

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 1-5):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2010)

1. An underhand device resorted to in order to justify misconduct  
(a) Subterfuge (b) Manoeuvre  
(c) Stratagem (d) Complicity
2. Impossible to describe  
(a) Miraculous (b) Ineffable  
(c) Stupendous (d) Appalling
3. One who criticises popular beliefs which he thinks is mistaken or unwise  
(a) Philistine (b) Iconoclast  
(c) Imposter (d) Cannibal
4. Detaining and confining someone  
(a) Interruption (b) Interrogation  
(c) Internment (d) Liberation
5. Science of the races of mankind  
(a) Genealogy (b) Epistemology  
(c) Ethnology (d) Sociology

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 6-10):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/ sentence.

(SSC CGL 2<sup>nd</sup> Sit. 2010)

6. One who hides away on a ship to obtain a free passage  
(a) Composer (b) Stoker  
(c) Stowaway (d) Shipwright
7. Clues available at a scene  
(a) Circumstantial (b) Derivative  
(c) Inferential (d) Suggestive
8. An unexpected piece of good fortune  
(a) Windfall (b) Philanthropy  
(c) Benevolence (d) Turnstile
9. An emolument over and above fixed income or salary  
(a) Honorarium (b) Sinecure  
(c) Perquisite (d) Prerogative
10. The animals of a particular region.  
(a) Flora (b) Museum  
(c) Zoo (d) Fauna

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 11-15):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2011)

11. A post with little work but high salary  
(a) Director (b) Trustee  
(c) Sinecure (d) Ombudsman
12. Something that causes death  
(a) Dangerous (b) Fatal  
(c) Brutal (d) Horrible
13. A person who writes decoratively  
(a) Calligrapher (b) Collier  
(c) Choreographer (d) Cartographer
14. Pertaining to cattle  
(a) Canine (b) Feline  
(c) Bovine (d) Verminous
15. To look at someone in an angry or threatening way  
(a) Glower (b) Gnaw  
(c) Gnash (d) Grind

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 16-20):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 2<sup>nd</sup> Sit. 2011)

16. An inscription on a tomb  
(a) Espionage (b) Epilogue  
(c) Epitaph (d) Elegy
17. Feeling inside you which tells you what is right and what is wrong :  
(a) Cleverness (b) Conscience  
(c) Consciousness (d) Fear
18. Release of a prisoner from jail on certain terms and condition  
(a) Parole (b) Parley  
(c) Pardon (d) Acquittal
19. Loss of memory  
(a) Ambrosia (b) Amnesia  
(c) Insomnia (d) Forgetting
20. To struggle helplessly  
(a) Flounder (b) Founder  
(c) Fumble (d) Finger

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 21-25):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/ sentence.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2012)

21. One who loves books  
(a) Bibliophile (b) Bibliophagist  
(c) Bibliophoebe (d) Bibliographer
22. Speaking without preparation  
(a) Deliberate (b) Fluent  
(c) Loquacious (d) Extempore

23. Special trial of the Head of State by Parliament  
 (a) Impingement (b) Infringement  
 (c) Impeachment (d) Impediment
24. Someone able to use both hands with equal skill  
 (a) Ambivalent (b) Amphibious  
 (c) Ambiguous (d) Ambidextrous
25. Cure for all diseases  
 (a) Curable (b) Panacea  
 (c) Incurable (d) Curative

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 26-30) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 2<sup>nd</sup> Sit. 2012)

26. A raised place on which offerings to a God are made.  
 (a) Rostrum (b) Church  
 (c) Altar (d) Mound
27. Something that cannot be explained  
 (a) Unthinkable (b) Impregnable  
 (c) Mysterious (d) Inexplicable
28. A written declaration made on oath in the presence of a magistrate  
 (a) Affidavit (b) Dossier  
 (c) Voucher (d) Document
29. A person who thinks only about himself and not about others' needs:  
 (a) Egomaniacal (b) Egoistic  
 (c) Egotistic (d) Egocentric
30. A guide-post pointing out the way for a place  
 (a) Finger-post (b) Lamp-post  
 (c) Checkpost (d) Lastpost

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 31-35):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2012)

31. A group of three books, films etc. that have the same subject or characters  
 (a) Trinity (b) Trilogy  
 (c) Trio (d) Tripod
32. A study of the human race  
 (a) Anthropology (b) Archaeology  
 (c) Ethnology (d) Etymology
33. An expert in an area of the fine or other arts  
 (a) Neophyte (b) Amateur  
 (c) Connoisseur (d) Enthusiast
34. The art of preserving skin of animals, birds, fishes  
 (a) Topology (b) Taxonomy  
 (c) Seismology (d) Taxidermy
35. Chanting of magic spells  
 (a) Narration (b) Recitation  
 (c) Incantation (d) Utterance

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 36 - 40) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words / sentence.

(SSC CGL 2<sup>nd</sup> Sit. 2012)

36. A round or cylindrical container used for storing things such as food, chemicals or rolls of film  
 (a) Tankard (b) Canister  
 (c) Vessel (d) Casket
37. A place of permanent residence  
 (a) Abode (b) Dormitory  
 (c) Domicile (d) Apartment
38. That cannot be altered or withdrawn  
 (a) Irrevocable (b) Irretrievable  
 (c) Irrefutable (d) Irresistible
39. Money paid to employees on retirement  
 (a) Gratuity (b) Gift  
 (c) Pension (d) Arrears
40. A place where clothes are kept  
 (a) Locker (b) Drawer  
 (c) Wardrobe (d) Cupboard

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 41-47) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2013)

41. Detailed plan of a journey :  
 (a) Travelogue (b) Tavel kit  
 (c) Schedule (d) Itinerary
42. One who cannot be corrected :  
 (a) Incurable (b) Incurable  
 (c) Hardened (d) Invulnerable
43. A general pardon granted by the Government to political offenders.  
 (a) Pardon (b) Excuse  
 (c) Honesty (d) Amnesty
44. One who hates women:  
 (a) Misogynist (b) Misogamist  
 (c) Ambivert (d) Misanthrope
45. A person who consumes human flesh :  
 (a) Cannibal (b) Javage  
 (c) Captor (d) Carnivore
46. A school boy who cuts classes frequently is a :  
 (a) Defeatist (b) Sycophant  
 (c) Truant (d) Martinet
47. Stealing of ideas or writings of someone else.  
 (a) Autism (b) Scepticism  
 (c) Mesmerism (d) Plagiarism

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 48-54) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 2<sup>nd</sup> Sit. 2013)

48. One who is unaffected or indifferent to joy, pain, pleasure or grief  
 (a) Tolerant (b) Resigned  
 (c) Passive (d) Stoic

49. A person who is greatly respected because of wisdom  
 (a) Veracious (b) Vulnerable  
 (c) Venerable (d) Verger
50. An excessively morbid desire to steal.  
 (a) Stealomania (b) Kleptomania  
 (c) Cleftomania (d) Keptomania
51. Prohibited by law or treaty from being imported or exported  
 (a) Contraband (b) Smuggled  
 (c) Counterfeit (d) Forged
52. Intentional destruction of racial groups.  
 (a) Regicide (b) Genocide  
 (c) Homicide (d) Fratricide
53. A person in a vehicle or on horseback escorting another vehicle  
 (a) Navigator (b) Escort  
 (c) Outrider (d) Security
54. A person specially interested in the study of coins and medals.  
 (a) Medallist (b) Coinist  
 (c) Numismatist (d) Numerist
63. Incapable of making errors  
 (a) Infallible (b) Incurable  
 (c) Impervious (d) Inexplicable
64. Governed by a sense of duty  
 (a) Conscious (b) Sensible  
 (c) Intelligent (d) Conscientious
65. The depository where state records and documents are preserved  
 (a) Museum (b) Library  
 (c) Emporium (d) Archive
66. That which is no longer fashionable or in use  
 (a) Unused (b) Ancient  
 (c) Obsolete (d) Old
67. Murder of a king  
 (a) Homicide (b) Fratricide  
 (c) Regicide (d) Parricide
68. A place where birds are kept  
 (a) Aviary (b) House  
 (c) Aquarium (d) Apiary

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 55-61) :** In these questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2013)

55. A study of sounds is known as  
 (a) Semantics (b) Sylistics  
 (c) Linguistics (d) Phonetics
56. To reduce to nothing  
 (a) Cull (b) Lull  
 (c) Null (d) Annul
57. An obviously true or hackneyed statement  
 (a) Truism (b) Syllogism  
 (c) Iconic (d) Imagism
58. Words inscribed on a tomb  
 (a) Epilogue (b) Epitaph  
 (c) Epitome (d) Epistle
59. The act of producing beautiful handwriting using a brush or a special pen  
 (a) Hieroglyphics (b) Calligraphy  
 (c) Stencilling (d) Graphics
60. A word composed of the first letters of the words in a phrase.  
 (a) Acronym (b) Abridgement  
 (c) Almanac (d) Anachronism
61. A person of obscure position who has gained wealth.  
 (a) Extrabagant (b) Promiscuous  
 (c) Parvenu (d) Sumptuary

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 62-68) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2013)

62. That which has a double meaning  
 (a) Doubtless (b) Uncertain  
 (c) Controversial (d) Ambiguous

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 69-75):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2013)

69. An apartment building in which each apartment is owned separately by the people living in it, but also containing shared areas.  
 (a) Condominium (b) Multiplex  
 (c) Duplex (d) Caravan
70. A group of three powerful people.  
 (a) Trio (b) Tritium  
 (c) Trivet (d) Triumvirate
71. Operation of the body after death.  
 (a) Post-mortem (b) Obituary  
 (c) Homage (d) Mortuary
72. Not allowing the passage of light.  
 (a) Oblique (b) Opaque  
 (c) Optique (d) Opulant
73. Science regarding principles of classification.  
 (a) Taxidermy (b) Taxonomy  
 (c) Toxicology (d) Classicology
74. A political leader appealing to popular desires and prejudices  
 (a) Dictator (b) Tyrant  
 (c) Popularist (d) Demagogue
75. Enclosed in a small closed space.  
 (a) Closophobia (b) Clusterophobia  
 (c) Claustrophobia (d) Liftophobia

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 76-82):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC CGL 2014)

76. Belief in many gods  
 (a) Pantheism (b) Monotheism  
 (c) Polytheism (d) Atheism

77. A cluster of flowers on a branch  
 (a) Bouquet (b) Inflorescence  
 (c) Wreath (d) Incandescence
78. A person who believes that only selfishness motivates human actions  
 (a) Agnostic (b) Cynic  
 (c) Sceptic (d) Misogynist
79. A highly skilled musician  
 (a) Artiste (b) Virtuoso  
 (c) Performer (d) Diva
80. A method of boiling briefly to cook food slightly  
 (a) Steam (b) Bake  
 (c) Saute (d) Parboil
81. The group, especially in the arts, regarded as being the most experimental  
 (a) Avant-garde (b) Iconoclast  
 (c) Revolutionary (d) Nerd
82. One who helps people by giving them money or other aid  
 (a) Benefactor (b) Beneficiary  
 (c) Tycoon (d) Patriot
91. One who runs away from justice or the law.  
 (a) Fugitive (b) Thief  
 (c) Criminal (d) Smuggler
92. One who is skillful.  
 (a) Disciplined (b) Different  
 (c) Diligent (d) Dexterous
93. One who is too careless to plan for the future.  
 (a) Impotent (b) Improvident  
 (c) Impractical (d) Imprudent
94. A person who deserves all praise  
 (a) Despicable (b) Detestable  
 (c) Laudable (d) Lovable
95. One who has long experience  
 (a) Expert (b) Novice  
 (c) Practitioner (d) Veteran
96. A study of ancient things.  
 (a) Physiology (b) Archaeology  
 (c) Ethnology (d) Zoology

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 83-89):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2015)

83. A recurrent compulsive urge to steal.  
 (a) Pneumonia (b) Insomnia  
 (c) Nymphomania (d) Kleptomania
84. Act of injuring another's reputation by any slanderous communication.  
 (a) Orchestration (b) Aberration  
 (c) Misrepresentation (d) Defamation
85. A story in which animals or objects speak and give wholesome moral lesson.  
 (a) Fable (b) Parable  
 (c) Allegory (d) Legend
86. Medical Study of skin and its diseases.  
 (a) Dermatology (b) Endocrinology  
 (c) Gynaecology (d) Orthopaedics
87. A process involving too much official formality.  
 (a) Diplomacy (b) Bureaucracy  
 (c) Red-tapism (d) Nepotism
88. A person who enters without any invitation.  
 (a) Burglar (b) Intruder  
 (c) Thief (d) Vandal
89. Not suitable for eating  
 (a) Tasteless (b) Uneatable  
 (c) Inedible (d) Spicy

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 90-96):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words / sentences.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2015)

90. Of one's own free will  
 (a) Obligatory (b) Mandatory  
 (c) Voluntary (d) Compulsory

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 97-99):** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2016)

97. An abattoir is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) a place where animals are slaughtered  
 (b) a place where abbots stay  
 (c) a title of respect given to a priest or abbot  
 (d) a place where animals are worshipped
98. A man with abnormal habits  
 (a) Eccentric  
 (b) Frantic  
 (c) Idiotic  
 (d) Sulky
99. Words inscribed on the tomb  
 (a) Epigraph  
 (b) Epigram  
 (c) Epitaph  
 (d) Elegy

**DIRECTIONS : (Qs. 100-102) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2016)

100. The ceremony of crowning a sovereign  
 (a) Felicitation (b) Promotion  
 (c) Coronation (d) Installation
101. One who tends to patronize, rebuff or ignore people regarded as social inferiors and imitate, admire people regarded as social superiors  
 (a) Snob (b) Fob  
 (c) Dandy (d) Freak
102. A room where dead bodies are kept until burial  
 (a) Grave (b) Cemetery  
 (c) Mortuary (d) Pyre

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 103-105) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences and click the button corresponding to it.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2016)

103. A person's peculiar habit  
 (a) Trait (b) Idiosyncrasy  
 (c) Idiolect (d) Talent
104. Speech delivered without preparation  
 (a) Rhetoric (b) Oration  
 (c) Extempore (d) Maiden speech
105. One who will do any job for anyone for money  
 (a) Mercenary (b) Recruit  
 (c) Hoodlum (d) Merchant

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 106-108) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC CGL 1<sup>st</sup> Sit. 2016)

106. Action that is likely to make people very angry  
 (a) Inflationary (b) Inflammable  
 (c) Commensurable (d) Inflammatory
107. A humorous drawing dealing with current events or politics.  
 (a) Sketch (b) Illustration  
 (c) Cartoon (d) Skit
108. Act of mercy killing  
 (a) Suicide (b) Euthanasia  
 (c) Immolation (d) Asphyxiation

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 109-113):** In the following question below, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC Sub. Ins. 2015)

109. Walking in sleep :  
 (a) Sleepy-head (b) Somnolence  
 (c) Somnambulism (d) Insomnia
110. A person who leaves his own country in order to go and live in another :  
 (a) Emigrant (b) Refugee  
 (c) Immigrant (d) Expatriate
111. Showing a dislike of anything improper :  
 (a) Crude (b) Prim  
 (c) Strict (d) Rude
112. That which cannot be avoided :  
 (a) Inevitable (b) Indifferent  
 (c) Inestimable (d) Infallible
113. Artistic, musical or dramatic interpretation :  
 (a) Reparation (b) Report  
 (c) Imitation (d) Rendition

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 114-118) :** In the following questions below, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC Sub. Ins. 2014)

114. One who offers his service of his own free will  
 (a) Worker (b) Slave  
 (c) Volunteer (d) Servant
115. One who is always doubting  
 (a) Sceptic (b) Deist  
 (c) Rationalist (d) Positivist
116. A collection of slaves  
 (a) Coffle (b) Crew  
 (c) Company (d) Cortege
117. A professional soldier hired to serve in a foreign army  
 (a) Mercenary (b) Liquidator  
 (c) Venal (d) Hiring
118. Not likely to be easily pleased  
 (a) Fastidious (b) Infallible  
 (c) Fatalist (d) Communist

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 119-123) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC Sub. Ins. 2013)

119. A person who attends to the diseases of the eye is an  
 (a) Oculist (b) Optimist  
 (c) Obstetrician (d) Optician
120. The study of worms and insects  
 (a) Taxidermy (b) Entomology  
 (c) Ornithology (d) Paleontology
121. A person who devotes his/her life for the welfare of others  
 (a) Altruist (b) Hermit  
 (c) Volunteer (d) Martyr
122. A person who shows off his learning  
 (a) Pedant (b) Educationist  
 (c) Exhibitor (d) Researcher
123. Written law of a legislative body  
 (a) Statute (b) Stature  
 (c) Static (d) Statue

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 124-128) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC Sub. Ins. 2012)

124. An act or notion to look back in the past  
 (a) Retrospective (b) Postnatal  
 (c) Retrogressive (d) Primitive
125. Medicine to counteract the effect of a poison  
 (a) Emetic (b) Antidote  
 (c) Anti-venom (d) Antiseptic
126. A collection of poems  
 (a) Pathology (b) Anthology  
 (c) Oncology (d) Pedology
127. One who studies mankind  
 (a) Anthropologist (b) Physicist  
 (c) Pathologist (d) Philanthropist
128. An opinion contrary to popular belief  
 (a) Paradox (b) Orthodoxy  
 (c) Hearsay (d) Heresy

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 129 - 132) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given sentences.

(SSC CHSL 2012)

129. Someone who scientifically studies the birds:  
 (a) Earthologist (b) Orthopedic  
 (c) Orthodontist (d) Ornithologist
130. Something which is imagined to be real but actually does not exist.  
 (a) Figment (b) Insight  
 (c) Mirage (d) Shadow
131. Someone having many skills:  
 (a) Versatile (b) Projectile  
 (c) Cyclostyle (d) Anglophile
132. To officially take private property away to seize.  
 (a) Offer (b) Confiscate  
 (c) Annex (d) Hijack

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 133-135) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words /sentence.

(SSC CHSL 2013)

133. A former student of a school, college or university  
 (a) Alumnus (b) Genius  
 (c) Scholar (d) Learner
134. A building in which aircraft are housed  
 (a) Hangar (b) Granary  
 (c) Dockyard (d) Garage
135. A short story based on your personal experience  
 (a) Parable (b) Legend  
 (c) Anecdote (d) Fable

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 136-140) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

(SSC CHSL 2014)

136. A poem of fourteen lines.  
 (a) Ballad (b) Psalm  
 (c) Sonnet (d) Carol
137. Incapable of error.  
 (a) Erroneous (b) Incurable  
 (c) Unbeatable (d) Infallible
138. One who believes everything he or she hears.  
 (a) Credulous (b) Credible  
 (c) Creditable (d) Credential
139. An allowance made to a wife by her husband, when they are legally separated.  
 (a) Alimony (b) Parsimony  
 (c) Matrimony (d) Honorarium
140. Wild imagination  
 (a) Whim (b) Fantasy  
 (c) Fancy (d) Memory

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 141-144) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC CHSL 2015)

141. Art of working with metals.  
 (a) Metaphysics (b) Metallurgy  
 (c) Metalloid (d) Meteorite
142. A place where birds are kept  
 (a) Aviary (b) Sanctuary  
 (c) Apiary (d) Aquarium
143. A gathering at a religious place  
 (a) Spectators (b) Mob  
 (c) Audience (d) Congregation
144. One who compiles a dictionary  
 (a) Cartographer (b) Bibliographer  
 (c) Lapidist (d) Lexicographer

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 145-148) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC CHSL 2015)

145. Submission to all that happens as inevitable.  
 (a) Fatalism (b) Pragmatism  
 (c) Pessimism (d) Superstition
146. A person who is easily deceived or tricked.  
 (a) Trickster (b) Trouble  
 (c) Tangible (d) Gullible
147. Lasting for a very short time.  
 (a) Friable (b) Ephemeral  
 (c) Metronomic (d) Eternal
148. Rules governing socially acceptable behaviour.  
 (a) Etiquette (b) Politeness  
 (c) Formality (d) Behaviour

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 149-153) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words / sentence.

(SSC Multitasking 2013)

149. One who is unable to pay one's debt  
 (a) Borrower (b) Bankrupt  
 (c) Bank-roll (d) Extravagant
150. Instrument that magnifies objects  
 (a) Microscope (b) Periscope  
 (c) Stethoscope (d) Telescope
151. Animals which live in water  
 (a) Barren (b) Wild  
 (c) Domestic (d) Aquatic
152. The study of plant life  
 (a) Geology (b) Zoology  
 (c) Botany (d) Geography
153. Exclusive possession or control of anything  
 (a) Mono-mania (b) Monotheism  
 (c) Monopoly (d) Monoism

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 154-158) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/ sentence.

(SSC Multitasking 2014)

154. A place where money is coined  
 (a) Press (b) Mint  
 (c) Lair (d) Archive
155. A series of lectures or lessons  
 (a) Catalogue (b) Panel  
 (c) Course (d) Syllabus
156. A false name adopted by an author for writing  
 (a) Nomenclature (b) Title  
 (c) Nickname (d) Pseudonym
157. One who possesses many talents  
 (a) Gifted (b) Talented  
 (c) Versatile (d) Exceptional
158. A very accurate form of clock  
 (a) Galvanometer (b) Calorimeter  
 (c) Voltmeter (d) Chronometer

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 159 -163) :** In the following five questions, out of the alternatives, choose the one which can substituted for the given words/sentences.

(SSC Sub. Ins. 2016)

159. The belief that God is in everything, including nature.  
 (a) Pantheism (b) Polytheism  
 (c) Mysticism (d) Naturalism
160. The study of growing garden plants  
 (a) Orchard (b) Horticulture  
 (c) Nomenclature (d) Nursery
161. One who copies from other writers  
 (a) Antagonist (b) Plagiarist  
 (c) Contender (d) Offender
162. Scientific study of Earthquakes  
 (a) Geography (b) Seismology  
 (c) Anthropology (d) Atrology
163. Gradually advanced  
 (a) Evoluted (b) Evolved  
 (c) Evaded (d) Advantaged

**DIRECTIONS (Qs.164 - 165) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

(SSC CGL 2017, Set-1)

164. That which cannot be corrected  
 (a) Impregnable  
 (b) Immolation  
 (c) Incurable  
 (d) Ineligible
165. A person who is blamed for the wrong doings of others  
 (a) Bursar  
 (b) Captor  
 (c) Phlegmatic  
 (d) Scapegoat

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 166 - 167) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

(SSC CGL 2017, Set-2)

166. A funeral poem  
 (a) Elegy (b) Pandemonium  
 (c) Parody (d) Sonnet
167. One who walks in sleep  
 (a) Drover (b) Fastidious  
 (c) Numismatist (d) Somnambulist

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 168 - 169) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

(SSC CGL 2017, Set-3)

168. A man devoid of kind feeling and sympathy.  
 (a) Callous (b) Credulous  
 (c) Gullible (d) Bohemian
169. One who eats too much  
 (a) Impostor (b) Glutton  
 (c) Hypochondriac (d) Intestate

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 170 - 172) :** In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

(SSC CGL 2017, Set-4)

170. Easily duped or fooled  
 (a) Bigot (b) Gullible  
 (c) Ridicule (d) Venerable
171. Atonement for one's sins  
 (a) Elite (b) Ignoramus  
 (c) Incendiary (d) Repentance
172. In the following questions, out of the four alternative, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.  
 A person famous and respected within a particular sphere.  
 (SSC CHSL 2017)  
 (a) Eminent (b) Obscure  
 (c) Despotic (d) Imperative

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 173 - 177):** Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can most appropriately substitute the given word(s) or sentence.

(SSC MTS 2017)

173. The centre of attraction.  
 (a) Cynosure (b) Focus  
 (c) Custodian (d) Point
174. The murder of one's father.  
 (a) Patricide (b) homicide  
 (c) fratricide (d) regicide
175. Overturn in water.  
 (a) Drown (b) Swim  
 (c) Wreck (d) Capsize
176. One whose wife is dead.  
 (a) Widower (b) Spinster  
 (c) Bachelor (d) Widow

177. That cannot be explained.

- (a) Intolerable (b) Inexplicit  
(c) Irrevocable (d) Inexplicable

**DIRECTIONS (Qs. 178 - 182):** In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

(SSC Sub. Insp. 2017)

178. Government by a few people

- (a) Aristocracy (b) Oligarchy  
(c) Dictatorship (d) Bureaucracy

179. The state of living unmarried

- (a) Celibacy (b) Neogamist  
(c) Chaperon (d) Implorer

180. An event which happens once in five years.

- (a) Septennial (b) Quinquennial  
(c) Interregnum (d) Pun

181. A person who looks after horses at an inn

- (a) Matron (b) Chandler  
(c) Ostler (d) Effeminate

182. To struggle helplessly

- (a) Implorer (b) Yokel  
(c) Flounder (d) Chum

183. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

The original inhabitants of a country (SSC CHSL 2018)

- (a) slaves (b) immigrants  
(c) aborigines (d) residents

184. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

One who treats skin diseases (SSC CHSL 2018)

- (a) dermatologist (b) radiologist  
(c) geologist (d) cardiologist

185. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

liable to break easily (SSC CGL 2018)

- (a) brittle (b) soft  
(c) bent (d) thin

186. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

impossible to satisfy (SSC CGL 2018)

- (a) satisfactory (b) satisfiable  
(c) contented (d) insatiable

187. Select the word, which means the same as the group of words given to shorten a piece of writing without losing the sense

(SSC Sub-Ins. 2018)

- (a) crop (b) allege  
(c) edit (d) abridge

188. Select the word, which means the same as the group of words given.

A place where bees are kept. (SSC Sub-Ins. 2018)

- (a) apiary (b) orchard  
(c) aquarium (d) aviary

189. Select the word, which means the same as the group of words given. (SSC Sub-Ins. 2018)

A place where coins are made

- (a) exchange (b) bank  
(c) reserve (d) mint

190. Select the word, which means the same as the group of words given. (SSC Sub-Ins. 2018)

A person who compiles dictionaries

- (a) calligrapher (b) cartographer  
(c) lexicographer (d) choreographer

191. Select the word, which means the same as the group of words given. (SSC Sub-Ins. 2018)

A gigantic statue

- (a) column (b) citadel  
(c) castle (d) colossus

192. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

A young child just beginning to walk.

(SSC MTS 2018)

- (a) Toddler (b) Cub  
(c) Joey (d) Kid

193. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

Resistant to a particular infection

(SSC MTS 2018)

- (a) Innocent (b) Immune  
(c) Immortal (d) Innocuous

194. Select the word, which means the same as the given group of words. (SSC CGL 2019-20)

Something that cannot be heard

- (a) infallible (b) audible  
(c) inaudible (d) irrevocable

195. Select the word, which means the same as the groups of words given. (SSC CGL 2019-20)

A song sung at a burial

- (a) Sonnet (b) Ballad  
(c) Hymn (d) Dirge

196. Choose the most appropriate word that can substitute the given group of words.

One who pretends to be what he is not.

(SSC MTS 2019-20)

- (a) Director (b) Hypocrite  
(c) Creator (d) Acrobat

197. Choose the most appropriate word that can substitute the given group of words.

A place where nuns live and work.

(SSC MTS 2019-20)

- (a) Convent  
(b) Dormitory  
(c) Hostel  
(d) Quarter



198. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.  
Having no moral principles (SSC CHSL 2019-20)  
(a) Mischievous (b) Unscrupulous  
(c) Ethical (d) Unaware
199. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.  
Using right and left hand equally well (SSC CHSL 2019-20)  
(a) Ambidextrous (b) Left-handed  
(c) Inexpert (d) Unskilled
200. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words.  
A person who is trained to travel in a spacecraft (SSC CGL 2020-21)  
(a) choreographer (b) Chauffeur  
(c) Anchor (d) Astronaut
201. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words.  
One who does not take any alcoholic drink (SSC CGL 2020-21)  
(a) Perfectionist (b) Teetotaler  
(c) Vegetarian (d) Astrologer
202. Selected the option which means the same as the group of words given.  
A hunting weapon which comes back, used by Australian Aborigines. (SSC CHSL 2020-21)  
(a) cutlass (b) slingshot  
(c) harpoon (d) boomerang
203. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words.  
Causing a strong dislike (SSC CHSL 2020-21)  
(a) Revealing (b) Redundant  
(c) Repulsive (d) Hateful
204. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given. (SSC MTS 2020-21)  
A situation when no progress is possible  
(a) Harmony (b) Acceptance  
(c) Deadline (d) Deadlock
205. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given. (SSC MTS 2020-21)  
Be harmonious or consistent with  
(a) Record (b) Accord  
(c) Discord (d) Cordon
206. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If no substitution is required, select 'No substitution'.  
You must be quite good acquainted with the terrain in this jungle. (SSC Stenographer 2020-21)  
(a) well acquainted (b) No substitution  
(c) better acquaints (d) best acquaint
207. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If no substitute is required, select 'No substitution'. (SSC Stenographer 2020-21)  
Practising match sums in so many, periods over times is better than in long periods at a time, for effective learning.  
(a) much (b) too much  
(c) short (d) No substitution
208. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select, "No substitute". (SSC Stenographer 2020-21)  
The situation in the city is now fully under control.  
(a) beneath (b) No substitution  
(c) beside (d) below
209. Select the most appropriate word which means the same as the group of words given.  
Extreme mental or physical suffering (SSC Sub-Inspector 2020-21)  
(a) ecstasy (b) acute (c) rapture (d) agony
210. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution required'.  
Because she didn't love him, she had to marry him. (SSC Sub-Inspector 2020-21)  
(a) Despite (b) No substitution required  
(c) Since (d) Although
211. Select the most appropriate word which means the same as the group of words given.  
A place where games are played for money (SSC Sub-Inspector 2020-21)  
(a) church (b) casino  
(c) university (d) gymnasium
212. Select the most appropriate word which means the same as the group of words given.  
Be more successful than someone (SSC Sub-Inspector 2020-21)  
(a) win (b) succeed (c) outdo (d) beat
213. Select the most appropriate word which means the same as the group of words given.  
An exact or a very close copy (of something) (SSC Sub-Inspector 2020-21)  
(a) artificial (b) forgery (c) replica (d) substitute
214. Select the most appropriate word which means the same as the group of words given.  
Something done because one wants to, not by force (SSC Sub-Inspector 2020-21)  
(a) coerced (b) voluntary  
(c) threatened (d) subjected

# HINTS & EXPLANATIONS

1. (b) Deceit used in order to achieve one's goal.
2. (b) Too extreme to be described in words.
3. (b) A person who attacks or criticizes cherished beliefs or instructions.
4. (c) The state of being confined as a prisoner, especially for political or military reasons.
5. (c) The study of different people.
6. (c) A stowaway is a person who secretly boards a ship or vehicle to travel free.
7. (a) Circumstantial is a description of full details of a particular scene.
8. (a) Windfall refers to get a large amount unexpectedly.
9. (a) 10. (d)
11. (c) Sinecure is a position with no work but with financial benefit.
12. (b) Fatal
13. (a) 14. (c) 15. (a) 16. (c) 17. (b)
18. (a) 19. (b) 20. (a) 21. (a) 22. (d)
23. (c) 24. (d) 25. (b) 26. (c) 27. (d)
28. (a) 29. (d)
30. (a) A post at a road junction from which signs project in the direction of the place of route indicated.
31. (b) 32. (a) 33. (c) 34. (d)
35. (c) The word **Incantation** means ; special words that are spoken or sung to have a magic effect.
36. (b) 37. (c) 38. (a) 39. (a) 40. (c)
41. (a)
42. (b) Incurable is a person not able to be changed or reformed.
43. (d) Amnesty is an official pardon for people who have been convicted of political offences.
44. (a) 45. (a)
46. (c) Truant refers to a pupil who stays away from school without leave or explanation.
47. (d) 48. (d)
49. (c) Accorded a great deal of respect, especially because of age, wisdom or character.
50. (b) A recurrent urge to steal.
51. (a) 52. (b) 53. (b)
54. (c) Numismatics is the study of coins.
55. (d) 56. (c)
57. (a) A statement that is obviously true and says nothing new or interesting.
58. (b) 59. (b) 60. (a) 61. (c)
62. (d) Ambiguous means having more than one possible meaning.
63. (a) If someone or something is infallible, that means they are incapable of failure or error.
64. (d) Conscientious is the one who is guided by or in accordance with conscience or sense of duty and right and wrong.
65. (d) A collection of historical documents or records.
66. (c) Obsolete means no longer in use
67. (c) Regicide means the act of killing a king.
68. (a) Aviary is a building where birds are kept.
69. (a) 70. (a) 71. (a) 72. (b) 73. (b)
74. (d) Demagogue refers to a political leader who seeks support by appealing to popular desires and prejudices rather than by using rational argument.
75. (c) 76. (c) 77. (b)
78. (b) A person who believes that only selfishness motivates human action-Cynic.
79. (b)
80. (d) A method of boiling briefly to cook food slightly.
81. (a) 82. (a)
83. (d) Kleptomania is a compulsion to steal having no relation to need or the monetary value of the object. Pneumonia is a disease; insomnia is an inability to sleep; chronic sleeplessness while nymphomania is an abnormally intense sexual desire in women.
84. (d) Defamation is a false accusation of an offence or a malicious misrepresentation of someone's words or actions.
85. (a) Fable is a usually short narrative making an edifying or cautionary point and often employing as characters animals that speak and act like humans.
86. (a) Dermatology is a branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of diseases and disorders of the skin.
87. (c) Red-tapism is the practice of requiring excessive paperwork and tedious procedures before official action can be considered or completed; also called red-tapery or red-tapist.
88. (b) Intruder is someone who intrudes, especially into a building with criminal intent.
89. (c) Inedible is something that is not suitable for food or eating.

90. (c) Voluntary means of your own free will or design; done by choice; not forced or compelled.
91. (a) Fugitive is one who is sought by law officers; someone trying to elude justice.
92. (d) Dexterous is the one who is skilful in physical movements; especially of the hands.
93. (b) Improvident means not provident; not providing for the future.
94. (c) Laudable means worthy of high praise.
95. (d) An experienced person who has been through many battles; someone who has given long service is called a veteran.
96. (b) The branch of anthropology that studies prehistoric people and their cultures through their material remains is called archaeology.
97. (a) Abattoir is a slaughter house.
98. (a) 99. (c) 100. (c)
101. (a) Snob is a person with an exaggerated respect for high social position or wealth who seeks to associate with social superiors and looks down on those regarded as socially inferior.
102. (c) Mortuary is a room or building where dead bodies are kept until burial.
103. (b) Idiosyncrasy is a made of behaviour or way of thought peculiar to an individual.
104. (c) 105. (a) 106. (d) 107. (c)
108. (b) Euthanasia is the painless killing of a person known as mercy killing.
109. (c) Somnambulism means sleepwalking.
110. (a) Emigrant means a person who leaves his own country in order to settle permanently in another.
111. (b) Prim means feeling or showing disapproval of anything.
112. (a) Inevitable means something which is certain to happen.
113. (d) Rendition means a performance or interpretation, especially of a dramatic role or piece of music.
114. (c) A volunteer is a person who freely offers to take part in an enterprise and undertake a task.
115. (a) Sceptic means a person inclined to question or doubt accepted opinions.
116. (a) Cofle means a line of slaves / animals fastened or driven along together.
117. (a) A mercenary is a hired professional soldier who fights for any state or nation without regard to political principles.
118. (a) Fastidious means difficult to please.
119. (a) An ophthalmologist or optician
120. (b) The branch of zoology concerned with study of insects.
121. (a) A person with disinterested and selfless concern.
122. (a) 123. (a) 124. (a) 125. (b) 126. (b)
127. (a) 128. (d) 129. (d) 130. (a) 131. (a)
132. (b) 133. (a) 134. (a) 135. (c)
136. (c) A sonnet is a short rhyming poem with 14 lines.
137. (d) "Fallible" means capable of making mistakes or easier to remember - capable of failing. Infallible means exactly the opposite - incapable of failing.
138. (a) A credulous person is one who is willing to believe or trust too readily, especially without proper or adequate evidence.
139. (a) Alimony is a legal obligation on a person to provide financial support to his or her spouse before or after marital separation or divorce.
140. (b) Fantasy is the faculty or activity of imagining impossible or improbable things.
141. (b) 'Metallurgy' refers to the branch of science which deals with the properties of metals and their production.
142. (a) An 'aviary' is a place where birds are kept.
143. (d) 'Congregation' refers to a group of people assembled for religious worship.
144. (d) 'Lexicographer' is a person who compiles dictionaries.
145. (a) Fatalism means acceptance of the belief that all events are predetermined and inevitable.
146. (d) Gullible means someone who can be easily deceived or duped
147. (b) Ephemeral means lasting for a very short time.
148. (a) Etiquette means the code of polite behaviour in society or among members of a particular group.
149. (b) Bankrupt means insolvent or penniless
150. (a) 151. (d) 152. (c) 153. (c)
154. (b) Mint is a place where money is made, or an unlimited supply of wealth. In other words, it is a place where the coins of a country are manufactured by authority of the government.
155. (a) Course means a list of contents at a university, systematically arranged and often including descriptive material such as lessons and lectures.
156. (d) A pseudonym is a name that a person or group assumes for a particular purpose, which differs from his or her original or true name. Pseudonyms include stage names, screen names, ring names, pen names, nicknames, aliases, superhero identities and code names, gamer identifications.
157. (c) A versatile person is one who is able to adapt or be adapted to many different functions or activities and is multitalented and flexible.
158. (d) A chronometer is an instrument for measuring time accurately in spite of motion or variations in temperature, humidity and air pressure. It is a timepiece with a special mechanism for ensuring and adjusting its accuracy.

159. (a) 160. (b) 161. (b) 162. (b) 163. (a)
164. (c) An incorrigible person or incorrigible behaviour is bad and impossible to change or improve.
165. (d) A scapegoat is a person or animal which takes on the sins of others.
166. (a) 'Elegy' is typically a lament for the dead.
167. (d) 'Somnambulist' is a person who walks about in his sleep.
168. (a) A callous person or action is very cruel and shows no concern for other people or their feelings.
169. (b) A glutton person eats and drinks excessively or voraciously.
170. (b) A gullible person can be easily persuaded to believe something.
171. (d) 'Repentance' is the activity of reviewing one's action and feeling regret for past wrongs.
172. (a) A person famous and respected within a particular sphere is known as 'eminent'.
173. (a) Cynosure means centre of attraction.
174. (a) Patricide is the act of killing one's father. Homicide (act of one human killing another); Fratricide (the killing of one's brother or sister.); Regicide (the action of killing a king.).
175. (d) Capsize means be overturned in the water.
176. (a) Widower is a man whose wife is dead. Spinster means an unmarried woman and especially one past the common age for marrying. Widow is a woman whose man is dead. Bachelor is an unmarried man/woman.
177. (d) Inexplicable is what cannot be explained. Intolerable means unable to be endured. Inexplicit means not definitely or clearly expressed or explained. Irrevocable means not able to be changed, reversed, or recovered.
178. (b) An oligarchy is a government ruled by a small group of powerful people.
179. (a) Celibacy is the state of abstaining from marriage and sexual relations. Neogamist is a newlywed; implorer means to beg; chaperon is a person who accompanies and looks after another person or group of people.
180. (b) Quinquennial is an event occurring or being done every five years. Septennial is recurring in seven years. Interregnum means the time during which a throne is vacant between two successive reigns or regimes. Pun is a joke exploiting the different possible meanings of a word or the fact that there are words which sound alike but have different meanings.
181. (c) Ostler is a man employed to look after the horses of people staying at an inn. Matron is a woman in charge of domestic and medical arrangements at a boarding school or other institution. Chandler is a dealer in supplies and equipment for ships and boats. Effeminate means unmanly.
182. (c) Flounder is to struggle with stumbling or plunging movements. Implorer means to beg, yokel means an uneducated and unsophisticated person from the countryside. Chum means a close friend.
183. (c) 'Slave' is a person who is the legal property of another and is forced to obey them. 'Immigrants' are those who come to live permanently in a foreign country. 'Residents' are people who live somewhere permanently or on a long-term basis. 'Aborigines' are those who have been in a country or region from earliest times.
184. (a) A Radiologist is a person who uses X-rays or other high-energy radiation, especially a doctor specializing in radiology. A Geologist is an expert in or student of geology. A Cardiologist is a doctor who specializes in the study or treatment of heart diseases and heart abnormalities.
185. (a) Brittle means hard but liable to break easily.
186. (d) Insatiable means 'impossible to satisfy'. Other words are different in meaning.
187. (d) Crop means to cut (something, especially a person's hair) very short or cut the edges of (a photograph) in order to produce a better picture or to fit a given space. Allege means to claim or assert that someone has done something illegal or wrong, typically without proof. Edit means to remove unnecessary or inappropriate material from a text, film, or radio or television programme.
188. (a) Orchard is a piece of enclosed land planted with fruit trees. Aquarium is a transparent tank of water in which fishes and other water creatures are kept. Aviary is a large cage, building, or enclosure for keeping birds in.
189. (d)
190. (c) Calligrapher is the one who is skilled at the art of producing beautiful writing. A cartographer is a person who draws or produces maps. A choreographer is a person who composes the sequence of steps and moves for a performance of dance.
191. (d)
192. (a) 'Toddler' is the correct option.  
'Cub' is the young one of lion, fox, wolves and other carnivorous mammals.  
'Joey' is the young one of kangaroo or 'marsupials'  
'Kid' is the infants or small child.
193. (b) Here, the word 'innocent' means 'not done wrong' 'immortal' means 'never ending' and 'innocuous' means 'not harmful'  
So, the option no. (b) (immune) is the correct word.
194. (c) Inaudible  
Infallible means without any mistake; certain to happen. Irrevocable means not able to be changed, reversed, or recovered; final.
195. (d) Dirge  
Sonnet is a poem of 14 lines. Ballad means a poem or song narrating a story in short stanzas. Hymn means a religious song or poem of praise to God or a god.  
Dirge means a lament for the dead, especially one forming part of a funeral rite.

196. (b) Hypocrite is someone who pretends to be what he is not.
197. (a) Convent is a place where nuns live and work.
198. (b) Unscrupulous means having no moral principles.
199. (a) Ambidextrous means using right and left hand equally well.
200. (d) Astronaut-a person who is trained to travel in spacecraft.
201. (b) Teetotaler is someone who never drinks alcohol.
202. (d) Boomerang is a curved flat piece of wood that can be thrown so that it will return to the thrower. Traditionally used by Australian Aboriginal people as a hunting weapon.
203. (c) Revealing means-showing, redundant means-useless, repulsive means-arousing strong distaste and hateful means very unpleasant or filled with hate. Therefore, the answer is repulsive.
204. (d) Deadlock means-a situation, typically one involving opposing parties, in which no progress can be made.
205. (b) Accord means to be harmonious or consistent with.
206. (a) Its sound effective.
207. (c) The rest of the options don't make sense and there is a mention of 'long periods in the sentence', thus we choose 'short' periods.
208. (b) No substitution is required.
209. (d) Agony means extreme mental and physical suffering.
210. (d) Because is used to explain or justify something. Although is used to contradict a statement, that in spite of the fact. Here, the sentence says the she didn't love him, she had to marry him. Two contradictory ideas are being stated and thus we use although.
211. (b) Casino is a place where games are played for money.
212. (c) When you want to be more successful than others, you want to outdo others.
213. (c) Replica is an exact or a very close copy (of something).
214. (b) Coerced/threatened/ subjected all convey force. Whereas, voluntary is by one's will/choice.