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General Ability1

1. Find the wrong term in the following series :
JM, FI, CE, XA, TW

(a) FI
(b) CE
(c) XA
(d) TW

Answer: (b)

3. Find the missing term in the following letter series
DFH, _____, PRT, VXZ

(a) KNP
(b) HMO
(c) ILM
(d) JLN

Answer: (d)

4. Find the missing term in the following series :
Q3D, S5G, U8J, _____

(a) Z11O
(b) Y12M
(c) W12M
(d) X11N

Answer: (c)

5. Select the option that is related to the third term on the same basis as the second term is related to the first term.
CPV : GTZ :: DGJ : ?

(a) FIL
(b) ILO
(c) HKN
(d) FIM

Answer: (c)

6. Select the option that is related to the third term on the same basis as the second term is related to the first term.
Monk : Nun :: Bachelor : ?

(a) Married
(b) Spinster
(c) Party
(d) Male

Answer: (b)

7. Select the pair that is related on the same basis to the pair given in the question.
IPV : MLZ :: ?

(a) ENR : IMY
(b) DNT : EPB
(c) DMQ : EQZ
(d) EQV : IMZ

Answer: (d)

8. In a certain code language ARM = 15, MASK = 24, SLACK = 35, then what is the code for DOODLER?

(a) 49
(b) 56
(c) 70
(d) 63

Answer: (d)

9. If FROG is coded as JVSK, then what is the code for CLAY?

(a) GPEC
(b) FODB
(c) GOEB
(d) FPDC

Answer: (a)

10. If DEFAME is coded as ZABWIA, then what is the code for BLANCH?

(a) YIWKYD

(b) XHYJZE

(c) XHWJYD

(d) YIXKZE

Answer: (c)

11. In a certain code language,972 means sky is blue,731 means blue and smart,14 means smart woman, what is the code for 'and'?

(a) 7

(b) 3

(c) 1

(d) 4

Answer: (b)

12. Rashmi is taller than Hemant who is shorter than Simran. Naman is taller than Heema but shorter than Hemant. Simran is shorter than Rashmi.
Who is the tallest?

(a) Rashmi

(b) Hemant

(c) Simran

(d) Naman

Answer: (a)

13. If A $ B means A is the father of B, A # B means A is the wife of B and If A * B means A is the mother of B, then what does P # Q $ R * S mean?

(a) P is the mother of S

(b) P is the grandmother of S

(c) P is the sister of S

(d) P is the wife of S

Answer: (b)

14. Arrange the given words in the sequence in which they occur in the dictionary.
1. MANGOES
2. MANDATE
3. MANKIND
4. MANNERS
5. MANIACS

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

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

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

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

Answer: (a)

15. Ujwala, Diksha, Isha, Misha, Zain and Hina are sitting around a round table facing the centre. Ujwala is opposite Diksha, who is to the right of Misha, Ujwala is between Zain and Hina, Hina is not next to Misha. Who is to the right of Isha?

(a) Ujwala

(b) Misha

(c) Hina

(d) Diksha

Answer: (c)

16. In the question two statements are given, followed by two conclusions, I and II. You have to consider the statements to be true even if it seems to be at variance from commonly known facts. You have to decide which of the given conclusions, if any, follows from the given statements.
Statement 1 : All bats are rats.
Statement 2 : Some bats are bears.
Conclusion I : Some rats are bears.
Conclusion II : No bears are rats.

(a) Only conclusion I follows

(b) Only conclusion II follows

(c) Both I and II follow

(d) Neither I nor II follows

Answer: (a)

17. In this question, a statement has been given, follow by two assumptions numbered I and II. Analyse the two assumptions together and determin hich of them is/are implicit in the statement.
Statement: People who have high cholestrol are mo prone to heart attack.
Assumptions:
I. Most of the deaths among people with high c trol are due to heart attacks.
II. People who have low cholestrol do not have heart attacks.

(a) Only assumption I is implicit

(b) Only assumption II is implicit

(c) Neither assumption I nor assumption II is implicit

(d) Both the assumptions are implicit

Answer: (a)

18. In the question two statements are given, followed by three conclusions, I, II and III. You have to consider the statements to be true even if it seems to be at variance from commonly known facts. You have to decide which of the given conclusions, if any, follows from the given statements.
Statement 1 : All people are singers.
Statement 2 : All dancers are singers.
Conclusion I : Some dancers are people.
Conclusion II : Some singers are people.
Conclusion III : Some singers are dancers.

(a) Only conclusion II follows

(b) Only conclusion III follows

(c) Only conclusion II and III follow

(d) All conclusions I, II and III follow

Answer: (c)

19. Select the option that is related to the third number on the same basis as the second number is related to the first number.
8 : 72 :: 12 : ?

(a) 144

(b) 120

(c) 156

(d) 168

Answer: (c)

20. Find the wrong number in the following number series:
64, 48, 36, 27, 12

(a) 48

(b) 36

(c) 27

(d) 12

Answer: (d)

General Ability2

21. Complete the following number series:
37, 50, 65, 82, _____

(a) 101

(b) 100

(c) 99

(d) 102

Answer: (a)

22. Which two signs should be interchanged to make the below equation mathematically correct?
16 × 5 + 100 ÷ 2 - 70 = 100

(a) +, -

(b) ×, ÷

(c) +, ÷

(d) ×, -

Answer: (a)

23. The average score of A and B is 30, that of B and C is 42 and that of C and A is 54 in a cricket match. What is the average score of A, B and C?

(a) 35

(b) 42

(c) 70

(d) 84

Answer: (b)

24. If -4x < -28 + 4, then which among the following is true?

(a) x < 16

(b) x > 5

(c) x < 6

(d) x > 6

Answer: (d)

25. 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) 100

(b) 343

(c) 216

(d) 125

Answer: (a)

26. A man has Rs. 336 in coins of 1-rupee, 2-rupees and 5-rupees. The number of coins of each denomination is equal. What is the total number of coins with him?

(a) 42

(b) 126

(c) 84

(d) 76

Answer: (b)

29. If North-East is South, West is North-East, then ___th is _____.

(a) East

(b) South-East

(c) South

(d) South-West

Answer: (b)

30. Darsh walks 5 km east, then turns south and walks 4 km, then turns east and walks 8 km, then turns south and walks 5 km, and turns to its right and walks 13 km. Where is he now with respect to its starting position?

(a) 9 km south

(b) 9 km north

(c) 13 km north

(d) 13 km south

Answer: (a)

31. Nisha and Lalita start from the same point. Nisha cycles 9 km west, then turns to her right and cycles 8 km. Lalita cycles 4 km east, then turns left and cycles 5 km, then turns left and cycles 13 km. Where is Lalita with respect to Nisha now?

(a) 5 km north
(b) 5 km south
(c) 3 km south
(d) 3 km north

Answer: (c)

General Awareness1

41. The Purana Qila of Delhi was built by _____.

(a) Aurangzeb
(b) Shah Jahan
(c) Sher Shah Suri
(d) Babur

Answer: (c)

42. Which among the following folk music revolves around the separation of lovers?

(a) Birha
(b) Kajari
(c) Tappa
(d) Jugni

Answer: (a)

43. Yaosang is a festival celebrated in _____ five days in spring.

(a) Mizoram
(b) Manipur
(c) Nagaland
(d) Meghalaya

Answer: (b)

44. Tertali dance is part of a religious ritual performed by the Kamar tribe of which of the following states?

(a) Himachal Pradesh
(b) Haryana
(c) Rajasthan
(d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: (d)

45. Which among the following banks is the first bank in India with an ISO certification for Total Branch Banking?

(a) Canara Bank
(b) Punjab National Bank
(c) Central Bank of India
(d) Bank of India

Answer: (a)

46. Which among the following is not an example of a direct tax?

(a) Income tax
(b) Estate tax
(c) Wealth tax
(d) Customs Duty

Answer: (d)

47. Reserve Bank of India was nationalised in the year _____.

(a) 1938
(b) 1946
(c) 1949
(d) 1935

Answer: (c)

48. Consumption + Investment + Government Exper ure + Export - Import = _____.

(a) Net National Product
(b) Gross National Product
(c) National Income
(d) Gross Domestic Product

Answer: (d)

49. As announced in Budget 2021, the fiscal deficit for financial year 2020-21 is pegged at _____ of Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

(a) 4.5%
(b) 6.8%
(c) 9.5%
(d) 7.7%

Answer: (c)

50. What is the SI unit of Force?

(a) Watt
(b) Joule
(c) Newton
(d) Kelvin

Answer: (c)

51. Rhizopus reproduces through the process of _____.
    (a) regeneration
    (b) fission
    (c) spore formation
    (d) fragmentation
    Answer: (c)

52. Environment Protection Act was passed in the year _____.
    (a) 1986
    (b) 1982
    (c) 1976
    (d) 1980
    Answer: (a)

53. Which of the following is not an example of a strong acid?
    (a) Hydrochloric acid
    (b) Sulphuric acid
    (c) Carbonic acid
    (d) Nitric acid
    Answer: (c)

54. _____ disease is caused by Plasmodium.
    (a) Typhoid
    (b) Cholera
    (c) Measles
    (d) Malaria
    Answer: (d)

55. When an acid and a base react together to form salt and water, it is called _____.
    (a) Neutralisation Reaction
    (b) Decomposition Reaction
    (c) Displacement Reaction
    (d) Combination Reaction
    Answer: (a)

56. Which soil is formed by weathering old crystalline or metamorphic rocks?
    (a) Alluvial
    (b) Arid
    (c) Red
    (d) Black
    Answer: (c)

57. Kangto is the highest peak of which of the following state?
    (a) Arunachal Pradesh
    (b) Karnataka
    (c) Himachal Pradesh
    (d) Tamil Nadu
    Answer: (a)

58. Tawa is a tributary of which of the following rivers?
    (a) Ganga
    (b) Narmada
    (c) Krishna
    (d) Godavari
    Answer: (b)

59. The deepest point in the Indian Ocean is in which trench?
    (a) Tonga trench
    (b) Philippine Trench
    (c) Puerto Rico Trench
    (d) Sunda trench
    Answer: (d)

60. Which among the following vedas is famous as 'B s of Rituals'?
    (a) Rig
    (b) Atharva
    (c) Yajur
    (d) Sama
    Answer: (c)

General Awareness2

61. Who among the following was the founder of the Lodhi Dynasty?
    (a) Sikandar Lodi
    (b) Ibrahim Lodi
    (c) Bahlul Lodi
    (d) Khizir Lodi
    Answer: (c)

62. Who among the following was the court poet of King Prithviraj Chauhan?
    (a) Chand Bardai
    (b) Kalidasa
    (c) Amir Khusrau
    (d) Ravikirti
    Answer: (a)

63. When was the second battle of Tarain fought?
    (a) 1190
    (b) 1192
    (c) 1195
    (d) 1197
    Answer: (b)

64. Hiuen Tsang visited India during the time of _____.
    (a) Chandragupta Maurya
    (b) Vikramaditya
    (c) Ashoka
    (d) Harshavardhana
    Answer: (d)

65. When was the Treaty of Seringapatam signed?
    (a) 1786
    (b) 1798
    (c) 1792
    (d) 1783
    Answer: (c)

66. Which among the following books is not written by Khushwant Singh?
    (a) A History of the Sikhs
    (b) Train to Pakistan
    (c) Delhi
    (d) Living Shadows
    Answer: (d)

67. Which among the following movies won the 65th Filmfare Awards 2020 in the 'Best Music Album' category?
    (a) Saand Ki Aankh
    (b) War
    (c) Gully Boy
    (d) Article 15
    Answer: (c)

68. Wide Angle' is an autobiography of which of the following sportspersons?
    (a) Anil Kumble
    (b) Sania Mirza
    (c) Sachin Tendulkar
    (d) Ricky Ponting
    Answer: (a)

69. Abhay Ghat is the memorial of which of the following leaders?

(a) Atal Bihari Vajpayee
(b) Charan Singh
(c) Rajiv Gandhi
(d) Morarjee Desai

Answer: (d)

70. Which among the following is an autobiography of Jawaharlal Nehru?

(a) Why I Am An Atheist
(b) Toward Freedom
(c) Wings of Fire
(d) The Story of My Experiments with Truth

Answer: (b)

71. What is the real name of Gulzar?

(a) Jaswant Rai Sharma
(b) Muhiyuddin Ahmed
(c) Sampooran Singh Kalra
(d) Raghupati Sahay

Answer: (c)

72. Goods and Services Tax (GST) has commenced v the enactment of the _____ Constitution Amendment Act.

(a) 98th
(b) 99th
(c) 100th
(d) 101st

Answer: (d)

73. Which among the following part of the Indian Constitution is associated with Citizenship?

(a) III
(b) II
(c) V
(d) IV

Answer: (b)

74. The method of election of President in the Indian Constitution is borrowed from the constitution of _____.

(a) United States of America
(b) Ireland
(c) Germany
(d) France

Answer: (b)

75. Which among the following Schedule in the Indian Constitution contains the Forms of Oaths or Affirmations?

(a) Third
(b) Fourth
(c) Fifth
(d) Sixth

Answer: (a)

76. A Golden Slam is winning _____ Grand Slam tournaments as well as the Olympics Gold Medal.

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

Answer: (b)

77. Deodhar Trophy is associated with which of the following sport?

(a) Table Tennis
(b) Golf
(c) Cricket
(d) Hockey

Answer: (c)

78. _____ won the gold medal in wrestling at the Commonwealth Games in 2010.

(a) Vinesh Phogat
(b) Geeta Phogat
(c) Babita Phogat
(d) Sakshi Malik

Answer: (b)

79. _____ became the first and only tennis player to have won the Golden Slam in 1988.

(a) Steffi Graf
(b) Mats Wilander
(c) Rick Leach
(d) Andre Agassi

Answer: (a)

80. Who won the women's singles in Yonex All England Badminton Championships 2020 in Birmingham, England?

(a) Yuki Fukushima
(b) Sayaka Hirota
(c) Chen Yu Fei
(d) Tai Tzu Ying

Answer: (d)

Arithmetic Ability1

81. A number 6 _____ 93 is divisible by 9. Find the number that can be filled in the blank.

(a) 7
(b) 3
(c) 9
(d) 6

Answer: (c)

82. Find the remainder when the largest 4 digit number is divided by 12.

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

Answer: (a)

83. What is the greatest number of four digits which is divisible by 5, 25, 30 and 45?

(a) 9900
(b) 9450
(c) 9820
(d) 9800

Answer: (a)

84. There are five bells which ring at regular interva[illegible]f 4, 8, 12, 16 and 20 seconds respectively. How many times will the bells ring together in 120 [illegible]utes?

(a) 40
(b) 25
(c) 35
(d) 31

Answer: (d)

85. Simplify: 25 percent of 700 × 16.8 percent of 500

(a) 15700
(b) 14700
(c) 13500
(d) 12700

Answer: (b)

86. Find the LCM of two numbers who are in the ratio 3:5 and whose HCF is 8.

(a) 110
(b) 90
(c) 100
(d) 120

Answer: (d)

87. The least number which should be added to 4994 so that the sum is exactly divisible by 5, 6, 7 is:

(a) 44
(b) 46
(c) 45
(d) 47

Answer: (b)

88. The remainder when 16 66 is divided by 17 is:

(a) 1
(b) 0
(c) 2
(d) 16

Answer: (a)

89. Simplify the following equation: 164 + 2820 / 94 - 48 × 4 = ?

(a) 2
(b) 63
(c) 34
(d) 78

Answer: (a)

90. In the first 20 overs, a team's run rate in a game c icket was 4.80. What run rate is required in the next 30 overs to score 300 runs in total?

(a) 7
(b) 6.8
(c) 6.6
(d) 6.7

Answer: (b)

91. In Arup's opinion, his weight is greater than 75 kg but less than 82 kg. His friends think that Arup's weight is greater than 70 kg but less than 80 kg. His mother thinks that his weight cannot be greater than 79 kg. If all of them are correct in their estimation of Arup's weight, what is the average of different probable weights of Arup?

(a) 77 kg
(b) 76 kg
(c) 75 kg
(d) 74 kg

Answer: (a)

92. Consider a bill of Rs. 500000. Find the difference between a discount of 30 % on the bill and of two successive discounts of 15 % and 15 % ?

(a) Rs. 11500
(b) Rs. 12000
(c) Rs. 12500
(d) Rs. 11250

Answer: (d)

93. If 30 percent of x = b, then b percent of 30 is the same as _____.

(a) 9 percent of x
(b) 8 percent of x
(c) 20 percent of x
(d) 10 percent of x

Answer: (a)

94. Find the percentage error that occurred if Raj, by mistake, multiplied a number by 8/10 instead of 10/8?

(a) 25 percent
(b) 30 percent
(c) 20 percent
(d) 36 percent

Answer: (d)

95. The value of a cycle depreciates at the rate of 2 ercent every year. It was purchased 2 years ago. If its present value is Rs. 10000, what the rchase price?

(a) Rs. 15625
(b) Rs. 15000
(c) Rs. 16000
(d) Rs. 14000

Answer: (a)

96. A vegetable vendor sells his vegetables using weights 30 percent less than the true weights and makes a profit of 10 percent. Find his total gain percentage. (approximate)

(a) 51 percent
(b) 57.14 percent
(c) 47 percent
(d) 62 percent

Answer: (b)

97. Sahid bought some shirts and marked up all 20 percent higher. He gave 15 percent discount on 50 percent of total shirts. If he wants to have at least 4 percent profit, how much discount he should offer while selling the remaining shirts?

(a) 12.65 percent
(b) 11.67 percent
(c) 12.67 percent
(d) 13 percent

Answer: (b)

98. If an AC is purchased for Rs. 40,000 and sold for Rs. 38,000, find the loss percent.

(a) 3 percent
(b) 5 percent
(c) 3.5 percent
(d) 4.5 percent

Answer: (b)

99. There is a mixture of 50 litres in which milk and water are in the ratio of 3 : 2. If we have to make this ratio 3 : 4, then what is the quantity of water that is required to be added to this mixture to obtain the desired ratio?

(a) 15
(b) 20
(c) 25
(d) 30

Answer: (b)

100. The ratio of two numbers is 2:3 and the [illegible]heir cubes is 2240. The difference of number is:

(a) 6
(b) 4
(c) 7
(d) 9

Answer: (b)

Arithmetic Ability2

101. Original salaries of Sita and Mita were in the ratio 3 : 5. But recently the salary of each was decreased by Rs. 3000, the new ratio became 10 : 17.
What is Mita's new salary?

(a) Rs. 1,22,000
(b) Rs. 1,20,000
(c) Rs. 1,02,000
(d) Rs. 1,00,000

Answer: (c)

102. A sum of money at simple interest amounts to Rs. 1630 in 3 years and to Rs. 1708 in 4 years. What is the sum invested?

(a) Rs. 1396
(b) Rs. 1474
(c) Rs. 1502
(d) Rs. 1309

Answer: (a)

103. What is the difference between the compound interests on Rs. 10000 for 2 years at 5 percent per annum compounded yearly and half-yearly?

(a) Rs. 10.32
(b) Rs. 13.78
(c) Rs. 13.13
(d) Rs. 10.87

Answer: (c)

104. Calculate the effective yearly rate of interest when the rate of compound interest on a sum of money is 6 percent per annum compounded quarterly?

(a) 6.14 percent
(b) 5.14 percent
(c) 7 percent
(d) 7.14 percent

Answer: (a)

105. If it takes 10 minutes for Mohan to cro[illegible] 120[illegible] long bridge, calculate his speed in km per hour?

(a) 2.5
(b) 6.7
(c) 8.9
(d) 7.2

Answer: (d)

106. Find the speed in which an aeroplane needs to travel at, if it has to travel the same distance in 5 hours which it travelled at a speed of 200 kmph in 8 hours?

(a) 320 kmph
(b) 325 kmph
(c) 350 kmph
(d) 260 kmph

Answer: (a)

107. If the speed of a train is normally 162 kmph but due to stoppages, it becomes 135 kmph, then find out that for how many minutes does the train stop per hour?

(a) 2 min
(b) 4 min
(c) 7 min
(d) 10 min

Answer: (d)

108. A can do a work in 25 days and B in 20 days. If they work on it together for 5 days, calculate the amount of work that will remain to have been done?

(a) 7/20
(b) 9/20
(c) 11/20
(d) 13/20

Answer: (c)

109. If Sanya can do a piece of work in 30 days, and Tanya is 50 percent more efficient than Sanya, then Tanya can complete the same piece of work in _____ days.

(a) 15
(b) 18
(c) 20
(d) 24

Answer: (c)

110. A can build a boat in 20 days and B ca[illegible] the [illegible]me work in 16 days. If with C's help, they can complete the job in 6 days, find the time C w[illegible] complete the job alone (fraction to be considered as full day)?

(a) 19 days
(b) 24 days
(c) 21 days
(d) 22 days

Answer: (a)

111. The surface area of a cube is 2166 sq cm. Find its volume in cu cm.

(a) 6859
(b) 5086
(c) 4590
(d) 6211

Answer: (a)

112. If the radius of a cylinder is halved, and height is tripled; what is the percentage change in its volume?

(a) 25 percent increase

(b) 25 percent decrease

(c) 30 percent decrease

(d) 30 percent increase

Answer: (b)

113. A sphere has the same curved surface area as a cone of height 24 cm and base radius 10 cm. Find the radius of the sphere to the nearest cm?

(a) 8 cm

(b) 7 cm

(c) 6 cm

(d) 9 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'.
To keep up with the increasing cyber security threats, / the police are trying to maintain a high level of awareness / regarding the latest cyber security trends and events.

(a) To keep up with the increasing cyber security threats,

(b) the police are trying to maintain a high level of awareness

(c) regarding the latest cyber security trends and events.

(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'.
Court directed disclosure of / criminal cases pending against / the candidate who standing for election.

(a) Court directed disclosure of

(b) criminal cases pending against

(c) the candidate who standing for election.

(d) No Error

Answer: (c)

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'.
There are limited availability of testing equipment, old / soil testing labs, non-functional equipments, lack of / internet connectivity and physical assets.

(a) There are limited availability of testing equipment, old

(b) soil testing labs, non-functional equipments, lack of

(c) internet connectivity and physical assets.

(d) No Error

Answer: (a)

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'.
TT is a knowledge based research oriented industry / and had been slowly but steadily gaining / ground due to various reasons.

(a) TT is a knowledge based research oriented industry

(b) and had been slowly but steadily gaining

(c) ground due to various reasons.

(d) No Error

Answer: (b)

125. 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.
Within a few years he (become) an international literary celebrity, famous for his humour, satire, and keen observation of character and society.

(a) had became

(b) had become

(c) have become

(d) no correction required

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.
In 1830, Dickens met his first love, Maria Beadnell, (as thought as) have been the model for the character Dora in David Copperfield. Maria's parents disapproved of the courtship and ended the relationship by sending her to school in Paris.

(a) was thought upon as to

(b) thinking as she must

(c) thought to

(d) no correction required

Answer: (c)

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 Prince Regent had no surviving children, and the Duke of York had no children; further, both were (divided from there) wives, who were both past child-bearing age, so the two eldest brothers were unlikely to have any further legitimate children.

(a) demarcated from their

(b) estranged from their

(c) divided from their

(d) no correction required

Answer: (b)

128. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
A person who arranges meetings of groups or committees.

(a) announcer

(b) anchor

(c) convener

(d) reporter

Answer: (c)

129. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word.
The Industrial Revolution _____ labour into mills, factories and mines, thus facilitating the organisation of combinations or trade unions to help advance the interests of working people.

(a) concentrated

(b) sought

(c) guzzled

(d) engulfed

Answer: (a)

130. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word.
Although _____ time has passed since the time of regulated child labour, there are still many children working illegally in Brazil.

(a) slight

(b) diminutive

(c) substantial

(d) very

Answer: (c)

131. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word.
As regards matters of state the reign of Vladislav is marked by a decrease of the royal prerogative, while the power of the nobility attained an _____ height, at the expense, not only of the royal power, but also of the rights of the townsmen and peasants.

(a) lacklustre
(b) unprecedented
(c) civil
(d) mediocre

Answer: (b)

132. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word.
One of the earliest such reformers was Robert Owen, known for his _____ efforts in improving conditions for workers at the New Lanark mills, and often regarded as one of the key thinkers of the early socialist movement.

(a) perturbing
(b) subtracting
(c) healthy
(d) pioneering

Answer: (d)

133. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word.
He had a _____ attitude toward trying to break the deadlock on the Western Front.

(a) bellicose
(b) egregious
(c) carouse
(d) annoying

Answer: (a)

134. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word.
Justin used cunning methods to _____his twin sister into doing his homework as well as her own.

(a) triturate
(b) abrade
(c) beguile
(d) disenchant

Answer: (c)

135. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word.
While most of the children said they'd wait, they often struggled to resist and then _____ , eating the treat before the researcher returned.

(a) give up
(b) gave in
(c) gave down
(d) gave back

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.
Quantum computers
P: compared to conventional computers
Q: and searching
R: are extremely powerful
S: when solving certain kinds of problems like finding prime factors of large numbers
large databases.

(a) SRQP

(b) PQRS

(c) RPSQ

(d) SRPQ

Answer: (c)

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.
Sometimes farmers
P: the recommendations. In some cases,
Q: are not able to understand
R: bio-fertilizers are not available at village level at
S: recommended fertilizers and
reasonable prices.

(a) QRPS

(b) QRSP

(c) PQSR

(d) QPSR

Answer: (d)

138. 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.
Genome India
P: new gold standard of
Q: ushering India towards the
R: scientific technology for the advancement of Indian healthcare,
S: project embraces
Precision medicine.

(a) QSRP

(b) SQRP

(c) PQRS

(d) SRQP

Answer: (d)

139. Some sentences of a passage 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 passage.
A genome is the entire DNA, or sequence of genes, in a cell.
P: The way these base pairs are arranged can provide clues about the individual's health or ill health, inherited or acquired.
Q: Sequencing a genome means deciphering the exact order of base pairs in an individual.
R: This genome is divided into chromosomes, chromosomes contain genes, and genes are made of DNA.
S: Each genome has approximately 3.2 billion DNA base pairs.
The variations and mutations in the patterns of these base pairs also give the researchers more information on similar subjects.

(a) PQRS
(b) SQRP
(c) RSQP
(d) SQPR

Answer: (c)

140. Select the word that is the opposite meaning (ANTONYM) to the word given below.
OMNIPOTENT

(a) POTENT
(b) POWERLESS
(c) PUISSANT
(d) CONTENT

Answer: (b)

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141. Select the word that is closest in meaning (SYNONYM) to the word given below.
CAJOLE

(a) PERSUADE
(b) DISENCHANT
(c) BULLY
(d) DISSUADE

Answer: (a)

142. Select the word that is closest in meaning (SYNONYM) to the word given below.
FAUX

(a) GENUINE
(b) SIMULATED
(c) BLANDISH
(d) PALPAABLE

Answer: (b)

143. Select the word that is the opposite meaning (ANTONYM) to the word given below.
OSTENSIBLE

(a) PROFESSED
(b) ALLEGED
(c) HONOURABLE
(d) VAGUE

Answer: (d)

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

(a) ENTUTION
(b) INTIUTION
(c) INTUITION
(d) INTUTION

Answer: (c)

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

(a) EXASERBATE
(b) EXACERBATE
(c) EXACERBRATE
(d) EXASERBRATE

Answer: (b)

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

(a) MULTIFARUS
(b) MULTIFACIOUS
(c) MULTIFACIUS
(d) MULTIFARIOUS

Answer: (d)

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

(a) PREPONDERANCE
(b) PRESPONDERANCE
(c) PREPONDERENCE
(d) PRESPONDERENCE

Answer: (a)

148. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given phrase.
"We'll cross that bridge when we come to it".

(a) There is no end to the problems in life.

(b) Let's not talk about that problem right now.

(c) The source of peace is denial.

(d) The path taken in life should be chosen very carefully.

Answer: (b)

149. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given phrase.
"Takes two to tango".

(a) A friend always stays close to the heart.

(b) One always needs a partner in life.

(c) Most deeds/actions/misdeeds require participation from two people.

(d) A man without a woman is worthless.

Answer: (c)

150. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
"Bite off more than you can chew".

(a) Try to take on a task too big for oneself.

(b) Take a very big bite that can choke.

(c) Talking more than you should.

(d) Showing disrespect.

Answer: (a)

151. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
"Take it with a grain of salt".

(a) Doing adventurous things that add taste to life.

(b) Adding finishing touch to the task.

(c) Accepting something that you don't like.

(d) View something with skepticism

Answer: (d)

152. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the phrase/expression/group of words given below.
"a system in which a country rules other countries, sometimes having used force to get power over them"

(a) NAZISM

(b) ARCHAISM

(c) IMPERIALISM

(d) HISTRIONICISM

Answer: (c)

153. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the phrase/expression/group of words given below. "public embarrassment"

(a) OBSCURE
(b) IGNOMINY
(c) GARRISON
(d) RETALIATE

Answer: (b)

154. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the phrase/expression/group of words given below. "Expecting unquestioning obedience".

(a) IMPERIOUS
(b) IMPEDITIVE
(c) IMPEARL
(d) IMPENDENCE

Answer: (a)

155. Select the most appropriate 'one word ' for the phrase/expression/group of words given below. "Music played very loud".

(a) BASS
(b) REVERBERATION
(c) FORTISSIMO
(d) FADDISM

Answer: (c)

156. What was of most importance to Napo[illegible]n ?

(a) His manipulation technique.
(b) People's opinion.
(c) His horse.
(d) The idea of revolution.

Answer: (b)

157. What did Napoleon keep under his tight control?

(a) His troops.
(b) His light infantry.
(c) The newspapers.
(d) The members of the court.

Answer: (c)

158. He preferred to wear extravagant outfits and live in fancy palaces.' How does this help Napoleon ?

(a) By buying the people who did not take his side.

(b) By creating mental and social dominance upon people around him.

(c) He had lack of self esteem, wearing good clothes made him feel good about himself.

(d) In those times it was important that leaders or rulers lived in fancy palaces. They were not given a place amongst the common people.

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

General Ability2

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

General Awareness1

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

General Awareness2

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

Arithmetic Ability1

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

Arithmetic Ability2

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

General English1

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

General English2

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