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# DSSSB Ahlmad 2021 — 16 October 2021, Shift 3

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## General Ability1

1. Arrange the given words in the sequence in which they occur in the dictionary.
1. LAPTOP
2. LEOPARD
3. LASER
4. LANGUAGE
5. LIPSTICK

(a) 41325

(b) 43215

(c) 12345

(d) 23451

**Answer: (a)**

2. Find the missing term in the following ser
M3X, J8U, G13R, ____

(a) D15O

(b) D18O

(c) E15P

(d) E18P

**Answer: (b)**

3. Find the missing term in the following letter series:
ADG, JMP, SVY, _____, KNQ

(a) BEH

(b) BHE

(c) ADH

(d) AEG

**Answer: (a)**

4. Find the missing term in the following letter cluster series : aa_b_a_ab_ba_ab_ba

(a) bbabab

(b) bababa

(c) ababab

(d) abbabb

**Answer: (a)**

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) Sania Mirza : Tennis

(b) Viswanathan Anand : Chess

(c) Virat Kohli : Cricket

(d) Sunil Chhetri : Hockey

**Answer: (d)**

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) Albert Einstein

(b) Isaac Newton

(c) Thomas Edison

(d) Vivian Richards

**Answer: (d)**

7. Out of the given options, three are similar in a cer[illegible] manner. However, one option is NOT like the other three. Select the option which is diffe[illegible]t fro[illegible]he rest.

(a) ENGAR

(b) TREMO

(c) SLCRO

(d) VILRA

**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) LB:YO

(b) MP:KN

(c) UH:SF

(d) WR:VI

**Answer: (d)**

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.
ADJ : YFH :: YRP : ?

(a) VSQ
(b) XKN
(c) UVM
(d) WTN

**Answer: (d)**

10. Select the option that is related to the third term on the same basis as the second term is related to the first term.
Crowd : Men :: Troupe : ?

(a) Artists
(b) Sheep
(c) Goods
(d) Flowers

**Answer: (a)**

11. Select the pair that is related on the same basis to the pair given in the question.
MDK : RYP :: ?

(a) NXD : QBH
(b) GMF : FNT
(c) MZL : RUQ
(d) NUL : QSM

**Answer: (c)**

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.
Royal Bengal Tiger : Bangladesh :: Kangaroo : ?

(a) Belgium
(b) Australia
(c) Argentina
(d) Brazil

**Answer: (b)**

13. In a certain code language, if GLAMOUR is coded as 94, how will SPECTRUM be coded as?

(a) 120
(b) 123
(c) 125
(d) 110

**Answer: (b)**

14. In a certain code language, if farmer is called maid, maid is called thief, thief is called teacher, teacher is called manager, and manger is called driver, who teaches in a class?

(a) Manager
(b) Thief
(c) Driver
(d) Farmer

**Answer: (a)**

15. In a certain code language, 'ran tan saw' means 'We are bad', 'tan pic top" means 'good and bad', and 'ran top but' means 'People are good', then what will be the code of 'and'?

(a) top
(b) pic
(c) ran
(d) tan

**Answer: (b)**

16. In a certain code language, if SOLID is coded as 39-31-25-19-9, how will LIQUID be coded as _____.

(a) 23-19-33-43-19-9
(b) 25-19-35-43-19-9
(c) 27-21-35-43-19-9
(d) 25-19-36-41-19-9

**Answer: (b)**

17. If in a certain code, FEAST is coded as $#, and LIFE is coded as +@&*, then what will be code for "STEAL"?

(a) $#*&+
(b) *%#+&
(c) $#@%+
(d) $#*%+

**Answer: (d)**

18. If Rohan says, "Manish's father is the only son of my father", how is Rohan related to Manish?

(a) Son
(b) Father
(c) Grandfather
(d) Brother

**Answer: (b)**

19. In a college, six subjects were available for graduation, of which only three had to be selected under the following condition:
One who selects Maths had to select Physics also and vice versa. One who select maths cannot select Computer.
One who selects Hindi or Bengali cannot select French.
If a student selects French as one of his subject, then other two subjects can be:

(a) Hindi and Bengali
(b) Maths and Computer
(c) Bengali and Physics
(d) Maths and Physics

**Answer: (d)**

20. If Pawan is taller than Ram, Rahul is shorter than Pawan, Sohaib is taller than Tarun but shorter than Ram, then who among them is the tallest?

(a) Tarun
(b) Ram
(c) Sohaib
(d) Pawan

**Answer: (d)**

## General Ability2

21. There are fifteen boys in a row facing north. Subh is standing at 11th position from the right side. Roshan is standing at 9th position from the left e. Mohan is standing in between Subham and Roshan. How many boys are standing to the ri of Mohan?

(a) 10
(b) 8
(c) 12
(d) 5

**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 tom are jerry. Some jerry are oggy.
Conclusions:
I. Some oggy are tom.
II. No oggy is tom.

(a) only I follows
(b) only II follows
(c) both I and II follows
(d) Either I or II follows

**Answer: (d)**

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 : Subham has applied in the bank for a loan of Rs. 2,00,000 by mortgaging his land to the bank for a period of 10 years.
Assumptions:
I. Bank has a practice of sanctioning a loan of Rs. 2,00,000 and above.
II. The bank accepts the land as collateral security against such loans.

(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, a statement has been followed by two arguments numbered I and II. You have to decide which of the argument is a strong argument.
Statement : Should handloom industries be encouraged in villages?
Arguments:
I. Yes. Rural people are genius.
II. Yes. This would solve the problem of unemployment to a certain extent.

(a) Only I is strong

(b) Only II is strong

(c) Both I and II are strong

(d) Neither I nor II are strong

**Answer: (b)**

25. In this question, a statement has been [illegible] followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. Assuming that all information in the statement [illegible], analyse the two conclusions together and determine whether any of them logically and definitely follow(s) from the information given in the statement.
Statement : Onion prices are rising in the market.
Conclusions:
I. Earlier, onions were available at a cheaper price.
II. People cannot eat onions.

(a) Only I follows

(b) Only II follows

(c) Both I and II follows

(d) Neither I and II follows

**Answer: (a)**

26. Which two signs should be interchanged to make the equation given below mathematically correct?
49 - 7 × 5 + 19 ÷ 55 = -1

(a) × and +

(b) ÷ and -

(c) ÷ and +

(d) × and -

**Answer: (b)**

27. Find the missing term in the following number series:
2, 12, 36, 80, ___, 252

(a) 150
(b) 145
(c) 130
(d) 195

**Answer: (a)**

28. Select the option that is related to the third term on the same basis as the second term is related to the first term.
1233 : 137 :: 3456 : ?

(a) 119
(b) 192
(c) 145
(d) 160

**Answer: (b)**

29. Ashish was born two years after his mother's marriage. His father is five years elder than his mother but 25 years older than Ashish who is 10 years old. At what age did his father get married?

(a) 23 years
(b) 33 years
(c) 35 years
(d) 25 years

**Answer: (a)**

## General Awareness1

41. Natya Shastra speaks of Eight Rasas. One of them is Bhayanaka. It translates to _____.

(a) Love
(b) Fear
(c) Disgust
(d) Sorrow

**Answer: (b)**

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

(a) Rajasthan
(b) Chhattisgarh
(c) Goa
(d) Uttar Pradesh

**Answer: (a)**

43. Which among the following dance forms is not associated with Goa?

(a) Talgadi
(b) Fugadi
(c) Suvari
(d) Tippani

**Answer: (d)**

44. Dree Festival is celebrated in _____ to ensure a good harvest for the state.

(a) Karnataka
(b) Kerala
(c) Arunachal Pradesh
(d) Andhra Pradesh

**Answer: (c)**

45. Demand primarily dependent upon prices of related goods is called _____.

(a) direct demand
(b) income demand
(c) cross demand
(d) latent demand

**Answer: (c)**

46. National Payments Corporation of India, an umbrella organisation for operating retail payments and settlement systems in India, is an initiative of _____ and Indian Banks' Association (IBA) .

(a) Reserve Bank of India
(b) State Bank of India
(c) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
(d) Union Bank of India

**Answer: (a)**

47. As announced in the Budget 2021-22, custom duty on copper scrap was reduced from 5% to _____.

(a) 3%
(b) 2.50%
(c) 2%
(d) 1.50%

**Answer: (b)**

48. Which among the following statements is incorrect?

(a) Personal Income is the total income received by the individuals of country from all sources before direct taxes.

(b) Net Domestic Product (NDP) is the total market value of all final goods and services currently produced within the domestic territory of a country in a year.

(c) Gross National Product measured in terms of current market prices is called nominal Gross National Product.

(d) Disinflation is a situation of decrease in the rate of inflation over successive time period.

**Answer: (b)**

49. _____ is a force which opposes the relative motion of the two bodies when one body actually moves or tries to move over the surface of another body.

(a) Acceleration

(b) Velocity

(c) Force

(d) Friction

**Answer: (d)**

50. Vinegar is the source of which of the following acids?

(a) Acetic Acid

(b) Citric Acid

(c) Amino Acid

(d) Malic Acid

**Answer: (a)**

51. Which among the following acids is known as 'oil of vitriol'?

(a) Hydrochloric Acid

(b) Sulphuric Acid

(c) Nitric Acid

(d) Chloric Acid

**Answer: (b)**

52. According to which of the following laws, the direction of induced electromotive force or induced current is always in such a way that it opposes the cause due to which it is produced?

(a) Ohm's Law

(b) Boyle's Law

(c) Lenz's Law

(d) Charles' Law

**Answer: (c)**

53. _____ are also called amphibians of the plant kingdom because these plants can live in soil but are dependent on water for sexual reproduction.

(a) Angiosperms
(b) Pteridophytes
(c) Gymnosperms
(d) Bryophytes

**Answer: (d)**

54. Vetravati is an alternate name of which of the following rivers?

(a) Beas
(b) Chenab
(c) Betwa
(d) Ravi

**Answer: (c)**

55. Rohtang Pass is a high mountain pass on the eastern end of the _____ Range.

(a) Zaskar
(b) Aravalli
(c) Pir Panjal
(d) Western Ghats

**Answer: (c)**

56. The deepest point of which of the following ocea is in Puerto Rico Trench?

(a) Atlantic Ocean
(b) Arctic Ocean
(c) Pacific Ocean
(d) Southern Ocean

**Answer: (a)**

57. Hindu-Kush, which is an extension of the _____ range runs in Afghanistan.

(a) Aravalli
(b) Karakoram
(c) Satpura
(d) Purvanchal

**Answer: (b)**

58. When was the Morley-Minto Reforms introduced?

(a) 1895
(b) 1905
(c) 1890
(d) 1909

**Answer: (d)**

59. Who among the following Gupta kings was the first one to issue silver coins?
(a) Chandragupta I
(b) Samudragupta
(c) Skandagupta
(d) Chandragupta II
**Answer: (d)**

60. Chandragupta Maurya of the Maurya Dynasty was succeeded by _____.
(a) Bindusara
(b) Ashoka
(c) Brihadratha
(d) Dasharatha
**Answer: (a)**

## General Awareness2

61. Who among the following wrote Priyadarshika, Ratnavali & Nagananda?
(a) Chandragupta
(b) Harshavardhana
(c) Skandagupta
(d) Kumaragupta
**Answer: (b)**

62. When did Akbar abolish 'Pilgrimage Tax'?
(a) 1550
(b) 1567
(c) 1572
(d) 1563
**Answer: (d)**

63. Who among the following Governor Generals abolished Dual Government system in Bengal?
(a) Lord Warren Hastings
(b) Lord Cornwallis
(c) Lord Wellesley
(d) Lord Robert Clive
**Answer: (a)**

64. The headquarters of United Nations Conference on Trade & Development (UNCTAD) is located in _____.
(a) New York
(b) Geneva
(c) Vienna
(d) London
**Answer: (b)**

65. Which among the following won Grammy Awards 2021 for the "Best Pop Solo Performance" category?

(a) Watermelon Sugar by Harry Styles
(b) Everything I Wanted by Billie Eilish
(c) Yummy by Justin Bieber
(d) Say So by Doja Cat

**Answer: (a)**

66. 'The Bandit Queen of India' is an autobiography of _____.

(a) Jayaram Jayalalithaa
(b) Kamala Das
(c) Phoolan Devi
(d) Indira Gandhi

**Answer: (c)**

67. Who among the following was appointed as the next Chief Election Commissioner by the President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind in April 2021?

(a) Sharad Arvind Bobde
(b) Sushil Chandra
(c) Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana
(d) Achal Kumar Jyoti

**Answer: (b)**

68. The Global energy and industrial majors have jo d together to form a new coalition called the India H2 Alliance. The initiative to form the liance as begun by the _____ and Chart Industries.

(a) Adani Enterprises Limited
(b) Tata Consultancy Services
(c) Reliance Industries
(d) Hindustan Unilever Limited

**Answer: (c)**

69. The Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Agriculture Hackathon, launched on World Water Day, was begun by _____, MyGov India and Hindustan Unilever Limited to improve Artificial Intelligence solutions in the field of Agriculture.

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

**Answer: (b)**

70. The Government of India approved Rs 50 crores to develop an all-weather ROPAX in _____ in April 2021.

(a) Odisha
(b) Kerala
(c) Maharashtra
(d) West Bengal

**Answer: (a)**

71. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration and SpaceX are set to launch _____ astronauts to the International Space Station on World Earth Day on 22nd April 2021.

(a) 6
(b) 8
(c) 2
(d) 4

**Answer: (d)**

72. The _____ Government has agreed to deliver the first regimental set of S-400 Triumf SA-21 Growler Air Defence System to India in April 2021.

(a) Chinese
(b) German
(c) Russian
(d) British

**Answer: (c)**

73. Which among the following features of Indian Constitution was not borrowed from United States of America Constitution?

(a) Fundamental Rights
(b) Independence of Judiciary
(c) Impeachment of President
(d) Parliamentary Privileges & Bicameralism

**Answer: (d)**

74. Which among the following Parts of the Indian Constitution deals with Official Language?

(a) XVI
(b) XI
(c) XVII
(d) X

**Answer: (c)**

75. A list of ten fundamental duties was included in the Indian Constitution by the _____ Amendment.

(a) 40th
(b) 42nd
(c) 44th
(d) 52nd

**Answer: (b)**

76. For an individual to qualify for election as President of India, he/she must have completed the age of _____ years.

(a) 35
(b) 30
(c) 40
(d) 45

**Answer: (a)**

77. Ajay Singh has been re-elected as the President of _____ Federation of India on February 3, 2021.

(a) Tennis
(b) Chess
(c) Hockey
(d) Boxing

**Answer: (d)**

78. Which among the following states will h[illegible]osti[illegible]he second Khelo India University Games-KIUG later in 2021?

(a) Kerala
(b) Karnataka
(c) Tamil Nadu
(d) Telangana

**Answer: (b)**

79. Who among the following became the first batsman to smash 350 sixes in the Indian Premier League (IPL) on 12th April 2021?

(a) AB de Villiers
(b) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
(c) Chris Gayle
(d) Virat Kohli

**Answer: (c)**

80. Which among the following countries will host 2023 Men's Boxing World Championships?

(a) Uzbekistan

(b) Germany

(c) United States of America

(d) Russia

**Answer: (a)**

## Arithmetic Ability1

81. The LCM of two numbers is 15246. If their HCF is 2 and one of the numbers is 126, find the other number.

(a) 124

(b) 242

(c) 400

(d) 120

**Answer: (b)**

82. Find the number of even numbers between 24 and 176.

(a) 70

(b) 24

(c) 75

(d) 40

**Answer: (c)**

83. Find two natural numbers whose sum i[illegible] and [illegible]e least common multiple is 50.

(a) 25 and 50

(b) 15 and 25

(c) 5 and 10

(d) 50 and 75

**Answer: (a)**

84. Find the number of times the number 3 appears when you write down the numbers from 1 to 100?

(a) 20

(b) 40

(c) 125

(d) 25

**Answer: (a)**

85. The average of the first 10 odd numbers is:

(a) 11

(b) 10

(c) 17

(d) 21

**Answer: (b)**

86. The average salary of 50 workers in a factory was Rs. 350. Five new workers with salaries in rupess 250, 300, 320, 350 and 400 were employed.
What would be the new average salary?

(a) Rs.300
(b) Rs.347.64
(c) Rs.400.27
(d) Rs.247

**Answer: (b)**

87. In case A, an article is marked up by 20% and discount of 10% is offered. In case B the article is marked up by 30% and discount of 15% is offered. From Case A to Case B the profit increase by _____.

(a) 15%
(b) 17.25%
(c) 25%
(d) 31.25%

**Answer: (d)**

88. What percentage of numbers from 1 to 30 have 1 or 9 as unit's digit?

(a) 40%
(b) 25%
(c) 45%
(d) 20%

**Answer: (d)**

89. The cost price of 12 pens is equal to the s[illegible]rice of 10 pens, find the gain percent.

(a) 30%
(b) 40%
(c) 25%
(d) 20%

**Answer: (d)**

90. In an election, a candidate secures 30% of the total votes but is defeated by the other candidate by 100 votes. Find out the total number of votes polled.

(a) 250
(b) 300
(c) 200
(d) 150

**Answer: (a)**

91. 20% of 150% of 0.5% of X is 36. Find X.

(a) 3600
(b) 2400
(c) 36000
(d) 24000

**Answer: (d)**

92. A man purchases an item for Rs. 100. If he sells it at a 10% profit, find his selling price.

(a) 110
(b) 125
(c) 131
(d) 140

**Answer: (a)**

93. A fruit vendor recovers the cost of 30 mangoes by selling 15 mangoes. Find his percentage profit.

(a) 100%
(b) 88%
(c) 50%
(d) 75%

**Answer: (a)**

94. By selling one article for Rs. 450, a person has a s of 10%. For getting a profit of 10%, what must be its selling price?

(a) Rs.500
(b) Rs.600
(c) Rs.550
(d) Rs.700

**Answer: (c)**

95. Two numbers are in the ratio 5:8 and the difference between them is 24. Find the numbers.

(a) 16 and 40
(b) 40 and 64
(c) 20 and 44
(d) 30 and 54

**Answer: (b)**

96. Two numbers have a ratio of 2:7. If each of them is increased by 14, then their ratio becomes 4:7. Find the numbers.

(a) 7 and 28
(b) 4 and 30
(c) 6 and 21
(d) 3 and 40

**Answer: (c)**

97. Two car drivers take 3 hours and 4 hours respectively to cover a distance of 650 km from city P to Q. Find the ratio of average speeds of the two car.

(a) 7:14
(b) 4:3
(c) 5:21
(d) 4:9

**Answer: (b)**

98. A bag contains fifty paise coins, twenty-five paise coins and ten paise coins in the ratio of 2 : 5: 10. If the total amount is Rs. 52, find the number of coins of each kind.

(a) 20,50,100
(b) 4,10,20
(c) 32,80,160
(d) 10,25,50

**Answer: (c)**

99. Find the present worth of Rs. 132 due in 2 years at 5 percent per annum simple interest.

(a) Rs.130
(b) Rs.175
(c) Rs.140
(d) Rs.120

**Answer: (d)**

100. The Compound interest on Rs. 800 for 2 years is Rs. 82. Find the rate of interest.

(a) 10%
(b) 14%
(c) 5%
(d) 7%

**Answer: (c)**

## Arithmetic Ability2

101. Abhay borrowed Rs. 1000 at 3% p.a. & Rs. 1200 at 7% p.a. for the same duration. He had to pay Rs. 342 in all as simple interest. Find the time.

(a) 4 years
(b) 7 years
(c) 3 years
(d) 2 years

**Answer: (c)**

102. Divide Rs. 5200 into 2 parts so that the simple interest on the first part for 3 years at 4% p.a. may be equal to the simple interest on the second part for 5 years at 8% p.a.

(a) Rs.1200 and Rs.4000

(b) Rs.1000 and Rs.4200

(c) Rs.2500 and Rs.2700

(d) Rs.700 and Rs.4500

**Answer: (a)**

103. Walking at a speed of 3 km/h, a man takes 8 hours to complete a journey. How much time will he require to complete the journey if his speed is 4 km/h?

(a) 4 hours

(b) 2.5 hours

(c) 6 hours

(d) 5 hours

**Answer: (c)**

104. Two trains are running at a speed of 70 kmph and 20 kmph respectively in the same direction. The train running at 70 kmph crosses a man in the other train in 20 s. Find the length of the faster train.

(a) 150 m

(b) 240 m

(c) 100 m

(d) 277.78 m

**Answer: (d)**

105. A train 300 m long overtook a man walking along the line (in the same direction as the train) at a rate of 4 km an hour and passed him in 30 seconds. The train reached the station in 15 minutes after it had passed the man. In what time did the man reach the station?

(a) 2 hours

(b) 4.5 hours

(c) 1.5 hours

(d) 2.5 hours

**Answer: (d)**

106. Sanjay can do 20% of a work in 10 days. How many days will he take to complete the work ten times?

(a) 1000 days

(b) 756 days

(c) 687 days

(d) 500 days

**Answer: (d)**

107. Varsha and Jayanti can do a piece of work in 20 days and Varsha alone can do it in 25 days. In how many days can Jayanti do it alone?

(a) 75 days
(b) 67 days
(c) 100 days
(d) 90 days

**Answer: (c)**

108. Dev and Tukku can do a piece of work in 56 and 50 days respectively. Dev started the work and leaves after some days and Tukku finished the remaining work in 25 days. After how many days did Dev leave?

(a) 27 days
(b) 54 days
(c) 62 days
(d) 28 days

**Answer: (d)**

109. A can do a piece of work in 10 days. He works at it for 5 days and then B finishes it in 20 more days. In how many days approximately will A and B together finish the work?

(a) 8 days
(b) 5 days
(c) 4 days
(d) 9 days

**Answer: (a)**

110. Find the volume of a right circular cylinde. e radius is 16 cm and height is 10 cm? (Take π =22÷7 )

(a) 8561.4 cu cm
(b) 7435.9 cu cm
(c) 8045.71 cu cm
(d) 9431.4 cu cm

**Answer: (c)**

111. Find the area of a sphere whose radius is 14 cm? (Take π=22÷7 )

(a) 2464 sq cm
(b) 3461.76 sq cm
(c) 4754 sq cm
(d) 2459 sq cm

**Answer: (a)**

112. A sphere of diameter 13 cm is melted and cast into a right circular cone of height 26 cm. Find the diameter of the base of the cone.

(a) 14 cm

(b) 15 cm

(c) 20 cm

(d) 13 cm

**Answer: (d)**

113. A solid wooden toy in the shape of a right circular cone is mounted on a hemisphere. If the radius of the hemisphere is 4 cm and the total height of the toy is 6.2 cm, find the volume of the wooden toy.

(a) 170.79 cu cm

(b) 180 cu cm

(c) 141.42 cu cm

(d) 200 cu cm

**Answer: (a)**

## 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'.
When new evidence in favour/ of defendant came to li t, the judge/ had no choice but to rescind the trial verdict.

(a) When new evidence in favour

(b) of defendant came to light, the judg

(c) had no choice but to rescind the trial

(d) No Error

**Answer: (b)**

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'.
In a fit of rage,/ he almost beat/ down her door.

(a) In a fit of rage,

(b) he almost beat

(c) down her door.

(d) No Error

**Answer: (d)**

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'.
Many cities in Greece and/ Italy claimed to have possess/ the genuine Trojan Palladium.

(a) Many cities in Greece and

(b) Italy claimed to have possess

(c) the genuine Trojan Palladium

(d) No Error

**Answer: (b)**

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'.
A few criterias still had/ to be met for him to qualify/ for the Grandmaster norm.

(a) A few criterias still had

(b) to be met for him to qualify

(c) for the Grandmaster norm.

(d) No Error

**Answer: (a)**

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'.
Hendrix was one of the very/ few blues guitar players whom Clapton/ admittedly respected and unadmittedly admired.

(a) Hendrix was one of the very

(b) few blues guitar players whom Clapton

(c) admittedly respected and unadmittedly admired.

(d) No Error

**Answer: (c)**

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.
(Chose to not offer broth and eggs could have coste[illegible]n his son's life); but Gandhi's principle and personal belief's were above everything and everyo[illegible]else.

(a) Choosing to not offer broth and eggs would [illegible]ve costed him his sons' life

(b) Choosing to not offer broth and egg[illegible]ve costed him his son's life

(c) Chose to not offer broth and eggs costed [illegible]n his son's life

(d) No corrections required

**Answer: (b)**

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.
The diabolical plots and the (characters were a run away hit ever since its inception) by the writers.

(a) characters were a run away hit ever since it's inception

(b) characters were a runaway hit ever since their inception

(c) characters were run away hits ever since their inception

(d) No corrections required

**Answer: (b)**

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.
(The cries of mercy was only but a sham to plead) to the king's forgiving nature, and betray him later.

(a) The cried of mercy was only a sham to plead
(b) The cries of mercy were but a sham to plead
(c) The cries of mercy was but a sham to plead
(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.
The official Moniteur Ottoman denounced his supposed (plan of aiming at the caliphate on collusion) with the sheriff of Mecca.

(a) plan in aiming at the caliphate on collusion
(b) plan of aiming at the caliphate at collusion
(c) plan of aiming at the caliphate in collusion
(d) No corrections required

**Answer: (c)**

130. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
Very special care should be taken so to proportion th sand as to make a perfectly _____ mixture.

(a) impervious
(b) obvious
(c) devious
(d) envious

**Answer: (a)**

131. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
At times he acted as viceroy in William's absence; at times he led the royal forces to _____ rebellions.

(a) despise
(b) baptise
(c) chastise
(d) compromise

**Answer: (c)**

132. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
_____ leads to the downfall of many celebrities and politicians.

(a) Hubris
(b) Debris
(c) Emphasis
(d) Synopsis

**Answer: (a)**

133. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
Courage, watchfulness, striving for purity, were all necessary in the _____ combat with the forces of evil.

(a) redundant
(b) incessant
(c) reluctant
(d) compliant

**Answer: (b)**

134. Fill in the blank with appropriate word.
During the _____ of the elder branch of the Han dynasty the Chinese supremacy was weakened, but in A.D.

(a) sovereign
(b) consequence
(c) convenience
(d) decadence

**Answer: (d)**

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.
Her own account of her
P. escape is, as usual, so
Q. was really in any
R. question whether she
S. florid that it provokes the
danger.

(a) PQRS
(b) PSQR
(c) PSRQ
(d) PRSQ

**Answer: (c)**

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.
Warren Buffett, in full Warren Edward Buffett, (born August 30, 1930, Omaha, Nebraska, U.S.), American businessman and philanthropist, widely considered the most successful investor of the 20th century, having defied prevailing investment trends to amass a personal fortune of more than $60 billion.
P. From the 1960s through the ’90s the major stock averages rose by roughly 11 percent annually, but Berkshire Hathaway’s publicly traded shares gained about 28 percent per year.
Q. Known as the “Oracle of Omaha,” Buffett was the son of U.S. Rep. Howard Homan Buffett from Nebraska.
R. After graduating from the University of Nebraska (B.S., 1950), he studied with Benjamin Graham at the Columbia University School of Business (M.S., 1951).
S. In 1956 Buffett returned to Omaha and in 1965 took majority control of the textile manufacturer Berkshire Hathaway Inc., turning it into his primary investment vehicle.
Though Buffett’s success with Berkshire Hathaway made him one of the world’s wealthiest men, he eschewed lavish spending and criticized governmental policies and taxation that favoured the rich over the middle or lower classes.

(a) PQSR
(b) PSRQ
(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 can be rearranged to form a meaningful and grammatically correct sentence.
The old tendency illustrated by the outcome of the revolutionary
P. democratic liberty to succumb
Q. the tendency of merely artificial theories of
R. movements of 1848 was once more in evidence -
S. to the immemorial instinct
of race and race ascendancy.

(a) RQSP
(b) RSPQ
(c) RQPS
(d) RPSQ

**Answer: (c)**

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

(a) Withdraw
(b) Acceptance
(c) Admiration
(d) Contempt

**Answer: (d)**

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

(a) Modest
(b) Liberate
(c) Vanquish
(d) Colonize

**Answer: (b)**

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

(a) Complementary
(b) Suited
(c) Conflicting
(d) Coerce

**Answer: (c)**

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141. Select the word that is opposite in meaning (ANTONYM) to the word given below Benevolent

(a) Malevolent
(b) Magnanimous
(c) Altruistic
(d) Indulgent

**Answer: (a)**

142. Select the word that is similar in meaning (SYN YM) to the word given below Hedonist

(a) Unkind
(b) Gastronome
(c) Ascetic
(d) Sympathetic

**Answer: (b)**

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

(a) Circuitious
(b) Circuitous
(c) Circitous
(d) Circituous

**Answer: (b)**

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

(a) Perifidious
(b) Perfidous
(c) Perifidous
(d) Perfidious

**Answer: (d)**

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

(a) Adualition
(b) Adalation
(c) Adulition
(d) Adulation

**Answer: (d)**

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

(a) Anonymous
(b) Anonyomus
(c) Anonoymus
(d) Anonomous

**Answer: (a)**

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

(a) Congragation
(b) Congregation
(c) Congragaton
(d) Congrugation

**Answer: (b)**

148. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom A taste of your own medicine

(a) A dangerous person pretending harmless
(b) A result hat is still unclear and can go either way
(c) A visual presentation is far more descriptive than words
(d) When you are mistreated the same way you mistreat others

**Answer: (d)**

149. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Back to the drawing board

(a) Willing to do something immediately
(b) In a backward and forward motion
(c) Having to start all over again
(d) When an attempt fails and it's time to start all over

**Answer: (d)**

150. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Close but no cigar

(a) A situation involving a narrow escape from danger
(b) To be near and almost accomplish a goal, but fall short
(c) To hope that something happens the way you want it to
(d) Leave out all the unnecessary details and just get to the point

**Answer: (b)**

151. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Drastic times call for drastic measures

(a) When you are extremely desperate you need to take extremely desperate actions

(b) The show has come to an end. It's all over

(c) Killing of a certain ethnic or religious group on a massive scale

(d) Be optimistic, even difficult times will lead to better days

**Answer: (a)**

152. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the expressions given below The sound of Owls

(a) Croak

(b) Honk

(c) Neigh

(d) Hoot

**Answer: (d)**

153. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the expressions given below Killing of one person by another

(a) Homicide

(b) Genocide

(c) Filicide

(d) Fratricide

**Answer: (a)**

154. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the expressions given below A solemn procession, especially for a funeral

(a) Cortege

(b) Epitaph

(c) Interment

(d) Obituary

**Answer: (a)**

155. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the expressions given below A person who believes in or tries to bring about a state of lawlessness

(a) Cynic

(b) Arsonist

(c) Anarchist

(d) Ascetic

**Answer: (c)**

156. Which continent is the Easter Island situated on?

(a) South America

(b) Europe

(c) North America

(d) Asia

**Answer: (a)**

157. Why was the Island named Easter Island by the Dutch Explorer?

(a) Because it was discovered on Easter Sunday

(b) Because it was discovered on the festival of Easter

(c) Because it is a volcanic island

(d) Because of its South American heritage

**Answer: (a)**

158. What is the official name of the Island?

(a) Rapa Nui

(b) Easter Island

(c) Isla de Pascua

(d) Chilean Island

**Answer: (c)**

160. What are the statues, for which the Easter Island are famous for, are called?

(a) Polynesians

(b) Tuff

(c) Rano Raraku

(d) Moai

**Answer: (d)**

# 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

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| 7 | **(c)** | 8 | **(d)** | 9 | **(d)** | 10 | **(a)** | 11 | **(c)** | 12 | **(b)** |
| 13 | **(b)** | 14 | **(a)** | 15 | **(b)** | 16 | **(b)** | 17 | **(d)** | 18 | **(b)** |
| 19 | **(d)** | 20 | **(d)** | | | | | | | | |

### General Ability2

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

### General Awareness1

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

### General Awareness2

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

### Arithmetic Ability1

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

### Arithmetic Ability2

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| 101 | **(c)** | 102 | **(a)** | 103 | **(c)** | 104 | **(d)** | 105 | **(d)** | 106 | **(d)** |
| 107 | **(c)** | 108 | **(d)** | 109 | **(a)** | 110 | **(c)** | 111 | **(a)** | 112 | **(d)** |
| 113 | **(a)** | | | | | | | | | | |

### General English1

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

### General English2

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| 141 | **(a)** | 142 | **(b)** | 143 | **(b)** | 144 | **(d)** | 145 | **(d)** | 146 | **(a)** |
| 147 | **(b)** | 148 | **(d)** | 149 | **(d)** | 150 | **(b)** | 151 | **(a)** | 152 | **(d)** |
| 153 | **(a)** | 154 | **(a)** | 155 | **(c)** | 156 | **(a)** | 157 | **(a)** | 158 | **(c)** |
| 160 | **(d)** | | | | | | | | | | |