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General Ability1

1. Arrange the given words in the sequence in which they occur in the dictionary.
1. TANGENT
2. TRACING
3. TENNET
4. TANNED
5. TANKER

(a) 15342

(b) 34512

(c) 15432

(d) 24351

Answer: (c)

2. Find the missing term in the following ser
U1F, W4D, Z9A, ____, I25R

(a) D15M

(b) W15D

(c) D16W

(d) D25W

Answer: (c)

3. Find the missing term in the following letter cluster series : f_eed_fde_df_de_df

(a) dfefe

(b) fedef

(c) ffdee

(d) eeddf

Answer: (a)

4. Find the wrong term in the given series:
EG, HK, KO, NS, QV, TA

(a) EG
(b) HK
(c) QV
(d) KO

Answer: (c)

5. Out of the given options, three are similar in a certain manner. However, one option is NOT like the other three. Select the option which is different from the rest.

(a) Thomas Edison : Bulb
(b) Alexander Graham Bell: Telephone
(c) Wright brothers : Railway Engine
(d) Charles Babbage : Computer

Answer: (c)

6. Out of the given options, three are similar in a certain manner. However, one option is NOT like the other three. Select the option which is different from the rest.

(a) Rupee
(b) Mile
(c) Euro
(d) Dollar

Answer: (b)

7. Out of the given options, three are similar in a certain manner. However, one option is NOT like the other three. Select the option which is different from the rest.

(a) QPONM
(b) HGFED
(c) AWYZX
(d) VUTSR

Answer: (c)

8. Out of the given options, three are similar in a certain manner. However, one option is NOT like the other three. Select the option which is different from the rest.

(a) CORONA:OCORAN
(b) TAMPER:REPMAT
(c) MEASLE:EMSAEL
(d) DENGUE:EDGNEU

Answer: (b)

9. Select the option that is related to the third term on the same basis as the second term is related to the first term.
Atheletics : Track :: Golf : ?

(a) Course
(b) Court
(c) Ring
(d) Arena

Answer: (a)

10. Select the pair that is related on the same basis to the pair given in the question.
XCF : AFI :: GWD : ?

(a) KAI
(b) IAH
(c) JBH
(d) JZG

Answer: (d)

11. Select the option that is related to the third term on the same basis as the second term is related to the first term.
Pencil : Sketch Artist :: Needle : ?

(a) Stiching
(b) Tailor
(c) Thread
(d) Cuff

Answer: (b)

12. Select the option that is related to the third term on the same basis as the second term is related to the first term.
DJQO : GGTL :: KTFR : ?

(a) NIOS
(b) MUHT
(c) NQIO
(d) MGUR

Answer: (c)

13. In a certain code language, if INSTAGRAM is coded as RMHGZTIZN, then how will FACEBOOK be coded as?

(a) UXZYPVLL
(b) UZXXYPLL
(c) UZXVYLLP
(d) UXVYZLLP

Answer: (c)

14. In a certain code language, if wall is called ceiling, ceiling is called ventilator, ventilator is called sofa, sofa is called roof, and roof is called window, then what will a person sit on?

(a) Roof
(b) Ventilator
(c) Wall
(d) Ceiling

Answer: (a)

15. In a certain code language, if PRESEMPTUOUS is coded as 6, how will DELIGHTFUL be coded as?

(a) 6
(b) 5
(c) 7
(d) 3

Answer: (b)

16. In a certain code language, if SET is coded as 37, how will DATE be coded as?

(a) 78
(b) 87
(c) 74
(d) 86

Answer: (a)

17. In a certain code language, SENTENCE is coded VCQRHLFC , then what is the code for STATEMENT?

(a) VRDRHKHLW
(b) WRDRHKHLV
(c) VRDHRKLHW
(d) VRDRHLKLW

Answer: (a)

18. A family has a woman, her husband and their three sons and their wives. The family of each son has two sons and a daughter. Find the total number of male members in the famly?

(a) 17
(b) 10
(c) 15
(d) 13

Answer: (b)

19. There is a family of five persons - P, Q, R, S and T.
They are working as a dentist, a trainer, a businessman, a doctor and a faculty.
Q is an unmarried trainer and is the daughter of P.
T, a doctor, is the brother of R.
There is only one married couple and R is the husband. P, a male faculty, has two sons and an unmarried daughter.
Daughter-in-law of P is dentist.
Which of the following is a married couple?

(a) PQ

(b) PR

(c) QR

(d) RS

Answer: (d)

20. Seven friends H, I, J, K, L , M and N are sitting in a circle facing the centre. N is sitting second to the left of J, who is to the immediate left of M.
H is third to the left of L. I is between K and L.
Which of the following pairs has the second person sitting to the immediate right of the first person?

(a) IL

(b) JH

(c) KN

(d) NK

Answer: (c)

General Ability2

21. Pointing to a photograph, Anil said, "He is the brother of the grandson of the only son of my father's mother." How is the man in the photograph related to Anil's father?

(a) Father

(b) Son

(c) Brother

(d) Grandson

Answer: (b)

22. In this question, two statements have been given followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. Assuming that all information in the statement is true, analyse the two conclusions together and determine whether any of them logically and definitely follow(s) from the information given in the statement.
Statement :
All jam are butter.
All butter are ghee.
Some ghee are oil.
Conclusions:
I. All jams are ghee.
II. Some jam are oil.

(a) Only I follows

(b) Only II follows

(c) both I and II follows

(d) Neither I nor II follows

Answer: (a)

23. In this question, a statement has been followed by two assumptions numbered I and II. You have to decide which of the assumption is implicit Statement: The book ''Dongri to Dubai" is the best book to learn about the gangsters of Bombay.
Assumptions:
I. A person who is interested to get the information will read the book.
II. There are other books in the market which depicts t' life of gangsters of bombay.

(a) Only I is implicit

(b) Only II is implicit

(c) Both I and II are implicit

(d) None is implicit

Answer: (c)

24. In this question, two statements have been given followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. Assuming that all information in the statement is true, analyse the two conclusions together and determine whether any of them logically and definitely follow(s) from the information given in the statement.
Statement : No stone is a brick. Some sand are bricks. All stones are rocks.
Conclusions:
I. Some rocks are bricks.
II. No brick is a rock.

(a) Only I follows

(b) Only II follows

(c) Both I and II follows

(d) Either I or II follows

Answer: (d)

25. In the question given below, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Mark your answer as per the codes in options :
Assertion (A): Heavier objects falls slowly than lighter objects.
Reason (R) : The force of gravity is more for heavier objects.

(a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.

(b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.

(c) A is true but R is false.

(d) A is false but R is true.

Answer: (d)

26. Find the missing term in the following number series:
2, 17, 137, ____, 8777

(a) 1097

(b) 347

(c) 549

(d) 1290

Answer: (a)

27. Which two numbers should be interchanged to make the below equation mathematically correct?
5 + 17 × 7 - 4 ÷ 2 = 50

(a) 4 and 5

(b) 2 and 4

(c) 17 and 5

(d) 5 and 7

Answer: (c)

28. Out of the given options, three are similar in a certain manner. However, one option is NOT like the other three. Select the option which is different from the rest.

(a) 7022

(b) 2540

(c) 3620

(d) 5016

Answer: (d)

29. If the numbers from 1 to 100, which are exactly divisible by 3 are arranged in descending order from top to bottom, then which number will be 15th from the top?

(a) 60

(b) 57

(c) 63

(d) 54

Answer: (b)

General Awareness1

41. The Kuchipudi dance form was originated from which of the following states?

(a) Andhra Pradesh
(b) Madhya Pradesh
(c) Maharashtra
(d) Punjab

Answer: (a)

42. Kajri folk music is associated with which of the following states?

(a) Kerala
(b) Karnataka
(c) Madhya Pradesh
(d) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: (d)

43. The Hemis Festival is a colourful _____-day affair that falls on the 10th day of the Tibetan Lunar month.

(a) four
(b) one
(c) two
(d) three

Answer: (c)

44. Nongkrem dance is a traditional dance form cele ted by the people of _____.

(a) Sikkim
(b) Meghalaya
(c) Tripura
(d) Nagaland

Answer: (b)

45. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) + Income from Abroad - Depreciation = _____

(a) Private Transfers
(b) Net Domestic Product
(c) Gross National Product
(d) Net National Product

Answer: (d)

46. As announced in the Budget 2021-22, the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) is increased in the insurance sector from 49% to _____.

(a) 58%
(b) 90%
(c) 69%
(d) 74%

Answer: (d)

47. Which among the following is an example of Capital Gains Tax?

(a) Sales Tax
(b) Property Tax
(c) Value Added Tax
(d) Custom Duty

Answer: (b)

48. As announced in the Budget 2021-22, Agriculture Infrastructure And Development Cess (AIDC) has been newly imposed on petrol at _____ per litre.

(a) Rs 2.5
(b) Rs 3.5
(c) Rs 3
(d) Rs 4

Answer: (a)

49. The time rate of change of displacement of a body is called _____.

(a) acceleration
(b) velocity
(c) force
(d) friction

Answer: (b)

50. The pH of a neutral solution is equal to _____.

(a) 4
(b) 5
(c) 6
(d) 7

Answer: (d)

51. Starfish belongs to which of the following phylums?

(a) Porifera
(b) Annelida
(c) Echinodermata
(d) Arthropoda

Answer: (c)

52. As per the _____ law of Thermodynamics, heat given to a substance is equal to sum of change in internal energy and work done.

(a) Zeroth
(b) First
(c) Second
(d) Third

Answer: (b)

53. _____ are seed bearing, flowering vascular plants in which seeds are enclosed in fruits.
(a) Angiosperms
(b) Pteridophytes
(c) Gymnosperms
(d) Bryophytes
Answer: (a)

54. Which among the following lakes is the largest inland salt lake in India?
(a) Sambhar
(b) Kolleru
(c) Pushkar
(d) Pulicat
Answer: (a)

55. Which among the following mountain ranges is famous for tourist spots like Amarkantak and Omkareshwar temples?
(a) Eastern Ghats
(b) Satpura and Vindhyachal Range
(c) Western Ghats
(d) Karakoram and Pir Panjal Range
Answer: (b)

56. Which among the following is not a tributary of C nbal river?
(a) Shipra
(b) Parbati
(c) Banas
(d) Tawa
Answer: (d)

57. Dhupgarh Peak is the highest peak of which of the following mountain ranges?
(a) Eastern Ghats
(b) Satpura Range
(c) Western Ghats
(d) Pir Panjal Range
Answer: (b)

58. Who among the following won the Battle of Kanauj fought in 1540?
(a) Humayun
(b) Sher Shah
(c) Rana Sanga
(d) Hemu
Answer: (b)

59. Who among the following was the founder of Khilji Dynasty?

(a) Ghazi Malik

(b) Malik Kafur

(c) Allauddin Khalji

(d) Jalaluddin Khilji

Answer: (d)

60. Who among the following Governor Generals was known as 'the Father of Modern Western Education in India'?

(a) Lord Warren Hastings

(b) Lord Cornwallis

(c) Lord William Bentinck

(d) Lord Wellesley

Answer: (c)

General Awareness2

61. The Indian National Congress was split into the two groups i.e. the extremists & the moderates at the Surat session in _____.

(a) 1907

(b) 1895

(c) 1906

(d) 1901

Answer: (a)

62. Dharma Sabha was formed in _____ by [illegible]dhakanta Deb.

(a) Chennai

(b) Surat

(c) Bombay

(d) Calcutta

Answer: (d)

63. When was the Lucknow Pact signed between Indian National Congress and All India Muslim League?

(a) 1910

(b) 1916

(c) 1924

(d) 1922

Answer: (b)

64. The Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank in April 2021 presented the AICTE Leelavati Awards, 2020 in _____.

(a) New Delhi
(b) Mumbai
(c) Bengaluru
(d) Chennai

Answer: (a)

65. Who among the following is the Director-General of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) as appointed on 1st March 2021?

(a) Daren Tang
(b) Audrey Azoulay
(c) Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala
(d) Roberto Azevedo

Answer: (c)

66. Who among the following won the "Best Actor In A Supporting Role (Male)" award in the Filmfare Awards 2021?

(a) Kumud Mishra
(b) Gajraj Rao
(c) Pankaj Tripathi
(d) Saif Ali Khan

Answer: (d)

67. Which among the following won Gramm[illegible]Awar[illegible]2021 for the "Record of the Year" category?

(a) Don't Start Now
(b) Everything I Wanted
(c) Rockstar
(d) Colors

Answer: (b)

68. The Niti Aayog launched the India Energy Dashboards Version ____ in April 2021. It will provide single window access to the data related to utilisation, pricing, production, distribution of energy in the country.

(a) 2.0
(b) 1.0
(c) 3.0
(d) 4.0

Answer: (a)

69. _____ in April 2021 announced that it will acquire Cleartrip, a leading online travel and technology company.

(a) Alibaba
(b) Reliance
(c) Flipkart
(d) Amazon

Answer: (c)

70. _____ in April 2021 launched "Mission Aahaar Kranti".

(a) Nirmala Sitharaman
(b) Harsh Vardhan
(c) Piyush Goyal
(d) Ravi Shankar Prasad

Answer: (b)

71. The Raisina Dialogue, an annual Geo-political event, was in April 2021 organised by the _____ and Observer Research Foundation.

(a) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
(b) Ministry of Finance
(c) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
(d) Ministry of External Affairs

Answer: (d)

72. The Agricultural Ministry of India in April 2021 s[illegible]ed Memorandum of Understanding with _____ to implement a pilot project for f[illegible]er w[illegible]are.

(a) Microsoft
(b) Facebook
(c) Amazon
(d) Google

Answer: (a)

73. A member of Lok Sabha should not be less than _____ years of age.

(a) 20
(b) 25
(c) 30
(d) 35

Answer: (b)

74. The Constituent Assembly took almost _____ to complete its historic task of drafting the Constitution for an Independent India.

(a) 3 years
(b) 5 years
(c) 7 years
(d) 9 years

Answer: (a)

75. A bill that deals exclusively with money matters that are mentioned in Article _____ in Constitution is called a Money Bill.

(a) 110
(b) 58
(c) 61
(d) 94

Answer: (a)

76. Which among the following Articles of Indian Constitution deals with 'Impeachment of the President'?

(a) Article 73
(b) Article 52
(c) Article 61
(d) Article 54

Answer: (c)

77. _____ created history on March 14, 2021 by becoming the first Indian fencer to qualify for the Olympics.

(a) Bhavani Devi
(b) Kavita Devi
(c) Karan Singh
(d) Gisho Nidhi

Answer: (a)

78. Who among the following tennis player won the Australian Open 2021?

(a) Andy Murray
(b) Rafael Nadal
(c) Novak Djokovic
(d) Daniil Medvedev

Answer: (c)

79. Which among the following countries will host 2022 Commonwealth Games?

(a) India
(b) United Kingdom
(c) South Africa
(d) New Zealand

Answer: (b)

80. Srihari Nataraj created a national record while winning his second gold of the Uzbekistan Open Championship. He is associated with which of the following games?

(a) Shooting
(b) Wrestling
(c) Gymnastics
(d) Swimming

Answer: (d)

Arithmetic Ability1

81. What is the difference between the greatest 6 digit number and the smallest 6 digit number?

(a) 100000
(b) 899999
(c) 888889
(d) 999998

Answer: (b)

82. The LCM of two numbers is 36, 612. If their HCF is 4 and one of the numbers is 452, find the other number.

(a) 244
(b) 374
(c) 208
(d) 324

Answer: (d)

83. The five digit number 3214A is divisible by 3 where A is a single digit whole number. Find A.

(a) 1
(b) 2
(c) 4
(d) 7

Answer: (b)

84. Find two natural numbers whose sum is 60 and their least common multiple is 40.

(a) 30 and 60
(b) 12 and 48
(c) 20 and 40
(d) 44 and 16

Answer: (c)

85. The shopkeeper allows two successive discounts of 20% and 30% on a tape recorder and sells it at Rs. 3430. Find the market price of the tape recorder.

(a) Rs. 5385
(b) Rs. 8295
(c) Rs. 6125
(d) Rs. 7240

Answer: (c)

86. The average age of 20 students in a class is 22 years. If two more students are added whose ages are 20 years and 24 years, find the new average age.

(a) 20 years
(b) 22 years
(c) 28 years
(d) 25 years

Answer: (b)

87. Radhika buys a mobile phone at Rs. 7000. She sells it at a discount of 16%, thereby earning a profit of 5%. What is the marked price of the mobile?

(a) Rs. 8750
(b) Rs. 7720
(c) Rs. 6280
(d) Rs. 7840

Answer: (a)

88. In an election, there were only two candidates. One of the candidates secured 30% of votes and is defeated by the other candidate by 400 votes.
Find the total number of votes polled.

(a) 1050
(b) 1037
(c) 1240
(d) 1000

Answer: (d)

89. The price of an article is first decreased by [illegible] and then increased by 20%. If the resulting price is Rs. 3600, the original price of the article is:

(a) Rs. 4000
(b) Rs. 7200
(c) Rs. 5800
(d) Rs. 5200

Answer: (a)

90. In a class 50 % of the students pass in Hindi and 40 % pass in Sanskrit. If 60 % of them pass in at least one subject, what percentage of the students failed in both the subjects .

(a) 80%
(b) 40%
(c) 90%
(d) 20%

Answer: (b)

91. A's salary is 30% of B's salary and B's salary is 50% of C's salary. What percent of C's salary is A's salary?

(a) 12%
(b) 17%
(c) 14%
(d) 15%

Answer: (d)

92. A seller buys pens at 2 for Rs. 8 and sells them at 5 for Rs. 30. His profit percent is:

(a) 50%
(b) 40%
(c) 35%
(d) 60%

Answer: (a)

93. Mr. Y purchased a flat for Rs. 8.25 lakhs and spent Rs. 15,000 for its renovation. If he sold the flat for Rs. 9,24,000, then find his profit percent.

(a) 40%
(b) 10%
(c) 15%
(d) 20%

Answer: (b)

94. By selling 144 eggs, Ram suffered a loss equal to the cost price of 10 eggs. His loss percent is (approximately):

(a) 6%
(b) 5%
(c) 7%
(d) 8%

Answer: (c)

95. What number must be added to both numerator and denominator 5/39 so that it may become 7/41?

(a) 2
(b) 6
(c) 4
(d) 1

Answer: (a)

96. If x varies as y, and y = 2 when x = 6, find x when y=12.

(a) 6
(b) 24
(c) 38
(d) 36

Answer: (d)

97. In a mixture of 80 litres of a solution, the ratio of milk and water is 2:3. How much water must be added to this mixture, so that the ratio of milk and water becomes 1:2?

(a) 12 litres

(b) 10 litres

(c) 15 litres

(d) 16 litres

Answer: (d)

98. If three numbers are in the ratio of 1:5:7 and half of their the sum is 13, then the ratio of cubes of the numbers is _____.

(a) 1: 267: 1275

(b) 1: 1000: 3433

(c) 1: 125: 343

(d) 1: 27: 125

Answer: (c)

99. A sum of Rs. 1200 is lent out at 10 % per annum simple interest for 3 years. Find the amount after 3 years.

(a) Rs. 1670

(b) Rs. 1660

(c) Rs. 1500

(d) Rs. 1560

Answer: (d)

100. Find the rate of interest if the amount after 2 years of simple interest on a capital of Rs. 1420 is Rs. 1660.

(a) 15%

(b) 8.45%

(c) 25%

(d) 5%

Answer: (b)

Arithmetic Ability2

101. Find the compound interest earned on Rs. 75,000 for 1 year at the rate of 10% per annum.

(a) Rs. 7000

(b) Rs. 7546

(c) Rs. 7400

(d) Rs. 7500

Answer: (d)

103. The speed of a boat upstream is 25 kmph and the speed in still water is 30 kmph. Find out the time taken to travel 70 km downstream.

(a) 3 hours
(b) 4 hours
(c) 5 hours
(d) 2 hours

Answer: (d)

104. If a girl running at a speed of 25 kmph crosses a bridge in 18 min, the length of the bridge is:

(a) 7.8 km
(b) 7.5 km
(c) 7.2 km
(d) 6.2 km

Answer: (b)

105. Two trains of length 210 m and 180 m long, runs at the speed of 50 km/h and 40 km/h respectively, in opposite directions on parallel tracks. Find the time which they take to cross each other.

(a) 15.6 seconds
(b) 14.82 seconds
(c) 17 seconds
(d) 3.96 seconds

Answer: (a)

106. A and B can do a piece of work in 60 [illegible] and [illegible] alone can do it in 75 days. In how many days approximately can B do it alone?

(a) 300 days
(b) 305 days
(c) 303 days
(d) 304 days

Answer: (a)

107. Nisha can do 40% of a piece of work in 20 days. How many days will he take to complete the work ten times?

(a) 400 days
(b) 300 days
(c) 200 days
(d) 500 days

Answer: (d)

108. Manoj takes thrice as much time as Ajay and four times as much as Vijay to finish a piece of work. Together they finish the work in 17 days.
What is the time taken by Manoj to finish the work?

(a) 190 days
(b) 140 days
(c) 182 days
(d) 136 days

Answer: (d)

109. Raju is thrice as good as Vijay. Together, they finish the work in 15 days. In how many days can Vijay alone do the same work?

(a) 60 days
(b) 25 days
(c) 40 days
(d) 30 days

Answer: (a)

110. How many tiles, each of area 4 sq m, will be required to cover the floor of a room 24 m long and 18 m broad?

(a) 120
(b) 108
(c) 132
(d) 128

Answer: (b)

111. If the radius of a cone is doubled, its volu[illegible]omes:

(a) 5 times
(b) 9 times
(c) 4 times
(d) 12 times

Answer: (c)

112. Two cubes have their volumes in the ratio 1331 : 1000. The ratio of their surface areas is:

(a) 21 : 100
(b) 144 : 121
(c) 11 : 10
(d) 121 : 100

Answer: (d)

113. A solid cylinder of radius 3 cm and height 4 cm is melted and re-casted into a sphere. Find the diameter of the sphere formed.

(a) 8 cm

(b) 5 cm

(c) 4 cm

(d) 6 cm

Answer: (d)

General English1

121. The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.
It might be supposedly/ that conjugal fidelity must/ suffer from such a custom.

(a) It might be supposedly

(b) that conjugal fidelity must

(c) suffer from such a custom.

(d) No Error

Answer: (a)

122. The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.
Jason said that, "We have/ to stay together if we wish to/ make it out of here alive".

(a) Jason said that, "We have

(b) to stay together if we wish to

(c) make it out of here alive".

(d) No Error

Answer: (a)

123. The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.
A month ago she would have said she/ might never marry, and yet it had crossed/ her mind a number of times when she met Bordeaux.

(a) A month ago she would have said she

(b) might never marry, and yet it had crossed

(c) her mind a number of times when she met Bordeaux.

(d) No Error

Answer: (c)

124. The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.
Her mother educated her in strict seclusion,/ but seclusion altogether failed to tame/ her imperious and ambitious temper.

(a) Her mother educated her in strict seclusion,

(b) but seclusion altogether failed to tame

(c) her imperious and ambitious temper.

(d) No Error

Answer: (d)

125. The sentence below has been divided into three parts. Select the part of the sentence that has an error. If the sentence has no error, select the option 'No Error'.
While granite is very strong, you may risk scratching/ the material if you use abrasened cleaning products or/ materials, such as scouring pads with metal components.

(a) While granite is very strong, you may risk scratching

(b) the material if you use abrasened cleaning products or

(c) materials, such as scouring pads with metal components.

(d) No Error

Answer: (b)

126. Select the word segment that substitutes (replaces) the bracketed word segment correctly and completes the sentence meaningfully. Select the option 'no correction required' if the sentence is correct as given.
(It was either a case of blatant ignorance not genuine mishap), the courts just couldn't decide which.

(a) It was either a case of blatant ignorance or genuine mishap

(b) It was neither a case of blatant ignorance genuine mishap

(c) It was either a case of blatant ignorance nor genuine mishap

(d) No corrections required

Answer: (a)

127. Select the word segment that substitutes (replaces) the bracketed word segment correctly and completes the sentence meaningfully. Select the option 'no correction required' if the sentence is correct as given.
How could the ground be so parched (when the air was so waterlogged?)

(a) since the air was so waterlogged?

(b) when the air is so waterlogged

(c) over the air so waterlogged?

(d) No corrections required

Answer: (d)

128. Select the word segment that substitutes (replaces) the bracketed word segment correctly and completes the sentence meaningfully. Select the option 'no correction required' if the sentence is correct as given.
(Efforts by the Great Britain and the United States to alleviate) the distress were opposed by the authorities, but met with some success.

(a) Effort by the Great Britain and the United States to alleviate

(b) Efforts by Great Britain and the United States to alleviate

(c) Efforts by Great Britain and United States to alleviate

(d) No corrections required

Answer: (b)

129. Select the word segment that substitutes (replaces) the bracketed word segment correctly and completes the sentence meaningfully. Select the option 'no correction required' if the sentence is correct as given.
It is true that he made an ostensible offer on the franchise question, (but that proposal were made dependent on so many conditions) that it was a palpable sham.

(a) but that proposal were made dependent on so much condition

(b) but that proposal was made dependent on so many conditions

(c) but that proposal was made dependent on so much condition

(d) No corrections required

Answer: (b)

130. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
At the same time the mothers of the murdered men came to the Temple to demand _____.

(a) cadence

(b) vengeance

(c) intermittence

(d) penance

Answer: (b)

131. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
There were _____ differences between the parties regarding living wills.

(a) nestle

(b) subtle

(c) hurtle

(d) belittle

Answer: (b)

132. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
Kids learn at their own pace, so do not be _____ in your expectations of their adapting skills.

(a) overzealous

(b) jealous

(c) frivolous

(d) zealous

Answer: (a)

133. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
There was nothing heroic about Cecil or his policy; it involved a _____ attitude towards struggling Protestants abroad.

(a) marvellous

(b) querulous

(c) callous

(d) tremulous

Answer: (c)

134. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
Untraveled, naive, even a little _____, we are not surprised to discover the heart of a hero just waiting to be stirred to action.

(a) sallow

(b) callow

(c) shallow

(d) mellow

Answer: (b)

135. Some parts of a sentence have been jumbled up, and labelled P, Q, R and S. Select the option that gives the correct sequence in which these parts can be rearranged to form a meaningful and grammatically correct sentence.
People are deluded by the glamor
P. which in reality
Q. of celebrities, thinking that
R. rom the mundane,
S. their lives are far away
is not true.

(a) QSPR

(b) QSRP

(c) QRSP

(d) QPRS

Answer: (b)

136. The question below consist of a set of labelled sentences. Out of four options given, select the most logical order of the sentences which form a paragraph.
The instability created in Europe by the First World War (1914-18) set the stage for another international conflict—World War II—which broke out two decades later and would prove even more devastating.
P. Among the estimated 45-60 million people killed were 6 million Jews murdered in Nazi concentration camps as part of Hitler's diabolical "Final Solution," now known as the Holocaust.
Q. Rising to power in an economically and politically unstable Germany, Adolf Hitler, leader of the Nazi Party, rearmed the nation and signed strategic treaties with Italy and Japan to further his ambitions of world domination.
R. Hitler's invasion of Poland in September 1939 drove Great Britain and France to declare war on Germany, marking the beginning of World War II.
S. Over the next six years, the conflict would take more lives and destroy more land and property around the globe than any previous war.
The 40,000,000–50,000,000 deaths incurred in World War II make it the bloodiest conflict, as well as the largest war, in history.

(a) PQRS
(b) RSPQ
(c) SPQR
(d) QRSP

Answer: (d)

137. Some parts of a sentence have been jumbled up, and labelled P, Q, R and S. Select the option that gives the correct sequence in which these parts should be rearranged to form a meaningful and grammatically correct sentence.
Thus it became possible for
P. error to refer to
Q. almost any diligent reader
R. without much chance of
S. its proper place nearly
every bird he was likely to meet with.

(a) QPSR
(b) QPRS
(c) QSPR
(d) QRSP

Answer: (d)

138. Select the word that is similar in meaning (SYNONYM) to the word given below Digression

(a) Accord
(b) Deviation
(c) Engage
(d) Conclusion

Answer: (b)

139. Select the word that is opposite in meaning (ANTONYM) to the word given below Emulate

(a) Compete
(b) Aspire
(c) Forego
(d) Reproduce

Answer: (c)

140. Select the word that is similar in meaning (SYNONYM) to the word given below Nepotism

(a) Unanimous
(b) Crude
(c) Obstruct
(d) Patronage

Answer: (d)

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141. Select the word that is similar in meaning (SYNONYM) to the word given below Vantage

(a) Detriment
(b) Perspective
(c) Vital
(d) Collude

Answer: (b)

142. Select the word that is opposite in meaning (A[illegible]ONYM) to the word given below Destitute

(a) Smother
(b) Prosperous
(c) Genial
(d) Sacrilegious

Answer: (b)

143. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(a) Vengence
(b) Vengance
(c) Vengeance
(d) Vengiance

Answer: (c)

144. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(a) Dexterity
(b) Dexterety
(c) Dextirity
(d) Dexteraty

Answer: (a)

145. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(a) Reprobate
(b) Retrobate
(c) Reprobete
(d) Retrobeat

Answer: (a)

146. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(a) Audicious
(b) Audicous
(c) Audacious
(d) Audasious

Answer: (c)

147. Four words are given, out of which only one word is spelt correctly. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(a) Serrition
(b) Sirration
(c) Serration
(d) Sarration

Answer: (c)

148. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Last straw

(a) Unable to understand
(b) The final event in a series of unacceptable actions
(c) All over
(d) Make all possible efforts

Answer: (b)

149. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom At the drop of a hat

(a) Situation wherein one can enjoy two different opportunities
(b) Immediately; without any hesitation
(c) Be glad to see someone leave
(d) Looking in the wrong place

Answer: (b)

150. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Rank and File

(a) To be unhappy about something that cannot be undone
(b) When someone finds it difficult to choose between two alternatives
(c) Ordinary People
(d) To stay up working, especially studying, late at night

Answer: (c)

151. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Jump on the bandwagon

(a) Leave something alone if it might cause trouble

(b) Change alligiences

(c) Join a popular trend or activity.

(d) Keep something away

Answer: (c)

152. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the expressions given below One who lives in solitude

(a) Misanthrope

(b) Highbrow

(c) Recluse

(d) Placate

Answer: (c)

153. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the expressions given below One who is filled with excessive enthusiasm in religious matters

(a) Cynosure

(b) Heretic

(c) Gourmand

(d) Fanatic

Answer: (d)

154. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the expressions given below A group of followers hired to applaud at a performance

(a) Caravan

(b) Caucus

(c) Claque

(d) Clique

Answer: (c)

155. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the expressions given below A series of stars

(a) Grove

(b) Hamlet

(c) Constellation

(d) Congregation

Answer: (c)

157. Which theory of physics laid the foundation of time travel?

(a) String Theory

(b) Theory of Relativity

(c) Classical Field Theory

(d) Theory of Special Relativity

Answer: (d)

158. When was the Hubble telescope launched?

(a) 1990

(b) 1946

(c) 1895

(d) 1995

Answer: (a)

Answer key

Answer key from the Delhi Subordinate Services Selection Board's official answer key for this sitting. "—" means the key gave none.

General Ability1

1	**(c)**	2	**(c)**	3	**(a)**	4	**(c)**	5	**(c)**	6	**(b)**
7	**(c)**	8	**(b)**	9	**(a)**	10	**(d)**	11	**(b)**	12	**(c)**
13	**(c)**	14	**(a)**	15	**(b)**	16	**(a)**	17	**(a)**	18	**(b)**
19	**(d)**	20	**(c)**								

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21	**(b)**	22	**(a)**	23	**(c)**	24	**(d)**	25	**(d)**	26	**(a)**
27	**(c)**	28	**(d)**	29	**(b)**						

General Awareness1

41	**(a)**	42	**(d)**	43	**(c)**	44	**(b)**	45	**(d)**	46	**(d)**
47	**(b)**	48	**(a)**	49	**(b)**	50	**(d)**	51	**(c)**	52	**(b)**
53	**(a)**	54	**(a)**	55	**(b)**	56	**(d)**	57	**(b)**	58	**(b)**
59	**(d)**	60	**(c)**								

General Awareness2

61	**(a)**	62	**(d)**	63	**(b)**	64	**(a)**	65	**(c)**	66	**(d)**
67	**(b)**	68	**(a)**	69	**(c)**	70	**(b)**	71	**(d)**	72	**(a)**
73	**(b)**	74	**(a)**	75	**(a)**	76	**(c)**	77	**(a)**	78	**(c)**
79	**(b)**	80	**(d)**								

Arithmetic Ability1

81	**(b)**	82	**(d)**	83	**(b)**	84	**(c)**	85	**(c)**	86	**(b)**
87	**(a)**	88	**(d)**	89	**(a)**	90	**(b)**	91	**(d)**	92	**(a)**
93	**(b)**	94	**(c)**	95	**(a)**	96	**(d)**	97	**(d)**	98	**(c)**
99	**(d)**	100	**(b)**								

Arithmetic Ability2

101	**(d)**	103	**(d)**	104	**(b)**	105	**(a)**	106	**(a)**	107	**(d)**
108	**(d)**	109	**(a)**	110	**(b)**	111	**(c)**	112	**(d)**	113	**(d)**

General English1

121	**(a)**	122	**(a)**	123	**(c)**	124	**(d)**	125	**(b)**	126	**(a)**
127	**(d)**	128	**(b)**	129	**(b)**	130	**(b)**	131	**(b)**	132	**(a)**
133	**(c)**	134	**(b)**	135	**(b)**	136	**(d)**	137	**(d)**	138	**(b)**
139	**(c)**	140	**(d)**								

General English2

141	**(b)**	142	**(b)**	143	**(c)**	144	**(a)**	145	**(a)**	146	**(c)**
147	**(c)**	148	**(b)**	149	**(b)**	150	**(c)**	151	**(c)**	152	**(c)**
153	**(d)**	154	**(c)**	155	**(c)**	157	**(d)**	158	**(a)**		