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DSSSB Fee Collector Sub Inspector Auction Recorder 2021 — 25 November 2021, Shift 2

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General Ability1

1. 'HPACE' is a jumbled form of a meaningful word, of which every letter has been assigned a number: HPACE-41352. Choose the option which gives the correct order of the letters as indicated by the numbers to form words.

(a) 34512
(b) 21354
(c) 12354
(d) 53124

Answer: (c)

2. The letters of a word are disorderly arranged as CBLROC'. If re-arranged in the correct order, the name of a vegetable is formed. What is tter of the word so formed?

(a) R
(b) L
(c) I
(d) C

Answer: (c)

3. Given here is a list of four words which are in a certain sequence. Choose the option which will continue the sequence:
Africa, Cabbage, Gelatine, Necklaces,?

(a) Establish
(b) Liability
(c) Especially
(d) Fantastic

Answer: (c)

4. Given below is a list of four words which are supposed to be formed from the letters of the term 'PRECISE'. Point the one which cannot be formed using the letters of the given term.

(a) RISE
(b) RESET
(c) PRICE
(d) PIECE

Answer: (b)

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) FKUJ
(b) LQAO
(c) DISH
(d) AFPE

Answer: (b)

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) B.Tech : 4 years
(b) M.Tech : 1 year
(c) MBA : 2 years
(d) B.Com : 3 years

Answer: (b)

7. Find the odd letter cluster:
ACIU, BDJV, GIOA, NPVZ

(a) ACIU
(b) BDJV
(c) GIOA
(d) NPVZ

Answer: (d)

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) LMNO : QHSI
(b) UVWX : ZQBS
(c) PQRS : ULWN
(d) ABCD : FWHY

Answer: (a)

9. Out of the four options choose the word which has the same relationship as the following:
WeChat, WhatsApp, Hike

(a) YOUTUBE
(b) GMAIL
(c) TELEGRAM
(d) REDIFF

Answer: (c)

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.
D : P :: E : ?

(a) Z
(b) J
(c) Y
(d) T

Answer: (c)

11. In the below analogous letter cluster pair, find the missing letter cluster:
LAHORE : OUQCGM :: AGRA : ?

(a) ACIU
(b) DAAO
(c) ARGA
(d) WGCQ

Answer: (b)

12. Select the option that is related to the third [illegible]n the same basis as the second term is related to the first term.
Atomic Nucleus : Electrons :: Sun : ?

(a) Planets
(b) Stars
(c) Solar System
(d) Satellites

Answer: (a)

13. If M=13 and KITE=45, then BRIGHT=?

(a) 64
(b) 58
(c) 72
(d) 98

Answer: (a)

14. If G = 20 and VICE = 69, then HUMBLE = ?

(a) 99
(b) 101
(c) 61
(d) 87

Answer: (b)

15. If 'KIRAN' is coded as '29-11-17-9-31' and 'VEERAJ' is coded as '49-16-16-17-9-37', then how will you code 'NIRVAN'?

(a) 31-29-11-17-9-31
(b) 31-17-49-31-11-9
(c) 31-11-17-9-29-31
(d) 31-11-17-49-9-31

Answer: (d)

16. In a certain code language, 'CRUST' is coded as 'FUUQR'. How will 'PASTE' be written in that same code?

(a) SCQCR
(b) SDSRC
(c) SDQRC
(d) SFQCD

Answer: (b)

17. Madhup and Tushar are brothers. Sandhaya is th ister of Vinod. Tushar is the son of Sandhaya. How is Madhup related to Sandhaya?

(a) Son
(b) Brother
(c) Brother's son
(d) Father

Answer: (a)

18. Mr. Gajanand stays with his family consisting of his wife, two married brothers of whom, one has three children and another has four children.
How many members are there in the family?

(a) 11
(b) 12
(c) 13
(d) 14

Answer: (c)

19. Select the logical order:
1.Flight boarding 2.Check-in
3.Departure
4.Security Check

(a) 1-4-2-3

(b) 3-4-2-1

(c) 2-4-1-3

(d) 4-3-2-1

Answer: (c)

20. There are 12 possible participants A to L who are going to make a team of 6 people. A has to be selected but doesn't want to team up with B. D has to be selected but doesn't want to team up with E and F. K has to be selected and L cannot be selected. In how many ways can the team be formed?

(a) 5

(b) 20

(c) 10

(d) 15

Answer: (c)

General Ability2

21. Below is given a set of statements and a set of conclusions which may or may not follow from the statement. Select the correct option:
Statements:
All houses are concrete.
All concrete are expensive.
Conclusion 1: Only some houses are expensive.
Conclusion 2: Some concrete are not houses.

(a) Only Conclusion 1 follows

(b) Only Conclusion 2 follows

(c) Both Conclusions follow

(d) None of the Conclusion follow

Answer: (b)

22. Below given is a statement an two arguments which may or may not be strong arguments in support of/against the statement. Identify the correct option:
Statement: Should all factories have advanced machinery.
Argument 1: Yes advanced machinery will bring in more accuracy and efficiency in work.
Argument 2: No, more mechanization will lead to human resources losing their jobs to machine.

(a) Only Argument 1 is strong

(b) Only Argument 2 is strong

(c) Both the Arguments are strong

(d) None of the Arguments are strong

Answer: (c)

23. Below is given a set of statements and a set of conclusions which may or may not follow from the statement. Select the correct option:
Statements:
Face Mask is a cosmetic.
No Cosmetic is cream.
Some creams are medicines.
Conclusion 1: Some creams are cosmetic.
Conclusion 2: Some medicines are face mask.
Conclusion 3: Some cosmetics are face mask.

(a) Only Conclusion 3 follows

(b) Only Conclusion 1 and 3 follows

(c) Only Conclusion 2 and 3 Follows

(d) None of the Conclusion follow

Answer: (a)

24. Given below is a statement and a set of three assumptions which may or may not be implicit. Select the correct option:
An advertisement says: "We want to provide our service at your doorstep, rather than you bothering to come to us. Give us a call".
Assumption 1: People generally visit the store to get the service.
Assumption 2: People like to get service at their doorstep rather than going to the store.
Assumption 3: People will call the service provider after seeing this advertisement.

(a) Only Assumption 1 is implicit

(b) Only Assumption 1 & 2 are implicit

(c) All three Assumptions are implicit

(d) None of the Assumptions are implic

Answer: (c)

25. Find the missing number from the series:
311, 313, 317, ____, 341, 373

(a) 333

(b) 325

(c) 323

(d) 327

Answer: (b)

26. Find the missing number from the series:
7, 8, 124, 48, 1330, 168, 4912, _____

(a) 360

(b) 528

(c) 6858

(d) 12166

Answer: (a)

27. Find the missing number from the series:
3, 7, 15, 31, ____, 127, 255

(a) 96
(b) 63
(c) 75
(d) 54

Answer: (b)

28. Find the wrong number from the series:
12, 30, 56, 90, 130, 182

(a) 182
(b) 130
(c) 90
(d) 56

Answer: (b)

General Awareness1

41. Which of the following is not a harvest festival?

(a) Vasant Panchami
(b) Bohag Bihu
(c) Wangala
(d) Gurpurab

Answer: (d)

42. Which of the following Indian festivals is a . inter festival, celebrating the passing of the winter solstice?

(a) Bohag Bihu
(b) Baisakhi
(c) Lohri
(d) Holi

Answer: (c)

43. "National Ayurveda Day" is celebrated on the same day as which of these festivals?

(a) Vesak
(b) Dhanteras
(c) Ram Navami
(d) Akshaya Tritiya

Answer: (b)

44. Vesak is celebrated largely by which of the following religious communities?
    (a) Buddhists
    (b) Muslims
    (c) Sikhs
    (d) Parsis
    Answer: (a)

45. Which of the following sentences best defines fiscal policy?
    (a) Policy to control interest rates or the money supply in a nation.
    (b) Regulations and agreements that control imports and exports to foreign countries.
    (c) Strategic effort by the State to encourage economic transformation.
    (d) An estimate of taxation and government spending that impacts economy.
    Answer: (d)

46. In the financial year 2021, which country had the highest FDI equity flow into India?
    (a) Netherlands
    (b) United Kingdom
    (c) Singapore
    (d) United States of America
    Answer: (c)

47. Which among these is not one of the 23 commodi covered by the MSP (Minimum Support Price) mechanism?
    (a) Onion
    (b) Peanut
    (c) Sesame
    (d) Sugarcane
    Answer: (a)

48. The Economic Survey of India is prepared under the guidance of which of the following personnel?
    (a) Finance Minister
    (b) Chief Economic Adviser of India
    (c) Governor of the Reserve Bank of India
    (d) Comptroller and Auditor general of India
    Answer: (b)

49. What was the theme of the Economic Survey 2020-21?
    (a) Agriculture and Rural economy.
    (b) Shifting Gears towards $5 trillion Indian Economy by 2024-25.
    (c) Ethical Wealth Creation.
    (d) Saving Lives and Livelihoods.
    Answer: (d)

50. All of the following foods are a rich source of Ascorbic acid, except _____.
(a) oranges
(b) strawberries
(c) potatoes
(d) beef
Answer: (d)

51. Which of the following carbon compounds is one of the main ingredients in a fire extinguisher?
(a) carbon monoxide
(b) carbon dioxide
(c) carbon disulfide
(d) carbon halides/ carboranes
Answer: (b)

52. Methylmercury poisoning is the cause of which of the following diseases?
(a) Ischemic heart disease
(b) Blackfoot disease
(c) Minamata disease
(d) Arsenicosis
Answer: (c)

53. Limnology refers to the study of:
(a) Marine life and ecosystems.
(b) Inland freshwater both standing and runnin
(c) Igneous, metamorphic and sedimen .
(d) All aspects of soil.
Answer: (b)

54. The study of the relationship between living things and their interactions with their surroundings is called:
(a) Zoology
(b) Geology
(c) Ecology
(d) Biology
Answer: (c)

55. In which part of India is Ley farming practiced?
(a) Arid zone
(b) Gangetic plain
(c) Deccan plateau
(d) Northeastern states
Answer: (a)

56. Which soil after adopting appropriate soil conservation techniques is highly suitable for growing tea and coffee?

(a) Forest Soil
(b) Alluvial Soil
(c) Laterite Soil
(d) Arid Soil

Answer: (c)

57. Which of these islands in the Bay of Bengal is not a part of India?

(a) North Sentinel Island
(b) St. Martin's Island
(c) Neil Island
(d) Sagar Island

Answer: (b)

58. As per the 2011 census, which is the most densely populated district in India?

(a) Kolkata
(b) Chennai
(c) North East Delhi
(d) Mumbai Suburban

Answer: (c)

59. Who among these personalities was the founder the Aligarh Muslim University?

(a) Asaf Ali
(b) Dr. Zakir Hussain
(c) Mohammad Ali Jauhar
(d) Sir Syed Ahmed Khan

Answer: (d)

60. During the reign of which dynasty did Gautama Buddha spend much of his life in Magadha?

(a) Haryanka Dynasty
(b) Shishunaga Dynasty
(c) Pradyota Dynasty
(d) Maurya Dynasty

Answer: (a)

General Awareness2

61. the "Tripartite Struggle" for the control of Northern India in the Early Medieval period did not involve which of the following parties?

(a) Pratihara Empire
(b) Pala Empire
(c) Pallava Empire
(d) Rashtrakuta Empire

Answer: (c)

62. The Northern Black Polished Ware (NBPW) culture in the Indian Subcontinent can be linked to which period?

(a) Neolithic Age
(b) Chalcolithic Age
(c) Bronze Age
(d) Iron Age

Answer: (d)

63. With reference to the Puranas, which of the following Tirthankaras was said to be the cousin of Lord Krishna?

(a) Shantinatha
(b) Neminatha
(c) Mahavira
(d) Munisuvrata

Answer: (b)

64. Arundhati Roy won the Man Booker Prize in 1997 for which of her books?

(a) The End of Imagination
(b) Broken Republic
(c) The God of Small Things
(d) The Cost of Living

Answer: (c)

65. The novel "Hullabaloo in the Guava Orchard" is ıtten by:

(a) Kiran Desai
(b) Jhumpa Lahiri
(c) Chitra Banerjee
(d) Amrita Pritam

Answer: (a)

66. Mulk Raj Anand won the Sahitya Akademi Award in 1971 for which of his books?

(a) The Big Heart
(b) Morning Face
(c) Untouchable
(d) Across the Black Waters

Answer: (b)

67. Which of these Indian American Journalists was awarded the Padma Bhushan in 2010 for their contributions to journalism?

(a) Vinnie Malhotra
(b) Sanjay Gupta
(c) Fareed Zakaria
(d) Bobby Ghosh

Answer: (c)

68. The first Covid 19 case in India was recorded in the state of:

(a) Kerala

(b) Karnataka

(c) Maharashtra

(d) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: (a)

69. Who succeeded Kamal Nath as the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh after the political crisis of March 2020?

(a) Uday Pratap Singh

(b) Umang Singhar

(c) Yashodara Raje Scindia

(d) Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Answer: (d)

70. A team of security forces was attacked in the Sukma-Bijapur district border of Chhattisgarh on 23rd March 2020 by which of the following groups?

(a) Lal Jhanda dal

(b) People's Liberation Guerilla Army (PGLA)

(c) Salwa Judum

(d) Bhumi Sena

Answer: (b)

71. The Baghjan gas leak on 27th May 2020 occurr[illegible]n which of the following states?

(a) Assam

(b) West Bengal

(c) Nagaland

(d) Gujarat

Answer: (a)

72. The Forest Rights Act, which accords legal recognition to the rights of traditional forest dwelling communities in India was passed in the year:

(a) 2000

(b) 2002

(c) 2006

(d) 2008

Answer: (c)

73. The Representation of People Act, 1951 deals with:

(a) Process of selection for public services

(b) Procedure of elections held in the country

(c) Procedure of bills being raised in the parliament

(d) Eligibility criteria for qualifying scheduled cast or scheduled tribe status

Answer: (b)

74. All offences under which of these sections of the Indian Penal Code are considered non-bailable?

(a) Section 124A- Sedition
(b) Section 506- Criminal Intimidation
(c) Section 186- Disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant
(d) Section 210- Fraudulently making false claim in court

Answer: (a)

75. When did the Information Technology Act come into effect?

(a) 1998
(b) 2002
(c) 2004
(d) 2000

Answer: (d)

76. How many players does a Kho-Kho team consist of?

(a) 14
(b) 12
(c) 10
(d) 8

Answer: (b)

77. The 2018 Men's Hockey World Cup was held in w h state?

(a) Maharashtra
(b) Tamil Nadu
(c) Odisha
(d) West Bengal

Answer: (c)

78. In which year did the Indian men's hockey team win the World Cup?

(a) 1971
(b) 1973
(c) 1975
(d) 1978

Answer: (c)

79. Seval Sandhai is a rural sport in Tamin Nadu, which is a form of:

(a) Martial Arts
(b) Kite flying
(c) Bull-fighting
(d) Cock- fighting

Answer: (d)

80. The first ever match of first-class cricket in 1864, in India was played between:

(a) Delhi and Madras

(b) Madras and Bombay

(c) Calcutta and Bombay

(d) Madras and Calcutta

Answer: (d)

Arithmetic Ability1

81. Two numbers are in the ratio 9 : 11. If their HCF is 4, then find the numbers.

(a) 34, 42

(b) 36, 44

(c) 84, 110

(d) 92, 84

Answer: (b)

82. The HCF of two numbers is 4 and the LCM is 48. If one of the numbers is 16, find the other number.

(a) 32

(b) 12

(c) 20

(d) 8

Answer: (b)

83. Arrange the fractions in descending or 1/2 3, 1/4, 3/9, 2/7

(a) 1/4, 2/7, 1/2, 5/3, 3/9

(b) 5/3, 2/7, 1/4, 1/2, 23/9

(c) 1/2, 5/3, 1/4, 1/3, 2/7

(d) 5/3, 1/2, 3/9, 2/7, 1/4

Answer: (d)

84. A long rope of 55 m is cut into several equal parts of length 2.5 m. Find the number of such parts.

(a) 5

(b) 11

(c) 18

(d) 22

Answer: (d)

85. There are a certain number of students in Physics Department. The average age of all the students in Physics department is 18 years. Later it was found that two data were recorded incorrectly as 17 and 20 instead of 16 and 23. Find the correct average age (approx.), if the total number of students are 30.

(a) 18 years
(b) 20 years
(c) 16 years
(d) 19 years

Answer: (a)

86. The marked price of an article is raised 30% above the cost price. If the discount on the article is 10%, find the ratio of cost price and selling price.

(a) 100 : 130
(b) 170 : 100
(c) 100 : 117
(d) 117 : 110

Answer: (c)

87. The average of the squares of first five natural numbers is:

(a) 55
(b) 11
(c) 16.5
(d) 25

Answer: (b)

88. Rahul's monthly salary is Rs. 7200. He spe[illegible]% of the salary on rent, 20% on education and 70% of the remaining amount is invested in Gold. Find the amount invested in Gold.

(a) Rs. 2016
(b) Rs. 3617
(c) Rs. 2531
(d) Rs. 2825

Answer: (a)

89. A student has to obtain a minimum of at least 42% marks in an examination to pass. He scored 37% and failed by 50 marks. Find the total marks of the exam.

(a) 1200
(b) 500
(c) 1500
(d) 1000

Answer: (d)

90. The difference between 67% of a number and 39% of the same number is 84. Find the number.

(a) 300
(b) 367
(c) 127
(d) 427

Answer: (a)

91. A man divides Rs. 6600 between his two children. The difference between the shares of two children is 30% of the total amount. Find the larger amount.

(a) Rs. 4939
(b) Rs. 4829
(c) Rs. 4290
(d) Rs. 4273

Answer: (c)

92. If the selling price of an article is 7/6th of its cost price, find the profit percent.

(a) 8.33 percent
(b) 16.66 percent
(c) 33.33 percent
(d) 42.33 percent

Answer: (b)

93. By selling an article for Rs. 420, a man gains Rs. At what price he must sell the article to get Rs. 73 profit?

(a) Rs. 528
(b) Rs. 235
(c) Rs. 443
(d) Rs. 365

Answer: (c)

94. A shopkeeper sells some bananas at the rate of Rs. 7.50 each. He bought the bananas at the rate of Rs. 5.50 each. Find the total profit earned on selling 2 dozen bananas.

(a) Rs. 48
(b) Rs. 24
(c) Rs. 44
(d) Rs. 41

Answer: (a)

95. In a society, the ratio of engineers to scientists is 4 : 5. If the total number of people in the group is 81, what is the number of engineers in the group?

(a) 45
(b) 36
(c) 21
(d) 27

Answer: (b)

96. The ratio of number of men and women in a village of 6500 people is 7 : 6. How many more men should be added such that number of men becomes double that of women?

(a) 3200
(b) 3500
(c) 4200
(d) 2500

Answer: (d)

97. The ratio of acid to water in a beaker is 2 : 17. Find the total volume of liquid in the beaker if on adding 15 ml of water the ratio of acid to water becomes 1 : 9.

(a) 273 ml
(b) 352 ml
(c) 285 ml
(d) 246 ml

Answer: (c)

99. Find the approximate value of simple interest earned on a sum of Rs. 6600 for 3 years at 9.09% interest rate.

(a) Rs. 900
(b) Rs. 1800
(c) Rs. 1600
(d) Rs. 1400

Answer: (b)

100. A sum of money becomes four times in [illegible] years at a certain interest rate. Now, in how many years will the amount become 13 times its principal value at the same rate?

(a) 5 years
(b) 9 years
(c) 12 years
(d) 8 years

Answer: (d)

Arithmetic Ability2

101. The difference between compound interest and simple interest on a sum of Rs. 9000 for 2 years is Rs. 405. Find the rate of interest.

(a) 21.2 percent
(b) 48 percent
(c) 38 percent
(d) 39 percent

Answer: (a)

102. In how many years will Rs. 62500 become Rs. 129600 at compound interest of 20 percent per annum?

(a) 3 years
(b) 8 years
(c) 4 years
(d) 5 years

Answer: (c)

103. A student increases his speed by 25% and reaches school 10 minutes earlier. Find the actual time taken by him to reach the school.

(a) 26 minutes
(b) 50 minutes
(c) 32 minutes
(d) 72 minutes

Answer: (b)

104. Two stations are 1500 km apart. Two trains start approaching each other from the two ends of the station simultaneously at the speed of 90 kmph and 60 kmph. Find the time after which they will cross each other.

(a) 18 hours
(b) 10 hours
(c) 12 hours
(d) 15 hours

Answer: (b)

105. Jane can complete a journey in 14 hours. [illegible]mpletes first half of the journey at a speed of 30 kmph and the rest at the speed of 45 kmph. Find the total distance travelled by him.

(a) 392 km
(b) 469 km
(c) 504 km
(d) 492 km

Answer: (c)

106. A can complete a piece of work in 6 days while B can complete 6/7 of the same work in 6 days. Find the time in which A and B working together can complete 13/7th part of the work.

(a) 8 days
(b) 7 days
(c) 12 days
(d) 6 days

Answer: (d)

107. Tap 'P' can fill the tank in 4 hours. Tap 'Q' can fill the tank in 6 hours while Tap 'R' can empty the tank in 12 hours. Find the time taken to fill the tank when all the three tanks are opened simultaneously.

(a) 3 hours

(b) 4.5 hours

(c) 2.5 hours

(d) 5 hours

Answer: (a)

108. A can do a piece of work in 12 days and B can do the same work in 18 days. They start working together and A leaves the work after working for 5 days. C joined the work when A left. C can complete the same work in 15 days. In how many days will B and C together complete the remaining work?

(a) 5 days

(b) 2.5 days

(c) 2 days

(d) 7 days

Answer: (b)

109. Sunil can write 500 pages in 5 days while Abhay can write 750 pages in 8 days. In how many days will they complete writing 1500 pages when working together?

(a) 129/ 31 days

(b) 173/ 23 days

(c) 253/ 26 days

(d) 240/ 31 days

Answer: (d)

111. A metal ball of radius 9 cm is melted into smaller balls are radius 1.5 cm. Find the number of balls formed.

(a) 216

(b) 244

(c) 265

(d) 263

Answer: (a)

112. A rhombus has side of length 20 cm. One of the lengths of the diagonal is 24 cm. Find the length of the other diagonal.

(a) 19 cm

(b) 20 cm

(c) 32 cm

(d) 45 cm

Answer: (c)

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'.
One of his first acts was to/ sign agreement that Mexico would repay/ France the entire cost of the war.

(a) One of his first acts was to

(b) sign agreement that Mexico would repay

(c) France the entire cost of the war.

(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'.
John and me got busy/ just that afternoon/ when everyone was out.

(a) John and me got busy

(b) just that afternoon

(c) when everyone was out.

(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'.
In 1779, Ludd is supposed/ to have broken two stocking/ frames in the fit of rage.

(a) In 1779, Ludd is supposed

(b) to have broken two stocking

(c) frames in the fit of rage.

(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'.
As each day brought more damage, even their/ darn hoof prints messing up the beds, Meghan and/ me would kvetch daily about our deer problem.

(a) As each day brought more damage, even their

(b) darn hoof prints messing up the beds, Meghan and

(c) me would kvetch daily about our deer problem.

(d) No Error

Answer: (c)

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'.
The painted surface is splotchy, as/ if damp or abrased, and/ the piece as a whole is very subdued.

(a) The painted surface is splotchy, as

(b) if damp or abrased, and

(c) the piece as a whole is very subdued.

(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 seems that 2003 is off to a good start as, this week, DJs big and small (will provide many a chances as tomfoolery) and monkey business.

(a) will provide many a chance for tomfoolery

(b) would provide many the chances as tomfoolery

(c) could provide many a chances with tomfoolery

(d) No correction 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.
The (company said it will also dispose 12,000 surplu eight) cars in an effort to reduce costs.

(a) company said it will also dispose the 12,000 plus freight

(b) company said it will also have dispo surplus freight

(c) company said it will also dispose of 12,000 urplus freight

(d) No correction required

Answer: (c)

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.
Candidates were asked (which nation, beside Canada, concerns them) the most.

(a) what nations, beside Canada, concern them

(b) which nation, besides Canada, concerns them

(c) what nation, beside Canada, concern them

(d) No correction 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.
As the chicken contemplated crossing (the road, she asked herself why.)

(a) the road, she asked herself why?

(b) the roads, she asks herself why.

(c) the road, she always asked herself why?

(d) No correction required

Answer: (d)

130. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate choice
But he moves beyond Austin and Searle's _____ distinction between locution, illocution, and perlocution.

(a) dendrite

(b) contrite

(c) tripartite

(d) attrite

Answer: (c)

131. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate choice
There are amongst the constellations four great _____ or serpent-like forms.

(a) cosmogonic

(b) draconic

(c) catatonic

(d) polygenic

Answer: (b)

132. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate choice
Though Americans are notoriously _____, the plague of lawsuits is largely a myth.

(a) litigious

(b) egregious

(c) prodigious

(d) contagious

Answer: (a)

133. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate choice
This may have served the purpose of camouflage, making the animal more _____.

(a) prestigious

(b) conspicuous

(c) inconspicuous

(d) ambiguous

Answer: (c)

134. 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.
After more natives
P. kill most of the natives
Q. Crusoe and Friday
R. a cannibal feast,
S. arrive to partake in
and save two prisoners.

(a) SRQP

(b) PQRS

(c) RQPS

(d) SPQR

Answer: (a)

135. 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.
Romulus, Rome's first king according to tradition, was the invention of later ancient historians.
P. His fictitious reign was filled with deeds expected of an ancient city founder and the son of a war god.
Q. His name, which is not even proper Latin, was designed to explain the origin of Rome's name.
R. Thus he was described as having established Rome's early political, military, and social institutions and as having waged war against neighbouring states.
S. Romulus was also thought to have shared his royal power for a time with a Sabine named Titus Tatius.
The name may be that of an authentic ruler of early Rome, perhaps Rome's first real king; nothing, however, was known about him in later centuries, and his reign was therefore lumped together with that of Romulus.

(a) PSQR

(b) QPRS

(c) PSRQ

(d) RPQS

Answer: (b)

136. 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.
Many arguments from
P. both the Flood narrative
Q. establish that the deluge
R. Scriptural references,
S. itself, and from later
was indeed universal.

(a) PSQR
(b) QPRS
(c) PSRQ
(d) RPQS

Answer: (c)

137. 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 regal period (753–509 BC) and the early republic (509–280 BC) are the most poorly documented periods of Roman history because historical accounts of Rome were not written until much later.
P. Thus historical writing at Rome did not begin until after Rome had completed its conquest of Italy, had emerged as a major power of the ancient world, and was engaged in a titanic struggle with Carthage for control of the western Mediterranean.
Q. During the last 200 years BC, 16 other Romans wr similarly inclusive narratives.
R. Greek historians did not take serious notice of Ro until the Pyrrhic War (280–275 BC), when Rome was completing its conquest of Italy and was ghting against the Greek city of Tarentum in southern Italy.
S. Rome's first native historian, a senator name ntus Fabius Pictor, lived and wrote even later, during the Second Punic War (218–201 BC).
All these works are now collectively termed "the Roman annalistic tradition" because many of them attempted to give a year-by-year account of Roman affairs for the republic.

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

Answer: (d)

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

(a) amusing
(b) formal
(c) grave
(d) propagate

Answer: (a)

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

(a) accept
(b) controvert
(c) repudiate
(d) negate

Answer: (a)

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

(a) cherish
(b) disparity
(c) stale
(d) amorphous

Answer: (c)

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

(a) believer
(b) eloquence
(c) cynic
(d) critic

Answer: (a)

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

(a) disperse
(b) selfish
(c) chivalry
(d) hyperbole

Answer: (c)

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

(a) fortutous
(b) harangue
(c) indebted
(d) mercurial

Answer: (a)

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

(a) precarous
(b) precarious
(c) precerious
(d) precerous

Answer: (b)

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

(a) pragmatic
(b) presumptious
(c) propriety
(d) salubrious

Answer: (b)

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

(a) saitate
(b) sitate
(c) saiate
(d) satiate

Answer: (d)

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

(a) volatile
(b) untenable
(c) transeint
(d) torpor

Answer: (c)

148. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom A wolf in sheep's clothing

(a) In the order of; on the authority of
(b) When you are mistreated the same way you mistreat others
(c) Fair and honest
(d) A dangerous person pretending harmless

Answer: (d)

149. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Cut to the chase

(a) Someone who isn't adequate enough to compete or participate
(b) Leave out all the unnecessary details and just get to the point
(c) To make someone laugh
(d) An unbelievable tale, untrue story

Answer: (b)

150. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Fire and brimstone

(a) An enjoyable day or circumstance
(b) Referring to hell and how they think people are punished there after death.
(c) A very tasty food or meal
(d) To become more comfortable in whatever you are doing

Answer: (b)

151. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom Hit below the belt

(a) Contrary the principles of fairness

(b) An expression of comfort

(c) A person who is always willing to volunteer or do extra work.

(d) To force an issue that has already ended

Answer: (a)

152. Select the most appropriate 'one word' for the expressions given below The arrangement of events or dates in the order of their occurrence

(a) Anthropology

(b) Ethnology

(c) Chronology

(d) Terminology

Answer: (c)

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

(a) Creche

(b) Claque

(c) Crusade

(d) Cynosure

Answer: (b)

154. Select the most appropriate 'one word' for the expressions given below Kindness shown to somebody when they are being punished

(a) Clemency

(b) Caucus

(c) Caravan

(d) Cluck

Answer: (a)

155. Select the most appropriate 'one word' for the expressions given below Examples that represent or express something very well

(a) Epoch

(b) Epigraph

(c) Epitome

(d) Epitaph

Answer: (c)

156. In the year 2004 how many Vietnamese students took the University Entrance Examination?

(a) 2 Million

(b) 1 Million

(c) 5 Million

(d) 3 Million

Answer: (b)

157. What is the minimum exam subjects one has to take in the University Entrance Examination?

(a) 3

(b) 4

(c) 5

(d) 2

Answer: (a)

160. According to the 4 fixed groups of subjects, which of the following mentioned subject is not in any classified group?

(a) Maths

(b) English

(c) Literature

(d) History

Answer: (b)

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

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

General Awareness1

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

General Awareness2

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

Arithmetic Ability1

81	**(b)**	82	**(b)**	83	**(d)**	84	[illegible]	5	**(a)**	86	**(c)**
87	**(b)**	88	**(a)**	89	**(d)**	90	**(a)**	91	**(c)**	92	**(b)**
93	**(c)**	94	**(a)**	95	**(b)**	96	**(d)**	97	**(c)**	99	**(b)**
100	**(d)**										

Arithmetic Ability2

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

General English1

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

General English2

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