-day babies are peculiarly loud-throated. They look sweet and elegant but the moment they open their mouths, they let out a shattering volume of sound. School teachers try to do their best from the early years by ordering, "Silence!" every few seconds in the class. But it does not appear to have any effect on the children.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **DCBA**.

Question 163 :

Select the misspelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 102 Seconds****Options :**

1. **intrigue**
2. **foreiner**
3. **summon**
4. **conjure**

Solution :

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

The correctly spelt word is '**Foreigner**' which means '**a person born in or coming from a country other than one's own**'.

For example: *It will soon be impossible for foreigners to enter the country.*

All the words, except that given in option 2, are correctly spelt.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the other words:

- **Intrigue**- to make somebody very interested and wanting to know more.
- **Summon**- to order a person to come to a place.
- **Conjure**- to do tricks by clever, quick hand movements, that appear to be magic.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **foreiner**.

Question 164 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. I want you to complete this work by two days.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. by two days
2. I want you
3. this work
4. to complete

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **by two days**.

- The error lies in the option 1 due to the wrong usage of the preposition.
- The preposition 'by' means not later than a particular time or date.
- The preposition 'within' should be used in place of 'by' as per the context of the sentence.
- The preposition 'within' means before the end of a period of time.

The correct sentence will be:- **I want you to complete this work within two days.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **by two days**.

Question 165 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A close-fitting cover for a sword



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 64 Seconds

Options :

1. Shank
2. Sheath
3. Quiver
4. Dagger

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **Shank**: a long, narrow part of a tool connecting the handle to the operational end.
- **Sheath**: a close-fitting cover for the blade of a knife or sword.
- **Quiver**: a slight trembling movement or sound.
- **Dagger**: a short knife with a pointed and edged blade.

From the above meanings, it is clear that **Sheath** is the appropriate word.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Sheath**.

Question 166 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. He asked me if I would like to learn French.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. He said to me, "You would like to learn French?"
2. He said to me, "I would like to learn French."
3. He said to me, "Do you like to learn French?"
4. He said to me, "Would you like to learn French?"

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **He said to me, "Would you like to learn French?"**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- 'If' will be omitted and Inverted commas will be used.



In the first part of the sentence, the verb "asked" will be changed to "**said**" in the direct speech.

- A reported question is when we tell someone what another person asked. The modal verbs "might, could, would, should, ought to" do not change in reported speech in such cases.
- Next, the first person pronoun '**I**' will be changed into the second person pronoun '**you**'.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **He said to me, "Would you like to learn French?"**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **He said to me, "Would you like to learn French?"**

Question 167 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. We are coping the problems with the best of our ability.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 99 Seconds****Options :**

1. No improvement
2. coping with the problems to
3. coping the problems at
4. coping in the problems by

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **coping with the problems to**.

- The error lies in the option 2 due to the wrong usage of the preposition.
- The verb 'cope' in the given sentence an intransitive verb meaning to deal with something well, despite or in the face of some difficulty. The verb 'cope' is usually followed by the preposition 'with'.
- The present participle verb "**coping with**" means to deal with something usually skillfully or efficiently.
- Also, in the underlined segment, the use of the preposition 'with' is incorrect. The particle '**to**' should be used in place of the preposition '**with**'.
- 'To' here is used for indicating a proposition that is known, believed, or reported about a specified person or thing.

The correct sentence will be:-

We are coping with the problems to the best of our ability.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **coping with the problems to**.

Question 168 :



Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order A. Although Sonu had many more that he wanted to ask, he realised mummy was tired and became silent. B. She answered a few and then stopped. C. When mummy returned from work, she took Sonu for a walk. D. But she was too tired to answer all his questions.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 97 Seconds

Options :

1. CDBA
2. BDAC
3. DACB
4. CABD

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- The **sentence C** is independent of any other sentences as it is giving general information about "mummy". Hence, C is the first part.
- The pronoun "his" mentioned in the **sentence D** refers back to the noun 'Sonu' mentioned in the sentence C. Hence, D follows C.
- The word 'answered' in the **sentence B** is linked with the word 'questions' mentioned in the sentence D. Hence, B follows D.
- The **sentence A** is the concluding sentence Hence, A is the last sentence.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 1** i.e. **CDBA**.

The paragraph is: **When mummy returned from work, she took Sonu for a walk. But she was too tired to answer all his questions. She answered a few and then stopped. Although Sonu had many more that he wanted to ask, he realised mummy was tired and became silent.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **CDBA**.

Question 169 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. My mother gave me an interesting book.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 102 Seconds

Options :

1. An interesting book is given to me by my mother.
2. I am given an interesting book by my mother.
3. I was given an interesting book by my mother.
4. An interesting book has been given to my mother.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **I was given an interesting book by my mother.**

Active form: **My mother gave me an interesting book.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Now, convert the main verb into its past participle or third form while converting from active to passive voice.
- The pronoun 'me' will be changed to 'I'.
- Use the word "by" before the object in the passive sentence.

Now, the given sentence is in simple past tense. When the active form is in "**past participle**" form then the passive voice should follow the format "**was/were + V₃**" form.

The passive form will be: **I was given an interesting book by my mother.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **I was given an interesting book by my mother.**

Question 170 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. You must be careful about what you say as you meet her.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 96 Seconds

Options :

1. as you
2. meet her
3. about what you say
4. You must br careful

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **as you**.

- The error lies in the option 1 due to the wrong usage of the preposition.
- In the given sentence, the use of the preposition 'as' is incorrect. The preposition 'as' means during the time of being (the thing specified).
- The adverb 'when' should be used in place of 'as'.
- The adverb 'when' is used for talking about a particular time or situation.

The correct sentence will be:- **You must be careful about what you say when you meet her.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **as you**.

Question 171 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A group of stars that make a pattern

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. **Horizon**
2. **Planet**
3. **Constellation**
4. **Comet**

Solution :

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

Let's see the meaning of the given words:

- **Horizon**: a line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet.
- **Planet**: a celestial body moving in an elliptical orbit around a star.
- **Constellation**: a group of stars forming a recognizable pattern that is traditionally named after its apparent form.
- **Comet**: a celestial object consisting of a nucleus of ice and dust.

From the above meanings, it is clear that **Constellation** is the appropriate word.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Constellation**.

Question 172 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. Soon after they left



school, they decided that a small town was no place to make a fortune. B. On reaching Paris, they agreed to separate because they wished to be independent of each other. C. So, they ran away from home and managed to reach France on a cargo ship. D. My father was a year older than his brother Oscar.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 82 Seconds

Options :

1. ACBD
2. BDCA
3. DBAC
4. DACB

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- The **sentence D** is independent of any other sentences as it is giving general information about "My father and his brother". Hence, D is the first part.
- The pronoun "they" mentioned in the **sentence A** refers back to the 'My father and his brother mentioned in the sentence D Hence, A follows D.
- The phrase 'to make a fortune' in the sentence A is linked with the phrase 'they ran away from home' mentioned in the **sentence C**. Hence, C follows A.
- The **sentence B** is the concluding sentence. Hence, B is the last sentence.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 4** i.e. **DACB**.

The paragraph is: **My father was a year older than his brother Oscar. Soon after they left school, they decided that a small town was no place to make a fortune. So, they ran away from home and managed to reach France on a cargo ship. On reaching Paris, they agreed to separate because they wished to be independent of each other.**

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

Question 173 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. Although this is a narrowest street, many large



trucks can enter it.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 111 Seconds

Options :

1. many large trucks
2. Although this is
3. can enter it
4. a narrowest street

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **a narrowest street**.

- This sentence is talking about a street on which large trucks can enter despite it being narrow.
- Here, there is no comparison with other streets or there is no superlative being mentioned, the form 'narrowest' is incorrect.
- Instead, '**narrow**' should be used to correctly convey the meaning.

The correct sentence will be:-

Although this is a narrow street, many large trucks can enter it.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **a narrowest street**.

Question 174 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. He had lost his leg in an accident five years back. B. With that accident his dream of becoming the next Carl Lewis had been shattered forever. C. In place of his left leg was a wooden stump. D. Vikas sat up and removed the bed sheet that was covering his leg.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. DCAB
2. ACDB
3. BCAD
4. CDAB

Solution :



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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- The **sentence D** is independent of any other sentences as it is giving general information about "Vikas". Hence, D is the first part.
- The pronoun "his" mentioned in the **sentence C** refers back to the noun 'Vikas' mentioned in the sentence D Hence, C follows D.
- The 'leg' mentioned in the **sentence A** refers back to the 'leg' mentioned in the sentence C Hence, A follows C.
- The **sentence B** is the concluding sentence. Hence, B is the last sentence.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 1** i.e. **DCAB**.

The paragraph is: **Vikas sat up and removed the bed sheet that was covering his leg. In place of his left leg was a wooden stump. He had lost his leg in an accident five years back. With that accident, his dream of becoming the next Carl Lewis had been shattered forever.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **DCAB**.

Question 175 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. _____ you mind lending me your book for a day?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 104 Seconds

Options :

1. still
2. whatever
3. would
4. otherwise

Solution :

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

The modal verb 'Would' is used for expressing a polite request.

Thus, the modal verb **would** is most appropriate word for the blank.



The sentence is: **Would you mind lending me your book for a day?**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **would**.

Question 176 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. I am really looking forward to meet you

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

Options :

1. No improvemen
2. to be meeting you
3. to have met you
4. to meeting you

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **to meeting you**.

In the given sentence, the preposition 'to' is a part of the phrasal verb "looking forward to" (verb + adverb + preposition).

The subject in the sentence is 'I' and the object is "meet you".

But in the object of a sentence, the verbs are never used and only the nouns, pronouns or the noun phrases are used.

In the underlined segment, the word 'meet' is a verb and a gerund i.e. **meeting** should be used in place of the verb 'meet'.

The correct sentence will be:- **I am really looking forward to meeting you.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **to meeting you**.

Question 177 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. Each morning he was driven to Obedience School in a black limousine. B. Each evening he fell asleep in his fur-lined basket in front of the fireplace. C. Each afternoon he was fed two grilled lamb chops for lunch. D. Henry D. Penrose was a dog with a pedigree.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. DABC
2. DCAB

DACB

4. 1. DBCA

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- The **sentence D** is independent of any other sentences as it is giving general information about a "dog". Hence, D is the first part.
- The noun 'morning' mentioned in the **sentence A** follows the sentence D. Hence, A follows D.
- The noun 'afternoon' mentioned in the **sentence C** follows the noun 'morning' in the sentence A. Hence, C follows A.
- The **sentence B** is the concluding sentence. Hence, B is the last sentence.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 3** i.e. **DACB**.

The paragraph is: **Henry D. Penrose was a dog with a pedigree. Each morning he was driven to Obedience School in a black limousine. Each afternoon he was fed two grilled lamb chops for lunch. Each evening he fell asleep in his fur-lined basket in front of the fireplace.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **DACB**.

Question 178 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. The other was on the side table near the window. B. When I returned, I was shocked to see one set lying on the floor. C. I was gone for more than an hour. D. I had not completed reading the proofs so I left them on my desk.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 113 Seconds

Options :

1. CBDA
2. DCBA
3. DBAC
4. CDAB

**Solution :**

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- The **sentence 'D'** is independent of any other sentences as it is giving general information about "the proofs". Hence, 'D' is the first part.
- The phrase "for more than an hour" mentioned in the **sentence 'C'** is linked with the word 'left' mentioned in the sentence 'D' Hence, 'C' follows 'D'.
- The word "returned" mentioned in the **sentence 'B'** is linked with the word 'gone' mentioned in the sentence 'C'. Hence, 'B' follows 'C'.
- The **sentence 'A'** is the concluding sentence. Hence, 'A' is the last sentence.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 2** i.e. **DCBA**.

The paragraph is: **I had not completed reading the proofs so I left them on my desk. I was gone for more than an hour. When I returned, I was shocked to see one set lying on the floor. The other was on the side table near the window.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **DCBA**.

Question 179 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. "Wow! That's fantastic news," said his family and friends. B. He had gone to Kolkata for the inter-state swimming championship. C. Irfan was a swimming champ. D. "He won golds in 100 m freestyle, 100 m butterfly and relay," informed his coach.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 115 Seconds

Options :

1. CDAB
2. CBAD
3. CABD
4. CBDA

Solution :



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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- The **sentence 'C'** is independent of any other sentences as it is giving general information about "Irfan". Hence, 'C' is the first part.
- The pronoun "He" mentioned in the **sentence 'B'** refers back to the noun 'Irfan' mentioned in the sentence 'C'. Hence, 'B' follows 'C'.
- The phrase "He won golds in 100 m freestyle, 100 m butterfly and relay" in the **sentence 'D'** is linked with the phrase 'the inter-state swimming championship' in the sentence 'B'. Hence, 'D' follows 'B'.
- The **sentence 'A'** is the concluding sentence. Hence, 'A' is the last sentence.
- Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 4** i.e. **CBDA**.

The paragraph is: **Irfan was a swimming champ. He had gone to Kolkata for the inter-state swimming championship. "He won golds in 100 m freestyle, 100 m butterfly and relay," informed his coach. "Wow! That's fantastic news," said his family and friends.**

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

Question 180 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. The child put a ladder on the wall and climbed up.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 109 Seconds

Options :

1. No improvement
2. against the wall
3. above the wall
4. over a wall

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **against the wall**.

- The error lies in the option 2 due to the wrong usage of preposition.



in the given sentence the use of the preposition 'on' is incorrect. The preposition 'on' means physically in contact with and supported by a surface.

- The preposition 'on' should be replaced by '**against**' which means in or into physical contact with something, so as to be supported by or collide with it.

The correct sentence will be:- **The child put a ladder against the wall and climbed up.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **against the wall.**

Question 181 :

Given below are four sentences in jumbled order. Pick the option that gives their correct order. A. Mahatma Gandhi got a doctor to volunteer his services for six months. B. Health conditions in Champaran were miserable. C. The doctor gave quinine to malaria patients and the ointment with castor oil to those with skin eruptions. D. Only three medicines were available- castor oil, quinine and sulphur ointment.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. BADC
2. BCDA
3. ACBD
4. CDAB

Solution :

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

While arranging the parts of the passage, we should find some grammatical or contextual connections between them. Also, the first sentence of a passage is usually independent and introduces a topic. The second one provides more information about it.

Steps to arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph:

- The **sentence B** is independent of any other sentences as it is giving general information about "Health conditions in Champaran". Hence, B is the first part.
- The noun "doctor" mentioned in the **sentence A** is linked with the phrase 'Health conditions' mentioned in the sentence 'B'. Hence, A follows B.
- The noun "quinine" mentioned in the sentence C refers back to the 'quinine' mentioned in the sentence D. Hence, **C follows D.**



Thus, the correct order after rearrangement is **option 1** i.e. **BADC**.

The paragraph is: **Health conditions in Champaran were miserable. Mahatma Gandhi got a doctor to volunteer his services for six months. Only three medicines were available- castor oil, quinine and sulphur ointment The doctor gave quinine to malaria patients and the ointment with castor oil to those with skin eruptions.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **BADC**.

Question 182 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. The place was not cold only and also damp.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 104 Seconds

Options :

1. only cold not also
2. No improvement
3. not only cold but also
4. not only cold and both

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **not only cold but also**.

- In the given sentence, the position of the adverb 'only' after the adjective 'cold' is incorrect.
- We use only as an adverb to mean that something is limited to some people, things, an amount, or an activity.
- Also, the use of the conjunction 'and' in the given sentence is inappropriate.
- The conjunction 'and' means in addition to.
- The correlative conjunction "Not only.....but also" is used for emphasizing the fact that there is something more to add.

The correct sentence will be:- **The place was not only cold but also damp.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **not only cold but also**.

Question 183 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. There was an argument about if we shall move to another city.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. about if we should mov
2. on if we shall be moving
3. about whether we should move
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **about whether we should move.**

- In the given sentence, the use of the conjunction 'if' is incorrect.
- The conjunction 'if' is used to introduce a condition (something that must be satisfied before something else occurs).
- The conjunction '**whether**' is used for expressing a doubt or choice between alternatives.
- Therefore, the conjunction 'whether' should be used in place of the conjunction 'if':
- Also, the form of the verb 'shall' is incorrect in the underlined segment as the given sentence is in the past tense. Therefore, the past tense form of the verb '**should**' be used in place of the base form of the verb 'shall'.

The correct sentence will be:-

There was an argument about whether we should move to another city.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **about whether we should move.**

Question 184 :

Select the most appropriate one-word substitution for the given words. A word or law no longer in use

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. Absolute
2. Venerable
3. Obsolete
4. Vintage

Solution :

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



The word '**Obsolete**' means '**no longer used because of being replaced by something newer and more effective; out of date**'.

For example: *Gas lamps became obsolete when electric lighting was invented.*

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Obsolete**.

Question 185 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. I will accept the responsibility while a time comes.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. until a time
2. when the time
3. No improvement
4. whenever a time

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **when the time**.

- In the given sentence, the use of the adverb 'while' and the use of the indefinite article 'a' is incorrect.
- The adverb 'while' means 'during which'.
- The adverb 'when' should be used in place of 'while'. The adverb 'when' means at or on which (referring to a time or circumstance).
- Also, the use of the article 'a' before the noun 'time' is incorrect. As the noun 'time' is specific, therefore the definite article 'the' should be used.

The correct sentence will be:- **I will accept the responsibility when the time comes.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **when the time**.

Question 186 :

Select the correct passive form of the given sentence. We all regard Liza as an expert

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. Liza has been regarded as an expert by all of us.

Liza was regarded as an expert by all of us.

3. Liza is regarded as an expert by all of us.

4. Liza should be regarded as an expert by all of us.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Liza is regarded as an expert by all of us.**

Active form: **We all regard Liza as an expert.**

Rules for changing Active form to Passive from:

- Simply exchange the places of the subject and the object. The subject should become the object and vice-versa while changing a sentence from Active to Passive voice or reverse.
- Now, convert the main verb into its past participle or third form while converting from active to passive voice.
- Use the word "by" before the subject in the passive sentence.
- When we convert this sentence into passive voice, the subject 'We' of the active voice becomes the object 'us'.

Now, the given sentence is in present perfect tense. When the active form is in "**base form or s/es form**" then the passive voice should follow the format "**is/are/am + V₃**" form.

The passive form will be: **Liza is regarded as an expert by all of us.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **Liza is regarded as an expert by all of us.**

Question 187 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. Zoya won the first prize in the race unless she stumbled and fell.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 102 Seconds

Options :

1. stumbled and fell
2. Zoya won the first
3. prize in the race
4. unless she

Solution :

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

- The error lies in the option 4 due to the wrong usage of conjunction.



The conjunction 'unless' means except if (used to introduce the case in which a statement being made is not true or valid).

- The conjunction 'until' should be used in place of 'unless'.
- The conjunction 'until' means up to the point in time or the event mentioned.

The correct sentence will be:-

Zoya won the first prize in the race until she stumbled and fell.

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

Question 188 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. Do you mind lending me your book for a hour?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. your book
2. for a hour
3. Do you mind
4. lending me

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **for a hour**.

- The error lies in the option 2 due to the wrong usage of articles.
- In the given sentence, the noun 'hour' is unspecified. The indefinite article (a, an) is used before a noun that is general or when its identity is not known.
- Some words that are spelled with a vowel in the beginning take 'a,' as in 'a uniform' and some words that are spelled with a consonant in the beginning take 'an,' as in 'an hour.' This is because 'uniform' starts with a consonant sound and 'hour' starts with a vowel sound in spoken English.
- Therefore, here 'an' will be used instead of 'a'.

The correct sentence will be:- **Do you mind lending me your book for an hour?**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **for a hour**.

Question 189 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. The doctor asked her what medicine she had taken then.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. The doctor said to her, "What medicine have you taken now?"
2. The doctor said to her, "What medicine you are taking now?"
3. The doctor said to her, "What were medicine you have taken then?"
4. The doctor said to her, "What medicine you have taken then?"

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **The doctor said to her, "What medicine have you taken now?"**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will be used.
- The reporting verb is in simple past tense i.e. 'said', will be used.
- In the reporting speech, change the past perfect tense form i.e. 'had + V₃ form' into present perfect tense form i.e. 'have + V₃' and the past perfect tense, when converting into direct speech.
- Next, the pronoun 'she' will be changed to pronoun 'you' in direct speech.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **The doctor said to her, "What medicine have you taken now?"**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **The doctor said to her, "What medicine have you taken now?"**

Question 190 :

Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. The Children's Series _____ recommended for young readers.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 95 Seconds

Options :

1. has
2. have
3. are
4. is

Solution :

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

In the given sentence, the subject "children's series" is acting as a singular noun and is referring to the present



state. Therefore, the verb 'is' should be used which means **to exist; to be present**.

The sentence is: **The Children's Series is recommended for young readers.**

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

Question 191 :

Select the correct direct form of the given sentence. I told him that if he went around the park he would see some rare flowers.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. I said to him, "If he went around the park he will see some rare flowers."
2. I said to him, "If you went around the park you would see some rare flowers."
3. I said to him, "If you go around the park you will see some rare flowers."
4. I said to him, "If you go around the park you would saw some rare flowers."

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **I said to him, "If you go around the park you will see some rare flowers."**

The given sentence is in indirect speech, to convert this sentence into direct speech we need to follow the following points:

- 'That' will be omitted and Inverted commas will be used.
- The reporting verb is in simple past tense i.e. 'said', will be used.
- In the reporting speech, change the past tense form i.e. 'went' into present tense form i.e. 'go' and the present conditional tense i.e. 'would see' into future simple tense i.e. 'will see', when converting into direct speech.
- Next, the pronoun 'he' will be changed to pronoun 'you' in direct speech.

After following these steps, we got the direct speech as: **I said to him, "If you go around the park you will see some rare flowers."**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **I said to him, "If you go around the park you will see some rare flowers."**

Question 192 :

Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word. RAMIFICATION

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 106 Seconds

Options :

1. Source



Consequence

3. Inception

4. Satisfaction

Solution :

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

- The word '**Ramification**' means '**the possible results of an action**'.
- The most appropriate synonym of the given word is '**Consequence**' which means '**something that happens or follows as a result of something else**'.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **Consequence**.

Question 193 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. This stain can be remove by lime juice.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

Options :

1. removed with
2. removed from
3. No improvement
4. removed through

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **removed with**.

- In the given sentence, the use of the form of the verb 'remove' and the preposition 'by' are incorrect.
- The given sentence is showing a general possibility, therefore, the past participle form of the verb '**removed**' should be used here.
- Also, the preposition 'by' is used for indicating the means of achieving something.
- The preposition '**with**' should be used in place of '**by**' as it is used for indicating the material used for a purpose.

The correct sentence will be:- **This stain can be removed with lime juice**.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **removed with**.

**Question 194 :**

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. She is not ready for marriage, isn't it?

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

1. is she
2. is it
3. No improvement
4. isn't she

Solution :

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

- The given sentence is a negative statement and having a tag question.
- The basic structure of a tag question is a positive statement + negative tag & negative statement + positive tag. The auxiliary verb from the positive statement is repeated in the tag and changed to negative.
- The auxiliary verb from the negative statement is repeated in the tag and changed to positive.
- In the given sentence, the statement is negative, therefore, it will take a positive tag.
- Also, the pronoun 'it' is used to refer to a thing while the pronoun 'she' is used for referring to a woman, girl, or female animal.
- Therefore, "is she" should be used in place of "isn't it".

The correct sentence will be: **She is not ready for marriage, is she?**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **is she**.

Question 195 :

Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. Information technology has developed by leaps and bounds.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 80 Seconds****Options :**

1. very gradually
2. at a rapid pace
3. in far off places



through unfair means

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **at a rapid pace**.

- The idiom "**by leaps and bounds**" means "**with startlingly rapid progress**".

For example: *Her Spanish has come on **in leaps and bounds** this year.*

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **at a rapid pace**.

Question 196 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. He said to his brother, "Pack your bags and leave now."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

Options :

1. He told his brother that pack your bags and leave now.
2. He suggested his brother that he should pack his bags and leave then.
3. He instructed his brother to pack his bags and leave then.
4. He ordered his brother to pack your bags and leave now.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **He instructed his brother to pack his bags and leave then**.

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and "to-infinitive" will be used.
- The reporting verb 'instructed' should be used in place of 'said' as instruction is given to the brother.
- The pronoun '**your**' should be converted into the pronoun '**his**'.
- The adverb '**now**' should be converted into '**then**'.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **He instructed his brother to pack his bags and leave then**.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **He instructed his brother to pack his bags and leave then**.

Question 197 :

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. He exclaimed, "What a fine piece of architecture it is!"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :



He exclaimed was it a fine piece of architecture.

2. He exclaimed what a fine piece of architecture is it.

3. He exclaimed that what a fine piece of architecture it was.

4. He exclaimed that it was a fine piece of architecture.

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **He exclaimed that it was a fine piece of architecture.**

The given sentence is in direct speech, to convert this sentence into indirect speech we need to follow the following points:

- Inverted commas will get omitted and **'that'** will be used.
- In assertive sentences which does not have a direct personal object like in the given sentence, the reporting verb '**announced**' remains unchanged.
- In the reporting speech, the verb '**is**' will be changed to '**was**' when converting into indirect speech.

After following these steps, we got the indirect speech as: **He exclaimed that it was a fine piece of architecture.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **He exclaimed that it was a fine piece of architecture.**

Question 198 :

Identify the segment in the sentence which contains a grammatical error. This jewellery box is made from silver and is an antique piece.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 82 Seconds****Options :**

1. This jewellery box

2. an antique piece

3. and is

4. is made from silver

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **is made from silver.**

- The error lies in the option 4 due to the wrong usage of preposition.
- In the given sentence, the use of the preposition 'from' is incorrect.
- The preposition 'from' is used for indicating the raw material out of which something is manufactured.



The preposition '**of**' should be used in place of '**from**' as it is used for indicating the material or substance constituting something.

The correct sentence will be:-

This jewellery box is made of silver and is an antique piece.

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **is made from silver**.

Question 199 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. I bet you can't beat me by chess.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

1. at chess
2. in the chess
3. No improvement
4. on chess

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **at chess**.

- The error lies in the option 1 due to the wrong usage of preposition.
- In the given sentence, the use of the preposition 'by' is incorrect.
- The preposition 'by' should be replaced by 'at'.

The correct sentence will be:- **I bet you can't beat me at chess.**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **at chess**.

Question 200 :

Select the most appropriate option to improve the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to improve it, select 'No improvement'. He has being put behind prison for life.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. No improvement

been put behind

3. being putting in

4. been put in

Solution :

The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **been put in**.

- In the given sentence, the use of the present participle form of the verb 'being' and the preposition 'behind' is incorrect.
- The given sentence is in the present perfect continuous tense, therefore the past participle form of the verb 'been' should be used.
- Also, the preposition 'behind' means at or to the far side of (something), typically so as to be hidden by it.
- The preposition 'in' should be used in place of '**behind**' as it is used for expressing the situation of something that is or appears to be enclosed or surrounded by something else.

The correct sentence will be:- **He has been put in prison for life!**

Hence, the correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **been put in**.

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2. The safe score is 150 marks.
3. 200 questions were asked from English Language and 200 questions were asked from English Language
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