

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 2018-02-18 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 :

In the following question, four words have been written out of which only one is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 45 Seconds

Options :

1. Abhorrent
2. Abstinent
3. Achievement
4. Accruemant

Solution :

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

The correct spelling is 'accruement'.

1. **Abhorrent**: Causing or deserving strong dislike or hatred.
2. **Abstinent**: Refraining from an activity or from the consumption of something, especially alcohol.
3. **Achievement**: A thing done successfully with effort, skill, or courage.
4. **Accruement**: To come to one as a gain, addition, or increment.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 2 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. She was so much overwhelmed with her (1)/ sons'devotion and affection that she (2)/ did distributed all her wealth and property among them. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Did distributed all her wealth and property among them.

- Double V_2 is not allowed to use.
- 'Did' and 'distributed' both are V_2 .
- Either we need to deleted 'did' or replace 'distributed' with 'distribute'.

The correct sentence will be-

She was so much overwhelmed with her sons'devotion and affection that she distributed all her wealth and property among them.

Question 3 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Radium is so expensive that you (1)/ could be a millionaire if you own (2)/ only half a pound of it! (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Could be a millionaire if you own.

- 'Is' and 'own' indicate that the sentence is in the present tense.
- Hence, the rest verbs should also be in the present tense.
- So, 'could' is required to replace with 'can'.

The correct sentence will be-

Radium is so expensive that you can be a millionaire if you own only half a pound of it!

Question 4 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: In order to bridge this generation gap, elders should adopt a more sympathetic approach towards the young, and try to understand the emotions, the aspirations and the problems of the young. Q: They should, therefore, value the advice and counsel of the elders. R: The generation gap has widened to such an extent that the old and the young people appear to be living in two separate worlds without any interaction. S: The youth should realize that they have no experience of life.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. RSQP
2. PQRS
3. RPQS
4. RPSQ

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph can either start with R or P.
- The paragraph cannot start with P as it contains 'this' which refers to some noun.
- RP makes a logical pair as both R and P discuss the same idea and P follows R.
- SQ also makes a logical pair as both S and Q discuss the same idea and Q follows S.
- Option 4 fulfils the above conditions.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 5 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Our government has decided to strengthen



the (1)/ States' capacity to move away from a already (2)/ obsolete 'one-size-fits-all' approach. (3)/ No error. (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. States' capacity to move away from a already.

- 'A/an' is used before a singular countable noun.
- Here 'a' is used for 'approach' which is a singular countable noun.
- Before a word starting with a vowel sound, 'an' is used.
- Since 'already' starts with a vowel sound, 'an' should be placed before it.

The correct sentence will be-

Our government has decided to strengthen the States' capacity to move away from an already obsolete 'one-size-fits-all' approach.

Question 6 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Policy makers will think hard about creating (1)/ an appropriate legal framework to (2)/ prevent the capture of regulatories by special interests. (3)/ No error. (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :



The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Prevent the capture of regulatory bodies by special interests.

- 'Prevent' always takes the preposition 'from' after it.
- Hence, 'by' should be replaced with 'from'.

The correct sentence will be-

Policy makers will think hard about creating an appropriate legal framework to prevent the capture of regulatory bodies from special interests.

Question 7 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Buttressing the confidence in the economy (1)/ are the findings in the survey, which posits (2)/ an improvement in the infrastructure sectors.(3)/ No error. (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Are the findings in the survey, which posits.

- 'Buttressing' is the subject here.
- Since 'buttressing' is a singular subject, it requires a singular verb.
- Hence, instead of 'are', it should be 'is'.

The correct sentence will be-

Buttressing the confidence in the economy is the findings in the survey, which posits an improvement in the infrastructure sectors.

Question 8 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Stringent penalties have a lower chance (1)/ of being imposed, as compared to fines that (2)/ are proportionate to the offense. (3)/ No error. (4)



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Are proportionate to the offend.

- An article takes a noun after it.
- 'Offend' is a verb while 'offence' is a noun.
- Hence, 'offend' should be replaced with 'offence'.

The correct sentence will be-

Stringent penalties have a lower chance of being imposed, as compared to fines that are proportionate to the offence.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Life is full of _____ types of experiences. Strange, in fact, are the ways of God. If a man is happy today, he may be _____ unhappy the very next day. Some _____ are pleasant and joyful while others are full of _____ and pain. If in one moment a person feels as if he's on top of the world, in _____ moment he may be depressed and dispirited.

Question 9 :

Life is full of _____ types of experiences.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

1. varied
2. systematic
3. allied
4. amplified

Solution :

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The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Varied.

- The sentence says that life is full of various or different types of experiences.
- 'Allied' means 'unified', 'united' etc.
- 'Amplified' means 'enlarged'
- 'Varied' means 'diverse'.
- Among the given options, 'varied' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Life is full of _____ types of experiences. Strange, in fact, are the ways of God. If a man is happy today, he may be _____ unhappy the very next day. Some _____ are pleasant and joyful while others are full of _____ and pain. If in one moment a person feels as if he's on top of the world, in _____ moment he may be depressed and dispirited.

Question 10 :

he may be _____ unhappy the very next day.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. most
2. quietly
3. quite
4. major

Solution :

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

- 'Most' is eliminated because 'unhappy' already has the superlative degree i.e. 'unhappiest'.
- 'Quietly' is also eliminated as it means 'silently' which does not make a coherent sentence.
- 'Major' is also eliminated because both 'major' and 'unhappy' are adjectives while we need an adverb to modify 'unhappy'.
- 'Quite' is an adverb meaning 'rather' and hence makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer

for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Life is full of _____ types of experiences. Strange, in fact, are the ways of God. If a man is happy today, he may be _____ unhappy the very next day. Some _____ are pleasant and joyful while others are full of _____ and pain. If in one moment a person feels as if he's on top of the world, in _____ moment he may be depressed and dispirited.

Question 11 :

Some _____ are pleasant and joyful

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 78 Seconds

Options :

1. tenderizes
2. rituals
3. customs
4. experiences

Solution :

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

- As the passage has already mentioned that life is full of experiences, the appropriate word will be 'experiences' only.
- Moreover, 'tenderizes' is a verb and hence eliminated since 'some' is an adjective which requires a plural noun after it.
- 'Customs' and 'rituals' are not being discussed here.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 12 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. India, a country of more than 1 billion (1)/ population, is emerged as the (2)/ economic superpower of the world. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Population, is emerged as the.

- The sentence indicates a completed action not a routine.
- 'Is emerged' is in the present simple tense which shows routine.
- Moreover, 'is emerged' is written in the passive voice while the sentence requires the active voice.
- To show completed action, perfect tenses are used.
- Hence, 'is' is required to replace with 'has' to convert it into present perfect tense in the active voice.

The correct sentence will be-

India, a country of more than 1 billion population, has emerged as the economic superpower of the world.

Question 13 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. A judge must be slow in anger and (1)/ quick to forgive; otherwise he may (2)/ risk abusing his powers.(3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. A judge must be slow in anger and.

- 'Must' should be replaced with 'should' as to indicate obligation, duty, or correctness, typically when criticising someone's actions, 'should' is used.
- The sentence talks about the duty of a judge, hence 'should' is appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

A judge should be slow in anger and quick to forgive; otherwise he may risk abusing his powers.

Question 14 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. The professor recently describes 1500 tests (1)/ in which blind people passed with greater (2)/ ease than those who could see! (3)/ No error (4)



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The professor recently describes 1500 tests.

- 'Recently' means 'not long ago', 'just now' etc.
- Hence, 'recently' is not used with the simple present tense as it mentions an action which has been happened before.
- Moreover, 'passed' and 'could' indicate that the sentence is in the past tense.
- Therefore, it should be 'described'.

The correct sentence will be-

The professor recently described 1500 tests in which blind people passed with greater ease than those who could see!

Question 15 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Catch 22

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. A particular situation in which one cannot do anything
2. Close to winning line
3. Able to achieve the target
4. Grabbing the opportunity on time

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. A particular situation in which one cannot do anything.

The meaning of 'catch 22' is 'a particular situation in which one cannot do anything'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Question 16 :**

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Carry the can

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

1. To listen to something with considerable doubt
2. To be impatient
3. To be in touch
4. To take the responsibility of some misdemeanor

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. To take the responsibility of some misdemeanor.

The meaning of 'carry the can' is 'to take the responsibility of some misdemeanor'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 17 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Paper over the cracks

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 46 Seconds****Options :**

1. To take risk
2. To cause embarrassment
3. To hide problems
4. To be absent from duty without permission

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. To hide problems.

The meaning of 'paper over the cracks' is 'to hide problems'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Question 18 :**

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Be a dab hand at something

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 43 Seconds****Options :**

1. Always telling nonsense
2. Hearing a fake intention
3. Ready to listen to other people's conversation
4. Skilled in a particular area

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Skilled in a particular area.

The meaning of the idiom/phrase 'be a dab hand at something' is 'skilled in a particular area'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 19 :

In the following question, four words have been written out of which only one is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 45 Seconds****Options :**

1. Coalescence
2. Complaisance
3. Concomittant
4. Commissariat

Solution :

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

The correct spelling is Concomitant.

1. **Coalescence**: The joining or merging of elements to form one mass or whole.
2. **Complaisance**: A political skill, capable of application to either national or domestic challenges.



3. **Concomitant**: Naturally accompanying or associated.

4. **Commissariat**: A department for the supply of food and equipment.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 20 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: It affords us a glimpse into acts, events, ideas, characters of the past, thus helping us to know more about those centuries gone by. Q: It is almost as if such acts and ideas were meant to occur over and over again in different centuries though in a slightly different manner each time. R: History is a record of past, especially in connection with human race. S: When we trace history right from its beginning to the recent times, we cannot fail to notice that some events and characters have shown a repetitive quality.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. RQSP
2. RPSQ
3. SQRP
4. SPQR

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph can either start with S or R.
- R should be the first sentence as it contains the topic of discussion.
- R should be followed by P as it provides additional information about 'history'.
- Option 2 fulfils the above conditions and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 21 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. A focused programme to universalize education and (1)/ skills training would potentially keep (2)/ juveniles from coming into conflict within the law. (3)/ No error. (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :



1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Juveniles from coming into conflict within the law.

- The sentence says that the program will stay juveniles away from coming into conflict.
- 'Keep away' is a phrasal verb meaning 'stay away'.
- 'Keep away' takes 'from' after it.

The correct sentence will be-

A focused programme to universalize education and skills training would potentially keep juveniles away from coming into conflict within the law.

Question 22 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. People would see bitcoin's current price rise (1)/ as merely a reflection of their bright future (2)/ as a stateless currency. (3)/ No error. (4)

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

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. As merely a reflection of their bright future.

- The sentence says that people would see bitcoin's current price as only the reflection of their bright future.
- Here, 'merely' is used for 'reflection'.
- But, 'reflection' is a noun so it requires an adjective to emphasise it.
- While 'merely' is an adverb.
- Hence, it should be 'as a mere reflection'.

The correct sentence will be-

People would see bitcoin's current price rise as a mere reflection of their bright future as a stateless currency.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. It was for long the insurmountable peak for ODI batting, but one man might now have a template to score ODI double-centuries again and again. In Bengaluru, against Australia in 2013, Rohit Sharma reached 20 off 35th ball, 50 off the 71st, and the hundred in the 38th over of the innings. In Kolkata, against Sri Lanka in 2014, he was nearly caught for 4 off the 17th ball he faced, reached his 20th run off the 35th ball, but accelerated slightly earlier to bring up his century in the 32nd over of the innings. On a cold mid-week afternoon in Mohali this season, he was even slower to start, reaching 20 off 37 balls, 50 off 65 balls, and bringing up the hundred only in the 40th over. All three were ODI doubles. One time can be a charm, but to accelerate so crazily three times after having set up the innings and to make it look predictable is a perfect combination of skill, fitness and the right mental approach to ODI batting. You can be all amazed at how he manages to do it, but Rohit's reaction to it is typically relaxed. "That's my template, no?" he tends to ask. He remembers the innings clearly: reaching "50 off 70 balls", bringing up the hundred "near the 40th over", and then knowing that the bowlers can't get him out unless he makes a mistake. "That is my style of play," Rohit said. "You are set and seeing the ball nice and hard and you have understood what the bowlers are trying to do by then, and it's all about trying to play with the field once you get past 100. It's all about you not making a mistake and getting out. I am not saying it's impossible or difficult, but it's very unlikely the bowlers are going to get you out once you have scored a hundred. "So it was all about me not making a mistake and batting as long as possible. That's what I did. There is no secret or formula to it. You just have to bat and not make any mistake. The ground is good, the pitch is nice and hard, so you can trust the bounce and play the shots."

Question 23 :

What is Rohit Sharma's say on hitting hundred near the 40th over in Mohali test?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 173 Seconds

Options :

1. To not commit mistake to give chance to bowler to bowl him out
2. To be very aggressive on field after 25th over
3. To stay calm and face every ball as it comes
4. To give your best as if it is the last match to play

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **To not commit mistake to give chance to bowler to bowl him out.**

- According to the passage, Rohit Sharma's say on hitting hundred near the 40th over in Mohali test is not to commit mistake to give chance to bowler to bowl him out.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. It was for long the insurmountable peak for ODI batting, but one man might now have a template to score ODI double-centuries again and again. In Bengaluru, against Australia in 2013, Rohit Sharma reached 20 off 35th ball, 50 off the 71st, and the hundred in the 38th over of the innings. In Kolkata, against Sri Lanka in 2014, he was nearly caught for 4 off the 17th ball he faced, reached his 20th run off the 35th ball, but accelerated slightly earlier to bring up his century in the 32nd over of the innings. On a cold mid-week afternoon in Mohali this season, he was even slower to start, reaching 20 off 37 balls, 50 off 65 balls, and bringing up the hundred only in the 40th over. All three were ODI doubles. One time can be a charm, but to accelerate so crazily three times after having set up the innings and to make it look predictable is a perfect combination of skill, fitness and the right mental approach to ODI batting. You can be all amazed at how he manages to do it, but Rohit's reaction to it is typically relaxed. "That's my template, no?" he tends to ask. He remembers the innings clearly: reaching "50 off 70 balls", bringing up the hundred "near the 40th over", and then knowing that the bowlers can't get him out unless he makes a mistake. "That is my style of play," Rohit said. "You are set and seeing the ball nice and hard and you have understood what the bowlers are trying to do by then, and it's all about trying to play with the field once you get past 100. It's all about you not making a mistake and getting out. I am not saying it's impossible or difficult, but it's very unlikely the bowlers are going to get you out once you have scored a hundred. "So it was all about me not making a mistake and batting as long as possible. That's what I did. There is no secret or formula to it. You just have to bat and not make any mistake. The ground is good, the pitch is nice and hard, so you can trust the bounce and play the shots."

Question 24 :

According to passage what made Rohit Sharma so consistent with his innings for three times consecutively?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 175 Seconds

Options :

1. skill
2. fitness
3. right mental approach
4. All of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **All of these**.

- According to the passage, all of the given options made Rohit Sharma so consistent with his innings for three times consecutively.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. Public opinion may be passive and false or active and real. It is claimed in theory that all governments are ultimately based on the opinion or sanction of the governed. But we find that in practice the people's rights are often trodden down and tyranny and oppression are allowed to continue. The government does it not because the people want it to do so but because they are too idle, too uneducated and too disunited or timid to oppose the government. Such public opinion is passive and false and not an active verdict. But when we find people alert, intelligent and determined to let the government know their will, when they want to exercise actively their voice in the management of their country, we have an instance of true or active public opinion. True public opinion is formed by and expressed through the press, the platform, political parties and educational institutions. These have sacred duties to perform, duties on which depends the ultimate good of the entire community. The press today wields a tremendous influence, So it should support the causes and movements and condemn the wrong one's and thus teach people to form correct opinion. A free and fair press ventilates the grievances of the public. Thus a healthy relationship develops between the people and the government throughout an unbiased press. Political parties also help to create and regulate opinions. No less important part is played by the educational Institutions which train the minds of the young people who will be the citizens of tomorrow. It has been said that modern Germany and China have been made by their universities. It is necessary that the young and the growing minds should imbibe the spirit of fellow-feeling, the spirit of tolerance, the habit of compromise, and show due regard for the feelings and opinion of others without which a democratic society cannot function, let alone succeed. When there is true awakening of the people, we shall have the real and conscious public opinion. And justice will reign on earth and truly will the voice of the people be the voice of God.

Question 25 :

What can be the suitable title to the passage?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 151 Seconds

Options :

1. Role of media in forming public opinion
2. Formation of public opinion
3. Public opinion in autocratic society
4. True public opinion

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Formation of public opinion.**

- The passage emphasises on the formation of public opinion.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. Public opinion may be passive and false or active and real. It is claimed in theory that all governments are ultimately based on the opinion or sanction of the governed. But we find that in practice the people's rights are often trodden down and tyranny and oppression are allowed to continue. The government does it not because the people want it to do so but because they are too idle, too uneducated and too disunited or timid to oppose the government. Such public opinion is passive and false and not an active verdict. But when we find people alert, intelligent and determined to let the government know their will, when they want to exercise actively their voice in the management of their country, we have an instance of true or active public opinion. True public opinion is formed by and expressed through the press, the platform, political parties and educational institutions. These have sacred duties to perform, duties on which depends the ultimate good of the entire community. The press today wields a tremendous influence, So it should support the causes and movements and condemn the wrong one's and thus teach people to form correct opinion. A free and fair press ventilates the grievances of the public. Thus a healthy relationship develops between the people and the government throughout an unbiased press. Political parties also help to create and regulate opinions. No less important part is played by the educational Institutions which train the minds of the young people who will be the citizens of tomorrow. It has been said that modern Germany and China have been made by their universities. It is necessary that the young and the growing minds should imbibe the spirit of fellow-feeling, the spirit of tolerance, the habit of compromise, and show due regard for the feelings and opinion of others without which a democratic society cannot function, let alone succeed. When there is true awakening of the people, we shall have the real and conscious public opinion. And justice will reign on earth and truly will the voice of the people be the voice of God.

Question 26 :

According to the passage, which of the following is needed from the people to have true or active public opinion? Alertness
Determination Intelligence Raising their voice

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 155 Seconds

Options :

- 1, 2 and 3
- Only 4
- 2 and 3
- All of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **1, 2 and 3**.

- According to the passage, alertness, determination and intelligence are needed from the people to have true or active public opinion.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Question 27 :**

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Get cracking

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

1. To delay little longer
2. To destroy at the end
3. To waste time in waiting
4. To start doing something

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. To start doing something.

The meaning of the idiom/phrase 'get cracking' is 'to start doing something'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 28 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. A hair's breadth

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 45 Seconds****Options :**

1. Telling about the smallest possible amount or degree of something
2. Irresponsible pleasure seeking in an old age
3. Praising someone's abilities and achievements
4. Looking for something which is not clearly visible

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Telling about the smallest possible amount or degree of something.

The meaning of the idiom/phrase 'a hair's breadth' is 'telling about the smallest possible amount or degree of something'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 29 :



In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Come hell or high water

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. No matter what
2. Feeling ill
3. Possible obstacles in one's path
4. Something good and useful

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. No matter what.

The meaning of the idiom/phrase 'come hell or high water' is 'no matter what'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. Public opinion may be passive and false or active and real. It is claimed in theory that all governments are ultimately based on the opinion or sanction of the governed. But we find that in practice the people's rights are often trodden down and tyranny and oppression are allowed to continue. The government does it not because the people want it to do so but because they are too idle, too uneducated and too disunited or timid to oppose the government. Such public opinion is passive and false and not an active verdict. But when we find people alert, intelligent and determined to let the government know their will, when they want to exercise actively their voice in the management of their country, we have an instance of true or active public opinion. True public opinion is formed by and expressed through the press, the platform, political parties and educational institutions. These have sacred duties to perform, duties on which depends the ultimate good of the entire community. The press today wields a tremendous influence, So it should support the causes and movements and condemn the wrong one's and thus teach people to form correct opinion. A free and fair press ventilates the grievances of the public. Thus a healthy relationship develops between the people and the government throughout an unbiased press. Political parties also help to create and regulate opinions. No less important part is played by the educational Institutions which train the minds of the young people who will be the citizens of tomorrow. It has been said that modern Germany and China have been made by their universities. It is necessary that the young and the growing minds should imbibe the spirit of fellow-feeling, the spirit of tolerance, the habit of compromise, and show due regard for the feelings and opinion of others without which a democratic society cannot function, let alone succeed. When there is true awakening of the people, we shall have the real and conscious public opinion. And justice will reign on earth and truly will the voice of the people be the voice of God.

Question 30 :



What is important for the democratic society to function properly?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 149 Seconds

Options :

1. Spirit of fellow-feeling
2. Spirit of tolerance
3. Habit of compromise
4. All of these

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **All of these**.

- According to the passage, all of the given options are important for the democratic society to function properly.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 31 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. Private companies do not produce new varieties and inputs _____ as a result of their own research.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. sincerely
2. purportedly
3. entirely
4. abjectly

Solution :

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

- The sentence says that though the private companies research a lot yet their products are not completely innovative.
- Among the given options, 'entirely' holds the required meaning.
- 'Abjectly' means 'in a way that shows no pride or respect for yourself'.
- 'Purportedly' means 'as appears or is stated to be true, though not necessarily so; allegedly'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 32 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which is opposite in the meaning of the given word. Scurrilous

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. Coarse
2. Sophisticated
3. Insolent
4. Complimentary

Solution :

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

1. **Scurrilous**: Humorously insulting.
2. **Coarse**: Rough or harsh in texture.
 - Synonyms: Prickly, scratchy etc.
 - Antonyms: Soft
3. **Sophisticated**: Having, revealing, or involving a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of fashion and culture.
 - Synonyms: Worldly, cosmopolitan etc.
 - Antonyms: Naive, unsophisticated etc.
4. **Insolent**: Showing a rude and arrogant lack of respect.
 - Synonyms: Impertinent, impudent etc.
 - Antonyms: Polite
5. **Complimentary**: Expressing a compliment; praising or approving.
 - Synonyms: Flattering, appreciative etc.
 - Antonyms: Derogatory, scathing etc.

Since 'complimentary' holds the opposite meaning as 'scurrilous', the chosen option is correct.

Question 33 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the

Idiom/Phrase. Jog someone's memory

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. Describing someone
2. Appreciating someone's humor
3. To be love with someone's intelligence
4. To cause someone to remember something

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. To cause someone to remember something.

The meaning of 'Jog someone's memory' is 'to cause someone to remember something'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 34 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I always cook food in olive oil.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. Olive oil is always used by me to cook food.
2. Food is always cooked by me in olive oil.
3. Food is always cooked by myself in oil which is of olive
4. Cooking of the food is always done by me using olive oil.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Food is always cooked by me in olive oil.

Active voice- Subject + V_1/V_5 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + is/am/are + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- 'Food' answers 'what' and hence is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject of the passive voice.



As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 35 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The taxi will drop you at the airport.

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

1. The taxi at the airport will be dropping you.
2. Dropping you at the airport will be done by the taxi.
3. You will be dropped at the airport by the taxi.
4. The taxi is dropping you at the airport.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. You will be dropped at the airport by the taxi.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'you' answers 'whom', it is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Drop' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 36 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I applied band-aid to the wound.

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

1. To my wound I applied my Band-aid by myself.
2. Band-aid by myself would be applied to the wound.
3. Application of the Band-aid to the wound was done my me.
4. Band-aid was applied by me to the wound.

Solution :



The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Band-aid was applied by me to the wound.

Active voice- Subject + V2 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + was/were + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- 'Band-aid' answers 'what' and hence is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject of the passive voice.
- 'Apply' is the main verb which changes into its third form i.e. 'applied'.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. My tooth-brush is a thing that haunts me when I'm travelling, and _____ my life a misery. I _____ that I haven't packed it, and wake up in a cold _____, and get out of bed and hunt for it. And, in the morning, I pack it before I have used it, and have to unpack again to get it, and it is always the last thing I turn out of the bag; and _____ I repack and forget it, and have to rush upstairs _____ it at the last moment and carry it to the railway station, wrapped up in my pocket-handkerchief. Of course I had to turn every mortal thing out now, and, of course, I could not find it.

Question 37 :

wake up in a cold _____, and get out of

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 106 Seconds

Options :

1. perspire
2. perspiring
3. perspiration
4. to perspire

Solution :

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

- 'Cold' is an adjective.
- After an adjective, a noun is required.
- Among the given options, 'perspiration' is a noun.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. My tooth-brush is a thing that haunts me when I'm travelling, and _____ my life a misery. I _____ that I haven't packed it, and wake up in a cold _____, and get out of bed and hunt for it. And, in the morning, I pack it before I have used it, and have to unpack again to get it, and it is always the last thing I turn out of the bag; and _____ I repack and forget it, and have to rush upstairs _____ it at the last moment and carry it to the railway station, wrapped up in my pocket-handkerchief. Of course I had to turn every mortal thing out now, and, of course, I could not find it.

Question 38 :

when I'm travelling, and _____ my life a misery.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 84 Seconds****Options :**

1. making
2. makes
3. to make
4. maker

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Makes.

- The blank requires a verb.
- The subject is the 'tooth-brush' i.e. a singular subject.
- Hence, the verb should also be singular.
- Among the given options, 'makes' is a singular verb and appropriate.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. _____ who argue in this way support their case by pointing to the lack of a general consensus of opinion which obtains in many parts of the field which the philosopher regards as his own; and also by _____ out that, even within this field, there is a growing tendency _____ the part of certain sciences to separate themselves from philosophy and _____ independent. Thus the psychologist and the logician are sometimes very anxious to have it understood that they belong among the scientists and _____ among the philosophers.

Question 39 :

among the scientists and _____ among the philosophers.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 77 Seconds

Options :

1. no
2. not
3. nothing
4. none

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Not.

- To form the negative clause or phrase, 'not' is used.
- 'No' means 'not any', 'not at all' etc.
- Since the sentence demands negativity, 'not' is appropriate.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. It was for long the insurmountable peak for ODI batting, but one man might now have a template to score ODI double-centuries again and again. In Bengaluru, against Australia in 2013, Rohit Sharma reached 20 off 35th ball, 50 off the 71st, and the hundred in the 38th over of the innings. In Kolkata, against Sri Lanka in 2014, he was nearly caught for 4 off the 17th ball he faced, reached his 20th run off the 35th ball, but accelerated slightly earlier to bring up his century in the 32nd over of the innings. On a cold mid-week afternoon in Mohali this season, he was even slower to start, reaching 20 off 37 balls, 50 off 65 balls, and bringing up the hundred only in the 40th over. All three were ODI doubles. One time can be a charm, but to accelerate so crazily three times after having set up the innings and to make it look predictable is a perfect combination of skill, fitness and the right mental approach to ODI batting. You can be all amazed at how he manages to do it, but Rohit's reaction to it is typically relaxed. "That's my template, no?" he tends to ask. He remembers the innings clearly: reaching "50 off 70 balls", bringing up the hundred "near the 40th over", and then knowing that the bowlers can't get him out unless he makes a mistake. "That is my style of play," Rohit said. "You are set and seeing the ball nice and hard and you have understood what the bowlers are trying to do by then, and it's all about trying to play with the field once you get past 100. It's all about you not making a mistake and getting out. I am not saying it's impossible or difficult, but it's very unlikely the bowlers are going to get you out once you have scored a hundred. "So it was all about me not making a mistake and batting as long as possible. That's what I did. There is no secret or formula to it. You just have to bat and not make any mistake. The ground is good, the pitch is nice and hard, so you can trust the bounce and play the shots."

Question 40 :



What according to Rohit Sharma is the secret or formula to hit centuries consistently on the ground?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 158 Seconds

Options :

1. To check the pitch before starting to play
2. To have got bat to play with
3. Not to panic on the field
4. No secret at all

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **No secret at all**.

- According to the passage, according to Rohit Sharma there is no secret or formula to hit centuries consistently on the ground.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 41 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. Galileo was the first scientist to recognize clearly that the only way to further our understanding of the physical world was to _____ to experiment.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. annihilate
2. resort
3. emerge
4. suspect

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Resort.

- The required word must take 'to' after it as the blank is followed by 'to'.
- Among the given options, only 'resort' takes 'to' after it.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 42 :



In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. To renounce one's faith or religion

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. Fantasy
2. Euphrasy
3. Apostasy
4. Epistasy

Solution :

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

1. **Fantasy:** The faculty or activity of imagining impossible or improbable things.
2. **Euphrasy:** An eyebright.
3. **Apostasy:** To renounce one's faith or religion
4. **Epistasy:** An interaction between nonallelic genes in which the genotype at one locus affects the expression of alleles at another locus.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 43 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. _____ Parliament attack, there are many theories.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Realising
2. Concerning
3. Resurrecting
4. Pleasing

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Concerning.

- Parliament attacks are a matter of concern.
- 'Resurrecting' means 'restoring (a dead person) to life.'
- The above option does not make a coherent sentence.
- 'Pleasing' and 'realising' are not in the context of the sentence.
- 'Concerning' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 44 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Situated on bank

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. Dorsal
2. Tussal
3. Versal
4. Basal

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Dorsal.

1. **Dorsal:** Situated on bank.
2. **Tussal:** A sudden noisy expulsion of air from the lungs.
3. **Versal:** Relating to a style of ornate capital letter used to start a verse, paragraph, etc., in a manuscript, typically built up by inking between pen strokes and with long, rather flat serifs.
4. **Basal:** Forming or belonging to a bottom layer or base.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 45 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: When one gets solved or nears the solution, other starts raising its ugly head. Q: Threats to our nation building processes are increasing day by day. R: Tougher punishments should be



provided for them in order to weed them out completely. S: The need of the day is to go for integrated approach with taking steps to solve the poverty, illiteracy and population problems along with tough steps and stern action against the terrorists.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. QPSR
2. SRQP
3. RSQP
4. QRSP

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with P.
- R can also not be the first sentence as it contains a pronoun 'them'.
- Q should be the first sentence as it provides the topic of discussion.
- R should come after S as S contains the noun 'terrorists' and R contains the pronoun 'them'.
- Option 1 fulfils the above conditions and hence makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Amazon basin has been continuously inhabited for at least 10, 000 years, possibly more. Its earliest inhabitants were stone-age peoples, living in hundreds of far-flung tribes, some tiny, others numbering in the tens of thousands. It was from the west that Europeans explorers first arrived. In 1541 a Spanish expedition from Quito, led by Gonzalo Pizarro, ran short of supplies while exploring east of the Andes in what is today Peru. Pizarro's cousin Francisco de Orellana offered to take 60 men along with the boats from the expedition and forage for supplies. De Orellana floated down the Rio Napo to its confluence with the Amazon, near Iquitos (Peru), and then to the mouth of the Amazon. Along the way his expedition suffered numerous attacks by Indians; some of the Indian warriors, they reported, were female, like the Amazons of Greek mythology, and thus the world's greatest river got its name. No one made a serious effort to claim this sweaty territory, however, until the Portuguese built a fort near the mouth of the river at Belém in 1616, and sent Pedro Teixeira up the river to Quito and back between 1637 and 1639. During the 17th and 18th centuries, Portuguese bandeirantes (groups of roaming adventurers) penetrated ever further into the rain forest in pursuit of gold and Indian slaves, exploring as far as present-day Rondônia, and the Guaporé and Madeira river valleys. Amazonian Indians had long used the sap from rubber trees to make waterproof bags and other items. European explorers recognized the potential value of natural latex, but were unable to market it because it tended to grow soft in the heat, or brittle in the cold, and thus had limited appeal outside the rain forest. However, in 1842 American Charles Goodyear developed vulcanization (made natural rubber



durable) and in 1890 Ireland's John Dunlop patented pneumatic rubber tires. Soon there was an unquenchable demand for rubber in the recently industrialized USA and Europe, and the price of rubber on international markets soared. As profits skyrocketed, so did exploitation of the seringueiros, or rubber tappers, who were lured into the Amazon, mostly from the drought-stricken northeast, by the promise of prosperity only to be locked into a cruel system of virtual slavery dominated by seringalistas (owners of rubber-bearing forests). Rigged scales, hired guns, widespread illiteracy among the rubber tappers, and monopoly of sales and purchases all combined to perpetuate the workers' debt and misery. In addition, seringueiros had to contend with jungle fevers, Indian attacks and all manner of deprivation.

Question 46 :

Where did De Orellano float down to for its confluence with the Amazon?

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

1. Belem
2. Quito
3. Rio Napo
4. Peru

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Rio Napo**.

- According to the passage, De Orellano floated down to Rio Napo for its confluence with the Amazon.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 47 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. You need to water the plants daily.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 48 Seconds****Options :**

1. You need to daily be watering the plants.
2. The plants need to be watered daily by you.
3. You water the plants, as it is their daily need.
4. Daily watering of the plants is need by you.

Solution :



The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The plants need to be watered daily by you.

Active voice- Subject + V_1/V_5 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + is/am/are + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- 'The plants' answers 'whom' and hence is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject of the passive voice.
- The action on the object is said to be the main verb.
- Since the action on 'the plants' is 'water', it is the main verb.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 48 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. Sushmita divorced her husband.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. Her husband is divorced by Sushmita.
2. By Sushmita her husband is divorced.
3. Divorcing of her husband was done by Sushmita.
4. Her husband was divorced by Sushmita.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Her husband was divorced by Sushmita.

Active voice- Subject + V_2 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + was/were + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- 'Her husband' answers 'whom' and hence is the object of the active voice which is required to change into the subject of the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 49 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. The vast majority of people are consuming



(1)/ suboptimal amounts of most micronutrients (2)/ and most of the micronutrients concerning are very safe. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

Options :

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. And most of the micronutrients concerning are very safe.

- 'Concern' means 'relate to', 'discuss', 'study'
- The sentence says 'the micronutrients which have been discussed', so it should be in the past participle form i.e. V_3 .
- Hence, 'concerning' is required to be replaced with 'concerned'.

The correct sentence will be -

The vast majority of people are consuming suboptimal amounts of most micronutrients and most of the micronutrients concerned are very safe.

Question 50 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I could not find the book.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. I myself can not find the book.

2. The book could not be found by me.

3. By me the book can not be found.

4. Finding of the book could not be done by me.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The book could not be found by me.

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.



'The book' answers 'what' and hence is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject of the passive voice.

- 'Find' is the main verb which changes into its third form i.e. 'found'.
- 'A modal remains as it is hence 'could' does not change.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 51 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. Two engines are pulling the train up the hill.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

Options :

1. The train will be pulled up the hill by two engines.
2. Up the hill pulling of the trains is being done by the two engines.
3. The train is being pulled up the hill by two engines.
4. Two engines are needed for pulling the train up the hill.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The train is being pulled up the hill by two engines.

Active voice- Subject + is/am/are + V₄ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + is/am/are + being+ V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- 'The train' answers 'what' and hence is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject of the passive voice.
- 'Pull' is the main verb which changes into its third form i.e. 'pulled'.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 52 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. Grandmother is knitting a sweater for you.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. A sweater is being knit by grandmother for you.



A sweater will be knit by grandmother for you.

3. Grandmother is knitting for you a sweater.

4. Knitting of a sweater has been done by grandmother for you.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. A sweater is being knit by grandmother for you.

Active voice- Subject + is/am/are + V₄ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + is/am/are + being+ V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- 'A sweater' answers 'what' and hence is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject of the passive voice.
- 'Knit' is the main verb which changes into its third form i.e. 'knit'.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 53 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. Have you created this beautiful artwork?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. Had you been creating this beautiful artwork?
2. Had you created this beautiful artwork?
3. Has this beautiful artwork been created by you?
4. Has creating this beautiful artwork been done by you?

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Has this beautiful artwork been created by you?

Active voice- Has/have +subject + V₃ + Object

Passive voice- Has/have + subject + been + V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'this beautiful artwork' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

**Question 54 :**

In the following question, four words have been written out of which only one is incorrectly spelt. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 61 Seconds****Options :**

1. Adulterant
2. Antioxidant
3. Assailiant
4. Ascendant

Solution :

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

The correct spelling is Assailiant.

1. **Adulterant:** Used in adulterating something.
2. **Antioxidant:** A substance that inhibits oxidation, especially one used to counteract the deterioration of stored food products.
3. **Assailiant:** A person who physically attacks another.
4. **Ascendant:** Rising in power or influence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 55 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Insatiable greed for riches

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 51 Seconds****Options :**

1. Avarice
2. Actuary
3. Antiquary



Apostate

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Avarice.

1. **Avarice:** Insatiable greed for riches.
2. **Actuary:** A person who compiles and analyses statistics and uses them to calculate insurance risks and premiums.
3. **Antiquary:** Relating to or dealing in antiques or rare books.
4. **Apostate:** A person who renounces a religious or political belief or principle.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. _____ who argue in this way support their case by pointing to the lack of a general consensus of opinion which obtains in many parts of the field which the philosopher regards as his own; and also by _____ out that, even within this field, there is a growing tendency _____ the part of certain sciences to separate themselves from philosophy and _____ independent. Thus the psychologist and the logician are sometimes very anxious to have it understood that they belong among the scientists and _____ among the philosophers.

Question 56 :

field, there is a growing tendency _____ the part of certain sciences to separate

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 84 Seconds

Options :

1. in
2. on
3. of
4. for

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. On.

- 'On the part of' is a phrase meaning 'as far as', 'is related to', 'regards', 'concerns' etc.
- Since a phrase cannot be changed, it will be 'on' only.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Amazon basin has been continuously inhabited for at least 10, 000 years, possibly more. Its earliest inhabitants were stone-age peoples, living in hundreds of far-flung tribes, some tiny, others numbering in the tens of thousands. It was from the west that Europeans explorers first arrived. In 1541 a Spanish expedition from Quito, led by Gonzalo Pizarro, ran short of supplies while exploring east of the Andes in what is today Peru. Pizarro's cousin Francisco de Orellana offered to take 60 men along with the boats from the expedition and forage for supplies. De Orellana floated down the Rio Napo to its confluence with the Amazon, near Iquitos (Peru), and then to the mouth of the Amazon. Along the way his expedition suffered numerous attacks by Indians; some of the Indian warriors, they reported, were female, like the Amazons of Greek mythology, and thus the world's greatest river got its name. No one made a serious effort to claim this sweaty territory, however, until the Portuguese built a fort near the mouth of the river at Belém in 1616, and sent Pedro Teixeira up the river to Quito and back between 1637 and 1639. During the 17th and 18th centuries, Portuguese bandeirantes (groups of roaming adventurers) penetrated ever further into the rain forest in pursuit of gold and Indian slaves, exploring as far as present-day Rondônia, and the Guaporé and Madeira river valleys. Amazonian Indians had long used the sap from rubber trees to make waterproof bags and other items. European explorers recognized the potential value of natural latex, but were unable to market it because it tended to grow soft in the heat, or brittle in the cold, and thus had limited appeal outside the rain forest. However, in 1842 American Charles Goodyear developed vulcanization (made natural rubber durable) and in 1890 Ireland's John Dunlop patented pneumatic rubber tires. Soon there was an unquenchable demand for rubber in the recently industrialized USA and Europe, and the price of rubber on international markets soared. As profits skyrocketed, so did exploitation of the seringueiros, or rubber tappers, who were lured into the Amazon, mostly from the drought-stricken northeast, by the promise of prosperity only to be locked into a cruel system of virtual slavery dominated by seringalistas (owners of rubber-bearing forests). Rigged scales, hired guns, widespread illiteracy among the rubber tappers, and monopoly of sales and purchases all combined to perpetuate the workers' debt and misery. In addition, seringueiros had to contend with jungle fevers, Indian attacks and all manner of deprivation.

Question 57 :

Seringalistas refers to

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 168 Seconds

Options :

1. natural latex
2. owners of rubber bearing forests
3. group of roaming adventures
4. natural rubber durable

Solution :

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The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Owners of rubber bearing forests.**

- According to the passage, seringalistas were the owners of rubber bearing forests.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 58 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. The viability of the multinational corporate system (1)/ depends upon the degree in which (2)/ people will tolerate the unevenness it creates. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Depends upon the degree in which.

- Here 'degree' refers to 'extent' or 'limit'.
- 'Extent' or 'limit' takes a fixed preposition 'to' after it.
- Hence, 'in' should be replaced with 'to'.

The correct sentence will be-

The viability of the multinational corporate system depends upon the degree to which people will tolerate the unevenness it creates.

Question 59 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Sometimes it appears as if they are deliberately (1)/ limiting their chances of survival in order (2)/ to observe some customary or taboo.(3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

Options :



1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. To observe some customary or taboo.

- 'Some' takes a plural noun after it.
- Hence, it is required to replace 'customary' with 'customaries' and 'taboo' with 'taboos'.

The correct sentence will be-

Sometimes it appears as if they are deliberately limiting their chances of survival in order to observe some customaries or taboos.

Question 60 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. (What is worsen) is that there is practically no room for improved relations as long as Mr. Gupta keeps the issue floating.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 50 Seconds****Options :**

1. What is worsen
2. What is worse
3. What is worsening
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. What is worse.

- 'Worsen' is not any word.
- 'Worsen' is a verb of the base form and it is not used after 'is'.
- The three degrees of 'bad' are-bad, worse, worst.
- A comparative degree is used to show a comparison between the two.
- Since there are two factors mentioned, a comparative degree will be used.

The correct sentence will be-



What is worse is that there is practically no room for improved relations as long as Mr. Gupta keeps the issue floating.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Amazon basin has been continuously inhabited for at least 10, 000 years, possibly more. Its earliest inhabitants were stone-age peoples, living in hundreds of far-flung tribes, some tiny, others numbering in the tens of thousands. It was from the west that Europeans explorers first arrived. In 1541 a Spanish expedition from Quito, led by Gonzalo Pizarro, ran short of supplies while exploring east of the Andes in what is today Peru. Pizarro's cousin Francisco de Orellana offered to take 60 men along with the boats from the expedition and forage for supplies. De Orellana floated down the Rio Napo to its confluence with the Amazon, near Iquitos (Peru), and then to the mouth of the Amazon. Along the way his expedition suffered numerous attacks by Indians; some of the Indian warriors, they reported, were female, like the Amazons of Greek mythology, and thus the world's greatest river got its name. No one made a serious effort to claim this sweaty territory, however, until the Portuguese built a fort near the mouth of the river at Belém in 1616, and sent Pedro Teixeira up the river to Quito and back between 1637 and 1639. During the 17th and 18th centuries, Portuguese bandeirantes (groups of roaming adventurers) penetrated ever further into the rain forest in pursuit of gold and Indian slaves, exploring as far as present-day Rondônia, and the Guaporé and Madeira river valleys. Amazonian Indians had long used the sap from rubber trees to make waterproof bags and other items. European explorers recognized the potential value of natural latex, but were unable to market it because it tended to grow soft in the heat, or brittle in the cold, and thus had limited appeal outside the rain forest. However, in 1842 American Charles Goodyear developed vulcanization (made natural rubber durable) and in 1890 Ireland's John Dunlop patented pneumatic rubber tires. Soon there was an unquenchable demand for rubber in the recently industrialized USA and Europe, and the price of rubber on international markets soared. As profits skyrocketed, so did exploitation of the seringueiros, or rubber tappers, who were lured into the Amazon, mostly from the drought-stricken northeast, by the promise of prosperity only to be locked into a cruel system of virtual slavery dominated by seringalistas (owners of rubber-bearing forests). Rigged scales, hired guns, widespread illiteracy among the rubber tappers, and monopoly of sales and purchases all combined to perpetuate the workers' debt and misery. In addition, seringueiros had to contend with jungle fevers, Indian attacks and all manner of deprivation.

Question 61 :

Who among the following patented the pneumatic rubber tires?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 187 Seconds

Options :

1. Gonzalo Pizarro
2. Francisco de Orellana
3. Pedrco Teixeira
4. John Dunlop

Solution :

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The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **John Dunlop**.

- According to the passage, John Dunlop patented the pneumatic rubber tires.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 62 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. It is one thing for adultery to get you a divorce and (quite some other) for it to lead you to incarceration.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 44 Seconds

Options :

1. quite another
2. quite anyother
3. quite everyother
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Quite another.

- 'Anyother' and 'everyother', both contain two words. They are not written together.
- 'Another' is used to refer to an additional person or thing of the same type as one already mentioned or known about; one more; a further.
- Since there are two factors mentioned about 'adultery', 'another' is appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

It is one thing for adultery to get you a divorce and quite another for it to lead you to incarceration.

Question 63 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Delusion of suffering from a disease

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. Lypomania
2. Nosomania
3. Naruomania



Phagomania

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Nosomania.

1. **Lypemania:** An abnormal tendency toward deep melancholy.
2. **Nosomania:** Delusion of suffering from a disease.
3. **Naruomania:** A mental illness.
4. **Phagomania:** A morbid or uncontrollable desire to eat.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 64 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. They will start the fireworks at 10:00 pm sharp.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. The fireworks will be started by them at 10:00 pm sharp.
2. They themselves will be starting the fireworks at 10:00 pm sharp.
3. The fireworks would be started by themselves at 3) The fireworks would be started by themselves at 10:00 pm sharp.
4. Starting of the fireworks will be done by them at 10:00 pm sharp.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The fireworks will be started by them at 10:00 pm sharp.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'the fireworks' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

'Start' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 65 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. They will not be able to enjoy these (up and until) they part with their personal biometric information to the government.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. till and until
2. unless and until
3. upto and until
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Unless and until.

- 'Unless' represents 'condition'.
- 'Until' represents 'time'.
- Both of them are used together to show that something is not possible unless it fulfils certain conditions and until a particular time.

The correct sentence will be-

They will not be able to enjoy these unless and until they part with their personal biometric information to the government.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. _____ who argue in this way support their case by pointing to the lack of a general consensus of opinion which obtains in many parts of the field which the philosopher regards as his own; and also by _____ out that, even within this field, there is a growing tendency _____ the part of certain sciences to separate themselves from philosophy and _____ independent. Thus the psychologist and the logician are sometimes very anxious to have it understood that they belong among the scientists and _____ among the philosophers.

Question 66 :

_____ who argue in this way support.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

**Options :**

1. This
2. That
3. The
4. Those

Solution :

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

- 'Argue' is a plural verb.
- So it must take a plural subject.
- Among the options, only 'those' is a plural pronoun which can be the subject.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. _____ who argue in this way support their case by pointing to the lack of a general consensus of opinion which obtains in many parts of the field which the philosopher regards as his own; and also by _____ out that, even within this field, there is a growing tendency _____ the part of certain sciences to separate themselves from philosophy and _____ independent. Thus the psychologist and the logician are sometimes very anxious to have it understood that they belong among the scientists and _____ among the philosophers.

Question 67 :

own; and also by _____ out that, even within this field.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. point
2. pointed
3. pointing
4. to point

Solution :

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



Among the forms of the verb, a preposition is followed by V_4 (-ing) only.

- Since 'by' is a preposition, it will take 'pointing' after it.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 68 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. She will hand over her papers to her company at the end of this month.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 51 Seconds

Options :

1. Handing over of the papers by her to her company would be done by her at the end of this month.
2. Her papers will be handed over by her to her company at the end of this month.
3. Her papers she will be handed over to her company at the end of this month.
4. At the end of this month her papers would have been handed over to her company by herself.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Her papers will be handed over by her to her company at the end of this month.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'her papers' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Hand over' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 69 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. You have to take these medicines.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

Options :

1. These medicines you have to take.
2. You have took these medicines.

These medicines have to be taken by you.

4. Taking of these medicines has to be done by you.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. These medicines have to be taken by you.

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'these medicines' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Take' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 70 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I will take the responsibility of failure.

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

1. I have been taking the responsibility of failure.
2. The responsibility of failure will be taken by me.
3. The responsibility of failing would have been taken by me.
4. Taking the responsibility of failure will be done by myself.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The responsibility of failure will be taken by me.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'the responsibility of failure' answers 'what', it is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Take' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Amazon basin has been continuously inhabited for at least 10, 000 years, possibly more. Its earliest inhabitants were stone-age



peoples, living in hundreds of far-flung tribes, some tiny, others numbering in the tens of thousands. It was from the west that Europeans explorers first arrived. In 1541 a Spanish expedition from Quito, led by Gonzalo Pizarro, ran short of supplies while exploring east of the Andes in what is today Peru. Pizarro's cousin Francisco de Orellana offered to take 60 men along with the boats from the expedition and forage for supplies. De Orellana floated down the Rio Napo to its confluence with the Amazon, near Iquitos (Peru), and then to the mouth of the Amazon. Along the way his expedition suffered numerous attacks by Indians; some of the Indian warriors, they reported, were female, like the Amazons of Greek mythology, and thus the world's greatest river got its name. No one made a serious effort to claim this sweaty territory, however, until the Portuguese built a fort near the mouth of the river at Belém in 1616, and sent Pedro Teixeira up the river to Quito and back between 1637 and 1639. During the 17th and 18th centuries, Portuguese bandeirantes (groups of roaming adventurers) penetrated ever further into the rain forest in pursuit of gold and Indian slaves, exploring as far as present-day Rondônia, and the Guaporé and Madeira river valleys. Amazonian Indians had long used the sap from rubber trees to make waterproof bags and other items. European explorers recognized the potential value of natural latex, but were unable to market it because it tended to grow soft in the heat, or brittle in the cold, and thus had limited appeal outside the rain forest. However, in 1842 American Charles Goodyear developed vulcanization (made natural rubber durable) and in 1890 Ireland's John Dunlop patented pneumatic rubber tires. Soon there was an unquenchable demand for rubber in the recently industrialized USA and Europe, and the price of rubber on international markets soared. As profits skyrocketed, so did exploitation of the seringueiros, or rubber tappers, who were lured into the Amazon, mostly from the drought-stricken northeast, by the promise of prosperity only to be locked into a cruel system of virtual slavery dominated by seringalistas (owners of rubber-bearing forests). Rigged scales, hired guns, widespread illiteracy among the rubber tappers, and monopoly of sales and purchases all combined to perpetuate the workers' debt and misery. In addition, seringueiros had to contend with jungle fevers, Indian attacks and all manner of deprivation.

Question 71 :

From where did the Europeans explorers first arrive?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 196 Seconds

Options :

1. The West
2. The East
3. The North
4. The South West

Solution :

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

- According to the passage, the Europeans explorers first arrived from the west.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Question 72 :**

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. They even tried to smuggle bits of jazz into (1)/ serious music as that the composer could (2)/ somehow survive. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 52 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Serious music as that the composer could.

- 'So that' shows the reason for something.
- Since the reason for smuggling bits of jazz is the survival of the composer, 'so that' is appropriate.
- Hence, 'as' should be replaced with 'so'.

The correct sentence will be-

They even tried to smuggle bits of jazz into serious music so that the composer could somehow survive.

Question 73 :

In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. Environmental protection and management is _____ attracting a lot of attention these days.

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

1. affectedly
2. deservedly
3. acridly
4. lewdly

Solution :



The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Deservedly.

- The initiative is beneficial and hence a word having positive connotation is required.
- 'Acridly' means 'in a way that is sharp and harsh'.
- 'Lewdly' means 'inclined to, characterised by, or inciting to lust or lechery; lascivious'.
- The above two words are out of the context and hence eliminated.
- Out of the remaining options, 'deservedly' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 74 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word. CRESCENDO

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. Dominate
2. Escalation
3. Squander
4. Revere

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Crescendo.

1. **Crescendo**: The highest point reached in a progressive increase of intensity.
2. **Dominate**: Have power and influence over.
3. **Escalation**: An increase in the intensity or seriousness of something; an intensification.
4. **Squander**: Waste (something, especially money or time) in a reckless and foolish manner.
 - Synonyms: Misuse, dissipate etc.
 - Antonyms: Manage, save etc.
5. **Revere**: Feel deep respect or admiration for (something).

Since 'escalation' holds the same meaning as 'crescendo', the chosen option is correct.

Question 75 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word. Esoteric

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. Befitting
2. Germane
3. Abstruse
4. Relevant

Solution :

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

1. **Esoteric**: Intended for or likely to be understood by only a small number of people with specialised knowledge of interest.

- Synonyms: Abstruse, obscure etc.
- Antonyms: Simple, familiar etc.

2. **Befitting**: Appropriate to the occasion.

3. **Germane**: Relevant to a subject under consideration.

4. **Abstruse**: Difficult to understand; obscure.

- Synonyms: Esoteric, difficult etc.
- Antonyms: Clear, obvious etc.

5. **Relevant**: Closely connected or appropriate to what is being done or considered.

Since 'abstruse' holds the same meaning as 'esoteric', the chosen option is correct.

Question 76 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word. Fiendish

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. Apparent
2. Cruel
- 3.



Secure

4. Exemplify

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Cruel.

1. **Fiendish:** Extremely cruel or unpleasant.
2. **Apparent:** Clearly visible or understood; obvious.
 - Synonyms: Evident, plain etc.
 - Antonyms: Unclear, obscure etc.
3. **Cruel:** Wilfully causing pain or suffering to others, or feeling no concern about it.
 - Synonyms: Brutal, savage etc.
 - Antonyms: Compassionate, merciful etc.
4. **Secure:** Fixed or fastened so as not to give way, become loose, or be lost.
 - Synonyms: Tight, firm etc.
 - Antonyms: Loose, unlocked etc.
5. **Exemplify:** Be a typical example of.

Since 'cruel' holds the same meaning as 'fiendish', the chosen option is correct.

Question 77 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which is opposite in the meaning of the given word. Acerbic

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. Foretell
2. Amazed
3. Harsh

Bland

Solution :

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

1. **Acerbic:** (Especially of a comment or style of speaking) sharp and forthright.
 - Synonyms: Sarcastic, satirical etc.
 - Antonyms: Mild, kind etc.
2. **Foretell:** Predict (the future or a future event).
3. **Amazed:** Greatly surprised; astonished.
4. **Harsh:** Unpleasant rough or jarring to the senses.
 - Synonyms: Grating, strident etc.
 - Antonyms: Soft, dulcet etc.
5. **Bland:** Showing no strong emotion.
 - Synonyms: Mild, soft etc.
 - Antonyms: Violent, destructive etc.

Since 'bland' holds the opposite meaning of 'acerbic', the chosen option is correct.

Question 78 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the one which is opposite in the meaning of the given word. Ribald

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :

1. Provision
2. Biased
3. Clean
4. Vulgar

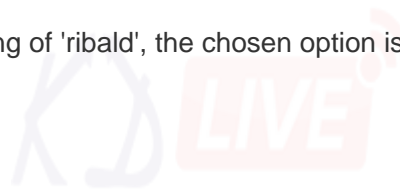


Solution :

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

1. **Ribald**: Referring to sexual matters in an amusingly coarse or irrelevant way.
2. **Provision**: The action of providing or supplying something for use.
3. **Biased**: Unfairly prejudiced for or against someone or something.
4. **Clean**: Morally uncontaminated; pure; innocent.
 - Synonyms: Moral, ethical etc.
 - Antonyms: Immoral, guilty etc.
5. **Vulgar**: Lacking sophistication or good taste.
 - Synonyms: Tasteless, tawdry etc.
 - Antonyms: Tasteful, genteel etc.

Since 'clean' holds the opposite meaning of 'ribald', the chosen option is correct.



Question 79 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Be in the red

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

Options :

1. To be very angry
2. Close to death
3. To be in debt
4. Always energetic

Solution :



The correct answer is option 3 i.e. To be in debt.

The meaning of 'be in the red' is 'to be in debt'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 80 :

In the following question, out of the given four alternatives, select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Foot the bill

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 42 Seconds

Options :

1. To get good discount on a total bill
2. To pay for something
3. To manipulate the bill
4. To avoid paying for little expenses

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. To pay for something.

The meaning of 'foot the bill' is 'to pay for something'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 81 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Like a weak old woman

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 45 Seconds

Options :

1. Amazon
2. Acetic
3. Anile
4. Archer

Solution :



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

1. **Amazon:** A member of a legendary race of female warriors believed by the ancient Greeks to exist in Scythia or elsewhere on the edge of the known world.
2. **Acetic:** Of or like vinegar or acetic acid.
3. **Anile:** Like a weak old woman
4. **Archer:** A person who shoots with a bow and arrows, especially at a target as a sport.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 82 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Vexation for humiliation of disappointment

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. Linen
2. Adrenalin
3. Chagrin
4. Porcelain

Solution :

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

1. **Linen:** Cloth woven from flax.
2. **Adrenalin:** A hormone secreted by the adrenal glands that increase rates of blood circulation, breathing, and carbohydrate metabolism and prepares muscles for exertion.
3. **Chagrin:** Vexation for humiliation of disappointment.
4. **Porcelain:** A white vitrified translucent ceramic; china.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 83 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. A girl with brown hair



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 51 Seconds

Options :

1. Damsel
2. Lassie
3. Brunette
4. Mademoiselle

Solution :

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

1. **Damsel**: A young unmarried woman.
2. **Lassie**: A girl or young woman.
3. **Brunette**: A girl with brown hair.
4. **Mademoiselle**: A title or form of address used of or to an unmarried French-speaking woman, corresponding to Miss.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 84 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Mountain climbing

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. Alienisms
2. Alpinism
3. Albinism
4. Algorism

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Alpinism.

1. **Alienisms**: The study and treatment of mental illness.



2. **Alpinism**: Mountain climbing.

3. **Albinism**: A congenital absence of pigment in the skin and hair (which are white) and the eyes (which are pink).

4. **Algorism**: It is the technique of performing basic arithmetic by writing numbers in place value form and applying a set of memorised rules and facts to the digits.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 85 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

Combustibles – flammable

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Allative
2. Conflagrant
3. Agglomerative
4. Calmative

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Conflagrant.

1. **Allative**: Of a grammatical case expressing motion towards a place.
2. **Conflagrant**: Combustibles – flammable.
3. **Agglomerative**: Clustered together but not coherent.
4. **Calmative**: (Of a drug) having a sedative effect.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 86 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. A science of race, culture and human development



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. Tannery
2. Eugenics
3. Volley
4. Treak

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Eugenics.

1. **Tannery**: A place where animal hides are tanned.
2. **Eugenics**: A science of race, culture and human development.
3. **Volley**: A number of bullets, arrows, or other projectiles discharged at one time.
4. **Treak**: An arduous journey.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 87 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase. Medicine that causes vomiting

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. Valise
2. Satire
3. Pyre
4. Emetic

Solution :

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

1. **Valise**: A small travelling bag or suitcase.



2. **Satire**: The use of humour, irony, exaggeration, or ridicule to expose and criticise people's stupidity or vices, particularly in the context of contemporary politics and other topical issues.

3. **Pyre**: A heap of combustible material, especially one for burning a corpse as part of a funeral ceremony.

4. **Emetic**: Medicine that causes vomiting.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 88 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.
Evening prayer in church

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Sheath
2. Jig
3. Waltz
4. Vespers

Solution :

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

1. **Sheath**: A close-fitting cover for the blade of a knife or sword.

2. **Jig**: A lively dance with leaping movements.

3. **Waltz**: A dance in triple time performed by a couple, who as a pair turn rhythmically round and round as they progress around the dance floor.

4. **Vespers**: Evening prayer in church.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 89 :



In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. A metrical thinker should always be moving in a direction which is beneficial and have always been right at every _____

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. height
2. stride
3. growth
4. address

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Stride.

- The sentence talks about moving.
- To move, we take steps.
- Among the given options, 'stride' means 'step'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 90 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Their is direct evidence that when learning (1)/ occurs, neuro-chemical communication between (2)/ neurons is facilitated and less input is required. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Their is direct evidence that when learning.

- To start a sentence, 'there' is used.



'Their' cannot be the introductory word as it is a possessive adjective.

- Hence, it is required to replace 'their' with 'there'.

The correct sentence will be-

There is direct evidence that when learning occurs, neuro-chemical communication between neurons is facilitated and less input is required.

Question 91 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. You occasionally stop to admire the intellectual (1)/ scenery, or you sometimes retrace your steps (2)/ to make sure you had seen everything. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. To make sure you had seen everything.

- The sentence is written in the present tense.
- Hence, 'had' should be replaced with 'have'.

The correct sentence will be-

You occasionally stop to admire the intellectual scenery, or you sometimes retrace your steps to make sure you have seen everything.

Question 92 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Together with empowerment, there has (1)/ to be a culture of personally accountability (2)/ so that everyone realizes the necessity of valuing commitment. (3)/ No error (4)

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. To be a culture of personally accountability.

- To describe a noun, an adjective is required.
- Since 'accountability' is a noun, an adjective is required before it.
- 'Personally' is an adverb while the adjective is 'personal'.
- Hence, 'personally' should be replaced with 'personal'.

The correct sentence will be-

Together with empowerment, there has to be a culture of personal accountability so that everyone realizes the necessity of valuing commitment.

Question 93 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. Students who attempted the questions paper (1)/ have met some of their professors, seeking (2)/ informed answers to these questions. (3)/ No error. (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 64 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1

2. 2

3. 3

4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Students who attempted the questions paper.

- 'Question paper' is a compound noun.
- Instead of 'questions paper', it should be either 'question papers' or 'question paper' as it is not mentioned how many papers there are.

The correct sentence will be-



Students who attempted the question paper have met some of their professors, seeking informed answers to these questions.

Question 94 :

In the following question, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'. "I had forgotten all such things just (1)/ for the sake of the greater good of everyone." (2)/ said there leader. (3)/ No error. (4)

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 61 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1
2. 2
3. 3
4. 4

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Said there leader.

- 'Leader' is a noun and 'their' is a possessive adjective.
- An adjective is placed before a noun.
- So, instead of 'there', it should be 'their'.

The correct sentence will be-

"I had forgotten all such things just for the sake of the greater good of everyone." said their leader.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Life is full of _____ types of experiences. Strange, in fact, are the ways of God. If a man is happy today, he may be _____ unhappy the very next day. Some _____ are pleasant and joyful while others are full of _____ and pain. If in one moment a person feels as if he's on top of the world, in _____ moment he may be depressed and despirited.

Question 95 :

others are full of _____ and pain.

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



ethos

2. mythos

3. echoes

4. pathos

Solution :

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

- 'Ethos' means 'character', 'atmosphere', 'mood' etc.
- 'Mythos' means 'a myth or mythology'.
- 'Echoes' means 'sounds caused by reflection'.
- 'Pathos' means 'sadness'.
- After blank, 'and' is written. 'And' takes similar words before and after it.
- Among the options, the similar word for 'pain' is 'pathos'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Life is full of _____ types of experiences. Strange, in fact, are the ways of God. If a man is happy today, he may be _____ unhappy the very next day. Some _____ are pleasant and joyful while others are full of _____ and pain. If in one moment a person feels as if he's on top of the world, in _____ moment he may be depressed and dispirited.

Question 96 :

in _____ moment he may be depressed and dispirited.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 76 Seconds

Options :

1. most
2. second
3. last
4. another

Solution :

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



Here, two different times are mentioned.

- 'Second' or 'last' shows sequence, but the passage does not mention any sequence.
- 'Most' is used when more than two situations/periods/persons/things are mentioned.
- 'Another' shows different things/persons.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The generation gap is another of those characteristic features that set Homo sapiens apart from other animals. It is _____ if ever the most intelligent of apes ever blamed its juniors for their _____ ways! Over the years people have tried to analyse it, explain it, understand it, even ignore it, but it remains, ready to _____ each generation as it tries to _____ its own _____ about life and living.

Question 97 :

It is _____ if ever the most intelligent

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. doubtful
2. certain
3. sure
4. classified

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Doubtful.

- 'Certain' and 'sure' provide similar meanings and hence eliminated.
- There is no categorisation here, so 'classified' is also eliminated.
- Moreover, the required word must take 'if' after it as it is mentioned in the paragraph.
- Among the given options, only 'doubtful' takes 'if' after it and also makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The generation gap is another of those characteristic features that set Homo sapiens apart from other animals. It is _____ if ever the most intelligent of apes ever blamed its juniors for their _____ ways! Over the years people have tried to analyse it, explain it, understand it, even ignore it, but it remains,



ready to _____ each generation as it tries to _____ its own _____ about life and living.

Question 98 :

juniors for their _____ ways!

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

1. blizzard
2. wayward
3. motivated
4. pointed

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Wayward.

- The sentence talks about 'blaming' for something. We blame for the wrong-doings only. So, 'motivated' cannot be the appropriate word.
- 'Pointed' refers to 'focussed' which again gives a similar meaning like 'motivated'. Hence, this is also eliminated.
- 'Blizzard' means 'snowstorm' and is out of the context of the passage.
- 'Wayward' means 'wilful', 'wild' etc. and makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The generation gap is another of those characteristic features that set Homo sapiens apart from other animals. It is _____ if ever the most intelligent of apes ever blamed its juniors for their _____ ways! Over the years people have tried to analyse it, explain it, understand it, even ignore it, but it remains, ready to _____ each generation as it tries to _____ its own _____ about life and living.

Question 99 :

ready to _____ each generation

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 76 Seconds****Options :**

1. accept
2. assent



confront

4. suspect

Solution :

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

- We become ready or alert to challenge/approach/face a situation/person/thing.
- Among the given options, 'confront' holds the required meaning.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The generation gap is another of those characteristic features that set Homo sapiens apart from other animals. It is _____ if ever the most intelligent of apes ever blamed its juniors for their _____ ways! Over the years people have tried to analyse it, explain it, understand it, even ignore it, but it remains, ready to _____ each generation as it tries to _____ its own _____ about life and living.

Question 100 :

it tries to _____ its

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. accumulate
2. formulate
3. assimilates
4. annihilate

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Formulate.

- The passage talks about understanding and analysis. These are the process of formulation of an idea.
- Therefore, 'formulate' is the appropriate word.
- Moreover, 'annihilate' means 'destroy' which does not support the passage as the lines express sensible behaviour.
- 'Assimilates' is grammatically incorrect as 'to' takes the base form of the verb after it.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The generation gap is another of those characteristic features that set Homo sapiens apart from other animals. It is _____ if ever the most intelligent of apes ever blamed its juniors for their _____ ways! Over the years people have tried to analyse it, explain it, understand it, even ignore it, but it remains, ready to _____ each generation as it tries to _____ its own _____ about life and living.

Question 101 :

own _____ about life and living.

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

1. happiness
2. standards
3. living
4. perspectives

Solution :

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

- 'Happiness' and 'living' are not logical as we do not formulate 'happiness and living'.
- Out of 'standards' and 'perspectives', 'perspectives' is the appropriate word as it means 'outlook'.
- The passage says that through understanding and analysis, people formulate their own outlook towards life.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Truth is indeed a controversial aspect of _____. But almost always it can be justified as a moral principle on the basis of _____. When we talk about speaking the truth in order not to hide what, if hidden, will only prove damaging to others, we are emphasizing the ability to 'feel' for others. Again, often we purposely keep ourselves from communicating the truth as, once _____, it may hurt someone's feelings and sentiments. But keeping a person in the dark or denying him or her knowledge which he or she ought to have amounts to _____ another soul of its right to know that with which it has a _____.

Question 102 :

Truth is indeed a controversial aspect of _____.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 85 Seconds****Options :**



morality

2. ability
3. civility
4. debility

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Morality.

- Saying truth shows our ethics or correctness.
- Among the given options 'morality' holds the required meaning.
- 'Debility' means 'physical weakness' which is not in the context of the passage.
- 'Civility' means 'politeness' and again irrelevant in the context of the passage.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Truth is indeed a controversial aspect of _____. But almost always it can be justified as a moral principle on the basis of _____. When we talk about speaking the truth in order not to hide what, if hidden, will only prove damaging to others, we are emphasizing the ability to 'feel' for others. Again, often we purposely keep ourselves from communicating the truth as, once _____, it may hurt someone's feelings and sentiments. But keeping a person in the dark or denying him or her knowledge which he or she ought to have amounts to _____ another soul of its right to know that with which it has a _____.

Question 103 :

communicating the truth as, as a moral principle on the basis of _____.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. aggression
2. compassion
3. progression
4. intercession

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Compassion.



'Intercession' means 'involvement' and does not make a coherent sentence.

- Morality is connected with concern and understanding.
- Among the given options, 'compassion' holds the required meaning.
- 'Aggression' provides a negative connotation and hence not relevant to the passage as the passage deals with morality.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Truth is indeed a controversial aspect of _____. But almost always it can be justified as a moral principle on the basis of _____. When we talk about speaking the truth in order not to hide what, if hidden, will only prove damaging to others, we are emphasizing the ability to 'feel' for others. Again, often we purposely keep ourselves from communicating the truth as, once _____, it may hurt someone's feelings and sentiments. But keeping a person in the dark or denying him or her knowledge which he or she ought to have amounts to _____ another soul of its right to know that with which it has a _____.

Question 104 :

once _____, it may hurt someone's

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :

1. principled
2. disheveled
3. revealed
4. spectacled

Solution :

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

- 'Disheveled' means 'untidy', and hence not in context of the passage.
- 'Revealed' means 'disclose', 'tell' etc.
- Truth is told or disclosed and therefore 'revealed' makes a coherent sentence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Truth is indeed a controversial aspect of _____. But almost always it can

be justified as a moral principle on the basis of _____. When we talk about speaking the truth in order not to hide what, if hidden, will only prove damaging to others, we are emphasizing the ability to 'feel' for others. Again, often we purposely keep ourselves from communicating the truth as, once _____, it may hurt someone's feelings and sentiments. But keeping a person in the dark or denying him or her knowledge which he or she ought to have amounts to _____ another soul of its right to know that with which it has a _____.

Question 105 :

amounts to _____ another soul of its right

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 81 Seconds****Options :**

1. destroying
2. disturbing
3. sustaining
4. depriving

Solution :

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

- The passage says that people get hurt when truth is not disclosed to them. Since the lines have a negative connotation, the required word should also have a negative connotation.
- 'Deprive' means 'prevent'.
- The lines talk about 'right' of the people. And not disclosing truth to them is depriving their right.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. Truth is indeed a controversial aspect of _____. But almost always it can be justified as a moral principle on the basis of _____. When we talk about speaking the truth in order not to hide what, if hidden, will only prove damaging to others, we are emphasizing the ability to 'feel' for others. Again, often we purposely keep ourselves from communicating the truth as, once _____, it may hurt someone's feelings and sentiments. But keeping a person in the dark or denying him or her knowledge which he or she ought to have amounts to _____ another soul of its right to know that with which it has a _____.

Question 106 :

know that with which it has a _____.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 88 Seconds

Options :

1. urge
2. belonging
3. concern
4. Need

Solution :

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

- 'Concern' means 'a matter of interest or importance to someone.'
- 'Urge' means 'desire', 'need' etc.
- 'Belonging' means 'an affinity for a place or situation'.
- The lines say that truth should be told to them who has a matter of interest.
- 'Concern' is the appropriate word.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 107 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: This discipline is characterized by several concepts and approaches that are used by psychologists in understanding human behavior. Q: The field of psychology can be described as a discipline that focuses on the study of mind and behavior. R: Some of the most common psychological concepts that are used to modify or change an individual's behavior include operant conditioning, positive and negative punishment, and positive and negative reinforcement. S: Since psychology is a broad field, psychologists not only use these concepts and approaches but also conduct scientific research that enables them to understand human behavior.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

1. QPSR
2. PQRS
3. RSQP
4. SRPQ

Solution :

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



The paragraph must start with Q as it provides the definition.

- According to the options, only option 1 starts with Q and hence it is the appropriate answer.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 108 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: The Mughal empire was extensive, but it was not integrated. Q: It was rather an agglomeration of territories bound together by a common administration and common ties to the imperial authority. R: The strong hand of the emperor held the country together, compelling obedience from the nobles who governed the provinces. S: But these nobles felt no sense of national loyalty, for the simple reason that the empire was not a nation.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. PRQS
2. SRQP
3. PRSQ
4. RSQP

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with Q.
- The paragraph also cannot start with S, as it starts with 'but'. 'But' shows the contradiction of the previous statement.
- The paragraph must start with P, as it holds the topic of discussion.
- RS makes a logical pair and both R and S talk about the nobles.
- Option 3 fulfils the above conditions and hence provide a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 109 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: It is also when the community or religion is used to further the political interests of the vested groups. Q: But communal feelings start when one community thinks in a hostile manner towards the other communities. R: It is also not being conscious of their own identities and doing something which pursues its interests. S: Communalism is not thinking about their own communities.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :



QPSR

2. QRSP

3. RSQP

4. SRQP

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with P.
- The paragraph can also not start with Q as it starts with 'but'. 'But' shows contradiction to the previous sentence.
- The paragraph can also not start with R as it starts with a pronoun 'it'. Also, it contains 'also' which gives additional information to a previous statement.
- Therefore, the paragraph must start with S and only option 4 starts with S.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.



Question 110 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: The Information Technology today is rightly called the Technology of the Century as it has found its application and use in every walk society of the world. Q: Distances no longer exist and the world appears to have shrunk into a Global Village. R: It is really a landmark achievement that more than six billion population of the world will soon be living in a virtual village, as compact as any small Indian village of a few thousand population. S: The wisdom of the wisest is today available to the stupidest of the person thus ushering in an era of real equality of opportunity to all.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

Options :

1. QPSR

2. PQRS

3. RSQP

4. QRSP

Solution :

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



According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with S.

- R can also not be the first sentence as it starts with a pronoun 'it'.
- The paragraph must start with P as it contains the topic of discussion.
- Since only option 2 starts with P, it is the appropriate option.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 111 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: Children with good manners are liked by one and all. Q: They are appreciated even by strangers. R: All round development of a child is possible only if a child is groomed in good manners. S: Therefore, the public schools lay great emphasis on the cultivation of good manners in their students.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. PQRS
2. QPSR
3. RSQP
4. SRPQ

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. PQRS.

- Q cannot be the first sentence as it starts with a pronoun 'they'.
- S can also not be the first sentence as it starts with 'therefore'. 'Therefore' shows the conclusion which comes at the end.
- Option 1 fulfils the above condition and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 112 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: Taking this as a small example, we need to set-up an action plan on a war-footing. Q: Our country had earlier faced the problem with our neighbours backed defense hackers jamming our troop movement communication system giving false commands and creating a situation of uncertainty. R: But our planning and implementation gap has always been unpardonably long. S: The National Security Council is already in touch with server ministries like home, defense, communication, oil and natural gas, etc. to draw up plans.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

QPSR

2. PQRS

3. SPRQ

4. QPRS

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with R.
- P can also not be the first sentence as it contains 'this' which must have been discussed in the previous sentences.
- SR makes a logical pair as they S and R talk about the plans.
- Option 1 fulfils the above condition and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 113 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: But our behavior, 'good' or 'bad', certainly shapes our persona and determines our personality. Q: If one is helpful, polite and considerate in one's actions towards fellow-beings, one is known as a kind person. R: The converse is equally true and a mean, rude and selfish person is regarded as bad. S: Growing urbanisation and lack of roots in any given place have made us increasingly indifferent to the feelings of others and led us to adopt an apathetic attitude to most things.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. PQRS

2. PSQR

3. SPQR

4. SQRP

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph can either start with P or S.
- Since P start with 'but', it cannot be the first sentence as 'but' shows contradiction to the previous sentence.
- SP makes a logical pair as both S and P discuss the same topic.
- Option 3 fulfils the above condition and makes a coherent paragraph.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 114 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: The English developed transport and communication on modern lines. Q: They established the first printing press and newspaper in India. R: One of the most beneficial results of the British rule was the modernization of India. S: The Press further developed later to inform and educate the masses about the British exploitation of India.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 65 Seconds****Options :**

1. RQSP
2. QSRP
3. PQRS
4. RPQS

Solution :

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

- According to the options, S cannot be the first sentence.
- Q can also not be the first sentence as it contains the pronoun 'they'.
- R should be the first sentence as it contains the topic of discussion.
- PQ makes a logical pair as both P and Q discuss the examples of modernisation.
- Option 4 fulfils the above conditions.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 115 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: But the achievements of science have not come to man as a ripe apple falls in the lap of a man sitting under an apple tree. Q: Science is not just the result of observation and experience. R: It is, on the other hand , the result of centuries of hard work done by man, even at the risk of his own life or health. S: There is no doubt that science has been the greatest boon to man so far.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 73 Seconds****Options :**

1. QRPS
2. SPQR



QPRS

4. SQRP

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. SPQR.

- According to the options, the paragraph can either start with S or Q.
- SP makes a logical pair as both S and P discuss the same idea and P follows S.
- QR also makes a logical pair as both Q and R discuss the same idea and R follows Q.
- Option 2 fulfils the above conditions and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 116 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: It is said that the great poet Tulsi Dass composed it under divine inspiration. Q: The Ramayana is a book of great social importance. R: It is full of devotional songs besides tenets of social wisdom. S: People read it and worship it.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. PQRS
2. RQPS
3. QPRS
4. SPRQ

Solution :

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

The correct arrangement follows a logical flow of ideas and maintains grammatical coherence.

Let's analyze each part of the rearranged sentence:

- **Q:** "The Ramayana is a book of great social importance." This statement introduces the subject of the sentence, establishing that the Ramayana is a significant book in terms of social relevance.
- **P:** "It is said that the great poet Tulsi Dass composed it under divine inspiration." This part provides information about the origin and authorship of the Ramayana. It explains that the revered poet Tulsi Dass is believed to have composed the book under divine inspiration.
- **R:** "It is full of devotional songs besides tenets of social wisdom." This segment describes the content of the Ramayana, stating that it contains not only devotional songs but also teachings of social wisdom.



S: "People read it and worship it." This final part concludes the sentence by expressing how people engage with the Ramayana—they read it and worship it.

- By rearranging the sentence as QPRS, we ensure a logical and coherent flow of ideas, beginning with the statement of the Ramayana's social importance, then providing details about its composition, content, and finally, how people interact with it.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 117 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: And when they manifest our soils, minds and bodies suffer such as depression and calousy. Q: These negative states hide in our consciousness at different leads therefore they may manifest permanently or occasionally. R: Egocentric fixation resists in negative state. S: Meditation reveals the state of egocentric fixation and free people from suffering, because people are able to see more clearly their negative.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 112 Seconds

Options :

1. RSQP
2. RQSP
3. PQRS
4. RQPS

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph can either start with R or P.
- The paragraph cannot start with P as it starts with 'and'. 'And' gives additional information regarding an idea.
- RQ makes a logical pair as Q extends the idea discussed in R.
- QP also makes a logical pair as P extends the idea discussed in Q.
- Option 4 fulfils the above conditions and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 118 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: Added to this is their economic dissatisfaction. Q: The youth get frustrated when they see a great deal of disparity between the theory and its application. R: All these factors blend together and give rise to a cult of violence. S: This causes them to wonder whether all that they ever learnt would overcome in use or would go waste.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. QSPR
2. QPRS
3. QSRP
4. SPQR

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph can either start with Q or S.
- S cannot be the first sentence as it contains a pronoun 'this'.
- R will come at the end as it concludes all the 'factors' discussed in the previous sentence.
- Option 1 fulfils the above condition and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 119 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: His story symbolizes a lifestyle struggle against apartheid in South Africa. Q: 'Nelson Mandela' was born on July 18th, 1918 in the village of Mvezo in Umtata, then a part of South Africa's Cape Province. R: It was a terrible form of institutionalized racism that held the South African society in it's grip for a long time. S: It was not easy for Mandela to fight against it, as he too was among those who were oppressed by the system.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :

1. QPSR
2. QRSP
3. QPRS
4. PRSQ

Solution :

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

- According to the options, the paragraph can either start with Q or P.
- P cannot be the first sentence as it contains a pronoun 'his'.



- QP makes a logical pair as P extends the same topic discussed in Q.
- PR also makes a logical pair as R extends the same idea discussed in P.
 - Option 3 fulfils the above conditions.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 120 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: In the least-developed countries, if agricultural productivity were drastically reduced by climate change, the cost of living would rise by one or two percent, and at a time when per capita income will likely have doubled. Q: It may still be vulnerable to climate change for many years to come. R: In developing countries, in contrast, as much as a third of GNP and half the population currently depends on agriculture. S: Agriculture is practically the only sector of the economy affected by climate.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

1. PQRS
2. SPRQ
3. RPSQ
4. QRSP

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. SPRQ.

- As the part S tells about the theme of the passage it will be the first sentence.
- Part P acts as the complimentary statement for the statement S so it will come after S.
- Now part R will come as the statement P talked about the developed countries and the statement R is talking about the developing countries.
- Q will be the last statement.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 121 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P - Freedom of speech is essential for the all round growth and development of a person as well as a nation as a whole. Q - A nation filled with people full of discontent can never grow in the right direction. R - It can even cause discomfort and dissatisfaction that lead to stress. S - Imposing restriction on what one speaks or hears can hamper the development of a person.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 72 Seconds

Options :



PSRQ

2. PRQS

3. RSPQ

4. SPRQ

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. PSRQ.

- According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with Q.
- R can also not be the first sentence as it contains the pronoun 'it'.
- P should be the first sentence as it contains the topic of discussion.
- SR makes a logical pair as R extends the idea discussed in S.
- SR follows P.
- Option 1 follows the above conditions.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 122 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P - Kohli, along with Deepika and Ranveer, has led the ascent of millennials to the top of the rankings. Q - For the first time a female sportsperson has made it to the top 15. R - This year saw PV Sindhu make an entry at 15. S - Former captain Dhoni slipped from 9th place last year to 13th this year.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. PSRQ

2. QRSP

3. RSQP

4. PRQS

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. PSRQ.

- According to the options, the paragraph cannot start with S.
- R can also not be the first sentence as it contains 'this year'.
- RQ makes a logical pair as Q extends the idea discussed in R. This also means that Q cannot be the first sentence.
- Hence, P will be the first sentence.
- S should follow P as the rankings should be in sequence.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 123 :

Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. P: In addition, tsunamis move throughout the depth of the ocean and not just its surface. Q A tsunami wave isn't much different in height compared to other waves in the ocean. R: That is why a tsunami generally goes unnoticed in the open ocean. S: But, due to its wavelength, it "piles up" when it approaches land.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. RSPQ
2. PQRS
3. QSRP
4. SRPQ

Solution :

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

- P cannot be the first sentence as it contains 'in addition' which provides additional information.
- R cannot be the first sentence as it contains 'that is why' which provides the reason for the said sentence.
- S cannot be the first sentence as it contains 'but' which shows contrast to a said statement.
- Hence, the paragraph must start with Q.
- Only option 3 starts with Q and makes a coherent paragraph.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 124 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Even after 70 years of achieving independence, democracy, (in its true senses), was yet to come to India.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

Options :

1. in its true sense
2. in its real sense
3. in its real senses
4. No improvement

Solution :

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The correct answer is option 1 i.e. In its true sense.

'In its true sense' is a phrase and a phrase cannot be changed.

The correct sentence will be-

Even after 70 years of achieving independence, democracy, in its true sense, was yet to come to India.

Question 125 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The 'right to choice' of Aadhaar holders who do not want to link their accounts (may move up) for a decision.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. may came up
2. may come up
3. may come ahead
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. May come up.

- A modal takes the base form of the verb after it.
- Since 'may' is modal, it will take 'come' after it.
- 'Come up' is a phrasal verb meaning 'move towards something'.
- Hence, it should be 'may come up'.

The correct sentence will be-

The 'right to choice' of Aadhaar holders who do not want to link their accounts may come up for a decision.

Question 126 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Perhaps a greater challenge they face is (improving the wounds of the civil war), Iraq is a divided country today.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. counting the effects of the civil war



curing the aftermaths of the civil war

3. healing the wounds of the civil war

4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Healing the wounds of the civil war.

- 'Improve' means 'make or become better'.
- 'Wound' means 'cause (a wound, injury, or person) to become sound or healthy again.'
- For a wound, 'heal' is used.
- 'Healing the wounds' already provides a meaningful sentence so it is not required to change it.

The correct sentence will be-

Perhaps a greater challenge they face is healing the wounds of the civil war, Iraq is a divided country today.

Question 127 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. What if the government itself fails (to tackle that divisions) and lets parts of the country drift into anarchy again.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. to tackled that divisions
2. to tackle these divisions
3. to tackle these division
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. To tackle these divisions.

- 'That' and 'divisions' cannot come together as 'that' is used for a singular noun while 'divisions' are plural.
- For 'divisions', 'these' is required as 'these' takes a plural noun after it.
- 'To' takes the base of the verb after it and hence 'tackle' is already correct.

The correct sentence will be-

What if the government itself fails to tackle these divisions and lets parts of the country drift into anarchy again.

**Question 128 :**

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. With a population of over one billion, India is the second (most popular countries) in the world.

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

1. more popular country
2. most populous country
3. much popular countries
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Most populous country.

- Since there is only one country mentioned i.e. India, 'country' will be used instead of 'countries'.
- Since 'population' is mentioned, it should be 'populous'.

The correct sentence will be-

With a population of over one billion, India is the second more popular country in the world.

Question 129 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Happy is the man (who acquired) the habit of reading when he is young.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 51 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1) who acquires
2. 2) which was acquiring
3. 3) who acquire
4. 4) No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Who acquires.

- Since 'man' is a singular subject it requires a singular verb i.e. 'acquires'.
- Moreover, the sentence is a universal truth so it will be in the simple present tense only.

The correct sentence will be-

Happy is the man who acquires the habit of reading when he is young.

Question 130 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. She is expected to be a candidate of continuity and is also expected to take a stand for ("radically economic transformation").

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. radical economics transformation
2. radical economic transformation
3. radically economics transformation
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Radical economic transformation.

- 'Economics' is a subject while 'economic' means 'related to economy'.
- In the sentence 'economy' is discussed not the subject 'economics'.
- Moreover, 'radical' and 'economic', both are describing 'transformation'.
- Since 'transformation' is a noun, both should be in the adjective forms.

The correct sentence will be-

She is expected to be a candidate of continuity and is also expected to take a stand for "radical economic transformation".

Question 131 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. With its overall popularity sliding, (the party will have been working hard) to bring in the next generation of leaders.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. the party will have to work hard
2. the party will have to hardly work
3. the party will have to work hardly
4. 4) No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The party will have to work hard.

- The sentence is written in the future perfect continuous tense which is used when there is a confirmation.
- But, the sentence means that the party requires to work hard if it wants to bring in the next generation of leaders.
- It should be 'hard' as it means 'intensely' while 'hardly' means 'rarely'.

The correct sentence will be-

With its overall popularity sliding, the party will have to work hard to bring in the next generation of leaders.

Question 132 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The state has (declined negotiate) any more trade-offs on this proposal or accept calls for stringent transparency requirements.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 64 Seconds

Options :

1. declined to negotiation
2. declining to negotiating
3. declined to negotiate
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Declined to negotiate.

- 'Has' always takes V_3 after it so 'declined' is correct.
- 'Decline' takes the infinitive i.e. 'to + base form of the verb' after it.
- Hence, 'negotiate' is appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

The state has declined to negotiate any more trade-offs on this proposal or accept calls for stringent transparency requirements.

Question 133 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The response to that challenge is to make the gains of globalization more visible and its transient downsides,(politically less paining).

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

politically less pained

2. politically less painful

3. politically less pain

4. 4) No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Politically less painful.

- 'Painful' is an adjective and it is used for 'response' which is a noun.
- For expressing a comparison between the previous situation and the present, 'less' is used.

The correct sentence will be-

The response to that challenge is to make the gains of globalization more visible and its transient downsides, politically less painful.

Question 134 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The speed with which (these hate crime videos travelling) on social media frames a difficult challenge for law enforcement authorities.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

Options :

1. these hate crime videos travel

2. this hate crime videos travel

3. these hate crime videos travelled

4. 4) No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. These hate crime videos travel.

- 'These' is a plural pronoun so it requires a plural verb i.e. 'hate'.
- 'This' is a singular pronoun so it requires a singular verb i.e. 'hates'.
- Since 'hates' is nowhere so we have to keep 'these hate'.
- 'Videos' is a plural subject so it requires a plural verb i.e. 'travel'.
- For keeping 'travelling', an auxiliary verb is required which is not mentioned anywhere.
- Since 'frames' shows that the sentence is in the present tense, 'travelled' is incorrect.

The correct sentence will be-



The speed with which these hate crime videos travel on social media frames a difficult challenge for law enforcement authorities.

Question 135 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Not only do they heighten anxieties among the (targeted groups rather also they) risk giving the unacceptable a perverse acceptability.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 72 Seconds****Options :**

1. targeted group then also they
2. targeted groups even also they
3. targeted groups but also they
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Targeted groups but also they.

- 'Not only...but also.....' is correlative conjunction which always exists in pairs.
- Since the sentence contains 'not only', 'but also' is also required.

The correct sentence will be-

Not only do they heighten anxieties among the targeted groups but also they risk giving the unacceptable a perverse acceptability.

Question 136 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. It called for an end to (discrimination based at gender) against those who do not conform to the gender assigned to them.

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

1. discrimination based it gender
2. discrimination based on gender
3. discrimination based by gender
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Discrimination based on gender.

- 'Based' takes 'on' after it.
- This is based on the fixed preposition rule.

The correct sentence will be-

It called for an end to discrimination based on gender against those who do not conform to the gender assigned to them.

Question 137 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The Centre should revisit (their) draft and incorporate the inputs of the report submitted by the standing committee and an expert panel.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. its
2. it's
3. these
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Its.

- 'Its' is a possessive case and the 'draft' is the possession of the Centre and hence appropriate.
- 'It's' a is a contraction for 'it is' which is not appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

The Centre should revisit its draft and incorporate the inputs of the report submitted by the standing committee and an expert panel.

Question 138 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. Even after putting his body and soul, if he fails to achieve victory he will not have (any authority above others).

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

Options :

1. any authority on others



any authority over others

3. any authority to others

4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Any authority over others.

- 'Authority' takes 'over' after it.
- This is based on the rule of fixed preposition.

The correct sentence will be-

Even after putting his body and soul, if he fails to achieve victory he will not have any authority over others.

Question 139 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. The purpose of speaking is to communicate, (I chose words that are the best) for the idea I want to convey.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 51 Seconds

Options :

1. I am choosing words that were the best
2. I did choose words that are the best
3. I choose words that are the best
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. I choose words that are the best.

- The sentence expresses a routine, a habit.
- For this, the simple present tense is used.
- Since 'I' takes a plural verb after it, 'choose' is appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

The purpose of speaking is to communicate, I choose words that are the best for the idea I want to convey.

Question 140 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. You discover that either your medi-claim doesn't cover (their) expenses or that you won't get reimbursed because there was no hospitalization.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. your
2. our
3. mine
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Your.

- The possessive case for 'you' is required here.
- The possessive case of 'you' is 'your'.

The correct sentence will be-

You discover that either your medi-claim doesn't cover your expenses or that you won't get reimbursed because there was no hospitalization.

Question 141 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. (Like instance), you can reduce or increase your total deposit amount some time or even change the sum fixed.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

Options :

1. As instance
2. For instance
3. In instance
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. For instance.

- The correct phrase is 'for instance'.
- And a phrase can never be changed.

The correct sentence will be-



For instance, you can reduce or increase your total deposit amount some time or even change the sum fixed.

Question 142 :

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence. One to spearhead this campaign is an IT professional, known for (having working) on net neutrality and founded Internet Freedom Foundation.

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

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

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Having worked.

- After a preposition, only V_4 (-ing) is used.
- Since 'for' is a preposition, 'having' is appropriate.
- After 'has/have/had/having', only V_3 is used.
- Hence, 'worked' is appropriate.

The correct sentence will be-

One to spearhead this campaign is an IT professional, known for having worked on net neutrality and founded Internet Freedom Foundation.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. What is Gandhian philosophy? It is the religious and social ideas adopted and developed by Gandhi, first during his period in South Africa from 1893 to 1914, and later of course in India. These ideas have been further developed by later "Gandhians", most notably, in India by, Vinoba Bhave and Jayaprakash Narayan. Outside of India some of the work of, for example, Martin Luther King Jr. can also be viewed in this light. Understanding the universe to be an organic whole, the philosophy exists on several planes - the spiritual or religious, moral, political, economic, social, individual and collective. The spiritual or religious element, and God, is at its core. Human nature is regarded as fundamentally virtuous. All individuals are believed to be capable of high moral development, and of reform. The twin cardinal principles of Gandhi's thought are truth and nonviolence. It should be remembered that the English word "truth" is an imperfect translation of the Sanskrit, "satya", and "non-violence", an even more imperfect translation of "ahimsa". Derived from "sat" - "that which exists" - "satya" contains a dimension of meaning not usually associated by English speakers with the word "truth". There are other variations, too, which we need not go into here. For Gandhi, truth is the relative truth of truthfulness

in word and deed, and the absolute truth - the Ultimate Reality. This ultimate truth is God (as God is also Truth) and morality - the moral laws and code - its basis. Ahimsa, far from meaning mere peacefulness or the absence of overt violence, is understood by Gandhi to denote active love - the pole opposite of violence, or "Himsa", in every sense. The ultimate station Gandhi assigns non violence stems from two main points. First, if according to the Divine Reality all life is one, then all violence committed towards another is violence towards oneself, towards the collective, whole self, and thus "self"-destructive and counter to the universal law of life, which is love. Second, Gandhi believed that ahimsa is the most powerful force in existence. Had himsa been superior to ahimsa, humankind would long ago have succeeded in destroying itself. The human race certainly could not have progressed as far as it has, even if universal justice remains far off the horizon. From both viewpoints, non violence or love is regarded as the highest law of humankind.

Question 143 :

What are the twin cardinal principles of Gandhi's thought?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 177 Seconds

Options :

1. spirituality and morality
2. truth and non violence
3. ethics and social responsibility
4. Individual and collective sharing

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 2 i.e. Truth and non violence.**

According to the passage, the twin cardinal principles of Gandhi's thought are truth and nonviolence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. What is Gandhian philosophy? It is the religious and social ideas adopted and developed by Gandhi, first during his period in South Africa from 1893 to 1914, and later of course in India. These ideas have been further developed by later "Gandhians", most notably, in India by, Vinoba Bhave and Jayaprakash Narayan. Outside of India some of the work of, for example, Martin Luther King Jr. can also be viewed in this light. Understanding the universe to be an organic whole, the philosophy exists on several planes - the spiritual or religious, moral, political, economic, social, individual and collective. The spiritual or religious element, and God, is at its core. Human nature is regarded as fundamentally virtuous. All individuals are believed to be capable of high moral development, and of reform. The twin cardinal principles of Gandhi's thought are truth and nonviolence. It should be remembered that the English word "truth" is an imperfect translation of the Sanskrit, "satya", and "non-violence", an even more imperfect translation of "ahimsa". Derived from "sat"

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Question 144 :

According to Gandhiji, truth complies to which of the following?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 167 Seconds

Options :

1. God is the ultimate truth
2. Truthfulness in word and deed
3. Moral laws and code
4. All of these

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. All of these.

According to the passage, according to Gandhiji, truth complies to all of the given options.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. What is Gandhian philosophy? It is the religious and social ideas adopted and developed by Gandhi, first during his period in South Africa from 1893 to 1914, and later of course in India. These ideas have been further developed by later "Gandhians", most notably, in India by, Vinoba Bhave and Jayaprakash Narayan. Outside of India some of the work of, for example, Martin Luther King Jr. can also be viewed in this light. Understanding the universe to be an organic whole, the philosophy exists on several planes - the spiritual or religious, moral, political, economic, social, individual and collective. The spiritual or religious element, and God, is at its core. Human nature is regarded as fundamentally virtuous. All

individuals are believed to be capable of high moral development, and of reform. The twin cardinal principles of Gandhi's thought are truth and nonviolence. It should be remembered that the English word "truth" is an imperfect translation of the Sanskrit, "satya", and "non-violence", an even more imperfect translation of "ahimsa". Derived from "sat" - "that which exists" - "satya" contains a dimension of meaning not usually associated by English speakers with the word "truth". There are other variations, too, which we need not go into here. For Gandhi, truth is the relative truth of truthfulness in word and deed, and the absolute truth - the Ultimate Reality. This ultimate truth is God (as God is also Truth) and morality - the moral laws and code - its basis. Ahimsa, far from meaning mere peacefulness or the absence of overt violence, is understood by Gandhi to denote active love - the pole opposite of violence, or "Himsa", in every sense. The ultimate station Gandhi assigns non violence stems from two main points. First, if according to the Divine Reality all life is one, then all violence committed towards another is violence towards oneself, towards the collective, whole self, and thus "self"-destructive and counter to the universal law of life, which is love. Second, Gandhi believed that ahimsa is the most powerful force in existence. Had himsa been superior to ahimsa, humankind would long ago have succeeded in destroying itself. The human race certainly could not have progressed as far as it has, even if universal justice remains far off the horizon. From both viewpoints, non violence or love is regarded as the highest law of humankind.

Question 145 :

According to Gandhiji, what is the most powerful force in existence?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 167 Seconds

Options :

1. Truth
2. Violence
3. Non violence
4. Morality

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Non violence.

According to the passage, according to Gandhiji, the most powerful force in existence is non violence.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. What is Gandhian philosophy? It is the religious and social ideas adopted and developed by Gandhi, first during his period in South Africa from 1893 to 1914, and later of course in India. These ideas have been further developed by later "Gandhians", most notably, in India by, Vinoba Bhave and Jayaprakash Narayan. Outside of India some of the work of, for example, Martin Luther King Jr. can also be viewed in this light. Understanding the universe to be an organic whole, the

philosophy exists on several planes - the spiritual or religious, moral, political, economic, social, individual and collective. The spiritual or religious element, and God, is at its core. Human nature is regarded as fundamentally virtuous. All individuals are believed to be capable of high moral development, and of reform. The twin cardinal principles of Gandhi's thought are truth and nonviolence. It should be remembered that the English word "truth" is an imperfect translation of the Sanskrit, "satya", and "non-violence", an even more imperfect translation of "ahimsa". Derived from "sat" - "that which exists" - "satya" contains a dimension of meaning not usually associated by English speakers with the word "truth". There are other variations, too, which we need not go into here. For Gandhi, truth is the relative truth of truthfulness in word and deed, and the absolute truth - the Ultimate Reality. This ultimate truth is God (as God is also Truth) and morality - the moral laws and code - its basis. Ahimsa, far from meaning mere peacefulness or the absence of overt violence, is understood by Gandhi to denote active love - the pole opposite of violence, or "Himsa", in every sense. The ultimate station Gandhi assigns non violence stems from two main points. First, if according to the Divine Reality all life is one, then all violence committed towards another is violence towards oneself, towards the collective, whole self, and thus "self"-destructive and counter to the universal law of life, which is love. Second, Gandhi believed that ahimsa is the most powerful force in existence. Had himsa been superior to ahimsa, humankind would long ago have succeeded in destroying itself. The human race certainly could not have progressed as far as it has, even if universal justice remains far off the horizon. From both viewpoints, non violence or love is regarded as the highest law of humankind.

Question 146 :

According to the passage, which of the following statement is not true?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 164 Seconds

Options :

1. Nonviolence is regarded as the highest law of humankind
2. All individuals are believed to be capable of high moral development
3. Violence alone to other is very much self destructive aspect of the universe
4. Love is the universal law of life

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4 i.e. Love is the universal law of life.**

According to the passage, love is the universal law of life.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. What is Gandhian philosophy? It is the religious and social ideas adopted and developed by Gandhi, first during his period in South Africa from 1893 to 1914, and later of course in India. These ideas have been further developed by later "Gandhians",

most notably, in India by, Vinoba Bhave and Jayaprakash Narayan. Outside of India some of the work of, for example, Martin Luther King Jr. can also be viewed in this light. Understanding the universe to be an organic whole, the philosophy exists on several planes - the spiritual or religious, moral, political, economic, social, individual and collective. The spiritual or religious element, and God, is at its core. Human nature is regarded as fundamentally virtuous. All individuals are believed to be capable of high moral development, and of reform. The twin cardinal principles of Gandhi's thought are truth and nonviolence. It should be remembered that the English word "truth" is an imperfect translation of the Sanskrit, "satya", and "non-violence", an even more imperfect translation of "ahimsa". Derived from "sat" - "that which exists" - "satya" contains a dimension of meaning not usually associated by English speakers with the word "truth". There are other variations, too, which we need not go into here. For Gandhi, truth is the relative truth of truthfulness in word and deed, and the absolute truth - the Ultimate Reality. This ultimate truth is God (as God is also Truth) and morality - the moral laws and code - its basis. Ahimsa, far from meaning mere peacefulness or the absence of overt violence, is understood by Gandhi to denote active love - the pole opposite of violence, or "Himsa", in every sense. The ultimate station Gandhi assigns non violence stems from two main points. First, if according to the Divine Reality all life is one, then all violence committed towards another is violence towards oneself, towards the collective, whole self, and thus "self"-destructive and counter to the universal law of life, which is love. Second, Gandhi believed that ahimsa is the most powerful force in existence. Had himsa been superior to ahimsa, humankind would long ago have succeeded in destroying itself. The human race certainly could not have progressed as far as it has, even if universal justice remains far off the horizon. From both viewpoints, non violence or love is regarded as the highest law of humankind.

Question 147 :

What can be suitable title to the passage?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 172 Seconds

Options :

1. The Gandhian philosophy
2. The twin cardinal principles of Gandhiji
3. Truth and nonviolence
4. Violence a self destructive mode

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1 i.e. The Gandhian philosophy.**

According to the passage, the suitable title will be The Gandhian philosophy as the entire passage discusses the philosophies of Gandhiji.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :



Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. Public opinion may be passive and false or active and real. It is claimed in theory that all governments are ultimately based on the opinion or sanction of the governed. But we find that in practice the people's rights are often trodden down and tyranny and oppression are allowed to continue. The government does it not because the people want it to do so but because they are too idle, too uneducated and too disunited or timid to oppose the government. Such public opinion is passive and false and not an active verdict. But when we find people alert, intelligent and determined to let the government know their will, when they want to exercise actively their voice in the management of their country, we have an instance of true or active public opinion. True public opinion is formed by and expressed through the press, the platform, political parties and educational institutions. These have sacred duties to perform, duties on which depends the ultimate good of the entire community. The press today wields a tremendous influence, So it should support the causes and movements and condemn the wrong one's and thus teach people to form correct opinion. A free and fair press ventilates the grievances of the public. Thus a healthy relationship develops between the people and the government throughout an unbiased press. Political parties also help to create and regulate opinions. No less important part is played by the educational Institutions which train the minds of the young people who will be the citizens of tomorrow. It has been said that modern Germany and China have been made by their universities. It is necessary that the young and the growing minds should imbibe the spirit of fellow-feeling, the spirit of tolerance, the habit of compromise, and show due regard for the feelings and opinion of others without which a democratic society cannot function, let alone succeed. When there is true awakening of the people, we shall have the real and conscious public opinion. And justice will reign on earth and truly will the voice of the people be the voice of God.

Question 148 :

Who among the following has tremendous influence in forming the true public opinion?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 153 Seconds

Options :

1. Press
2. Political parties
3. Educational intuitions
4. God man

Solution :

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

- The passage says, "The press today wields a tremendous influence".

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the give four alternatives. Public opinion may be passive and false or active and real. It is claimed in theory that all governments are ultimately based on the opinion or sanction of the governed. But we find that in practice the people's rights are often trodden down and tyranny and oppression are allowed to continue. The government does it not because the people want it to do so but because they are too idle, too uneducated and too disunited or timid to oppose the government. Such public opinion is passive and false and not an active verdict. But when we find people alert, intelligent and determined to let the government know their will, when they want to exercise actively their voice in the management of their country, we have an instance of true or active public opinion. True public opinion is formed by and expressed through the press, the platform, political parties and educational institutions. These have sacred duties to perform, duties on which depends the ultimate good of the entire community. The press today wields a tremendous influence, So it should support the causes and movements and condemn the wrong one's and thus teach people to form correct opinion. A free and fair press ventilates the grievances of the public. Thus a healthy relationship develops between the people and the government throughout an unbiased press. Political parties also help to create and regulate opinions. No less important part is played by the educational Institutions which train the minds of the young people who will be the citizens of tomorrow. It has been said that modern Germany and China have been made by their universities. It is necessary that the young and the growing minds should imbibe the spirit of fellow-feeling, the spirit of tolerance, the habit of compromise, and show due regard for the feelings and opinion of others without which a democratic society cannot function, let alone succeed. When there is true awakening of the people, we shall have the real and conscious public opinion. And justice will reign on earth and truly will the voice of the people be the voice of God.

Question 149 :

Which of the following is not the reason for the oppression caused to general public by the running government in the country?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 151 Seconds

Options :

1. People want themselves such kind of atrocities to be done to them
2. People are uneducated
3. People are disunited
4. People are timid to oppose the government

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **People want themselves such kind of atrocities to be done to them.**

- According to the passage, option 1 is not the reason for the oppression caused to general public by the running government in the country.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. It was for long the insurmountable peak for ODI batting, but one man might now have a template to score ODI double-centuries again and again. In Bengaluru, against Australia in 2013, Rohit Sharma reached 20 off 35th ball, 50 off the 71st, and the hundred in the 38th over of the innings. In Kolkata, against Sri Lanka in 2014, he was nearly caught for 4 off the 17th ball he faced, reached his 20th run off the 35th ball, but accelerated slightly earlier to bring up his century in the 32nd over of the innings. On a cold mid-week afternoon in Mohali this season, he was even slower to start, reaching 20 off 37 balls, 50 off 65 balls, and bringing up the hundred only in the 40th over. All three were ODI doubles. One time can be a charm, but to accelerate so crazily three times after having set up the innings and to make it look predictable is a perfect combination of skill, fitness and the right mental approach to ODI batting. You can be all amazed at how he manages to do it, but Rohit's reaction to it is typically relaxed. "That's my template, no?" he tends to ask. He remembers the innings clearly: reaching "50 off 70 balls", bringing up the hundred "near the 40th over", and then knowing that the bowlers can't get him out unless he makes a mistake. "That is my style of play," Rohit said. "You are set and seeing the ball nice and hard and you have understood what the bowlers are trying to do by then, and it's all about trying to play with the field once you get past 100. It's all about you not making a mistake and getting out. I am not saying it's impossible or difficult, but it's very unlikely the bowlers are going to get you out once you have scored a hundred. "So it was all about me not making a mistake and batting as long as possible. That's what I did. There is no secret or formula to it. You just have to bat and not make any mistake. The ground is good, the pitch is nice and hard, so you can trust the bounce and play the shots."

Question 150 :

Rohit Sharma hit century in which over in Kolkata match against Sri Lanka?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 166 Seconds

Options :

1. 38th
2. 35th
3. 32nd
4. 40th

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **32nd**.

- According to the passage, Rohit Sharma hit century in 32nd over in Kolkata match against Sri Lanka.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. It was for long

the insurmountable peak for ODI batting, but one man might now have a template to score ODI double-centuries again and again. In Bengaluru, against Australia in 2013, Rohit Sharma reached 20 off 35th ball, 50 off the 71st, and the hundred in the 38th over of the innings. In Kolkata, against Sri Lanka in 2014, he was nearly caught for 4 off the 17th ball he faced, reached his 20th run off the 35th ball, but accelerated slightly earlier to bring up his century in the 32nd over of the innings. On a cold mid-week afternoon in Mohali this season, he was even slower to start, reaching 20 off 37 balls, 50 off 65 balls, and bringing up the hundred only in the 40th over. All three were ODI doubles. One time can be a charm, but to accelerate so crazily three times after having set up the innings and to make it look predictable is a perfect combination of skill, fitness and the right mental approach to ODI batting. You can be all amazed at how he manages to do it, but Rohit's reaction to it is typically relaxed. "That's my template, no?" he tends to ask. He remembers the innings clearly: reaching "50 off 70 balls", bringing up the hundred "near the 40th over", and then knowing that the bowlers can't get him out unless he makes a mistake. "That is my style of play," Rohit said. "You are set and seeing the ball nice and hard and you have understood what the bowlers are trying to do by then, and it's all about trying to play with the field once you get past 100. It's all about you not making a mistake and getting out. I am not saying it's impossible or difficult, but it's very unlikely the bowlers are going to get you out once you have scored a hundred. "So it was all about me not making a mistake and batting as long as possible. That's what I did. There is no secret or formula to it. You just have to bat and not make any mistake. The ground is good, the pitch is nice and hard, so you can trust the bounce and play the shots."

Question 151 :

What does Rohit think of being bowled out after scoring a hundred in a match?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 156 Seconds

Options :

1. Bowlers become less enthusiastic to bowl out a batsman who has scored a hundred
2. They become so aggressive to bowl the batsman as soon as possible
3. The remaining overs are then bowled by the part time bowlers
4. Bowlers are very less likely to bowl you out then

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **Bowlers are very less likely to bowl you out then.**

- According to the passage, bowlers are very less likely to bowl you out after scoring a hundred in a match.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and select the best answer to each question out of the given four alternatives. The Amazon basin has been continuously inhabited for at least 10, 000 years, possibly more. Its earliest inhabitants were stone-age peoples, living in hundreds of far-flung tribes, some tiny, others numbering in the tens of thousands. It was from the west



that Europeans explorers first arrived. In 1541 a Spanish expedition from Quito, led by Gonzalo Pizarro, ran short of supplies while exploring east of the Andes in what is today Peru. Pizarro's cousin Francisco de Orellana offered to take 60 men along with the boats from the expedition and forage for supplies. De Orellana floated down the Rio Napo to its confluence with the Amazon, near Iquitos (Peru), and then to the mouth of the Amazon. Along the way his expedition suffered numerous attacks by Indians; some of the Indian warriors, they reported, were female, like the Amazons of Greek mythology, and thus the world's greatest river got its name. No one made a serious effort to claim this sweaty territory, however, until the Portuguese built a fort near the mouth of the river at Belém in 1616, and sent Pedro Teixeira up the river to Quito and back between 1637 and 1639. During the 17th and 18th centuries, Portuguese bandeirantes (groups of roaming adventurers) penetrated ever further into the rain forest in pursuit of gold and Indian slaves, exploring as far as present-day Rondônia, and the Guaporé and Madeira river valleys. Amazonian Indians had long used the sap from rubber trees to make waterproof bags and other items. European explorers recognized the potential value of natural latex, but were unable to market it because it tended to grow soft in the heat, or brittle in the cold, and thus had limited appeal outside the rain forest. However, in 1842 American Charles Goodyear developed vulcanization (made natural rubber durable) and in 1890 Ireland's John Dunlop patented pneumatic rubber tires. Soon there was an unquenchable demand for rubber in the recently industrialized USA and Europe, and the price of rubber on international markets soared. As profits skyrocketed, so did exploitation of the seringueiros, or rubber tappers, who were lured into the Amazon, mostly from the drought-stricken northeast, by the promise of prosperity only to be locked into a cruel system of virtual slavery dominated by seringalistas (owners of rubber-bearing forests). Rigged scales, hired guns, widespread illiteracy among the rubber tappers, and monopoly of sales and purchases all combined to perpetuate the workers' debt and misery. In addition, seringueiros had to contend with jungle fevers, Indian attacks and all manner of deprivation.

Question 152 :

In which year did the fort was built by Portuguese near the river Belem?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 185 Seconds****Options :**

1. 1541
2. 1637
3. 1616
4. 1639

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **1616**.

- According to the passage, the fort was built by Portuguese near the river Belem in 1616.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. _____ who argue in this way support their case by pointing to the lack of a general consensus of opinion which obtains in many parts of the field which the philosopher regards as his own; and also by _____ out that, even within this field, there is a growing tendency _____ the part of certain sciences to separate themselves from philosophy and _____ independent. Thus the psychologist and the logician are sometimes very anxious to have it understood that they belong among the scientists and _____ among the philosophers.

Question 153 :

from philosophy and _____ independent.

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

1. become
2. became
3. becoming
4. becomes

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Become.

- The lines say that there is a growing tendency on the part of certain sciences to separate themselves from philosophy and to become independent.
- Before the blank, there is the presence of 'to'.
- 'To' takes the base form of the verb after it.
- Hence, 'become' is appropriate.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. My tooth-brush is a thing that haunts me when I'm travelling, and _____ my life a misery. I _____ that I haven't packed it, and wake up in a cold _____, and get out of bed and hunt for it. And, in the morning, I pack it before I have used it, and have to unpack again to get it, and it is always the last thing I turn out of the bag; and _____ I repack and forget it, and have to rush upstairs _____ it at the last moment and carry it to the railway station, wrapped up in my pocket-handkerchief. Of course I had to turn every mortal thing out now, and, of course, I could not find it.

Question 154 :



I _____ that I haven't packed it,

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 92 Seconds

Options :

1. dream
2. dreams
3. dreaming
4. dreamer

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Dream.

- 'I' takes a plural verb after it.
- 'Dreaming' requires an auxiliary verb before it which is not present here.
- Among the options, 'dream' is a plural verb and appropriate.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and select the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. My tooth-brush is a thing that haunts me when I'm travelling, and _____ my life a misery. I _____ that I haven't packed it, and wake up in a cold _____, and get out of bed and hunt for it. And, in the morning, I pack it before I have used it, and have to unpack again to get it, and it is always the last thing I turn out of the bag; and _____ I repack and forget it, and have to rush upstairs _____ it at the last moment and carry it to the railway station, wrapped up in my pocket-handkerchief. Of course I had to turn every mortal thing out now, and, of course, I could not find it.

Question 155 :

I turn out of the bag; and _____ I repack and forget it,

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. than
2. that
3. this
4. then

**Solution :**

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

- The sentence gives the sequence of actions.
- 'Than' shows a comparison.
- 'This' and 'that' is used for indication.
- 'Then' means 'afterwards' which shows the sequence.
- Hence, 'then' is appropriate.

Hence, the chosen answer is correct.

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Question 156 :

have to rush upstairs _____ it at the last moment

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 87 Seconds

Options :

1. for
2. of
3. from
4. form

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. For.

- To show the purpose or intention, 'for' is used.
- Since the sentence talks about the purpose of going upstairs, 'for' is appropriate.
- 'From' is used for place and time.
- 'Of' shows relation between the nouns.
- 'Form' means 'shape'.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. Eight north Indian Ocean countries, namely, Bangladesh, India, the Maldives, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Thailand, were asked to contribute names so that a combined list could be compiled. Each country gave eight names and a combined list of 64 names was prepared. This list is currently in use, and all cyclones arising in the north Indian Ocean are named from this list, with one name from each country being used in turn. Almost 38 or 39 names from the list have been used up, but since many cyclones dissipate long before they hit land, their names rarely figure in the papers or other media. The names that people do know about, and remember are, naturally, those that were most destructive ones, or very recent. Aila, in 2009 is remembered with a shudder for the enormous destruction it caused in West Bengal and Bangladesh; Phailin, also for the damage it caused when it hit the Odisha coast in 2013. Two harmless cyclones, which also might remain in people's memory, are the more recent ones of 2014 — Hudhud, which threatened the east coast of India and Nilofar, which was expected to, but did not, devastate the western coast. The names in the cyclone list are usually words one associates with storms; words which mean water or wind or lightning in various national languages. Sometimes they are names of other things — birds or flowers or precious stones. The name 'Aila', contributed by the Maldives means 'fire', the name 'Phailin' from Thailand means sapphire, the name 'Hudhud' from Oman is the name of a bird, probably the hoopoe, and the name 'Nilofar', given by Pakistan, is the Urdu name of the lotus or water lily. The eight names suggested by India, and which are in the list of 64, are Agni, Akaash, Bijli, Jal, Leher, Megh, Sagar and Vayu, meaning in that order, fire, sky, lightning, water, wave, cloud, sea and wind. Five of these names (that is, up to Leher) have been used so far.

Question 157 :

Which country did not contribute to the list of the cyclone names?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 151 Seconds

Options :

1. Oman
2. Pakistan
3. Bangladesh
4. Yemen

Solution :

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

- According to the passage, eight north Indian Ocean countries, namely, Bangladesh, India, the Maldives, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Thailand contributed to the list of the cyclone names.
- Yemen is not one of them.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

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Question 158 :

Which of the following names is a type of a precious stone?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 149 Seconds

Options :

1. Aila
2. Nilofar
3. Phailin
4. Hudhud

Solution :

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

According to the passage, the name 'Phailin' was contributed from Thailand means sapphire i.e. a precious stone.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :



Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. Eight north Indian Ocean countries, namely, Bangladesh, India, the Maldives, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Thailand, were asked to contribute names so that a combined list could be compiled. Each country gave eight names and a combined list of 64 names was prepared. This list is currently in use, and all cyclones arising in the north Indian Ocean are named from this list, with one name from each country being used in turn. Almost 38 or 39 names from the list have been used up, but since many cyclones dissipate long before they hit land, their names rarely figure in the papers or other media. The names that people do know about, and remember are, naturally, those that were most destructive ones, or very recent. Aila, in 2009 is remembered with a shudder for the enormous destruction it caused in West Bengal and Bangladesh; Phailin, also for the damage it caused when it hit the Odisha coast in 2013. Two harmless cyclones, which also might remain in people's memory, are the more recent ones of 2014 — Hudhud, which threatened the east coast of India and Nilofar, which was expected to, but did not, devastate the western coast. The names in the cyclone list are usually words one associates with storms; words which mean water or wind or lightning in various national languages. Sometimes they are names of other things — birds or flowers or precious stones. The name 'Aila', contributed by the Maldives means 'fire', the name 'Phailin' from Thailand means sapphire, the name 'Hudhud' from Oman is the name of a bird, probably the hoopoe, and the name 'Nilofar', given by Pakistan, is the Urdu name of the lotus or water lily. The eight names suggested by India, and which are in the list of 64, are Agni, Akaash, Bijli, Jal, Leher, Megh, Sagar and Vayu, meaning in that order, fire, sky, lightning, water, wave, cloud, sea and wind. Five of these names (that is, up to Leher) have been used so far.

Question 159 :

For the next cyclone if it is the turn of an Indian name to be chosen, then what will be that name?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 146 Seconds

Options :

1. Agni
2. Megh
3. Leher
4. Vayu

Solution :

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

- According to the passage, the eight names suggested by India, and which are in the list of 64, are Agni, Akaash, Bijli, Jal, Leher, Megh, Sagar and Vayu, meaning in that order, fire, sky, lightning, water, wave, cloud, sea and wind. Five of these names (that is, up to Leher) have been used so far.
- For the next cyclone if it is the turn of an Indian name to be chosen, that name will be Megh.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. Eight north Indian Ocean countries, namely, Bangladesh, India, the Maldives, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Thailand, were asked to contribute names so that a combined list could be compiled. Each country gave eight names and a combined list of 64 names was prepared. This list is currently in use, and all cyclones arising in the north Indian Ocean are named from this list, with one name from each country being used in turn. Almost 38 or 39 names from the list have been used up, but since many cyclones dissipate long before they hit land, their names rarely figure in the papers or other media. The names that people do know about, and remember are, naturally, those that were most destructive ones, or very recent. Aila, in 2009 is remembered with a shudder for the enormous destruction it caused in West Bengal and Bangladesh; Phailin, also for the damage it caused when it hit the Odisha coast in 2013. Two harmless cyclones, which also might remain in people's memory, are the more recent ones of 2014 — Hudhud, which threatened the east coast of India and Nilofar, which was expected to, but did not, devastate the western coast. The names in the cyclone list are usually words one associates with storms; words which mean water or wind or lightning in various national languages. Sometimes they are names of other things — birds or flowers or precious stones. The name 'Aila', contributed by the Maldives means 'fire', the name 'Phailin' from Thailand means sapphire, the name 'Hudhud' from Oman is the name of a bird, probably the hoopoe, and the name 'Nilofar', given by Pakistan, is the Urdu name of the lotus or water lily. The eight names suggested by India, and which are in the list of 64, are Agni, Akaash, Bijli, Jal, Leher, Megh, Sagar and Vayu, meaning in that order, fire, sky, lightning, water, wave, cloud, sea and wind. Five of these names (that is, up to Leher) have been used so far.

Question 160 :

Names of which type of cyclones do people remember?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 162 Seconds

Options :

1. The ones that originate in the Bay of Bengal
2. The ones which have memorable names
3. The ones that do not cause any deaths
4. The most destructive ones

Solution :

The correct answer is **option 4 i.e. The most destructive ones.**

According to the passage, the names that people do know about, and remember are, naturally, those that were



most destructive ones, or very recent.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. Eight north Indian Ocean countries, namely, Bangladesh, India, the Maldives, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Thailand, were asked to contribute names so that a combined list could be compiled. Each country gave eight names and a combined list of 64 names was prepared. This list is currently in use, and all cyclones arising in the north Indian Ocean are named from this list, with one name from each country being used in turn. Almost 38 or 39 names from the list have been used up, but since many cyclones dissipate long before they hit land, their names rarely figure in the papers or other media. The names that people do know about, and remember are, naturally, those that were most destructive ones, or very recent. Aila, in 2009 is remembered with a shudder for the enormous destruction it caused in West Bengal and Bangladesh; Phaillin, also for the damage it caused when it hit the Odisha coast in 2013. Two harmless cyclones, which also might remain in people's memory, are the more recent ones of 2014 — Hudhud, which threatened the east coast of India and Nilofar, which was expected to, but did not, devastate the western coast. The names in the cyclone list are usually words one associates with storms; words which mean water or wind or lightning in various national languages. Sometimes they are names of other things — birds or flowers or precious stones. The name 'Aila', contributed by the Maldives means 'fire', the name 'Phaillin' from Thailand means sapphire, the name 'Hudhud' from Oman is the name of a bird, probably the hoopoe, and the name 'Nilofar', given by Pakistan, is the Urdu name of the lotus or water lily. The eight names suggested by India, and which are in the list of 64, are Agni, Akaash, Bijli, Jal, Leher, Megh, Sagar and Vayu, meaning in that order, fire, sky, lightning, water, wave, cloud, sea and wind. Five of these names (that is, up to Leher) have been used so far.

Question 161 :

Which name suggested by India has not been used so far?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 151 Seconds

Options :

1. Leher
2. Agni
3. Bijli
4. Vayu

Solution :

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

- According to the passage, the eight names suggested by India, and which are in the list of 64, are Agni, Akaash, Bijli, Jal, Leher, Megh, Sagar and Vayu, meaning in that order, fire, sky, lightning, water, wave, cloud, sea and wind.



Five of these names (that is, up to Leher) have been used so far.

- 'Vayu' has not been used so far.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 162 :

Which of the following is the name of a university and not an online education delivery company?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 127 Seconds

Options :

1. Coursera
2. Johns Hopkins
3. EdX
4. Udacity

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Johns Hopkins.

- According to the passage, except Johns Hopkins all are online education delivery company.
- Johns Hopkins is the name of a university.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :



Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 163 :

The C in MOOC stands for which word?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 113 Seconds****Options :**

1. Course
2. College
3. Coursera
4. Class

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Course.

According to the passage, MOOC stands for massive online open course.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had



no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 164 :

The course the author completed on MOOC was related to which subject?

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 111 Seconds****Options :**

1. Biology
2. Nutrition
3. Mythology
4. Business

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Biology.

According to the passage, the course the author completed on MOOC was related to biology.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered



by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 165 :

What aspect of MOOC excited the author?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 110 Seconds

Options :

1. The fact that the course was free as it was offered online
2. That he could take a break in a course if he wanted to
3. The fact that he could take a course from the university he dreamt of
4. That he could take any course from any university in the world

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The fact that he could take a course from the university he dreamt of.

According to the passage, the fact that he could take a course from the university he dreamt of excited the author.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 166 :

Coursera was founded by professors from which university?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 129 Seconds

Options :

Harvard

2. Massachusetts

3. Stanford

4. Oxford

Solution :

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

According to the passage, Coursera was founded by professors from Stanford University.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 167 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The Principal said to us, "Today you will get your diplomas."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 120 Seconds

Options :

1. The Principal told us that on that day we would be getting our diplomas.
2. The Principal told us this on that day we would be getting our diplomas.
3. The Principal told us that on this day we would be getting our diplomas.



The Principal told us this on that day we will be getting our diplomas.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The Principal told us that on that day we would be getting our diplomas.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'told'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'Today' changes into 'on that day' as the reporting verb is in the past.
- 'Will' changes into 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 168 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Juhi said to her friend, "I can choose to live the way I want to."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 152 Seconds

Options :

1. Juhi told her friend that she can choose to live the way she want to.
2. Juhi told her friend that she could be choosing to live the way she wants to.
3. Juhi told her friend that she chooses to live the way she wanted to.

Juhi told her friend that she could choose to live the way she wanted to.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Juhi told her friend that she could choose to live the way she wanted to.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'told'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'I' changes into 'she' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Can' changes into 'could' and 'want' into 'wanted' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 169 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. My friend said to me, "I think she will not accept your proposal."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 154 Seconds

Options :

1. My friend told me that he thought that she would not accept my proposal.
2. My friend says to me that he thinks that she will not accept my proposal.
3. My friend told me that he thinks that she will not be accepting my proposal.
4. My friend told me that that he thought she would not be accepting my proposal.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. My friend told me that he thought that she would not accept my proposal.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'me'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'I' changes into 'he' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Your' changes into 'my' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'She' remains as it is as there is no change in the third person.
- 'Think' changes into 'thought' and 'will' into 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 170 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. She said to the shopkeeper, "My favourite colour is yellow."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 163 Seconds

Options :

1. She informs the shopkeeper that her favourite colour is yellow.
2. She told the shopkeeper that her favourite colour is yellow.
3. She told the shopkeeper that her favourite colour was yellow.
4. She tells the shopkeeper that her favourite colour is yellow

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. She told the shopkeeper that her favourite colour was yellow.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'told'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'My' changes into 'her' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Is' changes into 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoiled for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 171 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The pilgrim said to me, "When you go down the street you will see the temple to your right."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 148 Seconds

Options :

1. The pilgrim tells me that when I go down the street I will see the temple to my right.
2. The pilgrim told me that when I went down the street I would see the temple to my right.
3. The pilgrim told me that then I go down the street I would see the temple to my right.
4. The pilgrim tells me that when I would be going down the street I will be seeing the temple to my right.

Solution :



The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The pilgrim told me that when I went down the street I would see the temple to my right.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'told'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'You' changes into 'I' and 'your' into 'my' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Go' changes into 'went' and 'will' into 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 172 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said to the bankers, "These diamonds are more valuable than a billion dollars."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 162 Seconds

Options :

1. He told the bankers that these diamonds are more valuable then a billion dollars.
2. He has told the bankers this that those diamonds are more valuable than a billion dollars.
3. He told the bankers that those diamonds are more valuable than a billion dollars.
4. He told the bankers that those diamonds were more valuable than a billion dollars.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. He told the bankers that those diamonds were more valuable than a billion dollars.



Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'told'.

- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'These' changes into 'those'.
- 'Are' changes into 'were' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 173 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The boss said to the secretary, "Bring the file that I had given to you yesterday."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 150 Seconds

Options :

1. The boss told the secretary to bring the file that I had given to her the day before.
2. The boss told his secretary to bring the file that he gave her yesterday.
3. The boss told the secretary to bring the file that he had given to her the day before.
4. The boss had told the secretary to bring the file that he had given to her yesterday.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The boss told the secretary to bring the file that he had given to her the day before.

- Inverted comma is removed and.



'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.

- 'I' changes into 'he' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'You' changes into 'her' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Yesterday' changes into 'the day before'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 174 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. "I will make for you the best rice you have ever had," said the chef.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 159 Seconds

Options :

1. The chef told that he will make for him the best rice he has ever had.
2. The chef told him that he would make for him the best rice he had ever had.
3. The chef told that he will make for him the best rice he has ever have.
4. The chef tells that he would make for him the best rice he has ever had.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The chef told him that he would make for him the best rice he had ever had.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'told'.



'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.

- 'I' changes into 'he' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Have' changes into 'had' and 'will' into 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 175 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. "I always drink warm water in the morning," she said to me.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 156 Seconds

Options :

1. She said to me that she always drinks warm water in the morning.
2. She said to me she always drank warm water in the morning.
3. She said to me she always drinks warm water in the morning.
4. She said to me that she always drank warm water in the morning.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. She said to me that she always drank warm water in the morning.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'me'.
- 'I' changes into 'she' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.



'Drink' changes into 'drank' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoiled for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 176 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. My wife said to me, "This is a beautiful necklace!"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 145 Seconds

Options :

1. My wife told me that that was a beautiful necklace.
2. My wife told me this that was a beautiful necklace.
3. My wife told me that that is a beautiful necklace.
4. My wife told me this that is a beautiful necklace.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. My wife told me that that was a beautiful necklace.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'me'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'This' changes into 'that'
- 'Is' changes into 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past.



Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 177 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. She said to me, "I always drink a cup of green tea as soon as I get up."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 143 Seconds****Options :**

1. She told me that she always drank a cup of green tea as soon as she got up.
2. She told me that she always drunk a cup of green tea as soon as she got up.
3. She had told me that she always drinks a cup of green tea as soon as she got up.
4. She told me that she always drank a cup of green tea as soon as she would be getting up.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. She told me that she always drank a cup of green tea as soon as she got up.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'me'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'I' changes into 'she' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Drink' changes into 'drank' and 'get' into 'got' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 178 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. She said to him, "I can run faster than you."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 158 Seconds****Options :**

1. She told him that she could run faster than him.
2. She said to him that she can run faster than him.
3. She told him that she could be running faster than him.
4. She has told him that she can run faster than him.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. She told him that she could run faster than him.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'him'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'I' changes into 'she' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'You' changes into 'him' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Can' changes into 'could' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :



Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoiled for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 179 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Zenab said to me, "My father is a dentist."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 151 Seconds****Options :**

1. Zenab says to me that her father has been a dentist.
2. Zenab told me that her father was a dentist.
3. Zenab says to me that that her father is a dentist.
4. Zenab says this to me that her father was a dentist.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Zenab told me that her father was a dentist.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'me'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'My' changes into 'her' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Is' changes into 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I

completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 180 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. "Where are you going?" father asked me.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 144 Seconds****Options :**

1. Father asked me where I am going.
2. Father asked me that where you are going.
3. Father asked me where I would be going.
4. Father asked me where I was going.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Father asked me where I was going.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'You' changes into 'I' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Are' changes into 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns



Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 181 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said, "This is a bad idea."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 135 Seconds****Options :**

1. He said this that was a bad idea.
2. He said that that is a bad idea.
3. He said that that was a bad idea.
4. He said this that is a bad idea.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. He said that that was a bad idea.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'said'.
- 'Is' changes into 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past.
- 'This' changes into 'that'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had



no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 182 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. My friend said, "I can lift 50 kilos easily."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 134 Seconds****Options :**

1. My friend told us that he could lift 50 kilos easily.
2. My friend told us that he can lift 50 kilos easily.
3. My friend told us this he could lift 50 kilos easily.
4. My friend told us this that he can lift 50 kilos easily.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. My friend told us that he could lift 50 kilos easily.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added.
- 'Said' changes into 'told'.
- 'I' changes into 'he' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb
- 'Can' changes into 'could' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the



hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 183 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The coach said to me, "You have to get up early."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 142 Seconds****Options :**

1. The coach tells me that I have to get up early.
2. The coach told me that I have had to get up early.
3. The coach tells me that I have had to get up early.
4. The coach told me that I had to get up early.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. The coach told me that I had to get up early.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'me'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'You' changes into 'I' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Have' changes into 'had' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so



many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 184 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The beggar said to me, "Please give me something to eat."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 147 Seconds****Options :**

1. The beggar requested me to give him something to eat.
2. The beggar requests me to give him something to eat.
3. The beggar requested me to have given him something to eat.
4. The beggar requests me to give him something to be eaten.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The beggar requested me to give him something to eat.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Said to' changes into 'requested' as the sentence contains 'please'.
- 'Me' changes into 'him' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek



mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 185 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. We said to her, "Don't give up. You are almost there."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 142 Seconds****Options :**

1. We told her not to give up and that she is almost here
2. We encouraged her not to have given up and that she would almost be there.
3. We encouraged her not to give up and that she was almost there.
4. We told her not to have had given up and that she was almost here.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. We encouraged her not to give up and that she was almost there.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Said to' changes into 'encouraged' as the sentence expresses encouragement.
- 'Don't' changes into 'not'.
- 'You' changes into 'she' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Are' changes into 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek



mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 186 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. My friend said to me, "I am not going to talk to you."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 151 Seconds****Options :**

1. The friend has told me that he is not going to talk to me.
2. The friend told me that he would not be talking to me.
3. The friend told me that he was not going to talk to me.
4. The friend has told me that he is never going to talk with me.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The friend told me that he was not going to talk to me.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'me'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'I' changes into 'he' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'You' changes into 'me' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Am' changes into 'was' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek

mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 187 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. I said to my friend, "Be careful, my dog may bite you."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 155 Seconds****Options :**

1. I warned my friend to have been careful and that my dog might be biting him.
2. I warned my friend to be careful and that my dog might bite him.
3. I warn my friend to be careful and that my dog may bite him.
4. I warned my friend for being careful and that my dog might be biting him.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. I warned my friend to be careful and that my dog might bite him.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Said to' changes into 'warned' as the sentence expresses warning.
- 'You' changes into 'him' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'May' changes into 'might' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course



descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 188 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said to the principal, "I have made a mistake."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 149 Seconds****Options :**

1. He told the principal that I have had made a mistake.
2. He told the principal that he had made a mistake.
3. He tells the principal that he has made a mistake.
4. He told the principal this that he has made a mistake.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. He told the principal that he had made a mistake.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'principal'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'I' changes into 'he' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Have' changes into 'had' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoiled for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered



by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 189 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The leader said to his gang members, "Now I will tell you my plan."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 147 Seconds****Options :**

1. The leader told the gang members that then he will tell them his plan.
2. The leader told the gang members that then he would tell them his plan.
3. The leader told the gang members that now he would tell them his plan.
4. The leader told the gang members that now he will tell them his plan.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The leader told the gang members that then he would tell them his plan.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'members'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'Now' changes into 'then'.
- 'I' changes into 'he' and 'my' into 'his' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'You' changes into 'them' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.
- 'Will' changes into 'would' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course



descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 190 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Lila said to her mother, "I can choose to dress the way I want to."

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

1. Lila told to her mother that she can choose to dress the way she wants to.
2. Lila told to her mother that she will be choosing to dress the way she wanted to.
3. Lila told to her mother that she can be choosing to dress the way she wants to.
4. Lila told to her mother that she could choose to dress the way she wanted to.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Lila told to her mother that she could choose to dress the way she wanted to.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'mother'.
- 'I' changes into 'she' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- 'Can' changes into 'could' and 'want' into 'wanted' as the reporting verb is in the past.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

**Question 191 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The beggar said to her, "Thank you for your kindness."

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 151 Seconds****Options :**

1. The beggar thanks her for her kindness.
2. The beggar says thanks for her kindness.
3. The beggar thanks for her kindness.
4. The beggar thanked her for her kindness.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. The beggar thanked her for her kindness.

- Inverted comma is removed.
- 'Said to' changes into 'thanked' as the sentence shows obligation
- 'You' changes into 'her' and 'your' into 'her' as the second person changes according to the object of the reporting verb.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoiled for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 192 :



In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. "We were living in Dehradun," they told me.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 135 Seconds

Options :

1. They told me that they had been living in Dehradun.
2. They told me that they lived in Dehradun.
3. They told me this that they had been living in Dehradun.
4. They told me this that they were living in Dehradun.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. They told me that they had been living in Dehradun.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'me'.
- 'We' changes into 'they' as the first person changes according to the subject of the reporting verb.
- Past continuous tense changes into past perfect continuous tense.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives. In mid-2012 I completed my first massive online open course, or MOOC, the kind widely offered by Coursera, EdX, Udacity and so on in partnership with different educational institutions. It was on clinical trials and ethical practices, offered by Johns Hopkins, on Coursera. This was shortly before the MOOC sensation hit India, and when Coursera, which was founded by two Stanford professors, itself was just a few months old. The MOOC bug had bit me. The course I'd completed was mainly designed for health care professionals who would be involved in actual clinical trials, not college students who had no prior knowledge of that area. I decided to enroll in the course because it was the only biology related course open at the time. However, I did see hope in that sometime in the future I'd be able to get a glimpse of what classes are like in the hallowed halls of major educational institutions around the world. By early 2013, Coursera and EdX had partnered with so many educational institutions and expanded their course offerings to include everything from food and nutrition to Greek mythology to business, that I was spoilt for choice. I spent hours going through course catalogues and poring over course descriptions, almost delirious with excitement at the fact that I was actually going to be able to take classes offered by universities I had only dreamt of attending.

Question 193 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. I said to my father, "I had a great time



yesterday."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 140 Seconds

Options :

1. I told my father that I had a great time the day before.
2. I told my father that I have had a great time the day before.
3. I told my father that I had a great time the day before that day.
4. I told my father this that I have had a great time yesterday

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. I told my father that I had a great time the day before.

- Inverted comma is removed and 'that' is added after 'father'.
- 'Said to' changes into 'told' as there is an object of the reporting verb.
- 'Yesterday' changes into 'the day before'.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Question 194 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The carpenters will take a month's time to make the furniture.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 69 Seconds

Options :

1. A month's time is took by the carpenter to make the furniture.
2. The carpenters to make the furniture will take a month's time.
3. A month's time will be taken by the carpenter to make the furniture.
4. Making of the furniture by the carpenters will take a month's time.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. A month's time will be taken by the carpenter to make the furniture.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent



An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.

- Since 'a month's time' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Take' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 195 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. To pass, the candidate has to answer atleast 3 questions correctly.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 81 Seconds****Options :**

1. If the candidate answers three questions correctly then he will pass.
2. Atleast three questions will be answered correctly by the candidate to pass.
3. Atleast three questions have to be answered correctly by the candidate to pass.
4. Answering of three questions correctly by the candidate has to be done to pass.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Atleast three questions have to be answered correctly by the candidate to pass.

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'atleast three questions' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Answer' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 196 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The city will build a new bridge across the river.

Difficulty : Moderate**Average Time : 73 Seconds****Options :**

1. A new bridge across the river will be built by the city
2. A bridge which is new will be built by the city.
3. Building of a new bridge will be done by the city.



The city will be building a new bridge across the river

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. A new bridge across the river will be built by the city.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'a new bridge across the river' answers 'what', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Build' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 197 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. This is the second time I have caught you cheating.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

Options :

1. You have been caught cheating by me for the second time.
2. You were cheating for a second time and I have caught you.
3. This is the second time you have cheated and were caught by myself.
4. Catching you cheating for the second time has been done by me.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. You have been caught cheating by me for the second time.

Active voice- Subject + has/have + V_3 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + has/have + been + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'you' answers 'whom', it is the object of the active voice here which should be the subject in the passive voice.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 198 :



In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I will not allow you to ride that motorcycle.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. I will not be allowing riding that motorcycle by you.
2. You will not be allowed by me to ride that motorcycle.
3. You had not been allowed by myself riding that motorcycle.
4. Riding of that motorcycle by you has not been allowed by me.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. You will not be allowed by me to ride that motorcycle.

Active voice- Subject + will + V_1 + Object

Passive voice- Subject + will be + V_3 + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- Since 'you' answers 'whom', it is the object here which should be the subject in the passive voice.
- 'Allow' is the main verb which must be changed into V_3 while changing into passive.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 199 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. The authorities are mistreating the prisoners.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 75 Seconds

Options :

1. The prisoners will be mistreated by the authorities.
2. The authorities mistreat the prisoners.
3. The prisoners are being mistreated by the authorities.
4. Mistreating of the prisoners will be done by the authorities.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The prisoners are being mistreated by the authorities.

Active voice- Subject + is/am/are + V₄ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + is/am/are + being+ V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- 'The prisoners' answers 'whom' and hence is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject of the passive voice.
- 'Mistreat' is the main verb which changes into its third form i.e. 'mistreated'.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

Question 200 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice. I am putting my life at a stranger's feet.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

Options :

1. At the stranger's feet my life has been put by myself.
2. My life will put by me at a stranger's feet.
3. My life is being put by me at a stranger's feet.
4. Putting of my life at the stranger's feet has been done my me.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. My life is being put by me at a stranger's feet.

Active voice- Subject + is/am/are + V₄ + Object

Passive voice- Subject + is/am/are + being+ V₃ + by agent

- An object must answer 'what' or 'whom'.
- 'My life' answers 'what' and hence is the object of the active voice which changes into the subject of the passive voice.
- 'Put' is the main verb which changes into its third form i.e. 'put'.

As the chosen option follows the above structure it will be correct.

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- 200 questions were moderate.
- The safe score is 150 marks.
- 200 questions were asked from English Language and 200 questions were asked from English Language
- 101 questions should have been skipped if you were short of time.

Ssc Cgl Tier II Previous Year Question Paper Topic Wise Weightage

English Language

1. Reading Comprehension - 30
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2. Ssc Cgl Tier II Previous Year Question Paper require proper usage of concept so firstly read the question thoroughly and then use the right concept.
3. In case you're not able to solve the question in less than 30 seconds in the exam then you should skip the question and move to the next question.

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