



# 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 2017-01-12 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, 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 saw his unbelievably really quite delightful cottage.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

### Options :

1. I saw his
2. unbelievably really quite
3. delightful cottage.
4. No Error

### Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. unbelievably really quite.

- The usage of the word '**quite**' is incorrect because here '**quite**' which is an adverb means something different, whereas what we require in it's place is an adjective to add more meaning to the noun. Moreover, the adverb '**really**' have already used before '**quite**' so using another adverb right after it makes this part of the sentence incorrect.

### Question 2 :

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. She was unhappy even after she married into an accommodative and caring family.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

Options :

1. remained unhappy
2. continued her sadness
3. existed in unhappiness
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. remained unhappy.

1. Remain- to stay in the same place or in the same condition.
2. As the statement is showing the same situation of the doer before and after the action is done "remained" will be the correct use of verb here.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**She remained unhappy even after she married into an accommodative and caring family.**

Question 3 :

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. The fugitive was finally stopped at the airport.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. compromised
2. comprehended
3. apprehended
4. No improvement

Solution :

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

1. Apprehend (Verb) = to catch and arrest someone who has not obeyed the law.
2. As the meaning of the chosen option suits the context of the statement it will be correct.



Hence, apprehended should be used here.

The correct sentence will be-

**The fugitive was finally apprehended at the airport.**

**Question 4 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. He performed below par in the examination.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 56 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. par below
2. poorly
3. below parr
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

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

1. As the underlined part of the statement is errorless and makes the statement grammatically correct there will be no change.

**Hence, "No improvement" will be the correct answer.**

**Question 5 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. The proposal was full of 'if' and 'but' that I seriously doubted whether the stadium would ever

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 53 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. 'ifs' and 'but'
2. 'ifs' and 'butts'
3. 'ifs' and 'buts'
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. 'ifs' and 'buts'.

1. No ifs or buts = something that you say to a child to stop them arguing with you when you want them to do something.
2. "Ifs and buts" is a term used to describe the reasons people give for not wanting to do something.
3. Hence, ifs and buts should be used here.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**The proposal was full of 'ifs' and 'buts' that I seriously doubted whether the stadium would ever**

**Question 6 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. We insist on you leaving the meeting immediately.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

**Options :**

1. you to leave
2. your leaving
3. you leave
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. your leaving.

1. Before a gerund, possessive case is used.
2. As the chosen option has the structure of "**possessive case + gerund**" it will be correct.
3. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**We insist on your leaving the meeting immediately.**

**Question 7 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. The reason why the magazine sells so well is because it is written in a pleasant style.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. for
2. since
3. that
4. No improvement

Solution :

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

1. "The reason" is not followed by "because".
2. After the use of the word reason connective 'that' should be used.
3. As the chosen option is "that" it will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

The reason why the magazine sells so well is that it is written in a pleasant style.

Question 8 :

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. The girl to whom he got married to is an actress.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. got married with
2. got married
3. got betrothed in
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. got married.

1. Here, to whom has already been used. Hence, got married should be used. Preposition 'to' is superfluous after married here.
2. As the chosen option is without "to" it will be correct.



Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**The girl to whom he got married is an actress.**

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. But the war did not cease; though friend and foe alike were almost drowned in blood. It seemed as powerful as eternity, and in time Tony Vassall too went to battle and was killed. The country gave Patience a widow's pension, as well a touching inducement to marry again; she died of grief. Many people died in those days, it was not strange at all. Nathan and his wife got so rich that after the war they died of overeating, and their daughter Olive came into a vast fortune and a Trustee.

### Question 9 :

From this passage we learn that Tony Vassal was

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

### Options :

1. Patience's husband
2. a soldier's son
3. Nathan's relative
4. very successful

### Solution :

**The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Patience's husband.**

1. It is clear from the passage that "The country gave Patience a widow's pension, as well a touching inducement to marry again; she died of grief."
2. "Widow" is used for women, so it can be said that "Tony Vassal" was her husband.

**Hence, the chosen option is correct.**

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. But the war did not cease; though friend and foe alike were almost drowned in blood. It seemed as powerful as eternity, and in time Tony Vassall too went to battle and was killed. The country gave Patience a widow's pension, as well a touching inducement to marry again; she died of grief. Many people died in those days, it was not strange at all. Nathan and his wife got so rich that after the war they died of overeating, and their daughter Olive came into a vast fortune and a Trustee.

**Question 10 :**

"..... as well a touching inducement to marry." Here inducement means

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

**Options :**

1. agreement
2. invocation
3. reminder
4. encouragement

**Solution :**

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

**inducement** - something that persuades someone to do something.

As the meaning of the given word is as same as the chosen option it will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. But the war did not cease; though friend and foe alike were almost drowned in blood. It seemed as powerful as eternity, and in time Tony Vassall too went to battle and was killed. The country gave Patience a widow's pension, as well a touching inducement to marry again; she died of grief. Many people died in those days, it was not strange at all. Nathan and his wife got so rich that after the war they died of overeating, and their daughter Olive came into a vast fortune and a Trustee.

**Question 11 :**

Olive, after her parents' death became

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 68 Seconds

**Options :**

1. rich
2. honest
3. brave
4. fat

**Solution :**

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

It is clear for the passage that "Nathan and his wife got **so rich** that after the war they died of overeating, and their daughter Olive came into a vast **fortune** and a Trustee." Olive became rich.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. All art is, in an important sense, an escape. There is a sense in which the capacity to escape from his present experience, to use his accumulated consciousness of the past to project a vision of the future, is man's greatest and distinguishing ability. We must not forget the force of Aristotle's argument that poetry is valuable precisely because it shows men not simply as they are, but as they ought to be or (in terms more sympathetic to us today) as they are capable of becoming.

**Question 12 :**

According to the author, all art is

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 73 Seconds

**Options :**

1. a reflection of life
2. art
3. an escape
4. an important sense

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. an escape.

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "All art is, in an important sense, **an escape**."

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. But the war did not cease; though friend and foe alike were almost drowned in blood. It seemed as powerful as eternity, and in time Tony Vassall too went to battle and was killed. The country gave Patience a widow's pension, as well a touching inducement to marry again; she died of grief. Many people died in those days, it was not strange at all. Nathan and his wife got so rich that after the war they died of overeating, and their daughter Olive came into a vast fortune and a Trustee.

**Question 13 :**

The writer says war is





**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 70 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. bloodless
2. partial
3. destructive
4. unimportant

**Solution :**

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

As it is a fact that the war gives only to scar to the people memory because it always comes in the form of destruction to the world.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. But the war did not cease; though friend and foe alike were almost drowned in blood. It seemed as powerful as eternity, and in time Tony Vassall too went to battle and was killed. The country gave Patience a widow's pension, as well a touching inducement to marry again; she died of grief. Many people died in those days, it was not strange at all. Nathan and his wife got so rich that after the war they died of overeating, and their daughter Olive came into a vast fortune and a Trustee.

**Question 14 :**

In the passage, it is stated that "friend and foe alike were almost drowned in blood." What does it convey?

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 74 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. friends and enemies forgot their differences.
2. both suffered similarly.
3. both started liking each other.
4. war made people hate each other.

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2 i.e. both suffered similarly.**

Alike- it means as same as earlier.

2. So the meaning of the given statement will be "Both were almost drowned in blood".

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 15 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. Don't ask what we are doing this time. P. On other occasions we have time in hand. Q. It is difficult to say if the programme can be put up at all. R. This time we are not only facing a lack of time but of resources as well. S. I am losing confidence gradually, so please see what you can do for us. 6. We don't want to give up trying.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 77 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. PRQS
2. RQSP
3. QSRP
4. QRPS

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 1, i.e. PRQS.**

1. Sentence P starts with a point that goes on to justify what the first given statement of the passage is saying, hence will appear at first place.
2. Sentence R goes on to talk specifically of the current time's limitations. As an addition of information this shall appear at next place.
3. Sentence Q adds more information to lay emphasis on the point made by the first statement, which is why it shall appear at third place. It also can be treated as a direct continuation to the previous statement.
4. Sentence S talks about the developing conditions of the speaker, that is about his lowering levels of confidence for the matter. This can be treated as a conclusive point to the narrative before the last/sixth line of the passage.

This arrangement follows a sequential manner where the various events, information, details get added without losing the context/meaning of the passage and fluency of narration.

**Question 16 :**

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 will leave the office at six and reach at home by seven.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. They will
2. leave the office at six and
3. reach at home by seven.
4. No error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. reach at home by seven.

- The usage of the preposition 'at' is unnecessary here because it doesn't add towards any extra meaning in the phrase. The same sense would be implied even if we do not use 'at'. The correct form would be to write 'reach home by seven'.

Question 17 :

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 new lecturer seems to be very popular with most of the class.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. The new lecturer
2. seems to be very popular with
3. most of the class.
4. No error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4, i.e. No error.

- The given sentence is grammatically and structurally correct, containing no error.

Question 18 :

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 museum's revolving doors stopped the crooks as they jam half way round.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 47 Seconds

Options :

1. The museum's revolving doors
2. stopped the crooks
3. as they jam half way round.
4. No error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. as they jam half way round.

- The usage of the word '**round**' is inappropriate because the word implies itself as not just an adverb but also a verb, noun, adjective and preposition as well. Whereas the verb '**jam**' requires only an adverb to complete it's meaning. Hence, the correct word would be '**around**' that is an adverb.

Question 19 :

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'. He had no accuse for attacking that old man.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. He had no
2. accuse for attacking
3. that old man.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. accuse for attacking.

- The word '**accuse**' bears a different meaning and is unable to complete the sense/meaning of the given sentence. The correct word here would be to use '**excuse**' as it makes proper sense with the context of the statement.

Question 20 :

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'. Mothers keep on to encouraging their children to study.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. Mothers keep on
2. to encouraging their children
3. to study.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. to encouraging their children.

- The usage of 'to' is unnecessary here because it hampers the accuracy of the statement. 'To' is only used before simple-present form of verbs and not before continuous verb forms such as 'encouraging'.

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'. Mohan wishes he will be richer.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. Mohan wishes
2. he will be
3. richer.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. he will be.

- Since the given sentence implies indirect speech, it is necessary to use the determiner 'that' before the action gets stated in the sentence. So, the correct form here would be 'that he will be'.

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'. I am not familiar with all the important places in this town although I had been living here for two years.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. I am not familiar with
2. all the important places in this town
3. although I had been living here for two years.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. although I had been living here for two years.

- The tense portrayed in this part of the sentence becomes incorrect as it implies it's meaning in the past tense by using '**had been**', whereas the tense implied in the former part of the sentence is in the present tense.

Question 23 :

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 receptionist gave us much informations which we needed.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. The receptionist gave us
2. much informations
3. which we needed.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. much informations.

- The usage of the word '**informations**' which is in plural-form is incorrect. The word '**much**' already expresses the word in it's plural-form, so there isn't any need to use the letter '**s**' with the word '**information**'.

Question 24 :

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'. Everyday we hear about senior citizens being robbed and even kill in cold blood.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

1. Everyday we hear about
2. senior citizens being robbed
3. and even kill in cold blood.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. and even kill in cold blood.

- The tense portrayed is incorrect here. The former part of the sentence uses the verb in its past form, that is 'robbed'. So, it is important to use the verb in its past form to imply accurate sense, that is 'killed'.

Question 25 :

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'. Ravi Shankar's performance was given a standing ovation by the people who has come to hear him.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. Ravi Shankar's performance was given
2. a standing ovation by the
3. people who has come to hear him.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. people who has come to hear him.

- The tense portrayed in this part of the sentence is incorrect. 'Has' implies the present tense whereas the former part of the sentence implies its meaning in the past tense. So, the correct form would be 'people who had come'.

Question 26 :

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 are wanting to see the home team win the game.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. People are wanting
2. to see the home team
3. win the game.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1, i.e. People are wanting.

- The tense portrayed by using '**are wanting**' makes the statement incorrect. The accurate form would be in its simple present form, that is '**want**'.

Question 27 :

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'. He was elected as chairman of the college.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 50 Seconds

Options :

1. He was elected
2. as chairman
3. of the college.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. as chairman.

- '**Chairman**' indicates a particular position/post that isn't general in terms or meaning. So, it becomes necessary to use a determiner to add towards the meaning of the noun and point forward to the qualifying or defining clause. The correct form would be '**as the chairman**'.

Question 28 :

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'. Candidates present in the examination hall should make use with such opportunities.





Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Candidates present in the examination hall
2. should make use
3. with such opportunities.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. with such opportunities.

- The usage of 'with' is incorrect as it's meaning creates a different sense for the statement. The correct word that should have been used here is 'of' because the sentence in an accurate sense talks about making use of opportunities and not with opportunities.

Question 29 :

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 Management Committee was divided in their opinion.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

Options :

1. The Management Committee
2. was divided
3. in their opinion.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. was divided.

- The usage of 'was' implies it's meaning in the past tense. Whereas, the statement as a whole tries to denote it's meaning in simple present tense, which is why this part of the sentence makes it incorrect.

Question 30 :

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'. He said that it was the first time that such a trick is discovered.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

Options :

1. He said that it was the first time
2. that such a trick
3. is discovered.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. is discovered.

- Using 'is' becomes incorrect as the sentence in it's former part tries to imply it's sense in the past tense by using 'was'. So, the correct form would be to use '**was discovered**' because the entire tense-form of the sentence becomes similar and hence accurate.

Question 31 :

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 was shocked to see how much my grand mother had aged since the last time we visited her.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. I was shocked
2. to see how much my grand mother had aged
3. since the last time we visited her.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4, i.e. No Error.

- The given sentence is correct in it's entirety, hence there isn't any error.

Question 32 :

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'. My heart is so full for words.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 48 Seconds

Options :

1. My heart
2. is so full
3. for words.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. is so full.

- Using 'so' is incorrect here as it doesn't add any extra meaning to the word 'full'. 'Full' already means to be complete and hence using 'so' as an adverb makes no prior sense.

Question 33 :

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'. It is not such a pretty place that I had expected.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

Options :

1. It is not
2. such a pretty place
3. that I had expected.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. that I had expected.

- The usage of 'that' in this part makes the sentence incorrect because the sentence tries to draw a **comparison** between the place and the expectation of the speaker. 'That' is used to identify a specific person or thing observed or heard by the speaker. So, the meaning becomes different from that denoted by the statement. The correct word that should have been used is 'as' because it is used in **comparisons** to refer to the extent or degree of something.

Question 34 :

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'. Speech was given to man to consoal his

thoughts.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

Options :

1. Speech was given
2. to man to
3. conseal his thoughts.
4. No Error

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. conseal his thoughts.

- The spelling of 'conseal' is incorrect here. The accurate spelling is 'conceal'.

Question 35 :

In the following question, sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for the question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. The gate \_\_\_\_\_ by the watchman on duty.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 47 Seconds

Options :

1. opened
2. was opened
3. were opened
4. was opening

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. was opened.

- The sentence uses a singular object 'gate' and a singular person 'watchman'. Judging from these features it is evident that we should use 'was' since it gets used with singular form of nouns. The past form of the verb will also occur because using other tense forms as given in the rest of the options make the sentence sound incorrect.

Question 36 :

In the following question, sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for the question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate



option. The king was \_\_\_\_\_ while he was addressing his subjects.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. murdered
2. executed
3. assassinated
4. exterminated

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. assassinated.

- '**Assassination**' means the **murder of an important person**. The rest of the options means the same (murder) but it doesn't specifically address the murder of a **special person**, that is the '**king**' in the given sentence. So, the appropriate word to be used here is '**assassinated**'.

Question 37 :

Choose the most appropriate answer and fill in the blanks: Her parents will never give their \_\_\_\_\_ to such an unsuitable match.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 48 Seconds

Options :

1. acquiescence
2. consent
3. agreement
4. willingness

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. consent.

1. **Acquiescence** means the reluctant acceptance of something without protest.
2. **Consent** means **permission for something to happen or agreement to do something**.
3. **Agreement** means harmony or accordance in opinion or feeling.
4. **Willingness** means the quality or state of being prepared to do something.



Option 2 becomes the correct answer because the sentence tries to talk about the **permission** of parents for the daughter's wedding match **to happen**. The rest of the options imply different meanings.

**Question 38 :**

In the following question, sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for the question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. The authorities would not \_\_\_\_\_ to the strikers' demands.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

**Options :**

1. accept
2. accede
3. accession
4. access

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. accede.

1. **Accept** means consent to receive or undertake something offered.
2. **Accede** means **agree to a demand, request, or treaty**.
3. **Accession** means the attainment or acquisition of a position of rank or power.
4. **Access** means the means or opportunity to approach or enter a place.

'**Accede**' becomes the correct fill for the blank because the sentence tries to talk about the fact that the authorities will not **agree to the demands** of the strikers. The rest of the options bear slightly different meanings.

**Question 39 :**

In the following question, sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for the question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option. They are so \_\_\_\_\_, they could not put up a tent properly, while camping.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

**Options :**

1. red
2. white



blue

4. green

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 4, i.e. green.**

- The color **green** as a symbol is sometimes used to make something look **atypical**. So, in this context this becomes the correct fill for the blank because the other options as a symbol mean something different and cannot be related with the context of the given statement.

**Question 40 :**

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

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 47 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. stupid
2. pensive
3. senseless
4. sarcastic

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 4, i.e. sarcastic.**

1. **Stupid** means having or showing a great lack of intelligence or common sense.
2. **Pensive** means engaged in, involving, or reflecting deep or serious thought.
3. **Senseless** means unconscious.
4. **Sarcastic** means using irony in order to mock or convey contempt (even in humor).

**Sarcastic** is accurate because it best expresses the meaning of the given word '**Mordant**', which means having or showing a sharp or critical quality especially in humor.

**Question 41 :**

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. theoretical
2. realistic
3. perfect
4. simple

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. realistic.

1. **Theoretical** is concerned with or involving the theory of a subject or area of study rather than its practical application.
2. **Realistic** means having or showing a sensible and **practical** idea of what can be achieved or expected.
3. **Perfect** means having all the required or desirable elements, qualities, or characteristics; as good as it is possible to be.
4. **Simple** means easily understood or done; presenting no difficulty.

'Realistic' best expresses the meaning of the word 'pragmatic', which means dealing with things sensibly and **realistically** in a way that is based on **practical** rather than theoretical considerations.

Question 42 :

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

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 66 Seconds

Options :

1. kind
2. favourable
3. eloquent
4. appropriate

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4, i.e. appropriate.





**Kind** means a group of people or things having similar characteristics.

2. **Favourable** means expressing approval.
3. **Eloquent** means fluent or persuasive in speaking or writing.
4. **Appropriate** means **suitable or proper in the circumstances**.

'**Appropriate**' best expresses the meaning of the given word '**opposite**', which means to be **apt/proper in the circumstances** or in relation to something.

**Question 43 :**

In the following question, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word. **GENEROUS**

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 55 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. **stoic**
2. **stingy**
3. **poor**
4. **specific**

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. **stingy**.

The meaning of the given words is:

- **Generous:** larger or more plentiful than is usual or necessary.
- **Stoic:** a person who can endure pain or hardship without showing their feelings or complaining.
- **Stingy:** ungenerous.
- **Poor:** lacking sufficient money to live at a standard considered comfortable or normal.
- **Specific:** clearly defined or identified.

The most appropriate antonym for '**Generous**' is '**stingy**'.

**Question 44 :**

In the following question, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word. **Barren**

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 60 Seconds**



### Options :

1. oily
2. polished
3. sorrowful
4. fertile

### Solution :

The correct answer is option 4, i.e. fertile.

1. **Oily** means unpleasantly smooth and ingratiating.
2. **Polished** means shiny as a result of being rubbed.
3. **Sorrowful** means feeling or showing grief.
4. **Fertile** means producing or capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops.

'Fertile' bears a meaning that is opposite to the meaning of the given word 'barren', hence becomes the correct answer.

### Question 45 :

In the following question, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word. Profound

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

### Options :

1. mysterious
2. difficult
3. superfluous
4. superficial

### Solution :

The correct answer is option 4, i.e. superficial.

1. **Mysterious** means difficult or impossible to understand, explain, or identify.
2. **Difficult** means needing much effort or skill to accomplish, deal with, or understand.
3. **Superfluous** means unnecessary, especially through being more than enough.
4. **Superficial** means existing or occurring at or on the surface.



'**Superficial**' bears a meaning that is opposite to the meaning of the given word '**profound**', hence becomes the correct answer.

**Question 46 :**

In the following question, four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 57 Seconds****Options :**

1. Liaison
2. Laiseon
3. Laision
4. Liesion

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1, i.e. Liaison.

- '**Liaison**' is accurately spelt and it means communication or cooperation which facilitates a close working relationship between people or organizations.

**Question 47 :**

In the following question, four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 39 Seconds****Options :**

1. Supernumarary
2. Supernumerary
3. Supernumarery
4. Supernumarey

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. supernumerary.

- '**Supernumerary**' is accurately spelt and it means present in excess of the normal or requisite number.

**Question 48 :**

In the following question, four words are given, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 38 Seconds

Options :

1. Hemerhage
2. Hemorage
3. Hemorrhage
4. Hemerrege

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. hemorrhage.

- 'Hemorrhage' is accurately spelt and it means an escape of blood from a ruptured blood vessel.

Question 49 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. From stem to stern

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 39 Seconds

Options :

1. all the way from the front of a ship to the back.
2. from the beginning to the end.
3. top of a plant to its roots.
4. loose pleasantness to become strict.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1, i.e. all the way from the front of a ship to the back.

- The given idiom 'from stem to stern' means from **front side to back**; **from one end to the other end**; entirely, fully. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

Question 50 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. Over egg the pudding

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

Options :

add unnecessary details to make something seem better or worse.

- fill the pudding excessively with egg.
- add details in order to make something more exciting.
- add important details to the content of a story.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1, i.e. add unnecessary details to make something seem better or worse.

- The given idiom 'over egg the pudding' means going too far in embellishing, exaggerating, or doing something. So, this option becomes the accurate answer.

**Question 51 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. Turn over a new leaf

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

- change ones behaviour for the better.
- read between the pages of a book.
- do a somersault
- do a new job.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1, i.e. change ones behaviour for the better.

- The given idiom 'turn over a new leaf' means to act in a different manner or change your attitude about something. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

**Question 52 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. Take up the hatchet

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

- behave formally



pursue a chance

3. be caught in a trap

4. prepare for or go to war

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4, i.e. prepare for or go to war.

- The given idiom '**take up the hatchet**' means to fight, especially in a violent manner, **preparing for war**. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

**Question 53 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. At loose ends

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 46 Seconds

**Options :**

1. tie two loose ends of a thread
2. keep options open
3. in an uncertain situation
4. repay debts

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3, i.e. in an uncertain situation.

- The given idiom '**at loose ends**' means an **uncertain situation** where one doesn't have anything to do and cannot think of anything that he/she wants to do. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

**Question 54 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. With might and main

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 49 Seconds

**Options :**

1. with full risks
2. with full force



having full confidence

4. with full blessings

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2, i.e. with full force.**

- The given idiom '**with might and main**' means to do something with as much effort as possible, that is **with full force**. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

**Question 55 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. Ruffle somebody's feather

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 46 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. gamble
2. escape responsibility
3. annoy somebody
4. show contempt for

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 3, i.e. annoy somebody.**

- The given idiom '**ruffle somebody's feather**' means to **cause** confusion, agitation, irritation or **annoyance in that person**. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

**Question 56 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. Cut short

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 43 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. delete
2. praise
3. interrupt

slice into small pieces

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 3, i.e interrupt.**

- The given idiom '**cut short**' means to terminate, **interrupt** or abbreviate before its intended or proper end or its full extent. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

**Question 57 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. Bad blood

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 43 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. war
2. ill feeling
3. threatening attitude
4. in an infected state of being

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2, i.e. ill feeling.**

- The given idiom '**bad blood**' means a **feeling of ill will**, anger, or hostility between people. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

**Question 58 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/Phrase. A laughing stock

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 43 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. an object of laughter
2. a storehouse of jokes
3. an object of desire
4. a stock of high value

**Solution :**





The correct answer is option 1, i.e. an object of laughter.

- The given idiom 'a laughing stock' means someone or something that seems stupid or silly, one who eventually becomes the reason or **object of laughter** for people. So, this option becomes the correct answer.

**Question 59 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/ passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. Making ropes is one of the oldest trades in the world. P. People used them for tethering animals, for drawing water from wells and for dragging large stones which were used in building. Q. We know that people made ropes several centuries back. R. They made them from camel hair and from twisted grass. S. We have found pieces of rope in very old Egyptian tombs. 6. We have found too, ropes which were made of thin copper wire in the city of Pompeii, which was destroyed by a volcano 2000 years ago.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

**Options :**

1. QSRP
2. PRQS
3. SQPR
4. QSPR

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1, i.e. QSRP.

1. Sentence Q appears at the first place because it provides a direct continuation to the narrative/context that was presented by the first sentence, that is about the practice of making ropes.
2. Sentence S shall follow as the next statement because it provides additional information that adds towards the context presented by the previous sentences.
3. Sentence R follows at third place because it adds specific details to the tradition of rope making. As it becomes specific with details about the contents in rope-making this statement is liable to appear at third place.
4. Sentence P shall appear at the end because the point it raises can be treated as a continuation of the previous statement's point. Sentence R talked about what people used to make ropes and sentence P goes on to narrate about how people used the manufactured ropes.

This arrangement follows a sequential order where every event, information or detail gets added without losing the fluency in narration and sense/meaning of the passage.

**Question 60 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the



sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. The king was distressed because his people were lazy. P. All cursed the stone and blamed the Government. Q. Then the king had the stone removed. R. Next day people passed by and went round it. S. He had a big stone put in the middle of the road one night. 6. Under the stone the king had placed a purse full of money.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 105 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. PSRQ
2. SRPQ
3. QPRS
4. PQRS

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2, i.e. SRPQ.**

1. Sentence S begins the story of what the king initially did after the first statement's details, that is about his worrisome situation regarding the people who were getting lazy.
2. Sentence R shall follow because it moves the story ahead by talking about what the people did after the king's arrangements.
3. Sentence P adds more details about what the people did, which is why it shall follow as a direct continuation for the information provided by the previous statement.
4. Sentence Q shall follow at next place because it moves the narrative further by adding details about what the king had done after having experienced the reactions of the people.

This arrangement follows a sequential manner where the various events, information or details are added without losing the fluency in narration and the meaning/sense of the entire passage.

**Question 61 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. September 2005. P. I felt such a great weight on me that I could barely move. Q. As the doors closed behind me, I was overcome by deep loneliness and despair. R. I was leaving behind my family and I didn't know when I would see them again. S. I was going through the departure gate at the airport in Holguin, Cuba. 6. In my hands I held my prayer book.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 100 Seconds**

**Options :**



RSQP

2. RQPS

3. SQRP

4. PSRQ

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 3, i.e. SQRP.**

1. Sentence S starts the story with the speaker mentioning about his presence at a certain airport.
2. Sentence Q moves the story ahead by adding the details of events that took place during the speaker's course of boarding the plane.
3. Sentence R shall follow up next because it adds specific details about the speaker's departure.
4. Sentence P shall follow as a continuation of the previous statement as it expresses the feelings of the speaker because of his departure from family.

This sequence follows a sequential manner where the various events, information or details are added without losing the fluency of narration and the meaning/context of the passage.

**Question 62 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. The recipe of making white sauce is very simple. P. Stir the mixture of maida and butter constantly. Q. Put one table spoon of fine flour (maida) when the butter gets heated. R. Heat one table spoon of butter in a pan. S. Add one cup of milk to the mixture and cook for one minute. 6. Add salt and pepper to taste.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 90 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. QRSP

2. PRQS

3. SRQP

4. RQPS

**Solution :**

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

1. Sentence R provides the very first step of the recipe, that is to heat butter in a pan.



- Sentence Q follows up next because it talks about what to do after the butter gets heated, that is to add flour (maida).
- Sentence P adds more details about what to do with the mixture of butter and maida, hence will appear at next place.
  - Sentence S tells us what to add to the whole mixture that we talked about in the previous sentences. So, it shall follow as the next step and the next sentence.

This sequence follows a sequential manner where the various steps, information or details are added without losing the fluency of narration and the context/meaning of the passage.

**Question 63 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. "As a matter of fact", said the boy modestly, "I'm a spaceman." P. "You can't see it from here." Q. 'From another planet.' R. 'I'm a spaceman', he said again. S. John and George stared at the boy. 6. John gasped, George gave a shout of laughter.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 92 Seconds****Options :**

- PSRQ
- QPSR
- RQPS
- SRQP

**Solution :**

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

- Sentence S can be treated as a direct continuation to the story, that is after the first line which talks about what the boy said.
- Sentence R shall follow up next because it provides a repetition of events, that is the boy repeats what he says. We get to know this from the usage of the word 'again'.
- Sentence Q adds more dialogues to the boy's speech, which is why it shall appear at next place.
- Sentence P can be treated as the concluding line for the boy's speech as he try's to emphasize on what he initially said in the beginning.

This arrangement follows a sequential manner where the various events, details or information get added without losing the context/meaning of the passage and the fluency of narration.

**Question 64 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. I can't stand here and promise that your future path is going to be wonderful. P. Whatever one feels like doing today is set up as moral. Q. People don't even pretend to care about what is right. R. Instead, it might be very difficult, because our time is different than some other eras in human history. S. If you look around, you can see that, little by little, it is a path leading to our destruction. 6. I am afraid that this legacy of freedom is facing an uncertain future.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 104 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. PSRQ
2. RQPS
3. QSRP
4. PQRS

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2, i.e. RQPS.**

1. Sentence R shall appear after the first line because it provides a continuation to the narrative. It adds another point of view to the context provided by the very first statement of the passage.
2. Sentence Q shall follow as the next statement as it adds more details to the information provided by the previous statement, that is about people not caring about what's right anymore.
3. Sentence P adds more specific details, that is regarding people's actions or thoughts. This can be treated as a continuation of the previous statement's point and hence shall follow at next place.
4. Sentence S provides a conclusive point after the points/information added by the previous sentences, which is about humanity's path towards destruction. The conclusion is that there is inevitable dystopia and not utopia.

This arrangement follows a sequential manner where the various events/information/details have been added without losing the context/meaning of the passage and the fluency of narration is also maintained till the end.

**Question 65 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. Rose was lonely in the house. P. She was very good at that. Q. She sat all day in a room on the terrace. R. She would sit on the rug and do her reading and writing. S. It was a little room with nothing but a bed and a rug. 6. It was the only thing she had learnt from the convent.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 105 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. QRSP
2. RSPQ
3. QSRP
4. PSQR

**Solution :**

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

1. Sentence Q talks about the first course of action of Rose in the story, so will appear at first place.
2. Sentence S shall follow as it provides specific details of the room that was mentioned in the previous statement.
3. Sentence R will appear at third place because it provides details of what Rose specifically does inside the aforementioned room. This can be treated as a direct continuation to the story.
4. Sentence P can be treated as a conclusive point about Rose after what the previous sentences talked about, that is about Rose's course of action in a particular place.

This arrangement follows a sequential narrative where the various events/information/details have been added without losing the context/meaning of the passage as well the fluency of narration.

**Question 66 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. A poor woman lost her only son. P. He asked her to bring mustard seed from a house where no death had ever taken place. Q. As Buddha wanted her to understand that death is inevitable. R. She could not find such a house. S. She came to Buddha to bring her son back to life. 6. The woman understood the message of Buddha.

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

1. SPQR
2. SQPR
3. RSPQ
4. SRPQ

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2, i.e. SQPR.



Sentence S talks about what the woman went on to do after having lost her son (as stated in the previous sentence).

2. Sentence Q goes on to talk about what Buddha tried to do, that is talk about the inevitability of death. This point can be treated as a direct continuation to the on-going narrative and hence will appear at next place.
3. Sentence P shall appear at next place because it goes on to talk about a certain task given by Buddha to the woman to prove his point.
4. Sentence R shall appear at next place because it talks about what happened to the woman regarding the task. This can be treated as a consequence of the given task.

This arrangement follows a sequential manner where the various events, information or details get added without losing the context/meaning of the passage and flunecy of narration.

**Question 67 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. It is now five in the evening. P. And so it will bear away another child. Q. Soon it will be six and it will be time. R. I have to unveil the truth; I have to end the injustices committed by the shadow. S. The shadow will then come in darkness. 6. The shadow must be defeated.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 98 Seconds****Options :**

1. PSRQ
2. SQRP
3. QSPR
4. PRQS

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 3, i.e. QSPR.**

1. Sentence Q provides a direct continuation to the story by specifying the time, right after what the first statement talked about.
2. Sentence S goes on to talk about what will happen during the time mentioned by the previous statement, that is 6 o' clock. So, as a continuation to the narrative this statement shall appear at next place.
3. Sentence P adds more information to the point raised by the previous statement (that is about the events that take place at the aforementioned time), which is why as a direct continuation it shall appear at next place.
4. Sentence R shall follow at next place because it mentions what the speaker has to do after having expressed about the events of the hour, which is during 6 o' clock.



This arrangement follows a sequential manner where the various events, information or details get added without losing any meaning/context of the passage and the fluency of narration.

**Question 68 :**

In the following question the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. "Mother do you love me?", she asked. P. She then looked into her mother's tear-filled eyes out of impatience for a reply. Q. She kept waiting but her mother did not speak. R. Then, she understood what words the mother's eyes spoke and the reason for her silence. S. She got no direct reply and grew restless. 6. She climbed slowly on to her mother's lap.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 104 Seconds****Options :**

1. PRQS
2. QSRP
3. SQPR
4. RQPS

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 3, i.e. SQPR.**

1. Sentence S narrates the event/response that followed right after the question that was addressed in the previous or first statement of the passage. So, this sentence shall appear after the first statement.
2. Sentence Q goes on to talk about what the girl did after getting the response from her mother. As a build-up to the narrative this sentence shall follow up at next place.
3. Sentence P progresses the story by adding details about the mother. So, with the addition of new information it becomes liable for this sentence to appear at next place.
4. Sentence R finally hints at the reason for the mother's silence/response. This statement adjoins more information to the sense made by the previous statement, which is why it shall appear at next place.

This arrangement follows a sequential manner where the various events/details/information gets added without losing any prior sense/meaning in the passage. The fluency of narration doesn't get hampered as well.

**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. I gaze at the stars from my balcony.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 83 Seconds**



**Options :**

1. Gazing at the stars has been done by me from the balcony.
2. The stars are being gazed at by me from the balcony.
3. The stars are gazed at from the balcony by me.
4. From my balcony I have gazed at the stars.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The stars are gazed at from the balcony by me.

**Active voice-** subject + v1/v5 + object + other words.

**Passive voice -** Object + is/am/are + v3 + by + subject + other words.

As the chosen option follows this 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. The breakfast will have been finished by eight.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

**Options :**

1. They will finish the breakfast by eight.
2. They will finish the breakfast at eight.
3. They will have finished the breakfast by eight.
4. They will be finishing the breakfast at eight.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. They will have finished breakfast by eight.

Passive voice - Subject + will + have + been + v3 + by + object + other words.

Active voice- Object + will + have+ v3 + subject + other words.

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

**Question 71 :**

In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. In the early 1920s, settlers came to



Alaska looking for gold. P. Today, people use it to get from place to place. Q. The trail they used to travel inland is known today as the Iditarod Trail. R. They travelled by boat, to Seward and Krik and from there by land into the goldfields. S. The Iditarod trail quickly became a major thoroughfare in Alaska. 6. In the winters, the only means of travel down this trail is by dog sledge

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 82 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. PSQR
2. RQSP
3. PQRS
4. QRSP

**Solution :**

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

1. The best way of solving "para jumble" is to find a pair or starting statement.
2. The statement will not start with "P" as it starts with "today" that shows a present time and we need to show a sequence of time here so we can't use it as the first statement.
3. As the "settlers" are looking for gold first they need to travel for that.
4. The statement R is talking about the "travel history" so it will be the first statement.
5. According to the option we have only the chosen option starting with R.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct one.**

**Question 72 :**

In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. There was a large gathering at the party. P. I too wore a brand new gold jacket. Q. My black leather shoes were shining. R. It matched well with my new pair of faded stonewashed pants. S. Everybody had put-on new colourful clothes. 6. They had been polished.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 89 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. SRPQ
2. RPQS
3. SPRQ



**PQSR**

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option C i.e. SPRQ.**

1. The easiest way of solving the Parajumbli is to find a pair.
2. As statement 1 tells about the situation of party and statement "S" expresses that "Everybody had put-on new colourful clothes." Both will come together.
3. Hence, S will be the first statement of the arrangement.
4. Now "R" expresses the more about the cloths it will follow S.

Now we have a pair of SP.

As in the options we have only chosen option starting with "SP" it will be the correct choice.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 73 :**

In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. There was nobody in the market at that time of the night. P. Added to that it had been raining incessantly. Q. The night was darker than usual. R. All shops were closed. S. The atmosphere was heavy. 6. The stars disappeared from the sky and it made the night heavier.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 86 Seconds**

**Options :**

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

**Solution :**

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

1. As the fixed statement talks about the "night" and statement Q tells more about the "night" it will come after the fixed sentence.
2. It means Q will be the starting statement.
3. As the statement P is adding something to the same situation of Night it will come after Q.
4. Now statement R and then statement S will come as it shows the sequential meaning.

Now we have the arrangement "QPRS".

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 74 :**

In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. The fame of Bacon as a creative writer rests mainly on his essays. P. The term is derived from 'essai'. Q. It may be perhaps desirable to write something on 'Essay'. R. 'Essai' means experiment, attempt. S. The essay covers an enormous range of composition. 6. In style the essay is often self-revelatory and illustrative

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 82 Seconds**

**Options :**

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

**Solution :**

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

1. Statement will starts with Q as it completes the meaning of the fixed statement.
2. Statement P tells about the origin of the word "essay" so it will come after Q.
3. Further statements R adds more about the "essay" so it will come after P.
4. Now, S will be the last statement.

Now we have an arrangement "QPRS".

**Hence, it will be the correct answer.**

**Question 75 :**

In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. Vinoo was to leave for Hyderabad by the 5 o'clock train. P. Quickly, both got the luggage in and the train began to move. Q. He drove to the station and reached a few minutes before the train was to leave. R. However, Vinoo had a busy schedule on that day and could leave the office only around 4:45 PM. S. He rushed on to the platform and found his friend waiting near their compartment. 6. Vinooheaved a sigh of relief and settled down to enjoy the journey.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 89 Seconds

Options :

1. PQSR
2. RSQP
3. SQPR
4. RQSP

Solution :

The correct answer is option D i.e. RQSP.

1. As Fixed statement tells that vinoo has to leave at 5 o'clock and she left at 4:45 PM according to the statement R it should come after the fixed statement.
2. "He left and reached the station" so statement Q will come after R.
3. "After reaching station she rushed to the platform" so statement S will come after Q.
4. Now P will be the last statement.
5. Hence, we have an arrangement "RQSP".

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Question 76 :

In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. After the firing that evening the street that used to be full of people was completely deserted. P. Nor were any windows open. Q. Suddenly, I detected a movement to my left. R. There was no trace of any human beings, and all doors were firmly closed. S. Surprisingly, even the stray dogs had disappeared. 6. I was so frightened that I ran for my life.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 86 Seconds

Options :

1. PSQR
2. PQRS
3. RPSQ
4. RSPQ

**Solution :**

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

1. As statement R gives completion to the meaning conveyed by the fixed statement it should come after the fixed statement.
2. Statement P adds the same information so it will come after R.

Now we have a pair RP that is only in the chosen option so it will be correct.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Question 77 :**

In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. Sunita Aralika's story is incredible but true. P. Fortunately she was pulled out of the tiny grave by her maternal grandfather. Q. Her mother died when she was fifteen days old. R. Her grandfather decided to educate her on his own. S. She was buried alive by her illiterate father the next day. 6. Today Sunita is an author and a well known social activist, fighting against female infanticide.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 79 Seconds

**Options :**

1. PQRS
2. SRQP
3. QSPR
4. PRSQ

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option C i.e. QSPR.

1. The fixed statement tells that "Sunita Aralika's story is incredible but true." and statement Q says that "Her mother died when she was fifteen days old." that is first incredible so it should come after the fixed statement.
2. Now, statement S will come as it makes a sequence.
3. As the statement P shows the result of the statement S "Fortunately she was pulled out of the tiny grave by her maternal grandfather." it should come after S.
4. Now, statement R will be the last statement.

Finally, we have an arrangement "QSPR" that is in the chosen option.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Question 78 :**



In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. It was my first day in college. P. They took me to their room. Q. As I entered, two seniors approached me. R. I was happy to follow them. S. They offered to help me to locate my classroom. 6. There they forced me to part with my money and the wrist watch.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 90 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. PRQS
2. RPQS
3. QSRP
4. SPQR

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option C i.e. QSRP.**

1. Statement Q will be the first statement as it shows the first action.
2. As statement S starts with a pronoun that is used for "two seniors" we need to keep the statement S after Q.
3. Now, statement R will come as follows a sequence.
4. P will be the last statement.
5. Now we have an arrangement "QSRP".

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 79 :**

In the following question, the 1st and the last part of the sentence/passage are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence/ passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence/passage and find out which of the four combinations is correct. 1. The teacher asked the boys to be quiet. P. The boys opened their books. Q. Suddenly there was some noise outside. R. Then he asked them to open their books. S. The teacher looked outside. 6. A dog had entered in the school premises.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 77 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. QSRP
2. PRSQ



RPQS

4. SQRP

**Solution :**

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

1. The fixed statement is an instruction to the students and after this, it was said to open the books so statement R will come and it will be the first statement.
2. Statement P completes the meaning of the statement R so it will come after R.
3. QS will come together as both are the serial actions.

Now we have the arrangement "RPQS".

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 80 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. The act of killing a whole group of people, specially a whole race.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 58 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Patricide
2. Genocide
3. Parricide
4. Matricide

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option B i.e. Genocide**

1. **genocide** (N.): the murder of a whole race or group of people
2. **patricide** (N.): the crime of killing your father
3. **parricide** (N.): the crime of killing your father, mother or a close relative
4. **matricide** (N.): the crime of killing your mother

**As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.**

**Question 81 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. Animals that can live on land and in water.





Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

Options :

1. Anthropoid
2. Aquatic
3. Amphibian
4. Marsupial

Solution :

The correct answer is option i.e. Amphibian.

1. **Anthropoid** - resembling a human being in form.
2. **Aquatic** - living or taking place in, on or near water
3. **Amphibian** - Animals that can live on land and in water.
4. **Marsupial** - any Australian animal that carries its baby in a pocket of skin (pouch) on the mother's stomach.

As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.

Question 82 :

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. A hater of woman.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. Monarchist
2. Misanthrope
3. Philanderer
4. Misogynist

Solution :

The correct answer is option D i.e. Misogynist.

1. **Monarchist** - a supporter of the principle of having monarchs.
2. **Misanthrope** - a person who hates or avoids other people.
3. **Philanderer** - a man who has many sexual relationships without intending to be emotionally involved.
4. **Misogynist** - A hater of woman.



As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.

**Question 83 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. A state where there is no effective government.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Secular
2. Democracy
3. Governance
4. Anarchy

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option is D i.e. Anarchy.

1. **Secular** - not concerned with religion.
2. **Democracy** - a system in which the government of a country is elected by the people.
3. **Governance** - the action or manner of governing a state, organization, etc.
4. **Anarchy** - A state where there is no effective government.

As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.

**Question 84 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. A person who opposes war or use of military force.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Narcissist
2. Fatalist
3. Pacifist
4. Fascist

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option C i.e. Pacifist.



**Fascist:** a person who supports an attitude which is in favor of strong central government and which does not allow any opposition.

2. **Pacifist:** A person who opposes war or use of military force.
3. **Narcissist:** a person who has the habit of admiring himself too much.
4. **Fatalist:** a person who believes in fate.

**As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.**

**Question 85 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. Substance used in surgery to produce unconsciousness.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Antiseptic
2. Antidote
3. Anesthetic
4. Cocaine

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option C i.e. Anesthetic.**

1. **Antiseptic** - a liquid or cream that prevents a cut, etc. from becoming infected.
2. **Antidote** - anything that helps you to deal with something unpleasant.
3. **Anesthetic** - Substance used in surgery to produce unconsciousness.
4. **Cocaine** - a dangerous drug that some people take for pleasure but which is addictive.

**As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.**

**Question 86 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. Master of ceremonies

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Ceremonist



Compere

3. Organiser

4. Manager

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option B i.e. Compere.

1. **Ceremonist** - A celebrant is a person who performs or takes part in a religious ceremony.
2. **Compere** - Master of ceremonies.
3. **Organiser** - a person whose job is to enlist employees into membership in a union.
4. **Manager** - a man or woman who controls an organization or part of an organization.

As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.

**Question 87 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. A remedy for all diseases.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 59 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Tonic
2. Nectar
3. Panacea
4. Elixir

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option C i.e. Panacea.

1. **Tonic** - a type of water with bubbles in it and a rather bitter taste that is often added to alcoholic drinks
2. **Nectar** - the sweet liquid that bees collect from flowers to make honey
3. **Panacea** - A remedy for all diseases.
4. **Elixir** - a magical or medicinal potion.

As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.

**Question 88 :**



In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. A place for fish or water plants.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 59 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Aviary
2. Apiary
3. Herbarium
4. Aquarium

**Solution :**

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

1. **Aviary** - a large cage or area in which birds are kept.
2. **Apiary** - a place where bees are kept.
3. **Herbarium** - a systematically arranged collection of dried plants.
4. **Aquarium** - A place for fish or water plants.

**As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.**

**Question 89 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. The study of birds is known as.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 56 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Ornithology
2. Zoology
3. Biology
4. Anatomy

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option A i.e. Ornithology.**

1. **Ornithology** - The study of birds is known as.
2. **Zoology** - the scientific study of animals.



**Biology** - the scientific study of living things.

4. **Anatomy** - the science dealing with the structure of animals and plants.

**As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.**

**Question 90 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. The belief that everyone is equal and should have the same right and opportunities.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 58 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Altruistic
2. Egoistic
3. Egalitarian
4. Octogenarian

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option C i.e. Egalitarian**

1. **Altruistic** - unselfishly concerned for or devoted to the welfare of others.
2. **Egoistic** - being centered in or preoccupied with oneself and the gratification of one's own desires; self-centered.
3. **Egalitarian** - The belief that everyone is equal and should have the same right and opportunities.
4. **Octogenarian** - a person aged between 80 and 89 years.

**As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.**

**Question 91 :**

In the following question, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence. Irresistible craving for alcoholic drinks.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 60 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Pyromania
2. Dipsomania
3. Megalomania

### Kleptomania

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option B i.e. Dipsomania.

1. **dipsomania** (N.): an intense persistent desire to drink alcoholic beverages to excess; alcoholism.
2. **megalomania** (N.): a mental illness/condition in which one has an exaggerated belief in one's own importance/power.
3. **kleptomania** (N.): a mental illness in which one has a strong desire, which one cannot control, to steal things.
4. **pyromania** (N.): a mental illness that causes a strong desire to set fire to things.

As the chosen option expresses the meaning of the given group of words it will be correct.

**Question 92 :**

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. Had she worked hard she would have won the gold medal.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

**Options :**

1. The gold medal will have been won by her had she worked hard.
2. The gold medal would have been won by her had she worked hard.
3. The gold medal would have been won by her if she worked hard.
4. The gold medal will have been won by her if she worked hard.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The gold medal will have been won by her had she worked hard.

Active voice- subject + would + have + past participle + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + would + have + been + v3 + by + subject + other words.

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

**Question 93 :**

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 cooked the food and sent it to the orphanage.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

**Options :**

1. The cooked food was sent to the orphanage by them.
2. The food was cooked and sent to the orphanage by them.
3. The food was sent to the orphanage by them.
4. The food was cooked and sent by them.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The food was cooked and sent to the orphanage by them.

Active voice- subject + v2 + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + was/were + v3 + by + subject + other words.

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

**Question 94 :**

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 room was cleaned.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

**Options :**

1. The cleaner cleaned the room.
2. The room should be cleaned.
3. I cleaned the room.
4. Someone cleaned the room.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Someone cleaned the room.

Passive voice - Object + was/were + v3 + by + subject + other words.

Active voice- subject + v2 + object + other words.

If the subject is not clear in the given statement we use "someone" as the preparatory subject.

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

**Question 95 :**

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. Where were they playing the cricket match?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

Options :

1. Where was the cricket match played?
2. Where has the cricket match been played?
3. Where will the cricket match be played?
4. Where was the cricket match being played?

Solution :

The correct answer is option is 4 i.e. Where was the cricket match being played?

Active voice- Wh word + was/were + subject + v4 + object + other words?

Passive voice - Wh word + was/were + object + being + v4 + by + subject + other words?

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

Question 96 :

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. These things have been left here by an unknown customer.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 57 Seconds

Options :

1. An unknown customer leaves these things here.
2. An unknown customer has left these things here.
3. An unknown customer have left these things here.
4. An unknown customer has been left these things here.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. An unknown customer has left these things here.

Passive voice - Subject + has/have + been + v3 + by + object + other words.

Active voice- Object+ has/have+ v3 + subject + other words.

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

**Question 97 :**

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 will reward you for your hard work.

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

1. You will be rewarded by the authorities for your hard work.
2. You would be rewarded by the authorities for your hard work.
3. The authorities will be rewarded by your hard work
4. The authorities would be rewarded by your hard work.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. You will be rewarded by the authorities for your hard work.

Active voice- Subject+ will + v1 + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + will+ be + v3 + by + object + other words.

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

**Question 98 :**

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. People felt that the police were corrupt.

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

1. It was felt that the police were corrupt.
2. The police were felt to be corrupt.
3. It was felt that the police were being corrupt.
4. The police were felt being corrupt.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. It was felt that the police were corrupt.

Active voice- Subject+ felt/believed/hoped + that + subject + verb + object + other words.



Passive voice - It + was/were + hoped/believed/felt + that +subject + v erb + object + other words.

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

**Question 99 :**

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 found him lying dead on the roadside.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

**Options :**

1. The roadside found him lying dead.
2. He was lying dead found by the roadside.
3. Lying by the roadside, he was found dead.
4. He was found lying dead by the roadside.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. He was lying dead found by the roadside.

Active voice- subject + v2 + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + was/were+ v3 + by + subject + other words.

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

**Question 100 :**

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. Scientists generally believe that small islands would sink.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Small islands will sink is generally believed by scientists.
2. There is a general belief that small islands would sink.
3. Small islands are believed to sink by scientists.
4. It is generally believed by scientists that small islands would sink.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. It is generally believed by scientists that small islands would sink.

Active voice- Subject+ felt/believed/hoped + that + subejct + verb + object + other words.

Passive voice - It i+ was/were + hoped/believed/felt + that +subject + verb + object + other words.

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

**Question 101 :**

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. Should you ever tell a lie?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Should a lie be ever told by one?
2. Should a lie be ever told by everyone?
3. Should a lie be ever told?
4. Should a lie ever be told?

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Should a lie ever be told?

Active voice- Sould + subject + v1 + object + other words?

Passive voice - Sould + object + be + v3 + by + subject + other words?

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

**Question 102 :**

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 Principal promised the boys a holiday.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

**Options :**

1. The boys have been promised a holiday by the Principal.
2. The boys had been promised a holiday by the Principal.
3. The boys were promised a holiday by the Principal.



The boys are promised a holiday by the Principal.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The boys were promised a holiday by the Principal.

Active voice- subject + v2 + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + was/were + v3 + by + subject + other words.

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

**Question 103 :**

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. A police constable arrested the burglar just before dawn.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 59 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Just before dawn the burglar is arrested by a police constable.
2. The burglar was arrested by a police constable just before dawn.
3. The burglar is arrested by a police constable just before dawn.
4. A police constable was arrested by a burglar just before dawn.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The burglar was arrested by a police constable just before dawn.

Active voice- subject + v2 + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + was/were + v3 + by + subject + other words.

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

**Question 104 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. You said, "My parents never liked my accepting any job but I had always wanted to stand on my own feet".

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 65 Seconds**

**Options :**



You regretted that your parents had never liked you accepting any job but you always wanted to stand on your own feet.

- You said that your parents never liked your accepting any job but you always wanted to stand on your own feet.
- You told that your parents never like you accepting any job but you always wanted to stand on your own feet.
- You said that my parents never liked my accepting any job but I had always wanted to stand on my own feet.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. You said that your parents never liked your accepting any job but you always wanted to stand on your own feet.

- As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
- There will be no change in the tense of the reported speech.
- "my accepting" will be changed into "your accepting".

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

**Question 105 :**

but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth,

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 94 Seconds

**Options :**

- stated
- dictated
- clear
- hazy

**Solution :**

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

- stated-** to say or write something, especially formally.



- dictated- to say something aloud so that somebody else can write or type it.
3. **clear**- easy to see, hear or understand.
  4. **hazy**- not clear, especially because of heat.
  5. As everybody knows that "that democracy is always a slow growth" the chosen option will be correct.

**Hence, the chosen option is correct.**

### Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

### Question 106 :

to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

### Options :

1. **examine**
2. **define**
3. **experience**
4. **discuss**

### Solution :

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

1. **examine**- to consider or study an idea, a subject, etc. very carefully.
2. **define**- the thing or idea that something represents; what somebody is trying to communicate.
3. **experience**- the things that you have done in your life; the knowledge or skill that you get from seeing or doing something.
4. **discuss**- to talk or write about something seriously or formally.
5. Meaningfully the chosen option suits the context of the passage so it will be correct.

**Hence, the chosen option is correct.**

### Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_



and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

**Question 107 :**

are \_\_\_\_\_ to

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

1. difficult
2. easy
3. interesting
4. meaningless

**Solution :**

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

1. **difficult**- not easy to do or understand.
2. **easy**- not difficult.
3. **interesting**- enjoyable and entertaining; holding your attention.
4. **meaningless**- without meaning, reason or sense.
5. After reading the passage it can be understood that it is very difficult to understand the democracy favourable situation so "difficult" will be the correct choice here.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

**Question 108 :**

which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. grow
2. end





rise

4. flourish

**Solution :**

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

1. **grow-** to increase in size or number; to develop into an adult form.
2. **end-** the furthest or last part of something; the place or time where something stops.
3. **rise-** an increase in an amount, a number or a level.
4. **flourish-** to be strong and healthy; to develop in a successful way.
5. The chosen option has a very positive that gives a meaningful sense to the passage so it will be the correct answer.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. It so happens that \_\_\_\_\_ siblings sing one of \_\_\_\_\_ invariably has a less \_\_\_\_\_ vocal prowess even though \_\_\_\_\_ have a similarly commendable \_\_\_\_\_ base.

**Question 109 :**

have a similarly commendable \_\_\_\_\_ base.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 73 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. song
2. art
3. common
4. music

**Solution :**

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

1. As the paragraph is related to singing "music" will be the correct choice here.

**Hence, the chosen option is correct.**

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. To avoid the various foolish opinions to which mankind are prone, no superhuman brain is required. A few simple rules will



keep you free, not from all errors, but from silly errors. If the matter is one that can be settled by observation, make the observation yourself. Aristotle could have avoided the mistake of thinking that women have fewer teeth than men, by the simple device of asking Mrs. Aristotle to keep her mouth open while he counted. Thinking that you know when in fact you do not is a bad mistake, to which we are all prone. I believe myself that hedgehogs eat black beetles, because I have been told that they do; but if I were writing a book on the habits of hedgehogs, I should not commit myself until I had seen one enjoying this diet. Aristotle, however, was less cautious. Ancient and medieval writers knew all about unicorns and salamanders; not one of them thought it necessary to avoid dogmatic statements about them because he had never seen one of them.

**Question 110 :**

The author implies that

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 88 Seconds

**Options :**

1. he has never seen hedgehogs eating beetles
2. hedgehogs eat only black beetles
3. they do not eat black beetles
4. he is writing a book on hedgehogs

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. he has never seen hedgehogs eating beetles.

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "I believe myself that hedgehogs eat black beetles, because I have been told that they do; but if I were writing a book on the habits of hedgehogs, I should not commit myself until I had seen one enjoying this diet."

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. All art is, in an important sense, an escape. There is a sense in which the capacity to escape from his present experience, to use his accumulated consciousness of the past to project a vision of the future, is man's greatest and distinguishing ability. We must not forget the force of Aristotle's argument that poetry is valuable precisely because it shows men not simply as they are, but as they ought to be or (in terms more sympathetic to us today) as they are capable of becoming.

**Question 111 :**

The author believes that man's greatest and distinguishing ability is

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 84 Seconds

**Options :**

1. his ability to project the future
2. his capacity to escape from his present experience
3. his consciousness of the past
4. None of the above

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. his capacity to escape from his present experience.

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "There is a sense in which the capacity to escape **from his present experience**, to use his accumulated consciousness of the past to project a vision of the future, is man's greatest and distinguishing ability."

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. All art is, in an important sense, an escape. There is a sense in which the capacity to escape from his present experience, to use his accumulated consciousness of the past to project a vision of the future, is man's greatest and distinguishing ability. We must not forget the force of Aristotle's argument that poetry is valuable precisely because it shows men not simply as they are, but as they ought to be or (in terms more sympathetic to us today) as they are capable of becoming.

**Question 112 :**

Aristotle argues that poetry is

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

**Options :**

1. valuable
2. an escape
3. an art
4. All of the above

**Solution :**

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

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "We must not forget the force of Aristotle's argument that poetry is **valuable** precisely because it shows men not simply as they are, but as they



ought to be or (in terms more sympathetic to us today) as they are capable of becoming."

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 113 :**

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 checker checks the admission tickets at the gate.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 57 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. The admission tickets are checked at the gate.
2. The admission tickets be checked at the gate.
3. The admission tickets will be checked at the gate by the checker.
4. The admission tickets were checked at the gate.

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The admission tickets are checked at the gate.**

Active voice- subject + v1/v5 + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + is/am/are + v3 + by + subject + other words.

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

**Question 114 :**

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. People criticized him for not offering to pay for the damage.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 59 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. He has been criticized for not offering to pay for the damage.
2. He was criticized for not offering to pay for the damage.
3. He is criticized for not offering to pay for the damage.
4. He is being criticizing for not offering to pay for the damage.

**Solution :**



The correct answer is option 2 i.e. He was criticized for not offering to pay for the damage.

Active voice- subject + v2 + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + was/were + v3 + by + subject + other words.

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

**Question 115 :**

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 police is unduly harassing me.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

**Options :**

1. I am unduly harassed by the police.
2. I was unduly harassed by the police.
3. I have being unduly harassed by the police.
4. I am being unduly harassed by the police.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. I am being unduly harassed by the police.

Active voice- subject + is/am/are + v4 + object + other words.

Passive voice - Object + is/am/are + being + v3 + by + subject + other words.

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

**Question 116 :**

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. Had work been resumed by the labourers before the manager arrived?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Have the labourers resumed work before the arrival of the manager?
2. Had the labourers resumed work before the manager arrived?
3. Had they resumed the work before the manager came?



Had the labourers not resumed work before the manager arrived?

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Had the labourers resumed work before the manager arrived?**

Passive voice - Had + subject + been + v3 + + by + object + other words.

Active voice- Had + object + v3 + object + other words.

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

**Question 117 :**

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. Should you have interrupted me while I was speaking?

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 61 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Should I have been interrupted while I was speaking?
2. Should I be interrupted while I am speaking?
3. Should I have been interrupted by them while I was speaking?
4. Should I not be interrupted while I am speaking?

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Should I have been interrupted while I was speaking?**

Active voice- Should + subject + have + v3 + object + other words?

Passive voice - Should + object + have + been + v3 + by + subject+ other words?

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

**Question 118 :**

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. Did they pay the clerks their salary on the first day of the month?

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 61 Seconds**

**Options :**



Were the clerks paid their salary on the first day of the month?

- Are the clerks paid then salary on the first day of the month?
- Was the clerk paid his salary on the first day of the month?
- Were the clerks being paid their salary.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Were the clerks paid their salary on the first day of the month?

Active voice- Did + subject + v1 + object + other words?

Passive voice - Were + object + v3 + by + subject+ other words?

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

**Question 119 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. He was a hopeless doctor if ever I saw one.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

**Options :**

- if I ever saw
- if I saw
- if I see
- No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

As there is no error in the underlined part we don't need to make changes in this.

Hence, the chosen option will be "No improvement".

**Question 120 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. If I would have known the truth I would have admitted it.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. had known
2. have known
3. know
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. had known.

1. In the case of a hypothetical sentence, the correct structure is-
2. If + subject + had + v3 + object , subject + would + have + v3 + object + other words.
3. As the chosen option completes this structure it will be correct.
4. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**If I had known the truth I would have admitted it.**

Question 121 :

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. Members usually meet in one another's homes.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 60 Seconds

Options :

1. another's
2. each another's
3. every other's
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

1. In the case of two nouns, "each other" is used while in case of more than two nouns "one other" is used.
2. As in the given statement, there are more than two nouns "members", "one other" will be correct here.



Hence the underlined part is grammatically correct so we don't need to make changes in this.

Hence, "No improvement" will be the correct answer.

**Question 122 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. Ramu, Shyamu and Abdul came forward one after the others.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 65 Seconds

**Options :**

1. one after others
2. one after the other
3. after one other
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. one after the other.

1. Whenever two nouns or pronouns are connected with "preposition" both the nouns or pronouns should be in the singular form.
2. Day by Days, town after town, person to person.
3. As in the underlined part, "others" is in the plural form we need to change it into singular form "other".
4. As the chosen option is in the same form it will be correct.
5. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**Ramu, Shyamu and Abdul came forward one after the other.**

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. All art is, in an important sense, an escape. There is a sense in which the capacity to escape from his present experience, to use his accumulated consciousness of the past to project a vision of the future, is man's greatest and distinguishing ability. We must not forget the force of Aristotle's argument that poetry is valuable precisely because it shows men not simply as they are, but as they ought to be or (in terms more sympathetic to us today) as they are capable of becoming.

**Question 123 :**

Accordingly to the author \_\_\_\_\_ enables him to project a vision of the future



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

Options :

1. man's present experience
2. man's accumulated consciousness of the past
3. man's sympathetic nature
4. None of the above.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. man's accumulated consciousness of the past.

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "There is a sense in which the capacity to escape from his present experience, to use **his accumulated consciousness of the past** to project a vision of the future, is man's greatest and distinguishing ability."

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. All art is, in an important sense, an escape. There is a sense in which the capacity to escape from his present experience, to use his accumulated consciousness of the past to project a vision of the future, is man's greatest and distinguishing ability. We must not forget the force of Aristotle's argument that poetry is valuable precisely because it shows men not simply as they are, but as they ought to be or (in terms more sympathetic to us today) as they are capable of becoming.

Question 124 :

Aristotle's argument support the view that poetry shows

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. men not simply as they are
2. what men ought to be
3. what men are capable of becoming
4. All of the above

Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. All of the above.



It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "We must not forget the force of Aristotle's argument that poetry is valuable precisely **because it shows men not simply as they are, but as they ought to be or (in terms more sympathetic to us today) as they are capable of becoming.**"

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. To avoid the various foolish opinions to which mankind are prone, no superhuman brain is required. A few simple rules will keep you free, not from all errors, but from silly errors. If the matter is one that can be settled by observation, make the observation yourself. Aristotle could have avoided the mistake of thinking that women have fewer teeth than men, by the simple device of asking Mrs. Aristotle to keep her mouth open while he counted. Thinking that you know when in fact you do not is a bad mistake, to which we are all prone. I believe myself that hedgehogs eat black beetles, because I have been told that they do; but if I were writing a book on the habits of hedgehogs, I should not commit myself until I had seen one enjoying this diet. Aristotle, however, was less cautious. Ancient and medieval writers knew all about unicorns and salamanders; not one of them thought it necessary to avoid dogmatic statements about them because he had never seen one of them.

### Question 125 :

The author portrays mankind as

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 104 Seconds

### Options :

1. superhuman
2. by and large ignorant
3. intelligent
4. ancient

### Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. by and large ignorant.

It is mentioned in the passage that "To avoid the various **foolish** opinions to **which mankind are prone**, no superhuman brain is required."

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. To avoid the various foolish opinions to which mankind are prone, no superhuman brain is required. A few simple rules will

keep you free, not from all errors, but from silly errors. If the matter is one that can be settled by observation, make the observation yourself. Aristotle could have avoided the mistake of thinking that women have fewer teeth than men, by the simple device of asking Mrs. Aristotle to keep her mouth open while he counted. Thinking that you know when in fact you do not is a bad mistake, to which we are all prone. I believe myself that hedgehogs eat black beetles, because I have been told that they do; but if I were writing a book on the habits of hedgehogs, I should not commit myself until I had seen one enjoying this diet. Aristotle, however, was less cautious. Ancient and medieval writers knew all about unicorns and salamanders; not one of them thought it necessary to avoid dogmatic statements about them because he had never seen one of them.

**Question 126 :**

According to the author, unicorns and salamanders

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 93 Seconds****Options :**

1. have existed in the past
2. are invisible
3. caused writers to write strange stories
4. never really existed

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. never really existed.

It is mentioned in the passage that "Ancient and medieval writers knew all about unicorns and salamanders; not one of them thought it necessary to avoid dogmatic statements about them because he **had never seen one of them.**"

It means that they never really existed.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Question 127 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. Your father is among the other things a private person.

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

1. of the other things



among other things

3. among the others
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. among other things.

1. Among other things = in addition to things that are not specifically mentioned.
2. Look at the sentence :
3. It is not proper to use the definite article 'the' before other.
4. Hence, we need to remove "the" form the underlined part.
5. The chosen option makes this change so it will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**Your father is among other things a private person.**

**Question 128 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. The aggressive response after the peace summit made no sense of the call for moderation.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 67 Seconds

**Options :**

1. made nonsense of
2. made no sense to
3. make no sense to
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. made nonsense of.

1. Make (a) nonsense of something = to make something appear stupid or wrong or to spoil something.
2. The chosen option has a meaning and completes the sense of the statement. Hence, made nonsense of ..... should be used here.

The correct sentence will be-

**The aggressive response after the peace summit made nonsense of the call for moderation.**

**Question 129 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. She was completely nonplussed by the erratic behaviour of her father.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 61 Seconds

**Options :**

1. completely plussed
2. completely no-nonplussed
3. entirely not nonplussed
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

1. As the underlined part of the statement has no error and it is meaningfully and grammatically correct.
2. Hence, there is no need to make changes in the statement.

Hence, the chosen option will be "No improvement".

**Question 130 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. Twelve workers were killed in the conflict between two trade unions.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

**Options :**

1. quarrel
2. clash
3. confrontation
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

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

1. **Clash** = a violent confrontation; a fight or argument between people

**Conflict** (Noun) = an active disagreement between people with opposing opinions or principles

3. As the chosen statement is meaningfully best suitable, clash ..... should be used here.
4. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**Twelve workers were killed in the clash between two trade unions.**

**Question 131 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. The match was so very ordinary after all the hype generated by the fans.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 62 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. very ordinary
2. nothing to write home about
3. so ordinary
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2 i.e. nothing to write home about.**

1. Nothing to write home about = not exciting or special.
2. Look at the sentence :
3. Their performance was nothing to write home about.
4. The chosen option is a phrase and its meaning is completely suitable for the statement so it will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**The match was nothing to write home about after all the hype generated by the fans.**

**Question 132 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. No one was there on the platform after the train had left.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 65 Seconds**

**Options :**



- No one were there on
2. No one was on there
3. None was there on
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

1. As "no one" is considered singular, the singular verb will be used.
2. The underlined part is grammatically correct in itself so "No improvement" will be chosen as the correct answer.

**Question 133 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. I was first to reach the college today.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 54 Seconds****Options :**

1. I was the first to reach
2. I firstly reached
3. I did reach first
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. I was the first to reach.

1. The definite article 'the' comes before an ordinal number (first, second, third etc.).
2. Hence, we need to use "the" before "first" for making the statement grammatically correct.
3. As the chosen option follows this rule it will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

**I was the first to reach the college today.**

**Question 134 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. Life offers myriad choices, isn't it?





Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 63 Seconds

Options :

1. shouldn't it?
2. does it?
3. doesn't it?
4. No improvement

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. doesn't it?.

1. The sentence is in Present Simple (affirmative).
2. Hence, the question tag will be negative i.e. doesn't it?
3. As the chosen option is in the same form it will be correct.

The correct sentence will be-

Life offers myriad choices, doesn't it?.

Question 135 :

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. The Internet has totally changed the world like no other technology before it.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 58 Seconds

Options :

1. revolutionised
2. reformed
3. radicalised
4. No improvement

Solution :

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

1. revolutionised- to change something completely, usually improving it
2. As the meaning of the "revolutionised" is as same as the underlined part it can be used as a replacement.
3. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.



The correct sentence will be-

**The Internet has revolutionised the world like no other technology before it.**

**Question 136 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. To emend a piece of writing means to remove mistakes from it.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 59 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. amend
2. edit
3. rephrase
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

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

1. Emend (Verb) = to correct or improve a text.
2. Look at the sentence: The text is currently being emended and will be published shortly.
3. As the underlined part is correct in itself there will be no need for improvement.

**Hence "No improvement" will be the correct answer.**

**Question 137 :**

In the following question, a sentence / a part of sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is required, choose "No Improvement" option. If I were you I'd kill him.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 56 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. I will kill
2. I should kill
3. I must kill
4. No improvement

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. No improvement.

1. In the case of a hypothetical sentence, the correct structure is-
2. If + subject + were + object , subject + would + v1 + object + other words.
3. As the underlined part completes this structure in itself it will be correct.

Hence, "No improvement" will be the correct answer.

**Question 138 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. They told us that they had waited at the station for a long time.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 56 Seconds

**Options :**

1. They told us "We waited at the station for a long time".
2. They told us "We had been waiting at the station for a long time".
3. They told us "We are waiting at the station for a long time".
4. They told us "We wait at the station for a long time."

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. They told us "We waited at the station for a long time".

1. As the given statement is in "Indirect speech" we need to change it into "direct speech".
2. We need to follow some rules for this.
3. The tense of the reported speech will be changed into "past indefinite tense".
4. "that" will be changed into "inverted comma".
5. As the only chosen option follows these rules it will be correct.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Question 139 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The boss said to him, "Please tell me what the old man said today."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

**Options :**

The boss requested him to tell him what the old man had said that day.

2. The boss requested him to tell him what the old man had said today.
3. The boss requested him to tell him what the old man said that day.
4. The boss requested him to tell him what the old man said today.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The boss requested him to tell him what the old man had said that day.

1. As the reported speech is in "imperative sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "requested" as there is "please in the reported speech".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "to".
4. "Today" will be changed into "that day".
5. "said" will be changed into "had changed".

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Question 140 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said, "She had been weeping for an hour."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 84 Seconds

**Options :**

1. He says that she was weeping for an hour.
2. He said that she was weeping for an hour.
3. He said that she has been weeping for an hour.
4. He said that she had been weeping for an hour.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. He said that she had been weeping for an hour.

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. There will be no change in the reported speech as there is no object after.
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
4. "Today" will be changed into "that day".
5. There will be no change in the tense of the reported speech.

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Question 141 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The teacher said, "Tell me, students, what have you learnt from the lectures this week?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 77 Seconds

**Options :**

1. The teacher asked the students what they learnt from the lectures that week.
2. The teacher asked the students to tell him what they learnt from the lectures that week.
3. The teacher wanted to know what the students learnt from the lectures that week.
4. The teacher asked the students to tell him what they had learnt from the lectures that week.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The teacher asked the students to tell him what they had learnt from the lectures that week.

1. As the reported speech is in "interrogative sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "asked".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "to".
4. Tense of the reported verb will be changed into "past perfect tense".

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Question 142 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. I said to you, "He should not be trusted."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

**Options :**

1. I said to you do not trust him.
2. I told you that he cannot be trusted.
3. I told you he shall not be trusted.
4. I told you that he should not be trusted.

**Solution :**

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**The correct answer is option 4 i.e. I told you that he should not be trusted.**

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. The reported verb will be changed into "told".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
4. There will be no change in the tense of the reported speech.

**As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.**

**Question 143 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The clerk said to the visitor, "Shall I ask these people to wait for you?"

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 70 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. The clerk asked the visitor if he should ask those people to wait for him.
2. The clerk asked the visitor if he shall ask these people to said for him.
3. The clerk asked the visitor if he had asked those people to wait for him.
4. The clerk told the visitor that he should ask these people to wait for him.

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The clerk asked the visitor if he should ask those people to wait for him.**

1. As the reported speech is in "interrogative sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "asked".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "if".
4. "shall" will be changed into "should".
5. The reported speech will be changed into "assertive sentence".

**As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.**

**Question 144 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Robin said to Peg, "Are you listening? Don't be thick."

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 83 Seconds**

**Options :**



Robin asked Peg if he was listening and advised him not to be thick.

2. Robin told Peg to listen to him and not to be thick.
3. Peg was asked to listen to Robin and not to be thick.
4. Robin invited Peg to listen and not to be thick.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Robin asked Peg if he was listening and advised him not to be thick.

1. As the reported speech is in "interrogative sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "asked".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "if".
4. "are" will be changed into "was".
5. The reported speech will be changed into "assertive sentence".
6. "don't" will be changed into "not to be".

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Question 145 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Mother told me that I should listen to her first and then do anything as I pleased.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Mother said to me, "I should listen to me first and then do anything I please."
2. Mother said to me, "He should listen to her first and then do anything he pleases."
3. Mother said to me, "You should listen to me first and then do anything I pleased."
4. Mother said to me, "You should listen to me first and then do anything as you please."

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Mother said to me, "You should listen to me first and then do anything as you please."

1. As the given statement is in "Indirect speech" we need to change it into "direct speech".
2. We need to follow some rules for this.
3. "told" will be changed into, "said".
4. "that" will be changed into "inverted comma".



"I" should be changed into "you".

6. "pleased" will be changed into "please".

**As the only chosen option follows these rules it will be correct. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 146 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said, "They will be using my car for the trip."

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 89 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. He said that they would be using my car for the trip.
2. He said that they would be using his car for the trip.
3. He said that we will be using his car for the trip.
4. He said that they will be using my car for the trip.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. He said that they would be using his car for the trip.

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. "my car" will be changed into "his car".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
4. "will" will be changed into "would".

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Question 147 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The wayfarer said to me, "Do you know the way to the Asiad village?"

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 74 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. The wayfarer asked me if I did know the way to the Asiad village.
2. The wayfarer asked me if I knew the way to the Asiad village.
3. The wayfarer asked me if he knew the way to the Asiad village.





The wayfarer asked me that if I knew the way to the Asiad village.

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2 i.e. The wayfarer asked me if I knew the way to the Asiad village.**

1. As the reported speech is in "interrogative sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "asked".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "if".
4. The tense of the reported speech will be changed into "past indefinite tense".
5. The reported speech will be changed into "assertive sentence". "don't" will be changed into "not to be".

**As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.**

**Question 148 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He has just said, "My son will be back on Friday."

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 86 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. He has just said that my son will be back on Friday.
2. He has just said that his son will be back on Friday.
3. He has just said that his son shall be back on Friday.
4. He has just said that his son would have been back next Friday.

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2 i.e. He has just said that his son will be back on Friday.**

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
3. There will be no change in the tense of the reported speech.
4. "my son" will be changed into "his son".

**As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.**

**Question 149 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The doctor advised the patients to give up smoking.



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

1. The doctor said to the patients, "Why don't you give up smoking?"
2. The doctor said to the patients, "You should give up smoking."
3. The doctor said to the patients, "Give up smoking."
4. The doctor said to the patient, "I am advising you to give up smoking."

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. The doctor said to the patients, "Give up smoking."

1. As the given statement is in "Indirect speech" we need to change it into "direct speech".
2. We need to follow some rules for this.
3. "advised" will be changed into, "said".
4. "to" will be changed into "inverted comma".
5. Reported speech should be written in the form of "Main verb + object + other words"

As the only chosen option follows these rules it will be correct. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Question 150 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. She said to me, "What can I do for you dear?"

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 81 Seconds

Options :

1. She asked me affectionately what could she do for me.
2. She asked me affectionately what she could do for me.
3. She asked me affectionately what can she do for me.
4. She asked me affectionately if she could do anything for me.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. She asked me affectionately what she could do for me.

1. As the reported speech is in "interrogative sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "asked".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "what".

"can" will be changed into "could".

5. The reported speech will be changed into "assertive sentence".

**As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.**

**Question 151 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The teacher said to the boys, "Can you sit still and do you work?"

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 78 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. The teacher told the boys whether they could sit still and do their work.
2. The teacher asked the boys can't they sit still and do their work.
3. The teacher requested the boys to sit still.
4. The teacher asked the boys if they could sit still and do their work.

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 4 i.e. The teacher asked the boys if they could sit still and do their work.**

1. As the reported speech is in "interrogative sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "asked".
3. The inverted comma will be changed into "if".
4. "can" will be changed into "could".
5. The reported speech will be changed into "assertive sentence".

**As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.**

**Question 152 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Ritu said to you, "You are looking very pretty."

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 80 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. Ritu told you that you were looking very pretty.
2. Ritu told you that I was looking very pretty.



Ritu told you that she was looking very pretty.

4. Ritu told you that you are looking very pretty.

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Ritu told you that you were looking very pretty.**

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
2. "said" will be changed into, "told".
3. Tense of the reported speech will be changed into "past continuous tense".

**As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.**

**Question 153 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said to me, "Please be kind and help me."

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 70 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. He requested to me to help him kindly.
2. He told me to kindly help him.
3. He requested me to be kind to help him.
4. He requested me to be kind and help him.

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 4 i.e. He requested me to be kind and help him.**

1. As the reported speech is in "imperative sentence" we need to make changes according to this. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "requested" as there is "please in the reported speech".
2. The inverted comma will be changed into "to".
3. "me" will be changed into "him".

**As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.**

**Question 154 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said to Raina, "I cannot marry you now but I shall surely do so next year."



Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 74 Seconds

Options :

1. He told Raina that he cannot marry her now but would surely do so the following year.
2. He told her that he could not marry Raina then but would surely marry her next year.
3. He told Raina that he could not marry her then but he would surely do so the following year.
4. He told Raina that he would not marry her then but would surely do so the next year.

Solution :

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. He told Raina that he could not marry her then but he would surely do so the following year.

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
3. "said" will be changed into, "told".
4. "can" will be changed into "could".
5. "now" will be changed into "then"

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

Question 155 :

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He told Pawan that they should have tried harder.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

Options :

1. He said to Pawan, "We should have tried harder."
2. He said, "Pawan you should have tried harder."
3. He said, "Pawan, Don't you think we should have tried harder."
4. He said, "Pawan, we had tried harder."

Solution :

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. He said to Pawan, "We should have tried harder."

1. As the given statement is in "Indirect speech" we need to change it into "direct speech".
2. We need to follow some rules for this.

"told" will be changed into, "said".

- "that" will be changed into "inverted comma".
- "they" should be changed into "we".

**As the only chosen option follows these rules it will be correct. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 156 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. They told me that they had been befooled by those men.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 76 Seconds**

**Options :**

- They said to me, "We were befooled by these men."
- They said to me, "They had befooled us."
- They said to me, "We have been befooled by these men."
- They said to me, "We are befooled by these men."

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 3 i.e. They said to me, "We have been befooled by these men."**

- As the given statement is in "Indirect speech" we need to change it into "direct speech".
- We need to follow some rules for this.
- "told" will be changed into, "said".
- "that" will be changed into "inverted comma".
- Tense of the reported speech will be changed into "present perfect tense".

**As the only chosen option follows these rules it will be correct. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Question 157 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The spectators applauded the young athlete saying that he had broken all previous records.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 79 Seconds**

**Options :**

- The spectators said to the young athlete, "Bravo! You have broken all records."



The spectators exclaimed to the young athlete, "You have broken all records."

3. The spectators said to the young athlete, "You broke all records."
4. The spectators said to the young athlete, "You had broken all records."

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The spectators said to the young athlete, "Bravo! You have broken all records."

1. As the given statement is in "Indirect speech" we need to change it into "direct speech".
2. We need to follow some rules for this.
3. "applauded" will be changed into, "said".
4. "that" will be changed into "inverted comma".
5. Tense of the reported speech will be changed into "present perfect tense".

As the only chosen option follows these rules it will be correct. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Question 158 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. The master asked the people why they prevented him from going near the tiger.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 82 Seconds****Options :**

1. The master said to the people, "Why do you prevent me from going near the tiger."
2. The master asked the people, "Why do they prevent me from going near the tiger?"
3. The master asked the people, "Why are they preventing him from going near the tiger?"
4. The master was asking the people, "Why do you prevent me from going near the tiger?"

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. The master said to the people, "Why do you prevent me from going near the tiger."

1. As the given statement is in "Indirect speech" we need to change it into "direct speech".
2. We need to follow some rules for this.
3. "asked" will be changed into, "said".
4. "why" will be changed into "inverted comma".
5. Tense of the reported speech will be changed into "present indefinite tense".

As the only chosen option follows these rules it will be correct. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Question 159 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Mr. Rao told Mr. Mehta that he had to go to the town that day.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 87 Seconds****Options :**

1. Mr. Rao said, "I have to go to the town today."
2. Mr. Rao said, "Mr. Mehta I have to go to the town that day."
3. Mr. Rao said, "Mr. Mehta, I have to go to the town today."
4. Mr. Rao said, "Mr. Mehta I will have to go to the town today."

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Mr. Rao said, "Mr. Mehta, I have to go to the town today."

1. As the given statement is in "Indirect speech" we need to change it into "direct speech".
2. We need to follow some rules for this.
3. "told" will be changed into, "said".
4. "that" will be changed into "inverted comma".
5. Tense of the reported speech will be changed into "present perfect tense".

As the only chosen option follows these rules it will be correct. Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Question 160 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said, "Do as you wish, but don't come and ask me for help if you get into difficulties."

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

1. He told me to do as he wished or he wouldn't come and help me if I got into difficulties.
2. He told me to do as I wished, but not to go and ask him for help if I got into difficulties.
3. He ordered me to do as I wished, but not to go and ask him for help if I got into difficulties.
4. He told me that unless I did as I wished he would not come and help me if I got into difficulties.

**Solution :**



The correct answer is option 2 i.e. He told me to do as I wished, but not to go and ask him for help if I got into difficulties.

1. As the reported speech is in "imperative sentence" we need to make changes according to this. There will be a change in the reporting verb and it will be changed into "told".
2. The inverted comma will be changed into "to".
3. "you" will be changed into "I".

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Question 161 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. Your father said to me, "I should not have given my daughter such a long rope."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 89 Seconds

**Options :**

1. Your father told me that he had not given his daughter such a long rope.
2. Your father told me that he should not have given his daughter such a long rope.
3. Your father said that he could not have given his daughter such a long rope.
4. Your father told to me that he should not have given his daughter such a long rope.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Your father told me that he should not have given his daughter such a long rope.

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this. The reported verb will be changed into "told".
2. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
3. There will be no change in the tense of the reported speech.

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Question 162 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. She says, "I keep at an arm's length, all those who try to flatter me."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

**Options :**

1. She said that she kept at an arms length all those who try to flatter her.
2. She exclaims that she keeps at an arm's length all of them who try to flatter her.
3. She says that she will keep at an arm's length all thos who flatter her.
4. She says that she keeps at an arm's length all those who try to flatter her.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. She says that she keeps at an arm's length all those who try to flatter her.

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. As the reported verb is in present tense there will be no change in the tense of the reported speech.
3. "inverted comma" will be changed into "that".

As the chosen option follows this rule it will be correct.

**Question 163 :**

In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech. He said, "Gandhi ji faced many awkward situations when he was living in South Africa."

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

**Options :**

1. He said that Gandhi ji had faced many awkward stiuations when he was living in South Africa.
2. He says that Gandhi ji faced many awkward situations when he was living in South Africa.
3. He told that Gandhi ji had faced many awkward situations when he was living in South Africa.
4. He said that Gandhi ji had been facing awkward situations when he was living in South Africa.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. He said that Gandhi ji had faced many awkward stiuations when he was living in South Africa.

1. As the reported speech is in "assertive sentence" we need to make changes according to this.
2. The inverted comma will be changed into "that".
3. There will be no change in the reporting verb.
4. Tense of the reported speech will be changed into "past perfect tense".

As all the rules are followed by the chosen option it will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. It so happens that \_\_\_\_\_ siblings sing one of \_\_\_\_\_ invariably has a less \_\_\_\_\_ vocal prowess even though \_\_\_\_\_ have a similarly commendable \_\_\_\_\_ base.

**Question 164 :**

It so happens that \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 85 Seconds

**Options :**

1. how
2. when
3. if
4. why

**Solution :**

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

1. How- it is used to show manner.
2. If- It is used to show condition.
3. When- it is used to show time.
4. Why- it is used to show the reason.

As there is a verb "happen" before the blank space it gives the sense of time.

Hence, "when" will be the correct choice as the answer.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. It so happens that \_\_\_\_\_ siblings sing one of \_\_\_\_\_ invariably has a less \_\_\_\_\_ vocal prowess even though \_\_\_\_\_ have a similarly commendable \_\_\_\_\_ base.

**Question 165 :**

siblings sing one of \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 62 Seconds

**Options :**

1. they



their

3. those

4. them

**Solution :**

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

1. As the blank space is at the place of "object" we need to choose the objective case.
2. Among the options chosen option is in the objective case so it will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. It so happens that \_\_\_\_\_ siblings sing one of \_\_\_\_\_ invariably has a less \_\_\_\_\_ vocal prowess even though \_\_\_\_\_ have a similarly commendable \_\_\_\_\_ base.

**Question 166 :**

invariably has a less \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 53 Seconds

**Options :**

1. tuned
2. high
3. potent
4. wide

**Solution :**

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

1. **tuned**- to make small changes to the sound a musical instrument makes so that it is at the correct musical level (pitch).
2. **high**- (used about things) having a large distance between the bottom and the top.
3. **potent**- strong or powerful.
4. **wide**- measuring a lot from one side to the other.

Only the chosen option will make a meaningful combination with the "less" given before the blank space so it will be the correct choice.

**Comprehension :**



In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. It so happens that \_\_\_\_\_ siblings sing one of \_\_\_\_\_ invariably has a less \_\_\_\_\_ vocal prowess even though \_\_\_\_\_ have a similarly commendable \_\_\_\_\_ base.

**Question 167 :**

vocal prowess even though \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 70 Seconds

**Options :**

1. both
2. their
3. you
4. we

**Solution :**

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

As the pronoun is used for "siblings" that show two nouns "both" will be the correct choice for this.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

**Question 168 :**

The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 55 Seconds

**Options :**

1. by
2. for
3. under
4. at

**Solution :**

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

1. Under- governed or controlled by somebody/something.
2. Meaningfully only the chosen option will make a contextual phrase here.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

**Question 169 :**

whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 54 Seconds

**Options :**

1. rise
2. jump
3. grow
4. succeed

**Solution :**

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

1. Only the chosen option can be used here as all other options are irrelevant.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

**Question 170 :**

to \_\_\_\_\_ and

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 52 Seconds

Options :

1. power
2. fame
3. generosity
4. glory

Solution :

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

1. **fame**- being known or talked about by many people because of what you have achieved.
2. **generosity**- the quality of being generous.
3. **glory**- fame or honour that you get for achieving something.
4. **power**- the ability to control people or things or to do something
5. As the dictators work for getting power to rule the subject the chosen option will be correct.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

Question 171 :

and \_\_\_\_\_ a new

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 71 Seconds

Options :

1. restart
2. establish
3. enter
4. define

Solution :

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



**restart-** start again.

- establish-** to start or create an organization, a system, etc.
- enter-** to come or go into a place.
- define-** the thing or idea that something represents; what somebody is trying to communicate.
- Meaningfully only the chosen option will suit the context of the passage so it will be the correct choice.

**Hence, the chosen option is correct.**

### Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

### Question 172 :

a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 70 Seconds**

### Options :

- regime
- state
- era
- epoch

### Solution :

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

- regime-** a method or system of government, especially one that has not been elected in a fairway.
- state-** the mental, an emotional or physical condition that somebody/something is in at a particular time.
- era-** a period of time in history (that is special for some reason).
- epoch-** a period of time in history (that is important because of special events, characteristics, etc.)
- As the meaning of the chosen option is related to "government" it will be suitable for the given blank.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

### Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. The conditions \_\_\_\_\_ which democracy can \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ ; but one thing is \_\_\_\_\_ that democracy is always a slow growth, whereas dictators may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_





and \_\_\_\_\_ a new \_\_\_\_\_ with dramatic success, under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

**Question 173 :**

under \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 77 Seconds****Options :**

1. profitable
2. unfavourable
3. suitable
4. peculiar

**Solution :**

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

1. **profitable**- that makes money.
2. **unfavourable**- showing that you do not like or approve of somebody/something.
3. **suitable**- right or appropriate for somebody/something.
4. **peculiar**- unusual or strange.
5. Meaningfully the chosen option suits the passage so it will be correct.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

**Question 174 :**

We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 71 Seconds****Options :**

1. gift
2. treasure



heritage

4. boon

**Solution :**

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

1. **gift**- something that you give to somebody; a present.
2. **treasure**- a collection of very valuable objects, for example, gold, silver, jewellery, etc.
3. **heritage**- the traditions, qualities and culture of a country that have existed for a long time and that have great importance for the country.
4. **boon**- a thing that is very helpful and that you are grateful for.
5. As the chosen option is specially used for showing the importance of "culture" it will be the most suitable option for the given blank space.

**Hence, the chosen option is correct.**

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

**Question 175 :**

Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 83 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. **pastress**
2. **antiquity**
3. **obscurity**
4. **dignity**

**Solution :**

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

1. **pastress**- A female pastor.
2. **antiquity**- ancient times especially : those before the Middle Ages



**obscurity**- the state or quality of being unclear and difficult to understand or see.

4. **dignity**- calm, serious behaviour that makes other people respect you.

5. As the culture is related to the civilization that started somewhere in the middle age we need to use the word "antiquity" as it shows the same meaning.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

### Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

### Question 176 :

Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 92 Seconds

### Options :

1. community
2. country
3. nation
4. culture

### Solution :

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

As the statement is talking about the "culture" we need to choose it as the answer.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

### Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

### Question 177 :



It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree,

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 59 Seconds

Options :

1. grown
2. risen
3. expanded
4. branched

Solution :

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

1. **grown**- to gradually change from one state to another; to become.
2. **risen**- to move upwards, to become higher, stronger or to increase.
3. **expanded**- to become or to make something bigger.
4. **branched**- (of a tree or plant) having parts that grow out from the trunk or from a bough.
5. As the culture shows a gradual changing from one state to another the chosen option will be correct as it shows the same meaning.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

Question 178 :

just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 80 Seconds

Options :

1. welcome
2. eager
3. open



agreeable

**Solution :**

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

As the "culture" can not be confined because it always changes its states because of its **openness** to all other people with different culture.

**Hence, the chosen option "open" will be correct.**

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

**Question 179 :**

to external \_\_\_\_\_

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 61 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. influences
2. facts
3. modifications
4. institutions

**Solution :**

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

1. As the culture "indulges" itself because of its surrounding culture the chosen option is suitable to the context of the passage.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of



western culture.

**Question 180 :**

but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 60 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. light
2. fast
3. hardly
4. hard

**Solution :**

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

1. A culture always brings some new changes to itself time to time but it never changes its roots and basic nature.
2. For showing the stickiness of something "fast" will the correct option here.
3. Fast- firmly or deeply.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

**Question 181 :**

whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 67 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. teachings
2. doctrines
3. morals



values

**Solution :**

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

1. **teachings**- the work of a teacher.
2. **doctrines**- a set of beliefs that are taught by a church, political party, etc.
3. **morals**- standards of good behaviour.
4. **values**- to think somebody/something is very important.
5. The statement is talking about the importance of "culture" in today's perspective that how fast it is in the influence of others culture.

**Hence, "value" that has the meaning related to the "importance" will be the correct choice.**

**Comprehension :**

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

**Question 182 :**

The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 79 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. **source**
2. **minaret**
3. **altar**
4. **citadel**

**Solution :**

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

1. **source**- a place, person or thing where something comes or starts from or where something is obtained.
2. **minaret**- a tall thin tower, usually forming part of a building where Muslims meet and pray (a mosque).
3. **altar**- a high table that is the centre of a religious ceremony.
4. **citadel**- (in past times) a castle on high ground in or near a city where people could go when the city was being attacked.



The chosen option shows the same meaning as the given statement so it will be correct.

**Hence, the chosen option is correct.**

### Comprehension :

In the following passage some of the words have been left out. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the given blank out of the four alternatives. We have rich cultural \_\_\_\_\_. Its roots go into \_\_\_\_\_. Ours has never been a closed \_\_\_\_\_. It has \_\_\_\_\_ just like a tree, \_\_\_\_\_ to external \_\_\_\_\_ but holding its roots \_\_\_\_\_. But one wonders today whether it will be able to hold its \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our cultural heritage has come under the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

### Question 183 :

the \_\_\_\_\_ of western culture.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 83 Seconds

### Options :

1. tide
2. sway
3. current
4. wind

### Solution :

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

1. **tide**- the way that most people think or feel about something at a particular time.
2. **sway**- to influence somebody.
3. **current**- of the present time; happening now.
4. **wind**- air that is moving across the surface of the earth.
5. "sway" is used to show influence.
6. As the statement is trying to show the influence of western culture on the Indian culture it will be correct as of the answer.

**Hence, the chosen option will be ocrrec.t**

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. When I think of my family's history on the land. I experience a pang of regret. Unlike much of the arid West, where the land has gone virtually unchanged for centuries, my place of origin, western Kansas, has been torn up by agriculture. The flat plains, excellent soil, and sparse but just adequate rainfall permitted farming; therefore farming prevailed, and a good 90%



of the original sod prairie is gone. The consequence, in human terms, is that our relationship to our place has always felt primarily mercantile. We used the land and denied, or held at bay, its effect on us. Yet from my earliest childhood, when the most of the Kansas prairie was still intact, I've known that the land also had a romantic quality. I've felt moved by the expanse of it, enthralled by size. I take pride in my identity as a plains daughter.

**Question 184 :**

What factor changed the entire landscape of Kansas?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 103 Seconds

**Options :**

1. wind
2. heat
3. agriculture
4. flooding

**Solution :**

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

- It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "Unlike much of the arid West, where the land has gone virtually unchanged for centuries, my place of origin, western Kansas, has been torn up by **agriculture**."

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. When I think of my family's history on the land. I experience a pang of regret. Unlike much of the arid West, where the land has gone virtually unchanged for centuries, my place of origin, western Kansas, has been torn up by agriculture. The flat plains, excellent soil, and sparse but just adequate rainfall permitted farming; therefore farming prevailed, and a good 90% of the original sod prairie is gone. The consequence, in human terms, is that our relationship to our place has always felt primarily mercantile. We used the land and denied, or held at bay, its effect on us. Yet from my earliest childhood, when the most of the Kansas prairie was still intact, I've known that the land also had a romantic quality. I've felt moved by the expanse of it, enthralled by size. I take pride in my identity as a plains daughter.

**Question 185 :**

Which of the following is the most accurate statement of the author's position?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

**Options :**

The presence of the people has enriched the plain's habitat.

2. Farming has improved the soil of the plains.
3. Farming has chemically polluted the plains
4. Farming has eroded the natural beauty of the plains.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. Farming has eroded the natural beauty of the plains.

- It is clearly mentioned in the passage that " Unlike much of the arid West, where the land has gone virtually unchanged for centuries, my place of origin, **western Kansas, has been torn up by agriculture.**"
- From the given statement it can be said that **Farming has eroded the natural beauty of the plains.**

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. When I think of my family's history on the land. I experience a pang of regret. Unlike much of the arid West, where the land has gone virtually unchanged for centuries, my place of origin, western Kansas, has been torn up by agriculture. The flat plains, excellent soil, and sparse but just adequate rainfall permitted farming; therefore farming prevailed, and a good 90% of the original sod prairie is gone. The consequence, in human terms, is that our relationship to our place has always felt primarily mercantile. We used the land and denied, or held at bay, its effect on us. Yet from my earliest childhood, when the most of the Kansas prairie was still intact, I've known that the land also had a romantic quality. I've felt moved by the expanse of it, enthralled by size. I take pride in my identity as a plains daughter.

**Question 186 :**

The argument in the paragraph is based primarily on :

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 104 Seconds

**Options :**

1. facts of history and statistical studies.
2. facts derived from the author's personal observations.
3. feelings the author has picked up from personal experience.
4. feeling passed down to the authors by ancestors.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **feelings the author has picked up from personal experience.**



It is mentioned in the passage that "Yet from **my earliest childhood**, when the most of the Kansas prairie was still intact, I've known that the land also had a romantic quality. I've felt moved by the expanse of it, enthralled by size. I take pride in my identity as a plains daughter."

- We can easily conclude from the above statement that all the arguments given in the passage is based on the personal experience of the author.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. When I think of my family's history on the land. I experience a pang of regret. Unlike much of the arid West, where the land has gone virtually unchanged for centuries, my place of origin, western Kansas, has been torn up by agriculture. The flat plains, excellent soil, and sparse but just adequate rainfall permitted farming; therefore farming prevailed, and a good 90% of the original sod prairie is gone. The consequence, in human terms, is that our relationship to our place has always felt primarily mercantile. We used the land and denied, or held at bay, its effect on us. Yet from my earliest childhood, when the most of the Kansas prairie was still intact, I've known that the land also had a romantic quality. I've felt moved by the expanse of it, enthralled by size. I take pride in my identity as a plains daughter.

### Question 187 :

From the passage, it may be determined that the word "mercantile" has something to do with

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 113 Seconds

### Options :

1. practicality
2. danger
3. America
4. spirituality

### Solution :

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

1. It is mentioned in the passage that "The consequence, in human terms, is that our relationship to our place has always felt primarily mercantile."
2. Practicality- the quality of being suitable and realistic, or likely to succeed.
3. As the chosen option shows the same meaning as given in the passage it will be correct.

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. When I think of my family's history on the land. I experience a pang of regret. Unlike much of the arid West, where the land has gone virtually unchanged for centuries, my place of origin, western Kansas, has been torn up by agriculture. The flat plains, excellent soil, and sparse but just adequate rainfall permitted farming; therefore farming prevailed, and a good 90% of the original sod prairie is gone. The consequence, in human terms, is that our relationship to our place has always felt primarily mercantile. We used the land and denied, or held at bay, its effect on us. Yet from my earliest childhood, when the most of the Kansas prairie was still intact, I've known that the land also had a romantic quality. I've felt moved by the expanse of it, enthralled by size. I take pride in my identity as a plains daughter.

**Question 188 :**

What does the author feel proud about?

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 95 Seconds

**Options :**

1. being an American
2. being a native of Kansas.
3. being able to see the romantic quality of the land.
4. the ability to unite well.

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. being a native of Kansas.

1. From the passage, it is clear that the author feels proud about being a native of Kansas.

Hence the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. Most economists in the United States seem captivated by the spell of the free market. Consequently, nothing seems good or normal that does not accord with the requirements of the free market. A price that is determined by the seller or, for that matter (for that matter: so far as that is concerned), established by anyone other than the aggregate of consumers seems pernicious. Accordingly, it requires a major act of will to think of price-fixing (the determination of prices by the seller) as both "normal" and having a valuable economic function. In fact, price-fixing is normal in all industrialized societies because the industrial system itself provides, as an effortless consequence of its own development, the price-fixing that it requires. Modern industrial planning requires and rewards great size. Hence, a comparatively small number of large firms will be competing for the same group of consumers. That each large firm will act with consideration of its own needs and thus avoid selling its products for more than its competitors charge is commonly recognized by advocates of free-market



economic theories. But each large firm will also act with full consideration of the needs that it has in common with the other large firms competing for the same customers.

**Question 189 :**

What does not seem as not good or normal in the context of this essay?

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 107 Seconds****Options :**

1. the new interest in free market
2. being captivated by spell of the free market
3. that which does not accord with the requirement of the free market
4. the economists who are captivated by the free market

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 3 i.e. that which does not accord with the requirement of the free market.

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "Most economists in the United States seem captivated by the spell of the free market. Consequently, nothing seems good or normal that does not accord with the requirements of the free market."

Hence the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. Most economists in the United States seem captivated by the spell of the free market. Consequently, nothing seems good or normal that does not accord with the requirements of the free market. A price that is determined by the seller or, for that matter (for that matter: so far as that is concerned), established by anyone other than the aggregate of consumers seems pernicious. Accordingly, it requires a major act of will to think of price-fixing (the determination of prices by the seller) as both "normal" and having a valuable economic function. In fact, price-fixing is normal in all industrialized societies because the industrial system itself provides, as an effortless consequence of its own development, the price-fixing that it requires. Modern industrial planning requires and rewards great size. Hence, a comparatively small number of large firms will be competing for the same group of consumers. That each large firm will act with consideration of its own needs and thus avoid selling its products for more than its competitors charge is commonly recognized by advocates of free-market economic theories. But each large firm will also act with full consideration of the needs that it has in common with the other large firms competing for the same customers.

**Question 190 :**

Who, according to the economists, are the right group of people to set the price of a commodity?

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 119 Seconds****Options :**

1. the aggregate of consumers
2. the buyers
3. the sellers
4. the economists

**Solution :****The correct answer is option 1 i.e. the aggregate of consumers.**

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "A price that is determined by the seller or, for that matter (for that matter: so far as that is concerned), established by anyone other than the **aggregate of consumers** seems pernicious."

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.****Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. Most economists in the United States seem captivated by the spell of the free market. Consequently, nothing seems good or normal that does not accord with the requirements of the free market. A price that is determined by the seller or, for that matter (for that matter: so far as that is concerned), established by anyone other than the aggregate of consumers seems pernicious. Accordingly, it requires a major act of will to think of price-fixing (the determination of prices by the seller) as both "normal" and having a valuable economic function. In fact, price-fixing is normal in all industrialized societies because the industrial system itself provides, as an effortless consequence of its own development, the price-fixing that it requires. Modern industrial planning requires and rewards great size. Hence, a comparatively small number of large firms will be competing for the same group of consumers. That each large firm will act with consideration of its own needs and thus avoid selling its products for more than its competitors charge is commonly recognized by advocates of free-market economic theories. But each large firm will also act with full consideration of the needs that it has in common with the other large firms competing for the same customers.

**Question 191 :**

Price-fixing is a phenomenon that is normal in -

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

1. agricultural societies
2. industrialized societies



pre-industrial societies

4. globalised societies

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 2 i.e. industrialized societies.**

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "In fact, **price-fixing is normal in all industrialized societies** because the industrial system itself provides, as an effortless consequence of its own development, the price-fixing that it requires."

**Hence, the chosen option will be correct.**

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. Most economists in the United States seem captivated by the spell of the free market. Consequently, nothing seems good or normal that does not accord with the requirements of the free market. A price that is determined by the seller or, for that matter (for that matter: so far as that is concerned), established by anyone other than the aggregate of consumers seems pernicious. Accordingly, it requires a major act of will to think of price-fixing (the determination of prices by the seller) as both "normal" and having a valuable economic function. In fact, price-fixing is normal in all industrialized societies because the industrial system itself provides, as an effortless consequence of its own development, the price-fixing that it requires. Modern industrial planning requires and rewards great size. Hence, a comparatively small number of large firms will be competing for the same group of consumers. That each large firm will act with consideration of its own needs and thus avoid selling its products for more than its competitors charge is commonly recognized by advocates of free-market economic theories. But each large firm will also act with full consideration of the needs that it has in common with the other large firms competing for the same customers.

**Question 192 :**

A major act of will will bring about price-fixing that will be seen as -

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 107 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. effective and productive
2. constructive and practical
3. normal and having valuable economic function
4. systematic and relevant

**Solution :**

**The correct answer is option 3 i.e. normal and having valuable economic function.**



It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "Accordingly, it requires a major act of will to think of price-fixing (the determination of prices by the seller) as both **"normal" and having a valuable economic function.**"

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. Most economists in the United States seem captivated by the spell of the free market. Consequently, nothing seems good or normal that does not accord with the requirements of the free market. A price that is determined by the seller or, for that matter (for that matter: so far as that is concerned), established by anyone other than the aggregate of consumers seems pernicious. Accordingly, it requires a major act of will to think of price-fixing (the determination of prices by the seller) as both "normal" and having a valuable economic function. In fact, price-fixing is normal in all industrialized societies because the industrial system itself provides, as an effortless consequence of its own development, the price-fixing that it requires. Modern industrial planning requires and rewards great size. Hence, a comparatively small number of large firms will be competing for the same group of consumers. That each large firm will act with consideration of its own needs and thus avoid selling its products for more than its competitors charge is commonly recognized by advocates of free-market economic theories. But each large firm will also act with full consideration of the needs that it has in common with the other large firms competing for the same customers.

### Question 193 :

Selling a commodity at a price that is not more than that charged by competitors is -

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 111 Seconds

### Options :

1. rejected by the free market system
2. opposed by the advocates of the free market theories
3. considered suspicious by the free market theorists
4. recognized by the advocates of the free market theories

### Solution :

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. recognized by the advocates of the free market theories.

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that "That each large firm will act with consideration of its own needs and thus avoid **selling its products for more than its competitors charge is commonly recognized by advocates of free-market economic theories.** But each large firm will also act with full consideration of the needs that it has in common with the other large firms competing for the same customers."

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

### Comprehension :





Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. To avoid the various foolish opinions to which mankind are prone, no superhuman brain is required. A few simple rules will keep you free, not from all errors, but from silly errors. If the matter is one that can be settled by observation, make the observation yourself. Aristotle could have avoided the mistake of thinking that women have fewer teeth than men, by the simple device of asking Mrs. Aristotle to keep her mouth open while he counted. Thinking that you know when in fact you do not is a bad mistake, to which we are all prone. I believe myself that hedgehogs eat black beetles, because I have been told that they do; but if I were writing a book on the habits of hedgehogs, I should not commit myself until I had seen one enjoying this diet. Aristotle, however, was less cautious. Ancient and medieval writers knew all about unicorns and salamanders; not one of them thought it necessary to avoid dogmatic statements about them because he had never seen one of them.

**Question 194 :**

The author is in favour of drawing conclusions on the basis of

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 114 Seconds****Options :**

1. discussion
2. consultation
3. observation
4. reasoning

**Solution :**

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

It is mentioned in the passage that "If the matter is one that can be settled by **observation**, make the **observation** yourself."

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. To avoid the various foolish opinions to which mankind are prone, no superhuman brain is required. A few simple rules will keep you free, not from all errors, but from silly errors. If the matter is one that can be settled by observation, make the observation yourself. Aristotle could have avoided the mistake of thinking that women have fewer teeth than men, by the simple device of asking Mrs. Aristotle to keep her mouth open while he counted. Thinking that you know when in fact you do not is a bad mistake, to which we are all prone. I believe myself that hedgehogs eat black beetles, because I have been told that they do; but if I were writing a book on the habits of hedgehogs, I should not commit myself until I had seen one enjoying this diet. Aristotle, however, was less cautious. Ancient and medieval writers knew all about unicorns and



salamanders; not one of them thought it necessary to avoid dogmatic statements about them because he had never seen one of them.

**Question 195 :**

The attitude of the author is

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 91 Seconds

**Options :**

1. cultural
2. scientific
3. cynical
4. philosophical

**Solution :**

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

It is clearly mentioned in the passage that the author believes only on the observation so we can say that the approach of the author is scientific.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. In short, to write a good letter you must approach the job in the lightest and most casual way. You must be personal, not abstract. You must not say, 'This is too small a thing to put down'. You must say, 'This is just the sort of small thing we talk about at home. If I tell them this they will see me, as it were they'll hear my voice, they'll know what I'm talking about'. That is the purpose of a letter. Carlyle had the trick to perfection. He is writing from Scotsbrig to his brother Alec in Canada and he begins talking about his mother. Good old Mother, he says, 'she is even now sitting at my back, trying at another table to write you a small word with her own hand; the first time she has tried such a thing for a year past. It is Saturday night, after dark; we are in the east room in a hard, dry evening with a bright fire to our two selves; Jenny and her Barns are 'scouring up things' in the other end of the house; and below stairs the winter operations of the farm go on, in a subdued tone; you can conceive the scene! How simple it is and yet how perfect. Can not you see Alec reading it in his faroff home and his eyes moistening at the picture of his old mother sitting and writing her last message to him on earth?

**Question 196 :**

Abstract' in the passage means

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 110 Seconds

**Options :**



a summary

2. not paying attention

3. concrete

4. not having a physical reality

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 4 i.e. not having a physical reality.

**abstract-** existing only as an idea, not as a physical thing.

As the same meaning is given in the chosen option it will be correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. In short, to write a good letter you must approach the job in the lightest and most casual way. You must be personal, not abstract. You must not say, 'This is too small a thing to put down'. You must say, 'This is just the sort of small thing we talk about at home. If I tell them this they will see me, as it were they'll hear my voice, they'll know what I'm talking about'. That is the purpose of a letter. Carlyle had the trick to perfection. He is writing from Scotsbrig to his brother Alec in Canada and he begins talking about his mother. Good old Mother, he says, 'she is even now sitting at my back, trying at another table to write you a small word with her own hand; the first time she has tried such a thing for a year past. It is Saturday night, after dark; we are in the east room in a hard, dry evening with a bright fire to our two selves; Jenny and her Barns are 'scouring up things' in the other end of the house; and below stairs the winter operations of the farm go on, in a subdued tone; you can conceive the scene! How simple it is and yet how perfect. Can not you see Alec reading it in his faroff home and his eyes moistening at the picture of his old mother sitting and writing her last message to him on earth?

**Question 197 :**

The recipient of your letter should \_\_\_\_\_.

**Difficulty : Moderate**

**Average Time : 112 Seconds**

**Options :**

1. use a lot of imagination

2. know what you are talking about

3. get distracted when reading your letter

4. find it difficult to understand your letter

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. know what you are talking about.

It is mentioned in the passage that " If I tell them this they will see me, as it were they'll hear my voice, they'll know what I'm talking about"

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. In short, to write a good letter you must approach the job in the lightest and most casual way. You must be personal, not abstract. You must not say, 'This is too small a thing to put down'. You must say, 'This is just the sort of small thing we talk about at home. If I tell them this they will see me, as it were they'll hear my voice, they'll know what I'm talking about'. That is the purpose of a letter. Carlyle had the trick to perfection. He is writing from Scotsbrig to his brother Alec in Canada and he begins talking about his mother. Good old Mother, he says, 'she is even now sitting at my back, trying at another table to write you a small word with her own hand; the first time she has tried such a thing for a year past. It is Saturday night, after dark; we are in the east room in a hard, dry evening with a bright fire to our two selves; Jenny and her Barns are 'scouring up things' in the other end of the house; and below stairs the winter operations of the farm go on, in a subdued tone; you can conceive the scene! How simple it is and yet how perfect. Can not you see Alec reading it in his faroff home and his eyes moistening at the picture of his old mother sitting and writing her last message to him on earth?

### Question 198 :

Carlyle's mother was \_\_\_\_\_.

Difficulty : Moderate

Average Time : 119 Seconds

### Options :

1. a regular letter writer
2. not confident at letter writing
3. always eager to write letters to Alec
4. old and enjoyed writing letters

### Solution :

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. not confident at letter writing.

It is mentioned in the passage that "Good old Mother, he says, 'she is even now sitting at my back, trying at another table to write you a small word with her own hand; the **first time she has tried such a thing for a year past.**"

As she was writing a letter for the first time, it can be said that she is not confident in writing a letter.

Hence, the chosen option will be correct.

### Comprehension :

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives.



In short, to write a good letter you must approach the job in the lightest and most casual way. You must be personal, not abstract. You must not say, 'This is too small a thing to put down'. You must say, 'This is just the sort of small thing we talk about at home. If I tell them this they will see me, as it were they'll hear my voice, they'll know what I'm talking about'. That is the purpose of a letter. Carlyle had the trick to perfection. He is writing from Scotsbrig to his brother Alec in Canada and he begins talking about his mother. Good old Mother, he says, 'she is even now sitting at my back, trying at another table to write you a small word with her own hand; the first time she has tried such a thing for a year past. It is Saturday night, after dark; we are in the east room in a hard, dry evening with a bright fire to our two selves; Jenny and her Barns are 'scouring up things' in the other end of the house; and below stairs the winter operations of the farm go on, in a subdued tone; you can conceive the scene! How simple it is and yet how perfect. Can not you see Alec reading it in his faroff home and his eyes moistening at the picture of his old mother sitting and writing her last message to him on earth?

**Question 199 :**

'Scouring up things' means \_\_\_\_\_.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 128 Seconds****Options :**

1. cleaning pans with a small ball of wire or plastic
2. to search a place thoroughly in order to find something
3. to put something in liquid for a time so that it becomes completely wet
4. writing something quickly and carelessly

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 2 i.e. to search a place thoroughly in order to find something.

'Scouring up things' means- to search a place very carefully because you are looking for somebody/something.

As the meaning of the chosen option is as same as the given idiom it will be correct.

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

**Comprehension :**

Read the following passage carefully and choose the most appropriate answer to the question out of the four alternatives. In short, to write a good letter you must approach the job in the lightest and most casual way. You must be personal, not abstract. You must not say, 'This is too small a thing to put down'. You must say, 'This is just the sort of small thing we talk about at home. If I tell them this they will see me, as it were they'll hear my voice, they'll know what I'm talking about'. That is the purpose of a letter. Carlyle had the trick to perfection. He is writing from Scotsbrig to his brother Alec in Canada and he begins talking about his mother. Good old Mother, he says, 'she is even now sitting at my back, trying at another table to write you a small word with her own hand; the first time she has tried such a thing for a year past. It is Saturday night, after dark; we are in the east room in a hard, dry evening with a bright fire to our two selves; Jenny and her Barns are

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**Question 200 :**

Subdued tone means \_\_\_\_\_.

**Difficulty : Moderate****Average Time : 125 Seconds****Options :**

1. not very loud
2. unusually quiet and possibly unhappy
3. not very busy
4. not very bright

**Solution :**

The correct answer is option 1 i.e. not very loud.

**Subdued** - it means to decrease something.

So the meaning of the given phrase "subdued tone" will be "not very loud".

Hence, the chosen option is correct.

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1. 200 questions were moderate.
2. The safe score is 150 marks.
3. 200 questions were asked from English Language and 200 questions were asked from English Language
4. 83 questions should have been skipped if you were short of time.

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