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General Ability1

1. Five friends Navya, Prateek, Mukul, Pihoo and Vibha are sitting on a straight bench, all facing north. There are only two friends sitting between Navya and Pihoo. Prateek is sitting to the immediate right of Pihoo and third to the left of Vibha. How many friends are sitting between Vibha and Mukul?

(a) 0
(b) 1
(c) 2
(d) 3

Answer: (b)

2. Six students Q, R, S, T, U and V are sitti[illegible]ight bench facing towards east. R is sitting to the immediate left of T. S is sitting at the extrem[illegible]ht end. Only two friends are sitting between R and Q. U is sitting at the third position from the left side and to the immediate left of R.
Who is sitting at the extreme left end?

(a) Q
(b) V
(c) R
(d) T

Answer: (a)

3. Nine friends G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N and O are sitting in a straight line facing towards the east. M is sitting exactly at the middle position. Only four friends are sitting between L and G. G is sitting third to the right of M and to the immediate left of O. Only J is sitting between L and N.
Who is sitting at the extreme left end?

(a) O
(b) N
(c) L
(d) H

Answer: (b)

4. Seven girls Jaismeen, Farheen, Sweety, Anaya, Vishakha, Kamini and Lovely are sitting on a straight line facing towards north. Jaismeen is not the immediate neighbour of Anaya or Sweety. Farheen is sitting fourth to the left of Jaismeen and to the immediate right of Vishakha. Lovely is sitting at the extreme right end and third to the right of Sweety. Who is sitting at the extreme left end?

(a) Farheen

(b) Vishakha

(c) Anaya

(d) Kamini

Answer: (b)

5. In a row, Monalika is at the 12th position from the left and Vinayak is at the 14th position from the right. Monalika is second to the left of Vinayak. Find the number of people in the row.

(a) 25

(b) 26

(c) 27

(d) 28

Answer: (c)

6. Six doctors A, B, C, D, E and F live on different floors of a six-floor building having floor numbers from 1 to 6. D lives just above the floor of E.
F lives on the 4th floor and D does not live on the top or the bottom floor. A lives just below the C's floor. Who lives on the first floor?

(a) A

(b) E

(c) B

(d) C

Answer: (c)

7. Six teachers A, B, C, D, E and F have their classes on six different days of a week starting from Monday and ending on Saturday, but not necessarily in the same order. Only two teachers have classes before A. Only three teachers have classes between F and E. The class of only E is after the class of C. The class of B does not lie between the classes of C and A. On which day does D take the class?

(a) Tuesday

(b) Thursday

(c) Friday

(d) Saturday

Answer: (b)

8. Read the given statements and conclusions carefully. Assuming that the information given in the statements is true, even if it appears to be at variance with commonly known facts, decide which of the given conclusions logically follow(s) from the statements.
Statements:
I. Some flowers are fruits.
II. All fruits are plants.
III. Some plants are trees.
Conclusions:
I. Some trees are flowers.
II. Some plants are flowers.

(a) Only conclusion I follows.

(b) Only conclusion II follows.

(c) Both conclusions I and II follow.

(d) Neither conclusion I nor II follows.

Answer: (b)

9. Two statements are followed by two conclusions, numbered I and II. Identify which of the conclusions is/are true based on the given statements.
Statements:
$P \geq Q > R = S$
$R > T \geq U$
Conclusions:
I. $P \geq U$
II. $Q > T$

(a) Only I is true.

(b) Only II is true.

(c) Neither I nor II is true.

(d) Both I and II are true.

Answer: (b)

10. There are six members D, E, F, G, H and I in a family, each having a different height. Only two members are taller than D. H is taller than I and G but shorter than D. F is tallest among all. E is taller than how many members of the family?

(a) 1

(b) 2

(c) 3

(d) 4

Answer: (d)

11. Select the option that represents the letters that, when placed from left to right in the blanks below, will complete the letter pattern.
M _ T J _ _ T _ M R _ J M _ _ J

(a) M R M J T T R

(b) R M R J T R T

(c) R M T J T R M

(d) R M R J R R T

Answer: (b)

12. Select the option that represents the letters that, when placed from left to right in the blanks below, will complete the letter pattern.
A _ K _ _ L K _ A L _ M A _

(a) L M A K K L

(b) L A M M K L

(c) L M A M K L

(d) L M A M L K

Answer: (c)

13. In a certain code language, 'Varun eats Pizza' is written as 'Tin Min Rin', 'Piyush eats Burger' is written as 'Sin Rin Fin', and 'Yummy Pizza Burger' is written as 'Fin Vin Tin'.
How will 'Burger' be written in that language?

(a) Tin

(b) Sin

(c) Rin

(d) Fin

Answer: (d)

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How will 'eats Yummy Pizza' be written in that language?

(a) Fin Tin Rin

(b) Vin Sin Tin

(c) Tin Rin Vin

(d) Min Tin Vin

Answer: (c)

15. In a certain code language, 'mango is fruit' is written as 'Ig Tn Pt', 'I eat mango' is written as 'Sn Tn Kl', and 'eat healthy fruit' is written as 'Kl Vs Ig'.
How will 'healthy fruit' be written in that language?

(a) Kl Vs

(b) Vs Ig

(c) Kl Ig

(d) Vs Pt

Answer: (b)

16. Vaibhav is facing towards the south. He turns 90° clockwise and moves 4 km straight. Then he turns by 90° anticlockwise and moves 6 km. He further turns towards his right and moves 4 km to reach a mall. What is the shortest distance from his initial position to this mall?

(a) 10 km

(b) 8.5 km

(c) 7 km

(d) 6 km

Answer: (a)

17. Alexa left her office to go home by an office bus. The bus travelled 5 km straight towards the north and then took a left turn and moved 7 km on a straight road. The bus further took a right turn and moved 7 km on a straight road and again took a left turn and moved a further 2 km on a straight road to reach her home. Find the shortest distance between the office and the home of Alexa.

(a) 12 km

(b) 13 km

(c) 15 km

(d) 16 km

Answer: (c)

18. Point B is 3 m west of Point P and 4 m north of point N. Point P is 4 m south of point A and point A is 3 m west of point M. Find the shortest distance between M and N.

(a) 7 m

(b) 9 m

(c) 10 m

(d) 12 m

Answer: (c)

19. 'A + B' means 'A is the mother of B',
'A – B' means 'A is the father of B',
'A × B' means 'A is the brother of B' and
'A & B' means 'A is the daughter of B'.
Based on the given information, decide how H is related to P if 'H + T × G & K – P'.

(a) Sister

(b) Father's sister

(c) Mother

(d) Daughter

Answer: (c)

20. 'A # B' means 'A is the brother of B',
'A @ B' means 'A is the husband of B',
'A $ B' means 'A is the wife of B' and
'A & B' means 'A is the daughter of B'.
Based on the given information, decide how F is related to B if 'B $ N # L & G @ F'.

(a) Mother

(b) Sister

(c) Mother-in-law

(d) Daughter-in-law

Answer: (c)

General Ability2

21. Mayuri and Ruhi are the daughters of Vishal. Kanak is the wife of Manglesh. Vishal is the brother of Kavya, who is the daughter of Kanak. How is Mayuri related to Manglesh?

(a) Daughter

(b) Sister

(c) Son's daughter

(d) Daughter's daughter

Answer: (c)

22. Pointing towards a picture of a man, Twisha said, "His mother is the daughter-in-law of my mother". How is the man related to Twisha?

(a) Son

(b) Brother

(c) Brother's son

(d) Sister's son

Answer: (c)

23. Select the correct option that indicates the arrangement of the given words in the order in which they appear in an English dictionary.

1. Magnetize
2. Magnitude
3. Magnesium
4. Magnificient
5. Magnetism

(a) 2, 3, 1, 4, 5

(b) 3, 2, 1, 4, 5

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

(d) 2, 5, 1, 4, 3

Answer: (c)

24. Select the option in which the letter-cluster pair does NOT follow the same rule or logic as followed by the given letter-cluster pair.

FHK : HJP :: ?

(a) WDG : YFT

(b) KPS : MRH

(c) MRY : QTB

(d) QJK : SLP

Answer: (c)

25. Select the number from among the given options that can replace the question mark (?) in the following series.

12, 16, 43, 59, 184, ?

(a) 220

(b) 254

(c) 398

(d) 400

Answer: (a)

26. Identify the number that does NOT belong to the following series.
48, 65, 82, 98, 116

(a) 65

(b) 82

(c) 98

(d) 116

Answer: (c)

27. Select the option that is related to the third number in the same way as the second number is related to the first number and the sixth number is related to the fifth number.
12 : 134 :: 17 : ? :: 19 : 351

(a) 248

(b) 262

(c) 279

(d) 335

Answer: (c)

28. From the given options, select the one in which the set of numbers does NOT follow the same logic/rule/relation as followed by the numbers in the given set.
(125, 111, 236)

(a) (175, 103, 278)

(b) (216, 153, 369)

(c) (625, 178, 803)

(d) (154, 128, 272)

Answer: (d)

29. Three of the following number-triads follow a certain rule/logic/relation, and therefore are alike in a certain way. Select the one that is different.

(a) (78, 97, 118)

(b) (64, 87, 108)

(c) (112, 131, 152)

(d) (124, 143, 164)

Answer: (b)

30. Which of the following interchange of signs would make the given equation correct?
117 + 9 − 18 × 2 ÷ 58 = 35

(a) ÷ and +

(b) − and +

(c) ÷ and ×

(d) + and ×

Answer: (a)

31. In a certain code language, ‘we came’ is written as ‘sot bot’, ‘they came there’ is written as ‘zot qot sot’, ‘they think’ is written as ‘qot mot’. How will ‘they came’ be written in that language?

(a) sot mot
(b) sot qot
(c) bot mot
(d) bot qot

Answer: (b)

32. Mihir goes 15 m towards north from his home; from there he turns left and walks 28 m. Then he turns right and walks 15 m. Then he finally turns left and walks 12 m to reach an ATM. What is the shortest distance between Mihir’s home and the ATM?

(a) 40 m
(b) 60 m
(c) 68 m
(d) 50 m

Answer: (d)

General Awareness1

41. What was the age of Babur when he ascended the throne of Ferghana?

(a) 12 years
(b) 13 years
(c) 14 years
(d) 15 years

Answer: (a)

42. Burhan-ul-Mulk Sa‘adat Khan was appointed subadar of Awadh in:

(a) 1718
(b) 1722
(c) 1734
(d) 1751

Answer: (b)

43. Who among the following is associated with Champaran Satyagraha?

(a) Raj Kumar Shukla
(b) Lala Har Dayal
(c) C Rajagopalachari
(d) Lala Lajpat Rai

Answer: (a)

44. When did Mahatma Gandhi begin walking from his ashram at Sabarmati towards the ocean for salt march?

(a) 18 March 1930
(b) 18 April 1930
(c) 12 March 1930
(d) 12 April 1930

Answer: (c)

45. Vasco da Gama, a Portuguese explorer, discovered the sea route to India in:

(a) 1479
(b) 1498
(c) 1509
(d) 1547

Answer: (b)

46. After the 1857 revolt, Bahadur Shah Zafar and his sons were arrested by:

(a) Captain John Nicholson
(b) Captain William Taylor
(c) Captain Hugh Rose
(d) Captain Hodson

Answer: (d)

47. Who among the following became India's 72nd g[illegible]master of chess?

(a) Abhimanyu Mishra
(b) Dommaraju Gukesh
(c) Sankalp Gupta
(d) Mitrabha Guha

Answer: (d)

48. Which of the following states started the Gramin Olympic scheme on 14 November 2021?

(a) Haryana
(b) Rajasthan
(c) Gujarat
(d) Punjab

Answer: (b)

49. What is the full form of 'USTAD' which is an initiative started by the Ministry of Minority Affairs?

(a) Updating the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/ Crafts for Development
(b) Upgrading the Skills and Talent in Traditional Arts/ Crafts for Design
(c) Updating the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/ Crafts for Design
(d) Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/ Crafts for Development

Answer: (d)

50. Which of the following states announced the Mathrubhumi Scheme in September 2021?

(a) Uttar Pradesh

(b) Bihar

(c) Manipur

(d) West Bengal

Answer: (a)

51. Which of the following is the first state to implement the cyber crisis management plan in the power sector?

(a) Andhra Pradesh

(b) Karnataka

(c) Madhya Pradesh

(d) Kerala

Answer: (c)

52. Which of the following countries became the first country in the world to accept a Bitcoin as legal tender?

(a) Ethiopia

(b) Nigeria

(c) Djibouti

(d) El Salvador

Answer: (d)

53. Which caves were built in the third century BCE during the Mauryan period in Bihar?

(a) Bhimbetka Caves

(b) Khajuraho Caves

(c) Barabar Caves

(d) Bagh Caves

Answer: (c)

54. Walar dance of Rajasthan is a beautiful and enthusiastic tribal dance performed particularly by the women of:

(a) Garasia tribe

(b) Santhal tribe

(c) Khasi tribe

(d) Naga tribe

Answer: (a)

55. Bharatanatyam of Tamil Nadu in southern India has grown out of the art of dancers dedicated to temples, and was earlier known as:

(a) Lotha

(b) Kadar

(c) Lezim

(d) Sadir

Answer: (d)

56. Which of the following folk dances is associated with the state of Sikkim?
(a) Phagun Puni
(b) Dalkhai
(c) Hojagiri
(d) Tashi Sabdo
Answer: (d)

57. In 2021, legendary singer S P Balasubrahmanyam was posthumously honoured with the:
(a) Padma Vibhushan
(b) Padma Shri
(c) Padma Bhushan
(d) Bharat Ratna
Answer: (a)

58. Nisar Hussain Khan, Rashid Khan are the two prominent musicians of recent times belonging to:
(a) Rampur Saheswan Gharana
(b) Jaipur Gharana
(c) Gwalior Gharana
(d) Agra Gharana
Answer: (a)

59. In which state is Makaravilakku festival celebrated at Sabarimala Temple?
(a) Kerala
(b) Maharashtra
(c) Karnataka
(d) Andhra Pradesh
Answer: (a)

60. Hampi festival, which is also known as Vijaya Utsav, is a famous festival celebrating the birthday of the ancient poet:
(a) Tirumalamba
(b) Chikkupadhyaya
(c) Amoghavarsha
(d) Purandaradasa
Answer: (d)

General Awareness2

61. According to the Union budget 2021-22, which of the following is the largest source of income for the central government?
(a) Corporation-Tax
(b) Borrowings and Other Liabilities
(c) Non-Debt Capital Receipts
(d) Goods and Service Tax
Answer: (b)

62. According to the 'Human Development Index' 2020, the life expectancy of Indians at birth in 2019 was:

(a) 69.7 years
(b) 67.3 years
(c) 72.4 years
(d) 70.8 years

Answer: (a)

63. In which year was the Industrial Finance Corporation of India set up as a Statutory Corporation for providing medium and long term finance to the industry?

(a) 1948
(b) 1952
(c) 1954
(d) 1956

Answer: (a)

64. When the government increases the money supply in the economy using budgetary instruments to either raise spending or cut taxes is called:

(a) neutral policy
(b) expansionary policy
(c) contractionary policy
(d) normalised policy

Answer: (b)

65. In Union Budget 2021-22, it is announced that the Government will amend the Insurance Act, 1938 to increase the permissible FDI limit from [illegible] to:

(a) 74%
(b) 65%
(c) 75%
(d) 67%

Answer: (a)

66. In which state is Ghughua/Ghughwa fossil park located?

(a) Rajasthan
(b) Bihar
(c) Uttar Pradesh
(d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: (d)

67. Which of the following states and the percentage of its population with respect to the total population of India is approximately correct according to the Census of 2011?

(a) Rajasthan - 6.5%
(b) Maharashtra - 9.29%
(c) West Bengal - 9.79%
(d) Bihar - 9.02%

Answer: (b)

68. According to the Census of 2011, which of the following states has the literacy rate less than 70%?

(a) Mizoram
(b) Bihar
(c) Kerala
(d) Himachal Pradesh

Answer: (b)

69. In which of the following states is the Rewa Solar Project located?

(a) Madhya Pradesh
(b) Andhra Pradesh
(c) Uttar Pradesh
(d) Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: (a)

70. In which country will the 27th session of the Co ence of the Parties (COP 27) to the UNFCCC take place?

(a) Malta
(b) Netherlands
(c) Belgium
(d) Egypt

Answer: (d)

71. Which strait is the only marine gateway between the icy Arctic and the Pacific Ocean located between Alaska and Russia?

(a) Hormuz strait
(b) Bering strait
(c) Bab al-Mandab strait
(d) Palk strait

Answer: (b)

72. Which of the following vitamins is helpful in blood clotting and wound healing?

(a) Vitamin E
(b) Vitamin A
(c) Vitamin C
(d) Vitamin K

Answer: (d)

73. Which of the following is a network of long fibres that make up the cell's structural framework?

(a) Cytoplasm
(b) Ribosome
(c) Lysosomes
(d) Cytoskeleton

Answer: (d)

74. Which of the following combination is NOT correct with respect to the technology and its corresponding principle?

(a) Sonar - Reflection of ultrasonic waves
(b) Lasers - Controlled nuclear fission
(c) Steam engine - Laws of thermodynamics
(d) Optical fibres - total internal reflection of light

Answer: (b)

75. The power of a lens of focal length _____ is one dioptre.

(a) 1 centimetre
(b) 1 millimetre
(c) 1 metre
(d) 1 nanometre

Answer: (c)

76. Which of the following is a d block element in the modern periodic table?

(a) Na
(b) Fe
(c) Ne
(d) K

Answer: (b)

77. Which of the following Articles of the Constitution of India contained the provision of 'no double jeopardy'?

(a) Article 14
(b) Article 20
(c) Article 19
(d) Article 22

Answer: (b)

78. The 86th Constitutional Amendment Act added a new fundamental duty to the Constitution of India, according to which it shall be the duty of every citizen in India to provide opportunities for education to his child or ward between the age of:

(a) 5 to 10 years
(b) 5 to 15 years
(c) 6 to 18 years
(d) 6 to 14 years

Answer: (d)

79. Which of the following Constitutional Amendment Act of the Constitution of India was declared null and void by the Supreme Court?

(a) 26th Constitutional Amendment Act
(b) 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act
(c) 74th Constitutional Amendment Act
(d) 99th Constitutional Amendment Act

Answer: (d)

80. With reference to India's independence movement, what was the approximate length of the historic Dandi March (Salt March) undertaken by Mahatma Gandhi along with his followers in 1930?

(a) 385 km
(b) 485 km
(c) 285 km
(d) 185 km

Answer: (a)

General English1

121. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The teacher asked all the students to listen carefully _____ the reading of the poem.

(a) at
(b) to
(c) from
(d) on

Answer: (b)

122. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The child asked for the blue balloon which was tied _____ a string.

(a) from
(b) in
(c) through
(d) with

Answer: (d)

123. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Have you already _____ your work?

(a) did
(b) do
(c) done
(d) does

Answer: (c)

124. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
_____ my word, this plan will not be successful!

(a) Mark
(b) Marked
(c) Marking
(d) Marks

Answer: (a)

125. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
In the accident on the Ring Road there was a _____ damaged car.

(a) poorly
(b) grimly
(c) mostly
(d) badly

Answer: (d)

126. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
There _____ no electricity for about two hours tomorrow from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm.

(a) will be
(b) had been
(c) was
(d) have been

Answer: (a)

127. Select the most appropriate option to fill the blank.
The thief _____ up the narrow staircase when the police _____ there.

(a) has already climb, arrive
(b) have already climbed, arrived
(c) had already climbed, arrived
(d) is already climbing, arriving

Answer: (c)

128. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Vikas is a good chef, he _____ delicious cakes.

(a) is baking
(b) bakes
(c) have baked
(d) has been bake

Answer: (b)

129. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
This is _____ most popular grocery shop in our neighbourhood.

(a) the

(b) a

(c) an

(d) one

Answer: (a)

130. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
What _____ unusual colour in shoes!

(a) a

(b) the

(c) an

(d) no article

Answer: (c)

131. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
Sudhir was looked after by his son and daughter- in- law.

(a) His son and daughter- in- law are looking after Sudhir.

(b) His son and daughter- in- law are looked after by Sudhir.

(c) His son and daughter- in- law looks after Sudhir.

(d) His son and daughter- in- law looked after Sud

Answer: (d)

132. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
They told the members to cast their online vote between 10.30 am and 5 pm on the voting day.

(a) Members are telling to cast their online vote between 10.30 am and 5 pm on the voting day.

(b) Members were told to cast their online vote between 10.30 am and 5 pm on the voting day.

(c) Members told them to cast their online vote between 10.30 am and 5 pm on the voting day.

(d) Members are being told to cast their online vote between 10.30 am and 5 pm on the voting day.

Answer: (b)

133. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate phrasal verb.
At night I wish people would turn _____ the volume of their TV sets.

(a) out

(b) away

(c) down

(d) of

Answer: (c)

134. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate phrasal verb.
Marching _____ the rhythm of the band makes me feel a sense of patriotism.

(a) at
(b) for
(c) in
(d) to

Answer: (d)

135. Select the correctly punctuated sentence.

(a) On International womens' day the college organized a health camp for women.
(b) On International woman's day the college organized a health camp for women's.
(c) On International Women's Day, the college organized a health camp for women.
(d) On international woman's day the college organized a health camp for women?

Answer: (c)

136. Select the correctly punctuated sentence.

(a) Is this the picture, which you bought at the sale!
(b) These days' people find it difficult to manage their day to day work, without a mobile phone.
(c) Having heard about the beauty of France, I am keen to visit it.
(d) Making pancakes, is quite easy if you have the right ingredients?

Answer: (c)

137. Select the most appropriate direct form of the gi[illegible] sentence.
The Mehras told Roopa that they had lived in Delhi [illegible]ive years before moving to Mumbai.

(a) The Mehras said to Roopa, "They w[illegible]ivi[illegible] Delhi for five years before moving to Mumbai."
(b) The Mehras have said to Roopa, "She had lived in Delhi for five years before moving to Mumbai."
(c) The Mehras told to Roopa, "Have you lived in Delhi for five years before living in Mumbai?"
(d) The Mehras said to Roopa, "We lived in Delhi for five years before moving to Mumbai."

Answer: (d)

138. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. Select the word which has a positive connotation.
I was skeptical about using the robot cleaner, but my _____ got the better of me, so I decided to give it a try.

(a) meddling
(b) prying
(c) curiosity
(d) snooping

Answer: (c)

140. Select the most appropriate word to fill in the blank.
"_____, can't you see that there are more people coming into the hall?

(a) Make gap
(b) Leave way
(c) Give road
(d) Make room

Answer: (d)

General English2

141. Select the most appropriate words/phrase to fill in the blank.
Looking at the faces of the students, the teacher _____ that they had not understood the concept .

(a) got the impression
(b) felt the sense
(c) knew the substance
(d) detected the meaning

Answer: (a)

142. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.
COMPOSE

(a) raze
(b) build
(c) collect
(d) form

Answer: (a)

143. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.
DEFEAT

(a) loss
(b) victory
(c) injury
(d) harm

Answer: (b)

144. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
ALLY

(a) rival
(b) fan
(c) associate
(d) follower

Answer: (c)

145. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The _____ to the next camp will take eight hours, but we need the _____ of the commander before we move ahead.

(a) assent, ascent
(b) ascent, assent
(c) accent, ascent
(d) ascent, accent

Answer: (b)

146. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
Every cloud has a silver lining

(a) Every time there are clouds there will be lightning
(b) Every negative occurrence has a positive aspect to it
(c) Every pleasant thing is followed by bad luck
(d) Everything that one tries to do is difficult at first

Answer: (b)

147. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
Up in arms

(a) Being supported by someone all the time
(b) To be very energetic while doing one's work
(c) Be ready to take up challenges
(d) Being grumpy or angry about something

Answer: (d)

148. Find the word that is wrongly spelt in the sentence.
The corpration employed nodal officers to conduct a survey to enumerate the literacy rate in the city.

(a) corpration
(b) employed
(c) survey
(d) literacy

Answer: (a)

149. Find the word that is wrongly spelt in the sentence.
The 48 boat passengers who were reported missing after the collision with another vessle were rescued.

(a) passengers
(b) collision
(c) vessle
(d) rescued

Answer: (c)

150. Find the word that is wrongly spelt in the sentence.
The parents strongly condemned the disciplinary action taken by the school authorites.

(a) strongly
(b) condemned
(c) disciplinary
(d) authorites

Answer: (d)

151. Select the sentence that is grammatically correct.

(a) The boys please ask less noise to make
(b) To make less noise please ask the boys
(c) Please ask the boys to make less noise
(d) Less noise to make the boys please ask

Answer: (c)

152. Select the option in which the parts of the sentence are grammatical and meaningful order.

(a) To win against their popular opponents for the team was one of the biggest challenges.
(b) Their popular opponents for the team was one of the biggest challenges to win against.
(c) One of the biggest challenges for the team was to win against their popular opponents.
(d) The biggest challenges for one of the team against their popular opponents was to win.

Answer: (c)

153. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word according to the context.
Chlorophyll gives plants their green colour and helps them to make their food through a _____ called photosynthesis.

(a) process
(b) manner
(c) way
(d) device

Answer: (a)

154. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word according to the context.
The prices of the flats constructed by the developers were considered to be too high as they were located on the _____ of the city.

(a) limits
(b) edges
(c) outskirts
(d) margins

Answer: (c)

155. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word according to the context.
The buyers of properties today are _____ to issues related to the environment as they are _____ of the advantages of living in a community that is in harmony with nature.

(a) sensible, attentive
(b) sensitive, aware
(c) sensible, alert
(d) sensitive, familiar

Answer: (b)

157. What is the main purpose of starting a company?

(a) to have a separate entity
(b) to earn profits
(c) to take financial risks
(d) to gain legal rights

Answer: (b)

159. The chief benefit of companies towards nation building is that they

(a) create a hierarchy
(b) provide personal satisfaction
(c) create employment
(d) reduce tax liability

Answer: (c)

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

General Ability2

21	**(c)**	22	**(c)**	23	**(c)**	24	**(c)**	25	**(a)**	26	**(c)**
27	**(c)**	28	**(d)**	29	**(b)**	30	**(a)**	31	**(b)**	32	**(d)**

General Awareness1

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

General Awareness2

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

General English1

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

General English2

141	**(a)**	142	**(a)**	143	**(b)**	144	**(c)**	145	**(b)**	146	**(b)**
147	**(d)**	148	**(a)**	149	**(c)**	150	**(d)**	151	**(c)**	152	**(c)**
153	**(a)**	154	**(c)**	155	**(b)**	157	**(b)**	159	**(c)**		