

IBPS SO Exam

1. 'Human Rights Day' is observed on_____.

- A. 10 december
- B. 9 december
- C. 10 november
- D. 10 october
- E. None of these

2. In March 2019, the merger of Bank of Baroda, Vijaya Bank, and_____has been proposed.

- A. Dena Bank
- B. Uco Bank
- C. Bank of India
- D. Canara Bank
- E. Punjab National Bank

3. Which team won the 'Santosh Trophy', 2018?

- A. Goa
- B. West Bengal
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Kerala
- E. Services

4. Which cricket stadium in Uttar Pradesh has been renamed after former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee on 5th November 2018?

- A. Green Park International Stadium, Kanpur
- B. Ekana International Stadium, Lucknow
- C. Saifai International Cricket Stadium
- D. Noida Cricket Stadium
- E. None of these

5. The Ramon Magsaysay Award 2018 winner were Sonam Wangchuk and_____.

- A. Youk Chhang
- B. Barry Barish
- C. Bharat Vatwani
- D. Vaishali Dev
- E. Howard Dee

6. Konkan Joint Military Exercise 2018 was held between India and which country?

- A. USA
- B. United Kingdom
- C. Israel
- D. Indonesia
- E. None of these

7. The military exercise "Dharma Guardian- 2018" was conducted between India and which of the following countries?

- A. Iran
- B. Myanmar
- C. Japan
- D. Nepal
- E. Canada

8. What is the height of the 'Statue of Unity' (world's tallest Statue) situated in Gujarat?

- A. 180 meters
- B. 181 meters

- C. 182 meters
- D. 183 meters
- E. 184 meters

9. Indo-Russian Strategic Economic Dialogue 2018 was held in_____.

- A. Moscow, Russia
- B. Mumbai, India
- C. New Delhi, India
- D. St. Petersburg, Russia
- E. None of these

10. The Prime Minister inaugurated first multi-modal terminal in_____.

- A. Sahibganj, Jharkhand
- B. Haldia, West Bengal
- C. Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- D. Ghazipur, Uttar Pradesh
- E. Buxar, Bihar

11. Which of following cities hosted the 80th Session of the Policy Commission of the World Customs Organization (WCO)?

- A. Mumbai
- B. New Delhi
- C. Chandigarh
- D. Pune
- E. Bhopal

12. Which of the following banks has launched the first interactive Credit Card in India with special button, that will allow the users multiple benefits?

- A. HDFC Bank
- B. ICICI Bank
- C. IndusInd Bank
- D. HSBC Bank
- E. Standard Chartered Bank

13. The ASEAN-India Breakfast Summit 2018 was held in_____.

- A. Indonesia
- B. Vietnam
- C. Singapore
- D. Malaysia
- E. Philippines

14. Who has won the Nobel Prize in economics for 2018?

- A. William Nordhaus & Paul Romer
- B. Nadia Murad & Denis Mukwege
- C. Juan Manuel Santos & Henry Dunant
- D. Jean-Pierre Sauvage & David J. Thouless
- E. Juan Manuel Santos & Bernard L. Feringa

15. Which state government has declared the Singphan Wildlife Sanctuary as an Elephant Reserve, which made it the 30th Elephant Reserve in the country?

- A. Tripura
- B. Nagaland

- C. Sikkim
E. Manipur
16. Smriti Mandhana is associated with which sport?
A. Cricket
B. Table Tennis
C. Boxing
D. Wrestling
E. None of these
17. Which of the following institutions have been established as a regulating authority for Chartered Accountants and Auditors?
A. Securities and Exchange Board of India
B. National Financial Reporting Authority
C. Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority
D. Reserve Bank of India
E. National Bank For Agriculture & Rural Development
18. Which of the following cities has been selected by United nations (UN) to participate in its Global Sustainable Cities 2025 initiative?
A. Noida & Greater Noida
B. Delhi & Gurugram
C. Faridabad & Delhi
D. Lucknow & Kanpur
E. None of these
19. Who has been named as the brand ambassador of Tribes India?
A. Mary Kom
B. MS Dhoni
C. Virat Kohli
D. Dipa Karmakar
E. None of these
20. Who has been elected as the president of Iraq in 2018?
A. Ali Kafashian
B. Barham Salih
C. Muhammad Fuad Masum
D. Jalal Talabani
E. Adil Abdul-Mahdi
21. As per the India Skills Report 2019 which state has emerged on top of the list of states with the highest employability in India?
A. Rajasthan
B. Andhra Pradesh
C. Karnataka
D. Maharashtra
E. Gujarat

22. TN Srinivasan passed away recently, he was a renowned_____.
A. politician
B. economist
C. writer
D. artist
E. film director
23. In which state of India the 7th International Tourism Mart 2018 has inaugurated?
A. Meghalaya
B. Tripura
C. Mizoram
D. Sikkim
E. Manipur
24. Who has become the Vice-Chair of the UN Panel of Auditors?
A. Rajiv Mehrishi
B. Jamal Khashoggi
C. Ahmad Albarqi
D. Sabria Jawhar
E. Hissa Hilal
25. India has been elected to the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC). The headquarters of UNHRC is located at _____.
A. Paris
B. New Delhi
C. Geneva
D. Bali
E. None of these
26. Who has won the prestigious Man Booker 2018 for fiction?
A. Julian Barnes
B. Vikas Swarup
C. Anna Burns
D. Aravind Adiga
E. V.C. Govindaraj
27. What is the theme of the World Food Day (WFD), 2018?
A. Our actions are our future
B. Healthy lives and sustainable future
C. Food and inclusive societies
D. Families, education and Food
E. Together for Humanity
28. The Uttar Pradesh Cabinet adopted a proposal to rename the historic city of Allahabad. What will be its new name?
A. Mughalsarai
B. Prayagraj
C. Alipur
D. Pataliputra
E. Tirupati
29. Senior composer and lyricist Yashwant Dev passed away recently. He belonged to which state?
A. Punjab
B. Bihar
C. Maharashtra
D. Uttar Pradesh
E. None of these

30. Who has won the 2018 World Billiards Championship title at Leeds in UK?

- A. Charles Dawson B. Sourav Kothari
C. Peter Gilchrist D. Harry Stevenson
E. Tom Reece

31. The world's largest airport terminal "under one roof" has been officially opened in_.

- A. New York City B. Rome
C. Istanbul D. Barcelona
E. Paris

32. COP24 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was held in which of the following countries?

- A. Germany B. France
C. Morocco D. Poland
E. None of these

33. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced to launch a new lavender coloured banknote for which of the following denominations?

- A. Rs 100 B. Rs 500
C. Rs 50 D. Rs 10
E. Rs. 20

34. Which of the following country has set up a support fund for foreign workers who run into difficulties for not being paid?

- A. India B. Qatar
C. Pakistan D. Indonesia
E. Malesia

35. Who has won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Chemistry?

- A. Frances H. Arnold, George P. Smith and sir Gregory P. Winter
B. Jeffrey C. Hall, Michael Rosbash and Michael W. Young
C. Arthur Ashkin, Gerard Mourou and Donna Strickland
D. Rainer Weiss, Barry C Barish and Kip S. Thorne
E. Joachim Frank, Richard Henderson and Jacques Dubochet

36. The World Animal Day is observed every year on_____.

- A. 4th October B. 7th October
C. 14th October D. 9th October
E. 10th October

37. 'Typhoon Trami' has recently hit which country?

- A. Japan B. Philippines
C. Nigeria D. Indonesia
E. Malaysia

38. Who has been appointed Managing Director (MD) of the State Bank of India (SBI)?

- A. S N Singh B. Anshula Kant
C. Anil Kumar Jha D. Devendra Prasad
E. Mohan Dev

39. Who among the following is the author of the book 'India ahead 2025 and beyond'?

- A. Anand Neelakanthan
B. Chetan Bhagat C. Bimal Jalan
D. Ganesh Devy E. Ruskin Bond

40. Which of the following books has been written by author Krishna Trilok?

- A. Notes of a Dream
B. Revolution 2020
C. Five Point Someone
D. What Young India Wants
E. None of these

41. Who among the following has won the US Open Women's Singles title 2018?

- A. Serena Williams B. Miyu Kato
C. Jelena Ostapenko D. Ana Bogdan
E. Naomi Osaka

42. Who has won the 57th edition of Duleep Trophy tournament?

- A. India Red B. India Green
C. India Blue D. Mumbai
E. India Orange

43. Who among the following has won the prestigious Seoul Peace Prize 2018 for contribution to high economic growth in India?

- A. Kailash Satyarthi B. Ratan Tata
C. Narendra Modi D. Chanda Kochhar
E. Sunil Bharti Mittal

44. Which of the following movies has been officially selected for Taipei Golden Horse Film Festival 2018?

- A. Raazi B. Sanju
C. Badhaai Ho D. Race 3
E. Padmaavat

45. Which of the following countries hosted the World Wrestling Championship 2018?

- A. France
- B. Hungary
- C. United States
- D. Turkey
- E. Denmark

46. Buenos Aires is the capital of which country?

- A. Argentina
- B. Germany
- C. Bahrain
- D. Qatar
- E. Australia

47. Headquarter of National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) Payment Bank located in_.

- A. Mumbai
- B. Kolkata
- C. New Delhi
- D. Chennai
- E. None of these

48. The first Indo-Japan Joint exercise 'Dharma Guardian' was held in_____.

- A. Mizoram
- B. Punjab
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Assam
- E. Odisha

49. Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled 64-Foot tall statue of Deenbandhu Sir Chhotu Ram (messiah of farmers) at _____.

- A. Anjar, Gujarat
- B. Chatra, Jharkhand
- C. Sampla, Haryana
- D. Faridkot, Punjab
- E. Faizabad, Uttar Pradesh

50. On which of the following river Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal has inaugurated the iconic 'Signature Bridge'?

- A. Ganga
- B. Yamuna
- C. Hindon
- D. Gomti
- E. Kaveri

Direction (51 – 51) : In the passage given below, there are blanks, each preceded by a word given in bold. Every blank has four alternative words given in options (A), (B), (C) and (D). Find the word which best suits the place. If the given word suits the blank, mark 'no correction/change required' as the answer.

Nowadays, globalization's opponents seem increasingly to be drowning out its

defenders. If they get their way, the post-World War II international order – which aimed, often successfully, to advance peace and prosperity through exchange and connection – could well **resemble (###Q1###)**. Can globalization be saved?

At first glance, the outlook appears grim. Every aspect of globalization – free trade, free movement of capital, and international migration – is under attack. Leading the charge are **couthy (###Q2###)** forces – from populist political parties to separatist groups to terrorist organizations – whose actions tend to focus more on what they oppose than on what they support.

In Russia and Asia, anti-Western groups are at the forefront of the campaign against globalization. In Europe, populist parties have tended to emphasize their aversion to European integration, with those on the right often also **condemning (###Q3###)**

immigration, while the left denounces rising economic inequality. In Latin America, the enemy seems to be foreign **abetment (###Q4###)** of any kind. In Africa, tribal separatists oppose anyone standing in the way of independence. And in the Middle East, the Islamic State (ISIS) virulently rejects modernity – and targets societies that embrace it. Despite their differences, these groups have one thing in common: a deep hostility toward international structures and interconnectedness (though, of course, a murderous group like ISIS is in a different category from, say, European populists). They do not care that the international order they want to tear down enabled the rapid post-1945 economic growth that liberated billions of developing-country citizens from poverty. All they see are massive, unbending **organisation (###Q5###)** and intolerable inequalities in wealth and income, and they blame globalization.

51. Choose the correct answer from the given options.

- A. collapse
- B. succeed
- C. rise
- D. fluctuate
- E. No change required

52. Choose the correct option from the given words.

- A. antagonistic
- B. chummy
- C. pally
- D. providential
- E. No change required

53. Choose the correct word from the given options.

- A. complimentary
- B. flattering
- C. absolving
- D. laudatory
- E. No change required

54. Choose the correct word from the given options.

- A. compaction
- B. interference
- C. facilitation
- D. compunctions
- E. No change required

55. Choose the correct response from the given words.

- A. assimilation
- B. distraction
- C. destruction
- D. institutions
- E. No change required

Direction: In this question, two **columns I and II** and three sentences are given, which are divided into two parts. **Column I (A, B and C)** consists of first half of each sentence and **Column II (D, E and F)** consists of second half of each sentence. Match column I with column II, so that the sentences formed are both meaningful and grammatically correct. Choose the option as your answer.

56. I. A) The aim appears to be to capture a vote bank without pondering over

B) The Bill falls short of the government's own laudable claims and objectives

C) Our leaders and some academicians seemed obsessed with our glorious past

II. D) of providing shelter to the minorities in India's neighbourhood on at least two counts.

E) of esoteric beliefs which augur doom for the science.

F) the after-effects on other Indian citizens.

- A. B-D
- B. A-E and C-F
- C. C-E
- D. A-E, B-F and C-D
- E. B-D and A-F

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57. I. A) The preposterous claims such as some of those made in the Science Congress are disheartening

B) People from a Hindu background have not only faced denial of rights and violence

C) Equality before the law, economic justice and secularism are being whittled down one by one

II. D) which delineate the image of sane voices being outshouted and flourishing of divisive politics.

E) howbeit, congress party seems to launch a few new potential candidates for the coming elections.

F) but also generations of hatred between the two communities are well known.

- A. B-D and C-D
- B. A-E and C-F
- C. C-D
- D. A-E and B-F
- E. C-D and A-F

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58. I. A) A man died shortly after he was arrested

B) If there is a single word that describes what Christmas is all about

C) The inner ear is so sensitive that it can detect

II. D) prompting an urgent investigation into the incident.

E) distinguish the sounds that are only 10 millionths of a second apart.

F) it is a Hebrew word, "Emmanuel" founded in the gospel of Matthew.

- A. B-D
B. A-D and B-F
C. C-E
D. A-E, B-F and C-D
E. C-D and A-F

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59. I. A) The current President of the United states

B) The amount of time it takes to go to the store

C) Most players don't remain fit

II. D) To play for a long time.

E) Is very outspoken and unapologetic.

F) For the stars in the universe.

- A. A-E and B-D
B. C-E
C. A-E and C-D
D. B-D, A-E and C-F
E. B-F

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60. I. A) He was one of the best players in the world

B) Bugatti created one of the

C) The pencil was lying on the floor when II. D) The cat came running and tripped over it.

E) But his excellence seems to have deserted him recently.

F) Very well done for that matter.

A. A-F and C-D
B. C-F and B-E

- C. A-E and C-D
D. B-F
E. B-D

Direction (61 – 65) : Given below are six statements A, B, C, D, E and F, which when arranged in the correct order, form a coherent and meaningful paragraph. The sentence marked D is fixed and would fit in the fourth position. Rearrange the other statements in a proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph, then answer the questions that follow.

A) While an inquiry is being conducted, it is suspected that the deaths may have occurred due to infighting and disease according to reports.

B) If we don't check our misuse of natural resources more and more such appalling news will keep surfacing from time to time.

C) Earlier this week, Gujarat's treasured wildlife reserve suffered a shocking jolt in the form of mass lion deaths.

D) While some have presumably died in infights, others, including three lion cubs, are suspected to have contracted a fatal illness.

E) Infighting in the wild mostly occurs when natural resources are scarce and animals encroach upon each other's territory for basic necessities.

F) 11 lion carcasses were reportedly found in the East division of Gir forest and the deaths have presumably taken place within 10 days as stated by east Gir's Deputy Conservator of Forest, P Purushothama.

61. Which of the following will be the first statement after rearrangement?

- A. A
B. B
C. C
D. E
E. F

62. Which of the following will be the second statement after rearrangement?

- A. A
B. B
C. C
D. E
E. F

63. Which of the following will be the third statement after rearrangement?

- A. A
B. B

C. C
E. F

D. E

64. Which of the following will be the fifth statement after rearrangement?

A. A B. B
C. C D. E
E. F

65. Which of the following will be the last statement after rearrangement?

A. A B. B
C. C D. E
E. F

Direction: In the given question, five words are printed in bold and are marked A, B, C, D and E. The positions of some highlighted words may be incorrect and need to be exchanged with another highlighted word to make the sentence correct. Find the pair of word(s) that need to be exchanged.

66. **More** (A) than a decade ago, Indic **fonts** (B) were primarily being **designed** (C) by **software** (D) developers who **sold** (E) them as supporting products.

A. A-C B. C-D & B-C
C. C-E D. A-B & C-E
E. No exchange required

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67. The **migrations** (A) of the Partition of India led to the tragic **death** (B) and displacement of millions of people in what was to **become** (C) one of the greatest **event** (D) in **history** (E).

A. A-D B. C-D & B-C
C. C-E D. A-B & C-E
E. No exchange required

Direction: In the given question, five words are printed in bold and are numbered A, B, C, D and E. The positions of some highlighted words may be

incorrect and need to be interchanged with another highlighted to make the sentence correct. Find the word(s) that need to be exchanged.

68. India has to **prepare** (A)/ for the **consequences** (B)/ of climate change, with **risk** (C)/ early warning systems, **engineering** (D)/ to cope with the fallout and **better** (E)/ transfer mechanism.

A. C-E B. B-C
C. C-D & A- E
D. No exchange required
E. B-E & A-D

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69. **Companies** (A)/ with high market **share** (B)/ often receive better prices from **suppliers** (C), as their **large** (D)/ order volumes increase their **purchasing** (E)/ power.

A. A-B and C-D B. A-B
C. A-C and B-D
D. No exchange required
E. A-B and C-E

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70. If the world **factoring** (A) to pursue the current **model** (B) of economic growth without **continues** (C) in environmental costs, one million species could go **decades** (D) in a matter of **extinct** (E).

A. D-EB. No exchange required.
C. C-D D. B-E
E. A-C and D-E

Direction (71 – 77) : Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Certain words are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of these.

The Financial Times with a survey concluded that millennials are prioritizing short-term spending over long-term saving. According to one calculation, the average 25-year-old should be saving £800 (or about \$1,146) a month over the next 40 years, in order to retire at 65 with an annual income of £30,000. That piece went viral. For all the wrong reasons. As millennials who responded angrily to the article noted, they're too busy buying groceries or paying rent to even think about being able to have that much money to allocate to a savings account. But ignoring the tone deafness, there is a real problem here.

T Rowe Price recommends that millennials should save about 15% of their incomes for retirement. However, a recent survey found that on average, while they are doing a good job of budgeting and say they have increased their savings in the past 12 months, their actual savings rate is about 8%. Financial planners can puff and huff about results like that. They can argue that millennials don't realize how much they need to save; that they are succumbing to one of those behavioural finance phenomena by failing to appreciate that yes, one day they, too, will be 65 and need a retirement nest egg. For their part, the millennials might well argue that the rest of us simply don't understand their new normal.

It has always been true, and remains true today, that a dollar someone puts aside in a tax-sheltered retirement account when he is 25 years old will be worth much, much more than that same dollar would be if he had set it aside at the age of 50, thanks to the fact that it is sitting there are being reinvested, year after year, tax-free. What someone in their 20s loses in absolute wealth, they earn in terms of time. The problem is that there are too many other factors stopping millennials from making that decision to save.

They have got the millennial paradox to contend with.

In 2014, the average college student graduated with \$33,000 of student debt, according to one calculation. Do you want to be one of those students who defaults on her student debt, just in order to have a few extra bucks to put into her retirement account? Really, not a viable solution; those payments have to be kept up, even if it means there's no money for a retirement account. The cost of living is climbing, too, led by rental costs, which hit records in many cities last year. On average, millennials who rent nationwide would have had to spend 30% of their monthly income to their landlords. Health insurance? If your company offers it, odds are it's a benefit that requires you to shoulder a greater portion of the costs of these days. And if you're older than 26, and paying for your own healthcare, you've already discovered that both premiums and deductibles are rising for most policies. Then, there are other expenses like wedding gifts, birthday gifts, parties, clothes, accessories, food, bills, transportation, travel or vacations. Eventually, some of those pressures will **abate** – the student debt will be paid down – and millennials will be earning more. But they will be older, and the value of each dollar they save by that stage will be less. In any event, new financial pressures will arrive on the scene, in the form of children, the need to save for a house, to help out ageing parents. Perhaps there is some creative way to tackle this. To the extent that the cost of obtaining an education means that millennials can't start saving for retirement when it's most advantageous for all of society that they should, maybe there's a way to restructure or postpone debt payments until later in life as long as graduates begin contributing to their retirement accounts.

Source: <https://www.theguardian.com>

71. What does the author mean by "...They have got the millennial paradox to contend with"?

A. Millennials are contradictory, counterintuitive, or downright confusing.

B. Millennials have to struggle with the fact that they are a generation packed with contradictions.

C. Millennials are struggling with all the competing demands on their dollars, just when they know that if they put them to work in their retirement account, they'd do them the most good.

D. Millennials are dealing with the fact that they are in their 20s and are actually making money, but the problem is that something or someone is after every single dollar.

E. Millennials got to contend with the fact that they are being both fully aware of saving for the future, and also they are being completely ignorant of it at the same time.

72. Which of the following is either a synonym or an antonym of the highlighted word used in the passage?

ABATE

I. Wane

II. Recede

III. Prolong

A. Only III

B. Both I and III

C. Both II and III

D. Both I and II

E. All of these

73. Which of the following is not an assumption that supports the arguments presented in the third paragraph?

A. Retirement is expensive.

B. Investing a small amount early resulted in more retirement earnings than investing a much larger amount later.

C. Saving early is the easiest way to accumulate money because time is on your side.

D. Because of compound interest, the money you contribute now is very valuable.

E. A tax-sheltered retirement account allows you to defer tax payments on any returns earned within the retirement account until you start making withdrawals from them (usually, after retirement).

74. Given below is a possible inference that can be drawn from the facts stated in the fourth paragraph. You have to examine the inference in the context of

the passage and decide upon its degree of truth or falsity.

'The lack of saving culture will impact on the consumption patterns for millennials.'

A. Definitely true

B. Probably true

C. The data are inadequate

D. Probably false

E. Definitely false

75. Given below is a possible inference that can be drawn from the facts stated in the fourth paragraph. You have to examine the inference in the context of the passage and decide upon its degree of truth or falsity.

'The financial struggles that millennials face are making them more financially savvy.'

A. Definitely true B. Probably true

C. The data are inadequate

D. Probably false

E. Definitely false

76. Given below are five statements from the first and the second paragraph. Choose the statement which is grammatically or contextually incorrect.

A. According to one calculation, the average 25-year-old should be saving £800 (or about \$1,146) a month over the next 40 years, in order to retire at 65 with an annual income of £30,000.

B. But ignoring the tone deafness, there is a real problem here.

C. However, a recent survey found that on average, while they are doing a good job of budgeting and say they have increased their savings in the past 12 months, their actual savings rate is about 8%.

D. Financial planners can puff and huff about results like that.

E. They can argue that millennials don't realize how much they need to save; that they are succumbing to one of those behavioural finance phenomena by failing to appreciate that yes, one day they, too, will be 65 and need a retirement nest egg.

77. Which of the following correctly describes the tone of the last paragraph?

A. Sanguine

B. Constructive

C. Sarcastic

D. Satirical

E. Inspiring

Direction: The following question carries two statements with one blank each. Choose the word which would fit in both the blanks.

78. 1) Their teacher was on leave, so they had a day's _____ before their essays were due.

2) The organisation had no _____ from the demands of the workers.

- A. Benefit B. Censure
C. Respite D. Advantage
E. Breaks

Direction: Two sentences with one blank in each, followed by five alternatives, are given. Choose that option as the answer which can fill both the blanks of both the sentences making it grammatically correct and meaningful.

79. A) It is only by observing people in _____ situations that we come to know each other.

B) According to the Shinto doctrine, spirits of the dead can act upon the _____ world.

- A. Troubled B. Gruesome
C. Desolate D. Mundane
E. Exultant

Direction: Two sentences with one blank in each, followed by five alternatives, are given. Choose that option as the answer which can fill both the blanks of both the sentences making it grammatically correct and meaningful.

80. A) Madhurima found _____ in the childhood pictures of her little boy as she turned the pages of the album.

B) After her rough breakup, the soundlessness of nature impressed her and gave _____.

- A. Solace B. Forsaken
C. Languid D. Gloomy
E. Robust

Direction: Two sentences with one blank in each, followed by five alternatives, are given. Choose that option as the answer

which can fill both the blanks of both the sentences.

81. 1) At the time of the war, the spies would often exchange information during a _____ in the church.

2) My mother-in-law and I will have a _____ in order to plan my husband's surprise birthday party.

- A. Rescind B. Regression
C. Restitution D. Rendezvous
E. Welter

Direction: Two sentences with one blank in each, followed by five alternatives, are given. Choose that option as the answer which can fill both the blanks of both the sentences.

82. I) The _____ protests from the residents made it certain that the new laws about the traffic control would not be accepted easily.

II) Two horses went _____ when the president arrived to check the parade.

- A. Uncontrolled B. Mellow
C. Rampant D. Erect
E. Obsolete

Direction: A sentence divided into three parts (I, II and III) is given. There may be an error in one or more parts. Determine the part(s) which requires correction and mark it as your answer.

83. Every motivation that every (I)/ human being has is for the desire of pleasure or (II)/ it is a reaction of the frustration of not getting pleasure. (III)

- A. Only I B. Only II
C. Only III D. Both I and II
E. Both II and III

Direction: A sentence divided into three parts (I, II and III) is given. There may be an error in one or more parts. Determine the part(s) which requires correction and mark it as your answer.

84. He fed his goats to keep (I)/ them alive but he fed the wild goats with plenty (II)/ of food to tempt them stay back. (III)

- A. Only I B. Only II
C. Only III D. Both I and II
E. Both II and III

Direction: A sentence divided into three parts (I, II and III) is given. There may be an error in one or more parts. Determine the part(s) which requires correction and mark it as your answer.

85. Hundreds of thousands of protesters gathered in cities (I)/ into the U.S. last weekend for rallies organized (II)/ in the wake of a deadly mass shooting at a high school in Parkland, Florida. (III)
A. Only II B. Only I
C. Only III D. Both I and III
E. Both I and II

Direction: A sentence divided into three parts (I, II and III) is given. There may be an error in one or more parts. Determine the part(s) which requires correction and mark it as your answer.

86. The task of self-realization would not be achieved through (I)/ haste or heedlessness as it needs patience, enthusiasm, (II)/ attention and freedom from tension. (III)
A. Only I B. Only II
C. Only III D. Both I and II
E. Both II and III

Direction: A sentence divided into three parts (I, II and III) is given. There may be an error in one or more parts. Determine the part(s) which requires correction and mark it as your answer.

87. Mullah Nasruddin was asked if he remembers any of the sayings (I)/of the Prophet as being exceptionally meaningful to him and he replied (II)/ that he knew a tradition retold by Akarma, which nobody else had heard. (III)
A. Only I B. Only II
C. Only III D. Both I and II
E. Both II and III

Direction: Select the phrase/ connector from the given three alternatives which, when used at the beginning and the

middle of the two sentences, combines them into one. The sentence thus formed should imply the same meaning as expressed in the two sentences.

88. After the announcement of periodic labour force surveys, India has not just created an opportunity for itself to undo its recent lukewarm performance on the job creation front. It has also opened a lucrative window to make job creation the heart of policy formulation.

- I. Whilebeing opened
II. With the announcement ... but has also
III. During ...to withhold
A. Only I B. Only II
C. Only III D. Both I and III
E. None of these

Direction: Select the phrase/ connector from the given three alternatives which, when used at the beginning, combines them into one. The sentence thus formed should imply the same meaning as expressed in the two sentences.

89. There are so many prestigious awards exclusively for the sportspersons. There is no reason why they should be considered for the Padma Awards at all.
I. When II. No sooner do
III. As
A. Only I B. Both I and II
C. Both II and III D. Both I and III
E. All of the above

Direction: Select the phrase/ connector from the given options which can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. Pick out the option which when used to start a sentence combines both the above sentences in one.

90. Organised sector generated few jobs in India. Industries prefer capital-intensive production despite the economy's relative abundance of low-wage labour.

- (I) Because organised sector generate few jobs
 (II) Besides of abundance of low-wage labour
 (III) Few organised sector jobs get generated in India because
- A. Only (I) B. Only (II)
 C. Only (III) D. Only (I) and (III)
 E. None of these

Direction: Select the phrase/ connector from the given options which can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. Pick out the option which when used to start a sentence combines both the above sentences in one.

91. Officials of the forest department are not able to identify medicinal plant species. They are not given any special training about these plants.

- (I) Identification of medicinal plant species
 (II) As the officials of the forest department
 (III) Because of special training
- A. Only (I) B. Only (II)
 C. Only (III) D. Only (I) and (III)
 E. None of these

Direction: Select the phrase/ connector from the given options which can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences. Pick out the option which when used to start a sentence combines both the above sentences in one.

92. Nehru is hardly ever acknowledged as a decisive leader. There is overwhelming evidence of him being so.

- I) Despite there being overwhelming evidence
 II) Since there is overwhelming evidence
 III) Though there is overwhelming evidence
- A. Only I B. Only II

- C. Only III D. Only I and III
 E. None of these

Direction (93 – 102) : Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Certain words are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of these.

Cow-free burgers are now all the rage. That's great for California, but rural America is **stuck in a bind**. Technology is **wiping out** traditional jobs, and high-tech training can be hard to come by in towns where livestock outnumber people. Young Americans know this. According to a recent report from the United States Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service, **non-metropolitan communities are greying as they attract retirees and lose new members of the labour force**. Although rural communities are home to 14 percent of the population, they have seen just 4 percent of the employment growth since 2013. Despite this economic pressure, rural America remains one of our nation's most fertile regions, and recent advances in biotechnology are making it easier than ever to sustainably grow new kinds of valuable goods, from biopharmaceuticals to biomaterials. With the right strategic investments, rural America could see a biotech "bloom." A Bio-Belt stretching through middle America must be built to bring new skills and high-paying jobs to communities that desperately need them. This initiative would bolster investment in biotechnology training, education, infrastructure and entrepreneurship in rural areas in order to develop new, sustainable sources of income. The Bio-Belt is about much more than biofuel. Fermentation is an increasingly powerful force for converting sugar and other forms of biomass into value-added goods—all through the rational design of cells that can be sustainably grown wherever land is abundant. Rural biotechnology, like all biotechnology, will require strategic partnerships between business and academia. Agriculture extension schools, which are often located in rural areas, should expand to

deliver research and job training for rural communities. Success will also depend on _____ community colleges and local businesses to provide a pipeline of individuals with the skills needed to work in regional biotech clusters. The government should **incentivise** these partnerships. National laboratories dedicated to biological manufacturing are also needed in rural areas. These could be standalone new labs or expansions of existing facilities. Biotechnology startups could use them as incubators to test their products without having to make a major investment in equipment themselves. At present, this vehicle for commercial success is mostly limited to the coasts. Likewise, access to existing fermentation capacity should expand to those outside of coastal cities. This could be one of the cheapest ways to spread the benefits of biotechnology to more entrepreneurs. Under the Bio-Belt initiative, innovation would grow in rural areas, and biomanufacturing could expand across the country, where land and feedstock are abundant. With new ideas, creative policies, supportive infrastructure and sound investments in biotech research and development, the budding companies will be just the first of many to take root between the coasts of this great nation. As the country thinks about its future manufacturing competitiveness and infrastructure, let's remember this: 21st-century infrastructure is not just roads and bridges. A critical component of our economic growth will be the bioeconomy. Source: <https://www.forbes.com/>

93. What is the central theme of the passage?
- A. The future of biotechnology is bright in the urban America.
 - B. Biotechnology will require a lot of investment to thrive and hence, the possibility of utilising it in the near future is doubtful.
 - C. Strategic investment in biotechnology can reinvigorate rural America and help secure the nation's high-tech competitive advantage.

- D. The skilled labour in biotechnology resides in the cities, thus, the cost of executing biotechnology in the rural areas will be quite high.
- E. None of the above.

94. How would the Bio-Belt be advantageous to the rural communities?
- a) The partnership with local businesses would boost the International business.
 - b) It would provide new skills and jobs to people who badly need them.
 - c) It would strengthen training, education, infrastructure and entrepreneurship with reference to biotechnology in rural areas.
- A. Only a
 - B. Only b
 - C. Both a and b
 - D. All a, b and c
 - E. Both b and c

95. Which of the following words can replace the phrase "wiping out" as used in the passage?
- A. Picturising
 - B. Erasing
 - C. Cleansing
 - D. Sanitizing
 - E. None of the above

96. Which of the following statement(s) is/ are true with reference to the context of the passage?
- a) The Bio-Belt initiative aims to promote biomanufacturing across the country, where land and feedstock are abundant.
 - b) Fermentation acts as a tool to convert biomass into value added goods.
 - c) The establishment of agricultural research institutions in the rural areas will boost the Bio- Belt initiative.
 - d) The author of the passage believes that in the years to come, bioeconomy would be one of the major contributors to economic growth of America.
- A. Only a
 - B. Only c
 - C. Both a and d
 - D. Only a, b and c
 - E. All a, b, c and d

97. What can be understood from the following lines of the passage?
- "...non-metropolitan communities are greying as they attract retirees and lose new members of the labour force..."**
- A. Off late, the non- metropolitan areas have been experiencing economic

slowdown when compared to the urban areas.

B. The absence of the young in the non-metropolitan communities is rendering the households gloomy.

C. Non-metropolitan areas are drawing the old and the retired population from and sending its young population to the metropolitan areas, thus increasing the number of the old in the former.

D. Old people in the metropolitan areas have become a burden over the young.

E. None of the above

98. Which of the following phrases will fill the blank mentioned in the passage?

A. Amalgamation among

B. Partnerships between

C. Degeneration of

D. Whether the emancipation of

E. All the above

99. What does the phrase "stuck in a bind" mean?

A. Glued to a pleasant situation

B. Caught in a difficult or awkward position.

C. Caught in a criminal offence

D. In an agonizing dilemma

E. Released from a chaotic environment

100. Which of the following words can replace the word "incentivise" as used in the passage?

A. Fund

B. Capture

C. Promote

D. Increase

E. Add

Direction (101 – 105) : Read the following information carefully to give the answer of the questions given below:

Eight people F, G, H, I, J, K, P and Q are seated around a circular table. Among them, only three are facing the centre of the table and rests are facing away from the centre.

F sits second to the right of H. G is not an immediate neighbour of both H and F. One of the immediate neighbours of H faces the same direction as H. Q sits third to the right of F. K sits second to the right of Q. I does not sit next to G. P sits third to the right of I. J and G face the same

direction as I faces. Neither H nor F sits opposite to G.

101. What is the position of K with respect to I?

A. Second to the left

B. Second to the right

C. Immediate left

D. Immediate right

E. None of these

102. How many persons sit between Q and J, when counted from the right of Q?

A. One

B. Two

C. Three

D. Four

E. Five

103. Who sits opposite to F?

A. I

B. J

C. P

D. Q

E. None of these

104. Four of the following five are alike in a certain manner and hence form a group. Find the one who does not belong to that group?

A. H

B. Q

C. K

D. I

E. J

105. Who sits to the immediate left of P?

A. G

B. Q

C. J

D. H

E. None of these

Direction: Study the following information carefully to answer the questions.

1) $A + B$ means A is the brother of B.

2) $A \times B$ means A is the father of B.

3) $A \div B$ means A is the mother of B.

106. Which of the following would mean "P is the son of Q"?

A. $Q \times R \times P$

B. $Q + P \times R$

C. $Q \div P \div R$

D. $Q \times P + R$

E. None of the above

107. How is R related to Q if the given relation is " $Q + P \div R$ "?

A. Uncle

B. Son

C. Niece

D. Nephew

E. Cannot be determined

Direction: In each of the following questions assuming the given statements to be true, find which of the two conclusions I and II given below is/are definitely true.

108. **Statement:** $P \geq Q, S \leq T, P = S$

Conclusions:

- I. $P = Q$ II. $P > Q$
A. if only conclusion I is true
B. if only conclusion II is true
C. if either conclusion I or II is true
D. if neither conclusion I nor II is true
E. if both conclusions I and II are true

Direction: In each of the following questions assuming the given statements to be true, find which of the two conclusions I and II given below them is/are definitely true.

109. **Statement:** $S \leq T, T > R, T = W$

Conclusions:

- I. $R < S$ II. $S > W$
A. if only conclusion I is true
B. if only conclusion II is true
C. if either conclusion I or II is true
D. if neither conclusion I nor II is true
E. if both conclusions I and II are true

Direction: In each of the following questions assuming the given statements to be true, find which of the two conclusions I and II given below them is/are definitely true.

110. **Statement:** $X = Y \leq Z > W$

Conclusions:

- I. $Z = X$ II. $Z > X$
A. if only conclusion I is true
B. if only conclusion II is true
C. if either conclusion I or II is true
D. if neither conclusion I nor II is true
E. if both conclusions I and II are true

Direction: In each of the following questions assuming the given statements to be true, find which of the two conclusions I and II given below is/are definitely true.

111. Statement:

$S > E \geq C \geq U = R \leq E$

Conclusions :

I. $R < S$ II. $C \geq E$

- A. Only conclusion I is true.
B. Only conclusion II is true.
C. Either conclusion I or II is true.
D. Neither conclusion I nor II is true.
E. Both conclusions I and II are true.

Direction: In each of the following questions assuming the given statements to be true, find which of the two conclusions I and II given below is/are definitely true.

112. Statement :

$V \geq A < L = U \geq E \geq S$

Conclusions :

- I. $V < U$ II. $L \geq S$
A. Only conclusion I is true.
B. Only conclusion II is true.
C. Either conclusion I or II is true.
D. Neither conclusion I nor II is true.
E. Both conclusions I and II are true.

Directions (113 – 114) : In each of the following questions, a statement is followed by two course of action. A course of action is taken for redressal, follow up, etc. Read the statement carefully and answer the question.

113. **Statement:** Although various efforts have been made over the past 10 years and more recently, over the past couple of years in setting up the infrastructure in various corners of the country to provide electricity, vast stretches of the country still remain devoid of power.

Courses of Action:

- I. The infrastructure should not only be installed but also set to use and maintained and monitored by setting up of a National Energy Inspection body.
II. The government should draft a proposal for 100% FDI in power generation and supply.
A. Only course of action I follows
B. Only course of action II follows
C. Either I nor II follows
D. Neither I nor II follows
E. Both I and II follow

114. **Statement:** Although there is a much more hands-on approach to

teaching in the United States of America, there is a deplorable lack of IQ skill development which leads to a very low level of knowledge among school children about what happens outside of the United States.

Courses of Action:

I. There has to be an overhaul of the education system with an equal focus on skill development and knowledge development.

II. There needs to be an increase in the number of general knowledge lectures by making them compulsory for all schools.

- A. Only course of action I follows
- B. Only course of action II follows
- C. Either I nor II follows
- D. Neither I nor II follows
- E. Both I and II follow

Directions (115 – 119) : Study the information carefully and answer the questions given below.

Six students A, B, C, D, E and F of Class 10 has been chosen to be the head of the class for different days of the week starting from Monday to Saturday. The roll number of the students are 17, 18, 20, 21, 23 and 24 not necessarily in the same order.

The head of the class on Wednesday is Student D and on Saturday is B. The student whose roll number is 20 becomes the head of the class on Thursday. Student C becomes the head of the class just after student A. The student with roll number 24 is the next student to become the head of the class after student C. The head of the class on Monday is neither Student E nor F. The difference of roll number of student B and student F is 4. The difference between the roll number of the head of the class on the first day of the week and the last day of the week is 1.

115. The student D becomes the head on the class on which day of the week?

- A. Thursday
- B. Friday
- C. Wednesday
- D. Tuesday
- E. None of the above

116. What is the name of the student who has 20 roll number and becomes the head of the class on Thursday?

- A. Student E
- B. Student D
- C. Student F
- D. Student A
- E. None of the above

117. What is the sum of the roll number of students who becomes the head of the class on Friday and Saturday?

- A. 41
- B. 44
- C. 47
- D. 38
- E. None of the above

118. What is the roll number of the student C who becomes the head of the class on Tuesday?

- A. 18
- B. 23
- C. 17
- D. 21
- E. None of the above

119. Which among the following statement is/are true?

- A. Student A becomes the head of the class on Tuesday and he has 18 roll number
- B. On Friday, Student F who has the roll number of 24 becomes the head of the class
- C. Student B has the roll number of 18
- D. The highest roll number belongs to the student who is the head of the class on Wednesday
- E. None of the above

Direction (120 – 122) : Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

Six colleagues Laksh, Bhoomika, Sia, Dravid, Esha and Palak are working in the same office and take different time to reach his/her office. All of them take time in the multiples of ten in such a manner that the one who reaches office the earliest, reaches in 10 minutes and the one who takes maximum time reaches office in 60 minutes. Dravid takes more time only than Esha but less time than Laksh. Laksh reaches in 30 minutes. Bhoomika takes less time than only Palak.

120. How much time does Sia take to reach office?

- A. 60 minutes B. 50 minutes
C. 40 minutes D. 20 minutes
E. Cannot be determined

121. Who amongst the following takes maximum time to reach office?

- A. Bhoomika B. Sia
C. Dravid D. Palak
E. Cannot be determined

122. How many people take more time to reach office than Dravid?

- A. Four B. Three
C. Two D. One
E. None

Direction (123 – 127) : Study the following information carefully to answer the given questions.

In a certain code language, 'saurabh major go army' is written as 'tik mik pik sik'.

'army convoy go further' is written as 'gik tik cik mik'.

'major go with rifle' is written as 'tik sik lik dik'.

123. What is the code for 'saurabh'?

- A. mik B. cik
C. lik D. dik
E. pik

124. What is the code for 'army'?

- A. mik B. cik
C. lik D. dik
E. pik

125. What is the code for 'major'?

- A. mik B. cik
C. sik D. dik
E. pik

126. Whose code is 'cik'?

- A. convoy B. further
C. rifle
D. Either 'further' or 'convoy'
E. None of these

127. What is the code for 'go'?

- A. mik B. tik
C. pik D. Either mik or tik
E. None of these

Direction: In the following question is given a statement followed by two assumptions numbered I and II. You have to consider the statement and the following assumptions and decide which of the assumptions is implicit in the statement.

128. **Statement:** "You are hereby appointed as a curriculum developer with a period of probation that shall last for 6 months; at the end of which you will be confirmed or let go as per your performance evaluation" - A line in an offer letter.

Assumptions:

I. The performance of any professional can usually not be measured at the time of offering the job.

II. The probation period is for the professional to prove his capabilities.

- A. If only assumption I is implicit
B. If only assumption II is implicit
C. If either I or II is implicit
D. If neither I nor II is implicit
E. If both I and II are implicit

Direction: In the question below, a statement is given followed by two arguments. Choose the most appropriate option depending on which argument strengthens the given statement.

129. **Statement:** Should India enact new anti-terrorism law?

Arguments:

I. Yes, the existing laws are not strong enough to fight against new generation of terrorists.

II. No, there are laws which are sufficient to keep terrorism under check, but not properly implemented. We should ensure proper implementation of the existing laws.

- A. Only argument I is strong.
B. Only argument 2 is strong
C. Either I or II is strong
D. Neither I nor II is strong
E. Both I and II is strong

Direction: The question given below consists of a statement, followed by two arguments numbered I and II. You have to decide which of the arguments is a

'strong' argument and which is a 'weak' argument.

130. **Statement:** Should parents be involved in arranging their child's marriage?

Arguments:

I. Yes, because this is what has been happening for generations.

II. No, because every child should be given the opportunity to live on their own terms and to make choices on their own.

- A. Only argument I is strong
- B. Only argument II is strong
- C. Either I or II is strong
- D. Neither I nor II is strong and
- E. Both I and II are strong

Direction (131 – 135) : Study the following information carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Twelve people are sitting in two parallel rows containing six people each such that they are equidistant from each other. In row 1, A, B, C, D, E and F are sitting facing south. In row 2, P, Q, R, S, T and V are sitting facing north. Therefore, in the given seating arrangement, each member sitting in a row faces another member of the other row. Three persons sit between C and D. Either C or D sits at an extreme end of the line. The one who faces D sits third to the left of R. S faces the one who sits third to the left of A and he cannot sit adjacent to R. The immediate neighbour of Q faces the immediate neighbour of A. Only one person sits between P and T, who is facing the one sitting on the immediate right of E. Neither E nor F faces R. V and Q cannot sit adjacent to each other.

131. Who among the following faces B?

- A. P
- B. Q
- C. T
- D. R
- E. S

132. Who among the following sit at the extreme ends of the rows?

- A. D, Q
- B. T, F
- C. E, S
- D. B, T
- E. F, Q

133. If E is related to P in the same way as C is related to S, which of the following is A related to, following the same pattern?

- A. V
- B. R
- C. Q
- D. T
- E. Can't be determined

134. How many persons are sitting between E and F?

- A. None
- B. One
- C. Two
- D. Three
- E. Four

135. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way based on the given arrangement and so form a group. Which is the one that does not belong to that group?

- A. P – D
- B. Q – A
- C. Q – F
- D. S – B
- E. T – A

Direction: In question below are some statements followed by some conclusions. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

136. Statements:

Some calculators are phones.

No phone is an eraser.

Conclusions:

I. No calculator is an eraser.

II. Some calculators are definitely not phones.

- A. Only conclusion I follow
- B. Only conclusion II follows
- C. Either conclusion I or conclusion II follows
- D. Neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows
- E. Both conclusion I and conclusion II follow

Direction: In the questions below are given two statements followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. You have to take the two given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance

from commonly known facts. Read all the conclusions and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the statements disregarding commonly known facts.

137. Statements :

Some plays are shows.
All shows are theatres.

Conclusions:

- I. All shows are plays.
- II. No play is a theatre
- A. Only conclusion I follow.
- B. Only conclusion II follows.
- C. Either conclusion I or II follows.
- D. Neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- E. Both conclusions I and II follow.

Direction: In question below are some statements followed by some conclusions. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

138. Statements:

All computers are machines.
All machines are expensive.
All expensive are scanners.

Conclusions:

- I. At least some scanners are machines.
- II. Some computers are not expensive.
- A. Only conclusion I follows.
- B. Only conclusion II follows.
- C. Either conclusion I or conclusion II follows.
- D. Neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows.
- E. Both conclusions I and II follow.

Direction: In question below are some statements followed by some conclusions. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

139. Statements:

Some colours are reds.
All reds are blacks.
No black is a white.

Conclusions:

- I. At least some colours are blacks.
- II. All whites are colours.
- A. Only conclusion I follows.
- B. Only conclusion II follows.
- C. Either conclusion I or II follows.
- D. Neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- E. Both conclusions I and II follow.

Direction (140 – 144) : Study the information given below and answer the questions based on it.

H * 7) 0 M ^ % K @ L & 8 P # & O Y 7 I
4 Q 6 R @ 8 E 6 & W 8) Z

140. How many letters are there in a sequence which is immediately preceded by a number or immediately followed by a symbol, letter counted only once?

- A. Six
- B. Seven
- C. Eight
- D. Nine
- E. None of these.

141. If the first number is interchanged with the last number and the second number is interchanged with the second last number and so on upto the fourth number. Which of the following number is second to the right of the fourth letter from the left end?

- A. 7
- B. 4
- C. 6
- D. 0
- E. None of these.

142. If we replace all the numbers to its place letter value. For example, 8 is replaced by H, then how many vowels are there in the series?

- A. Two
- B. Three
- C. Four
- D. Five
- E. None of these

143. If we replace all the letters to its place number values then how many numbers are divisible by 4?

- A. Seven
- B. Eight
- C. Six
- D. Five
- E. None of these

144. Which of the following is seventh letter to the right of ninth number from the right end?

- A. Y
- B. O
- C. R
- D. Q
- E. I

145. Shalini walked 15m towards south, took a right turn and walked 3m. She took a right turn again and walked 15m before stopping. Which direction did Shalini face after stopping?

- A. West
- B. South
- C. East
- D. North
- E. cannot be determined

Direction (146 – 150) : Study the following data carefully and answer the questions accordingly.

W, X, Y, T, U, V and Z are seven colleagues, who live in seven storey building. The ground floor is numbered 1; the floor above it is numbered 2; and so on, until the topmost floor is numbered 7. Each of them works in different companies i.e. IOC, RIL, BPCL, SBI, Tata Motors, ONGC and HPCL but not necessarily in the same order. Z and X don't work in SBI. The one, who works in Tata motors, lives just above X. The one, who works in HPCL, lives above T. Z lives on the fifth floor. Neither X nor Z works in RIL. There are two floors between the floors on which X and V lives. The one, who works in ONGC, lives on the topmost floor. V lives on an even numbered floor. Y works in BPCL. There is only one floor

between U and the one, who works in RIL. There are three floors between T and the one, who works in IOC.

146. Which of the following works in IOC?

- A. The one, who lives just below W
- B. The one, who lives on sixth floor
- C. The one, who lives between V and X
- D. The one, who lives two floors above X
- E. None of these

147. If V is related to Tata motors and T is related to HPCL then in the same way, Z is related to -

- A. RIL
- B. SBI
- C. BPCL
- D. ONGC
- E. None of these

148. How many persons are living above the one, who works in BPCL?

- A. Three
- B. Two
- C. Five
- D. Four
- E. None of these

149. Find the odd one.

- A. W, RIL
- B. T, BPCL
- C. Z, Tata motors
- D. V, SBI
- E. Y, HPCL

150. Find the correct statement.

- A. Y works in BPCL and lives just above X
- B. Four persons are living between W and the one, who works in SBI
- C. U works in Tata motors and lives two floors away from T
- D. V lives three floors away from the one, who works in HPCL
- E. None is correct

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ANSWERS

1. Ans. A.

- Human Rights Day is celebrated every year on December 10.

- It was decided in 1950 to celebrate it by the United Nations on 10th December in this form.

2. Ans. A.

- After the Cabinet's recent approval, Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank will be merged with Bank of Baroda.

- After the completion of this merger, Bank of Baroda will become the third largest bank in India.

- The largest bank of India is State Bank of India followed by HDFC Bank.

3. Ans. D.

Kerala defeated West Bengal in a tie-breaker to lift the 72nd Santosh Trophy at the Salt Lake Stadium in Kolkata.

With this Kerala won the Santosh Trophy title for the 6th time.

After 14 years Kerala won the Santosh Trophy title. In 2004 Kerala beat Punjab to win their previous Santosh Trophy in Delhi.

Note-

The Santosh Trophy is an association football knock-out competition contested by the regional state associations and government institutions under the **All India Football Federation (AIFF)**, the sport's governing body in India.

4. Ans. B.

Uttar Pradesh Government has been renamed newly-built **Ekana International Cricket Stadium in capital city Lucknow after former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.**

- The stadium will now be known as 'Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee International Cricket Stadium'.

- It was announced on 5th November, 2018.

- The Yogi Adityanath Government also renamed Allahabad as Prayagraj and Mughalsarai as Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya.

5. Ans. C.

The Ramon Magsaysay Award 2018 winner were Sonam Wangchuk and Bharat Vatwani.

6. Ans. B.

The naval exercise Konkan 18 between India and the United Kingdom was conducted from November 28 to December 6, 2018 off Goa with units participating from both navies.

The harbour phase was scheduled from November 28 to November 30 2018 followed by the sea phase from 2-6 December, 2018.

7. Ans. C.

To promote Military cooperation, India and Japan the first-ever joint military exercise 'DHARMA GUARDIAN-2018' was held at Counter Insurgency Warfare School, Vairengte, India from 01 November to 14 November 2018.

8. Ans. C.

Statue of Unity has been inaugurated in Surat. The Statue of Unity is built in dedication to Iron Man Sardar Vallabhai Patel, who served as the first home minister of independent India.

- At 182 metre, the statue is 23 metre taller than China's Spring Temple Buddha statue and almost double the height of the Statue of Liberty (93 metre tall) in US.

- Located on the Sadhu Bet island, near Rajpipla on the Narmada river, the Statue of Unity is located between the Satpura and the Vindhya mountain ranges.

9. Ans. D.

The First **India-Russia Strategic Economic Dialogue** was held in St. Petersburg between November 25-26, 2018, and was chaired by Mr. Maxim Oreshkin, Minister of **Economic Development** of the **Russian Federation**, and Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Vice-Chairman, NITI Aayog

10. Ans. C.

- * The Prime Minister inaugurated first multi-modal terminal on Ganga river in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.

- * The Inland Multi-Modal Terminal Port constructed at the cost of 207 crore rupees.

- * This is the first of the four Multi-Modal Terminals being constructed on National Waterways-I on River Ganga as part of the World Bank-aided Jal Marg Vikas

project of the Inland Waterways Authority of India.

* The other three terminals are under construction at Sahibganj, Haldia, and Gazipur.

11. Ans. A.

The 80th Session of the Policy Commission of the World Customs Organization (WCO) starts in Mumbai.

The Session is being organized by the WCO and hosted by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), India.

12. Ans. C.

IndusInd Bank has launched the IndusInd Bank Nexxt Credit Card - the first interactive Credit Card in India with buttons - which provides customers with the flexibility of three payment options at a Point of Sale (POS) terminal - Credit, Converting Transactions into EMIs with 4 tenure options (6, 12, 18 & 24 months) or using accumulated Reward Points, by simply pushing a button on the card.

13. Ans. C.

• The ASEAN-India Breakfast Summit was held in Singapore on 15th November 2018.

• Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the ASEAN-India Breakfast Summit in Singapore.

• The ASEAN members are Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, The Philippines, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, Brunei, and Laos.

14. Ans. A.

The 2018 Nobel prize for economics has been awarded to William Nordhaus and Paul Romer of the United States for their work on sustainable growth.

The Nobel Peace Prize is one of the five Nobel Prizes (Chemistry, Physics, Physiology or Medicine, and Literature) established by the will of Swedish industrialist, inventor, and armaments manufacturer Alfred Nobel.

15. Ans. B.

The Nagaland government has declared the Singphan Wildlife Sanctuary as an elephant reserve making it the 30th reserve for jumbos in the country. An important reserve in North Eastern States, Singphan Elephant Reserve has huge tracts of forest, strategically located

in contiguity with the Abhaypur Reserve Forest of Assam which is frequented by the moving herds of elephants.

16. Ans. A.

Smriti Shrinivas **Mandhana** (born 18 July 1996) is an Indian cricketer who plays for the Indian women's national team. In June 2018, the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) named her as the Best Women's International Cricketer.

17. Ans. B.

The Union Cabinet has approved the proposal for establishment of National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA) and creation of one post of Chairperson, three posts of full-time Members and one post of Secretary for NFRA.

The decision aims at establishment of NFRA as an independent regulator for the auditing profession which is one of the key changes brought in by the Companies Act, 2013. The inclusion of the provision in the Act was on the specific recommendations of the Standing Committee on Finance (in its 21st report).

18. Ans. A.

The United Nations (UN) has selected Uttar Pradesh's Noida and Greater Noida to participate in its Global Sustainable Cities 2025 initiative.

The twin-cities in Gautam Buddha Nagar district have been selected in the "University City" category ahead of Mumbai and Bengaluru as the only invitee from India.

19. Ans. A.

The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has launched the 'Punch Tantra' collection to promote tribal artefacts and named world boxing champion Mary Kom as the brand ambassador of 'Tribes India'.

20. Ans. B.

Iraq's parliament elected Barham Salih as the country's new president, a step toward forming a new government nearly five months after the national elections.

21. Ans. B.

* As per the India Skills Report 2019, **Andhra Pradesh** has topped the list of states with the highest employability in India.

* Rajasthan stood second and Haryana rank on the third position on the list.

* The report is a joint initiative of Wheebox, a global talent assessment company, PeopleStrong, a leading HR Tech company and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).

Key highlights

* The India Skills Report 2019 said that around **70 per cent** of the youth face problem due to lack of professional guidance in finding desirable jobs that worth their skills.

* Another insight from the report shows that 80 per cent of assessed candidates are willing to explore internship opportunities as they believe that it would assist them in getting employed in reputed firms, whereas 85 per cent candidates feel they lack proper information or guidance to take a thought-out career decision.

22. Ans. B.

* Eminent economist TN Srinivasan passed away in Chennai. He was 85 years old.

* He was awarded the Padma Bhushan for his contribution to development economics.

23. Ans. B.

• 7th *International Tourism Mart 2018* was organised in Agartala.

• The 7th edition of the '*International Tourism Mart*' was held in Agartala, the capital city of Tripura.

• It was organised by Union Ministry of *Tourism* in association with Department of *Tourism*, Government of Tripura and North Eastern States

24. Ans. A.

Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) Rajiv Mehrishi has become the Vice-Chair of the UN Panel of Auditors. The United Nations Panel of Auditors consists of External Auditors of the United Nations and its agencies.

United Nations Panel of Auditors It was established by UN General Assembly Resolution 1438 (XIV) in 1959.

25. Ans. C.

The headquarters of UNHRC is in Geneva, Switzerland.

The United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) is a United Nations body whose mission is to promote and protect human rights around the world.

The UNHRC has 47 members elected for staggered three-year terms on a regional group basis.

26. Ans. C.

British writer Anna Burns (56-year) has won the prestigious Man Booker for her Novel 'Milkman'.

Milkman is a vibrant, violent story about men, women, conflict, and power set during Northern Ireland's years of Catholic-Protestant violence.

The Man Booker Prize for Fiction is a literary prize awarded each year for the best original novel, written in the English language, and published in the UK.

27. Ans. A.

The Theme for 2018 World Food Day is "Our actions are our future".

The 'World Food Day' is observed every year globally on 16th October to mark the foundation of Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) of the United Nations in 1945.

28. Ans. B.

The Uttar Pradesh Cabinet adopted a proposal to rename the historic city of Allahabad as Prayagraj.

Allahabad is one of the largest cities of the North Indian state of Uttar Pradesh in India.

Although Prayaga was renamed Ilahabad in 1575, the name later became Allahabad in an anglicized version in Roman script.

29. Ans. C.

Senior composer and lyricist Yashwant Dev (92-year) passed away in Mumbai. He was honoured with many awards including Gan-samradni Lata Mangeshkar Award and Gadima puraskar.

30. Ans. B.

India's Sourav Kothari defeated Peter Gilchrist of Singapore by 1134-944 to clinch the 2018 World Billiards Championship title at Leeds in UK.

31. Ans. C.

The world's largest airport terminal "under one roof" has been officially opened in Istanbul, with a capacity to serve 90 million passengers.

The airport has been envisioned to have a total capacity of up to 200 million passengers (once all four phases are completed) in the next 10 years.

32. Ans. D.

COP24 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was held from 2 Dec to 16 Dec in Katowice, Poland.

The conference agreed on rules to implement the 2015 Paris Agreement, which will come into force in 2020. These rules explain how the member nations will measure the carbon-emissions and report on their efforts for cutting emissions.

33. Ans. A.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced that the bank is planning to release a new lavender-coloured Rs 100 note which would have RBI Governor Urjit Patel's signature on it.

34. Ans. B.

Qatar has set up a support fund for foreign workers who run into difficulties for not being paid.

The fund would support and care for workers, secure their rights and provide a healthy and safe work environment for them.

35. Ans. A.

Two American scientists (Frances H. Arnold & George P. Smith) and a British researcher (sir Gregory P. Winter) have won the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for evolution research.

The Nobel Prize in Chemistry is awarded annually by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences to scientists in various fields of chemistry.

36. Ans. A.

The World Animal Day is celebrated annually on 4th October to raise the status of animals in order to improve welfare standards around the globe.

Heinrich Zimmermann organized the first World Animal Day on 24th March 1925 at the Sports Palace in Berlin, Germany.

37. Ans. A.

Typhoon Trami hit Japan's southern island of Okinawa with a maximum speed of 216 kilometres per hour today.

38. Ans. B.

The Union Government has appointed Anshula Kant as the Managing Director of the State Bank of India (SBI).

With this appointment, SBI has four MDs - PK Gupta, DK Khara and Arijit Basu.

39. Ans. C.

* 'India ahead 2025 and beyond' has been authored by Bimal Jalan.

* The primary focus of this book is to promote the country's national interest in the long run, irrespective of any party-specific political agenda—be it the right, the left, or the in-between.

40. Ans. A.

* Author Krishna Trilok has authored "Notes Of A Dream" - The Authorized Biography of A.R. Rahman - the celebrated composer, producer, singer and a legend in his own right

41. Ans. E.

Japan's Naomi Osaka (20 -years) has lifted the Women's singles title of US Open 2018. She won the Grand Slam defeating Serena Williams of US in straight sets 6-2, 6-4.

42. Ans. C.

India Blue has won the 57th edition of Duleep Trophy 2018 by defeating India Red in the final by an innings and 187 runs.

The Duleep Trophy is a domestic first-class cricket competition played in India. It was named after Kumar Shri Duleepsinhji of Nawanagar, who played for England.

43. Ans. C.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been awarded prestigious Seoul Peace Prize 2018 for contribution to high economic growth in India.

The Seoul Peace Prize was established in 1990 to commemorate the success of the 24th Olympic Games held in Seoul, Republic of Korea.

44. Ans. E.

Sanjay Leela Bhansali's magnum opus "Padmaavat" has been officially selected for 2018 Taipei Golden Horse Film Festival 2018.

The film is Bhansali's re-imagining of the story of Queen Padmavati, her king-consort Maha Rawal Ratan Singh and Sultan Alauddin Khilji.

45. Ans. B.

The 2018 World Wrestling Championships are the 15th edition of World Wrestling Championships of combined events and are to be held from October 20 to 28 in Budapest, Hungary.

46. Ans. A.

* Buenos Aires is the capital and largest city of Argentina.

* Argentina is a massive South American nation with terrain encompassing Andes mountains, glacial lakes and Pampas grassland, the traditional grazing ground of its famed beef cattle.

* The country is famous for tango dance and music.

47. Ans. A.

* NSDL Payments Bank Limited is an Indian Non-Government Company head quartered in Mumbai.

* It was established based on a suggestion by a national institution responsible for the economic development of India.

48. Ans. A.

The first joint military exercise named "Dharma Guardian" between India and Japan was held at the Army's Counter-Insurgency Warfare School at Vairengte (Mizoram) on 1 -14th November 2018.

The exercise is aimed at developing mutual understanding and respect between militaries of both countries, as also facilitate in tracking worldwide phenomenon of terrorism.

49. Ans. C.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled 64-Foot tall statue of Deenbandhu Sir Chhotu Ram (messiah of farmers) at Sampla in Rohtak district, Haryana.

Prime Minister also visited the museum set up in memory of Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram which depicts and gives glimpses of his life.

50. Ans. B.

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has inaugurated the iconic 'Signature Bridge' over river 'Yamuna' in Delhi.

The Signature Bridge (675 metres long) is a cantilever spar cable-stayed bridge, spans Yamuna river at Wazirabad section, connecting Wazirabad to East Delhi.

51. Ans. A.

The previous sentence talks about globalization's opponents drowning their defenders. The sentence following the blank also mentions 'Can globalization be saved?'. This indicates a possibility of a downfall. Corresponding to that, collapse is the most suitable response. 'Collapse'

refers to a sudden downfall or breakdown.

52. Ans. A.

The passage mention every aspect of globalization – free trade, free movement of capital, and international migration – is under attack by forces ranging from populist political parties to separatist groups to terrorist organizations. This indicates that the forces are of hostile nature which is best implied by the use of the word 'antagonistic'. It refers to showing or feeling active opposition or hostility towards someone or something. Couthy means warm and friendly nature of a person.

Chummy means on friendly terms; friendly.

Pally means having a close, friendly relationship.

Providential means occurring at a favourable time; opportune.

53. Ans. E.

'Condemn' means to express complete disapproval; censure. It is the most suitable response according to the context of the statement.

Complimentary means expressing a compliment; praising or approving.

Flattering means full of praise and compliments.

Absolving means declare (someone) free from guilt, obligation, or punishment.

Laudatory means (of speech or writing) expressing praise and commendation.

54. Ans. B.

'Interference' refers to the action of interfering(intervening) or the process of being interfered(intervened) with. The passage is talking about anti-Western groups campaigning against globalization, aversion to European integration by populist parties in Europe and immigration. Corresponding to the context of the statement, 'Interference' is the most suitable response (in relation to foreign activity).

Compaction means the process by which the porosity of a given form of sediment is decreased as a result of its mineral grains being squeezed together by the weight of overlying sediment or by mechanical means.

Facilitation means the act of helping other people to deal with a process or reach an agreement or solution

Compunction means a feeling of guilt or moral scruple that prevents or follows the doing of something bad.

55. Ans. D.

Among the given options, only organisation and institutions seem to fit in. However, 'organisation' is singular while the sentence talks about plural entities. Hence, the most apt response is 'institutions'.

Assimilation means the process of taking in and fully understanding information or ideas.

Distraction means a thing that prevents someone from concentrating on something else

56. Ans. E.

A and F can be connected as it conveys the meaning both grammatically and contextually as well. Sentence "A" ends with "over" which is a preposition and thus it needs an object or an objective clause after it so, "D" and "E" cannot come after "over" as both of them start with a preposition. Hence, "F" will fit which makes the sentence grammatically correct. Contextually as well, we can infer that sentence intends to mention the aim of someone which is to aim and make a particular part of the population as a vote bank without thinking about other Indian citizens.

B and D can be connected since contextually it states that claims and objectives of providing shelter to the minorities in India's neighbourhood in the bill are less in reality than what government claimed in the bill. So contextually a complete meaning can be inferred. As far as grammar is concerned, "claims and objectives" are the nouns which further need a verb or a preposition to complete a meaningful sentence thus, "F and E" are not fit to be added after "claims and objectives". So, the correct pair is B and D. C and E cannot be connected as we may infer something contextually but grammatically it will be incorrect as the first or main clause is in past tense thus the subordinate clause of the sentence cannot be in present and

should be in past. C and E therefore, cannot make a correct sentence.

Thus, option E is the correct answer.

57. Ans. C.

C and D can be joined to form a meaningful as well as a grammatically correct sentence. Sentence "C" states a fact and the effect of it has been shown with the help of sentence D.

A and E cannot be connected as the context of both the sentences are different from each other. In Sentence "A", "congress" refers to a convention or conference is talked about and in sentence E, a political party is being talked about and the context of the sentences is also not aligning to each other. B and F cannot be connected as well as the subject in part F is 'hatred' (singular) for which the verb used is 'are' (plural). This violates sentence verb agreement rule and is thus erroneous. Thus, option C is the correct answer.

58. Ans. B.

In order to form a meaningful and grammatically correct sentence, the two parts of a sentence should connect grammatically and contextually. In the given question, A joins with D to make a correct sentence. B tells about a word that could be used to describe Christmas The word has been mentioned in F, making B-F a pair. Contextually, C and E could have been joined, if the conjunction "and" had been placed between the verbs "detect and distinguish". Thus, option B is the correct answer.

59. Ans. C.

Option A mentions a person, who can have a certain behaviour, thus, it can pair up with E. Option C must go with D as it explains that lack of fitness is the reason why most players don't play for long. Only these two make sense. The correct answer is option C.

60. Ans. C.

Option A must go with E as it talks about a player who was very good in the early days but doesn't play as well these days. Option C must go with D as it talks about an incident when a cat slipped over a pencil that was lying on the floor. Rest of the option doesn't make sense. Thus, the correct answer is option C.

61. Ans. C.

Refer to the last sentence in the series.

62. Ans. E.

Refer to the last sentence in the series.

63. Ans. A.

Refer to the last sentence in the series.

64. Ans. D.

Refer to the last sentence in the series.

65. Ans. B.

The paragraph is talking about decrease in number of lions in the Gir Forest. The sentence that introduces this topic is option C. So, C comes first. E could also work as an introduction. But, E introduces the topic of 'infighting in the wild' which doesn't match with other sentences in the paragraph. Now, for the next sentence, we need elaboration on the topic introduced in C. F does this perfectly as it gives statistics about the death of lions. Now, an event took place, so we would have consequences. An immediate consequence of the events is that an inquiry was made, as described in A. So, A comes next. So far, our sequence is CFA. The next is D as it is fixed. The remaining two sentences are B & E. E should come after D as both have a common topic of 'infighting'. This leaves for the last. So, the sequence becomes CFADEB.

66. Ans. E.

All the highlighted words are in correct position and no exchange is required. Hence, the correct answer is E.

67. Ans. A.

Partition of India was one particular happening in the history and thus be preceded by singular noun, so the word at A is incorrect. The noun following the phrase "one of the" is always a plural noun, so the word at D is incorrect. Further, it was not the migration that led to "tragic death and displacement". People were displaced in large numbers; hence, it was called migration. The Partition of India on the other hand was an *event*, which had many other aspects other than just migration. So, A & D should be exchanged. Hence, the correct answer is A.

68. Ans. A.

'Prepare', 'engineering' and 'consequences' are placed correctly in the

sentence and need not be interchanged. 'Cope with' is used when some difficult situation is given. Also, 'cope (up) with' is a phrase with which we use a noun. Hence, 'risk' should be interchanged with 'better' in order to make the statement contextually as well as grammatically correct.

69. Ans. D.

The highlighted words have been correctly placed in the sentence. Thus, option D is the correct answer.

70. Ans. E.

The statement explains that if the current situation of economic growth continuous, one million species could go extinct in decades. So, after interchanging 'factoring' with 'continuous' and 'decades' with 'extinct', we get a meaningful statement. Hence, option E is the right answer.

71. Ans. C.

"To contend with" means to have to deal with a difficult or unpleasant situation. Millennials (a word crafted to refer to the generation born between 1980 and 2000) are young people who are between the ages of 20 to 40 years and are fast entering their prime spending years. Growing up in an age of rapid change, they have a set of expectations and priorities that are radically different from those of the older generations.

The passage talks about the importance of saving for the future or retirement. Saving for the future is on the minds of millennials, but many feel overwhelmed and under-prepared. Coupled with rising health care, child care, and housing costs, the economic priority for millennials is to achieve and maintain financial stability instead of saving for the future. They're regularly chastised for failing to save enough for their future.

Millennial paradox refers to the situation where they know "they should be saving £800 (or about \$1,146) a month over the next 40 years, in order to retire at 65 with an annual income of £30,000" but "they're too busy buying groceries or paying rent" and debts "to even think about being able to have that much money to allocate to a savings account." Basically, "the problem is that there are

too many other factors stopping millennials from making that decision to save.”

This idea is best described in statement C. Therefore, option C is the apt answer.

72. Ans. E.

Abate is a verb which refers to something unpleasant or severe that become less intense or widespread. In other words, it means to make something less intense.

Option I: Wane refers to a state or feeling which decrease in vigour or extent; become weaker.

Option II: Recede refers to a quality, feeling, or a possibility that gradually diminish.

Option III: Prolong means to extend the duration of something.

‘Wane’ and ‘recede’ are synonyms of abate and ‘prolong’ is antonym of abate. Therefore, option E is the apt answer.

73. Ans. B.

An argument is an expression of opinion that is developed in a passage. Some arguments contain hidden assumptions sometimes intended to subtly bias the reader. An assumption is a belief that the author takes for granted, based on opinion or experience. Assumptions are presented as facts. If the author states an opinion but doesn’t supply any supporting details, you should suspect that it is an assumption.

All the statements can be taken as an assumption made by the author in order to support his/her argument, except statement B. The author does not talk about ‘small amount’ or ‘larger amount.’ He/she is trying to say that if you’re 20 today, and put \$1 aside, and it earns the historical 6.6% return, by the time you’re 65, that single dollar will have become \$18.50. But if you put aside the same dollar at 30, by 65 it’s only worth \$9.60 – you’ve lost half of the potential gains. Therefore, option B is the apt answer.

74. Ans. A.

The fourth paragraph says that the cost of living is expensive and it’s hard to save for the future. Millennials still have to work hard to continue to support themselves and pay for the necessities and recreational needs they have. The lack of saving culture means they are

spending more on current consumption instead of saving for future consumption. Less accumulation of wealth means less security on their future consumption, which will result in uneven consumption patterns in their life. Thus, this inference properly follows from the statements of facts given in the fourth paragraph. Therefore, option A is the apt answer.

75. Ans. B.

The fourth paragraph says that the most important parts of the economy, like housing, healthcare, education, are getting more expensive. Consequently, it creates an even bigger financial burden for millennials to shoulder. Facing a stark set of financial circumstances, millennials started adulthood with less room for financial mistakes than previous generations. In response, they are managing their money differently.

This situation can either be an excuse for hopelessness, apathy, and retreat, or an opportunity to rise to the occasion, to find a better path, to zig when the world zags – to make the obstacle the way. Many millennials are refinancing student loans, delaying home purchases, and looking for creative ways to earn more money through side hustles. They are taking the latter course. By making these countermoves around the obstacles in the economic landscape, millennials can become more financially savvy, clever or shrewd.

Note that it is based on the idea that many millennials, not all millennials, are becoming financially savvy. One can say that it is based on probability and not true for all. Thereby, this inference is not definitely true in light of the facts given in the fourth paragraph.

Therefore, option B is the apt answer.

76. Ans. D.

The error lies in option D. The correct idiom is ‘huff and puff’ which means disapproving to complain loudly and express disapproval. Therefore, option D is the apt answer

77. Ans. A.

Option A: Sanguine refers to a piece of writing that is optimistic or positive, especially in an apparently bad or difficult situation.

Option B: Constructive refers to a piece of writing that has or intended to have a useful or beneficial purpose.

Option C: Sarcastic refers to a piece of writing that is marked by the irony in order to mock or convey contempt.

Option D: Satirical refers to a piece of writing in which vices, follies, abuses, and shortcomings are held up to ridicule, ideally with the intent of shaming individuals, corporations, government, or society itself into improvement.

Option E: Inspiring refers to a piece of writing that has the effect of inspiring someone.

"Perhaps there is some creative way to tackle this" shows that the author is positive regarding the whole situation. Among all the options, 'sanguine' is the most suitable. Therefore, option A is the apt answer.

78. Ans. C.

Benefit- an advantage or profit gained from something.

Censure- express severe disapproval of (someone or something), especially in a formal statement.

Respite- a short period of rest or relief from something difficult or unpleasant.

Only "respite" can fit in both the blanks.

79. Ans. D.

Mundane means

i) characterized by the practical, transitory, and ordinary

ii) of, relating to, or characteristic of the world; earthly

In the first statement, mundane as in ordinary affairs/situations fits in while in the second statement, mundane as in earthly fits in.

Exultant means happy which, doesn't fit in the second sentence.

Desolate as a noun means barren and as a verb means to ruin.

Hence, mundane is the correct answer.

80. Ans. A.

The meanings of the words are as follows:

Solace: comfort or consolation in time of great distress or sadness.

Forsaken: abandoned.

Languid: weak or faint from illness or fatigue.

Gloomy: dark or poorly lit.

Robust: strong and healthy .

If we pay attention to the contexts of both the sentences, we can easily infer a positive tone, and 'solace' and 'Robust' are the only alternatives which makes a positive sense out of the given ones, contextually as well as grammatically. Further we need a noun in the blanks, so we can dismiss 'robust' as it is an adjective.

So, the correct answer is option A.

81. Ans. D.

The meaning of the words are as follows:

Rescind: cancel

Regression: the act of returning to a prior state

Restitution: the restoring of something that is stolen or lost to the property owner

Rendezvous: an arranged meeting that is often held in secrecy

Welter: a confused multitude of things

Thus, option D fits in both the sentences.

82. Ans. C.

The first sentence talks about a protest, which means there was unrest. The word in the blank must be closer in meaning to the same.

'Rampant' would mean 'uncontrolled and widespread' in the context of the first statement and 'upright or erect' in the second. So, option C is correct.

83. Ans. C.

The error in the third part is the use of preposition "of" after the word "reaction". In the given sentence, the "reaction" is related to a situation, not a person. So, "to" should be used here. Hence, option C is correct.

84. Ans. C.

The error in the third part is that a preposition should be used after the words "tempt them" and "to" is the perfect preposition suited to be used here as it implies approaching something. Hence option C is correct.

85. Ans. A.

The preposition 'across' is used for depicting something that happened from one side to the other side of a place, which in this case is the USA. 'Into', on the other hand, shows the movement of something inside of something else. Clearly, the correct answer is option A.

86. Ans. A.

The error in the first part is the use of "would" because the sentence is a general statement and would use the simple present tense. Thus, "Will" should be used in place of "would". Hence, option A is correct.

87. Ans. A.

The error in the first part is the use of "remembers" because the sentence is in past tense and using passive voice, hence it should be using past tense of "remember" i.e. "remembered". Hence, option A is correct.

88. Ans. B.

It can be gathered from the given sentence that the two things that India has gained, have occurred as a consequence of the announcement of the periodic labour force surveys. Hence, the phrase "with the announcement" can be used to begin the sentence. Also, the correlative conjunctions "not only... but also" can effectively join the two sentences.

New statement:

With the announcement of periodic labour force surveys, India has not only created an opportunity for itself to undo its recent lukewarm performance on the job creation front but has also opened a lucrative window to make job creation the heart of policy formulation.

89. Ans. D.

The first sentence asserts that there are awards exclusively meant for the sportsmen. The second sentence, in this reference, proposes that as a consequence of the first sentence, the sportspersons should not be considered for Padma Awards.

Thus, both "when" and "as" can be put in the beginning to join the two sentences.

90. Ans. C.

First sentence states a fact. It tells us that in India, organised sector generates a small number of jobs. Second part states cause of the above fact. Hence 'Few organised sector jobs get generated because' is the correct option.

New Sentence: Few organised sector jobs get generated in India because industries prefer capital-intensive production despite the economy's relative abundance of low-wage labour.

So, the correct answer is option C.

91. Ans. B.

Second sentence states a fact. It tells us that officials of the forest department are not given any special training about medicinal plants. First part is effect of the above fact. Hence 'As the officials of the forest department' is the correct option.

New Sentence: As the officials of the forest department are not given any special training about medicinal plants, they are not even able to identify these plant species.

So, the correct answer is option B.

92. Ans. D.

First sentence states a fact. It states that Nehru (First Prime Minister of India) is not known as decisive leader in India. First sentence is not in conformity to second sentence which states that there is enough evidence of Nehru being decisive leader. Hence both the options 'Despite overwhelming evidence' & 'Though there is overwhelming evidence' are correct. Hence Option D is the right answer.

New Sentence(s):

Despite there being overwhelming evidence of his being a decisive leader, Nehru is hardly ever acknowledged as one.

Though there is overwhelming evidence of Nehru being a decisive leader, he is hardly ever acknowledged as one.

93. Ans. C.

The passage talks about biotechnology being the hope of America's future. It also emphasises that the technology can best thrive in rural America, where strategic investments and sound partnerships can be extremely helpful. These ideas are best covered in option C., which is the correct answer.

94. Ans. E.

Refer to the ninth and tenth line of the passage. It talks only about alternatives B and C. Alternative A is not mentioned in the passage. Thus, option E is the correct answer.

95. Ans. B.

To wipe- out means to destroy or erase. The given context implies that technology has been responsible for eliminating the traditional job. Thus, option B is the correct answer.

96. Ans. E.

All the statements are correct with reference to passage. Let us refer to the following excerpts from the passage:

a. "Under the Bio-Belt initiative, innovation would grow in rural areas, and **biomanufacturing could expand across the country, where land and feedstock are abundant.**"

b. "Fermentation is an increasingly powerful force for **converting sugar and other forms of biomass into value-added goods...**"

c. "Agriculture extension schools, which are often located in rural areas, should expand to deliver research and job training for rural communities."

d. "A critical component of our economic growth will be the bioeconomy." This implies that the author of the passage believes that bioeconomy would be one of the major contributors to economic growth of America.

97. Ans. C.

The given sentence means that the metropolitan areas have attracted the younger population, while the non-metropolitan areas have attracted the older generation. And as a consequence, the number of the old and the retirees has increased in the non-metropolitan regions.

98. Ans. B.

The concerned paragraph of the passage talks about the requirements to contribute to a sound rural biotechnology. The first sentence talks about strategic **partnerships** between business and academia. So, to express the relation between community colleges and local businesses in the given context, we can use the term "partnership". The union can also lead to the achievement mentioned in the same sentence: "to provide a pipeline of individuals with the skills..." Now, since two entities have been talked about, we will use "between" instead of "among". Thus, option B is the correct answer.

99. Ans. B.

To be stuck "in a bind" means to be caught in a difficult or awkward situation, especially one that is not easy to resolve

or escape. Thus, option B is the correct answer.

100. Ans. C.

The concerned sentence in the passage talks about **boosting** various types of partnerships between businesses and academia. Thus, "promote" can replace "incentivise".

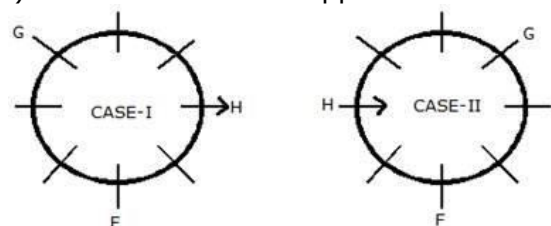
101. Ans. A.

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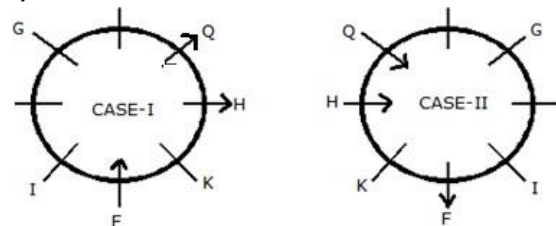
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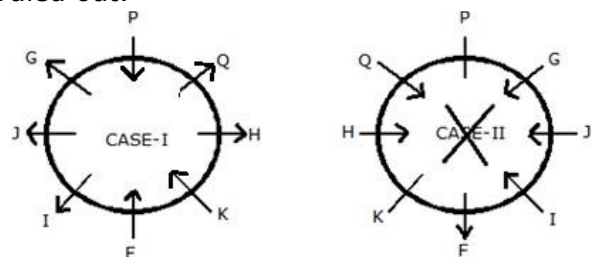
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- 6) I does not sit next to G.



- 7) P sits third to the right of I.
- 8) J and G face the same direction as I faces.
- 9) Among them only three are facing the centre of the table. It means case II is ruled out.



Clearly, K sits second to the left of I.

102. Ans. D.

Persons: F, G, H, I, J, K, P and Q

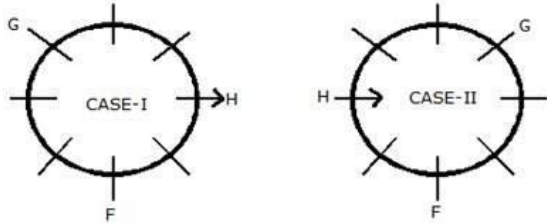
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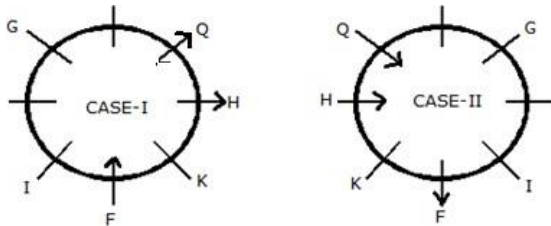
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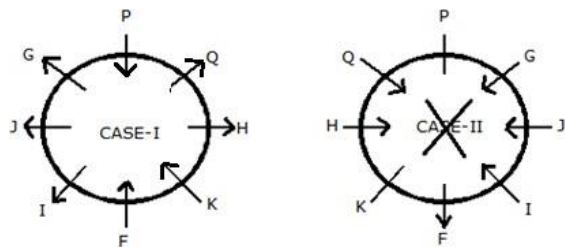
6) I does not sit next to G.



7) P sits third to the right of I.

8) J and G face the same direction as I faces.

9) Among them only three are facing the centre of the table. It means case II is ruled out.



Clearly, 4 persons sit between Q and J, counted from the right of Q.

103. Ans. C.

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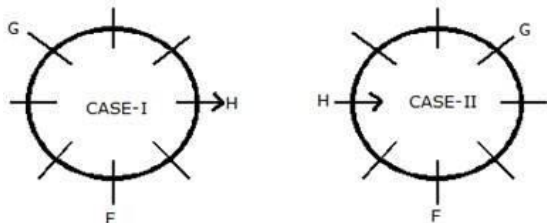
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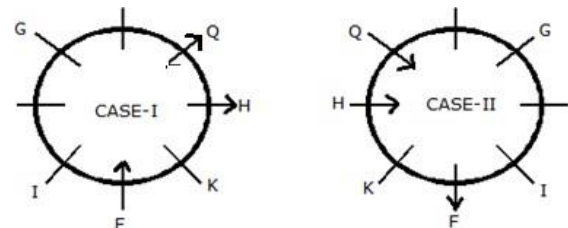
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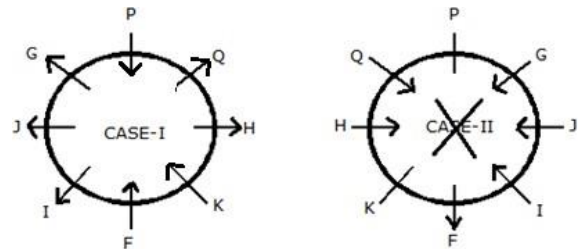
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8) J and G face the same direction as I faces.

9) Among them only three are facing the centre of the table. It means case II is ruled out.



Clearly, P sits opposite to F.

104. Ans. C.

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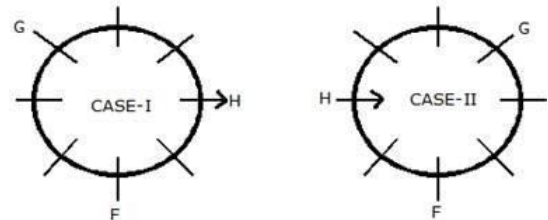
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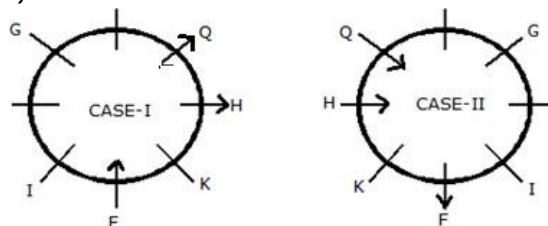
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4) Q sits third to the right of F.

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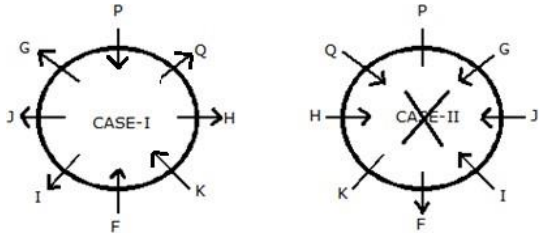
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Clearly, only K faces the centre.

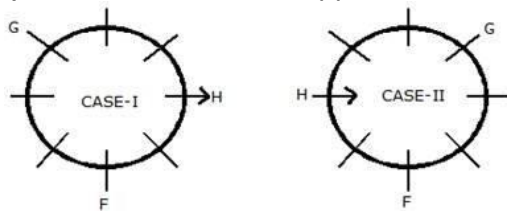
105. Ans. B.

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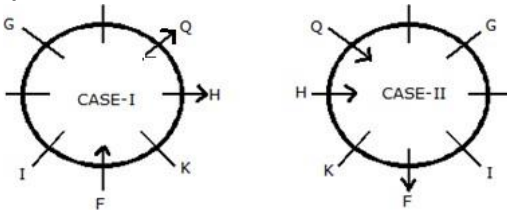
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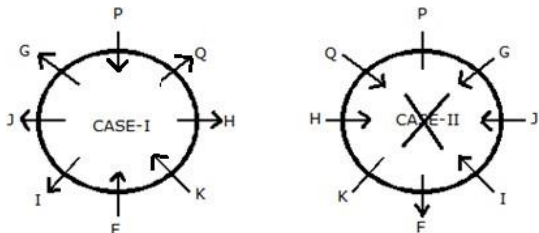
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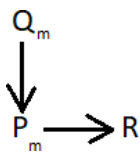


- 7) P sits third to the right of I.
- 8) J and G face the same direction as I faces.
- 9) Among them only three are facing the centre of the table. It means case II is ruled out.



Clearly, Q sits immediate left of P.

106. Ans. D.



Going through the options we can say that D is the only option.

107. Ans. E.

As R can be Niece or Nephew to Q. the answer cannot be determined.

108. Ans. C.

$T \geq S = P \geq Q$

I. $P = Q$ (false)

II. $P > Q$ (false)

But both will follow together

Hence, either conclusion I nor II is true.

109. Ans. D.

$S \leq T, T > R, T = W$

$R < T \geq S$

I. $R < S$ (false)

$R < T = W \geq S$

II. $S > W$ (false)

Hence, neither conclusion I nor II is true.

110. Ans. C.

$X = Y \leq Z > W$

X \leq **Z**

I. $Z = X$

II. $Z > X$

Hence, either conclusion I or II is true.

111. Ans. A.

$R < S$ can be clearly deduced from the relationship.

$C \geq E$ cannot be true as both are related by opposite signs.

Thus only conclusion I is true.

Hence Option A is correct

112. Ans. B.

$V < U$ cannot be true because both are related by opposite signs.

$L \geq S$ clearly holds true.

Thus only conclusion II follows.

Hence Option B is correct

113. Ans. A.

The first is logical as the statement talks about the setting up of infrastructure which is ineffective in providing power to many areas. The second does not provide a solution as to why it will help overcome the power problem.

114. Ans. A.

Only I follows: it speaks about knowledge and skill development. IQ and General Knowledge are NOT synonymous. Hence II doesn't follow.

115. Ans. C.

The highest roll number belongs to the student who is the head of the class on Wednesday.

Step 1: The head of the class on Wednesday is Student D and on Saturday is B. The student whose roll number is 20 becomes the head of the class on Thursday.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	D	
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	

Step 2: Student C becomes the head of the class just after student A. The student with roll number 24 is the next student to become the head of the class after student C. Here we can have two possibilities,

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	
Tuesday	C	
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	

table 1

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	D	
Thursday	A	20
Friday	C	
Saturday	B	24

table 2

Step 3: The head of the class on Monday is neither Student E nor F. So table 2 possibility is cancelled. And now we shall proceed with table 1 possibility.

Step 4: The difference between the roll number of the head of the class on the first day of the week and last day of the week is 1.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	17/18
Tuesday	C	
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	18/17

table 1

Step 5: The difference of roll number of student B and student F is 4. For this to be true, the student B must have the roll number 17 and F shall be the head of the class on Friday with his roll number as 21 as shown in the table below.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	18
Tuesday	C	
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday		20
Friday	F	21
Saturday	B	17

table 1

Finally filling the remaining places, we get that Student E becomes the head of the class on Thursday and the student C who is the head of the class on Tuesday has 23 roll number.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	18
Tuesday	C	23
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday	E	20
Friday	F	21
Saturday	B	17

Wednesday.
116. Ans. A.

The highest roll number belongs to the student who is the head of the class on Wednesday.

Step 1: The head of the class on Wednesday is Student D and on Saturday is B. The student whose roll number is 20 becomes the head of the class on Thursday.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	D	
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	

Step 2: Student C becomes the head of the class just after student A. The student with roll number 24 is the next student to become the head of the class after student C. Here we can have two possibilities,

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	
Tuesday	C	
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	

table 1

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Friday	C	
Saturday	B	24

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Step 4: The difference between the roll number of the head of the class on the first day of the week and last day of the week is 1.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	17/18
Tuesday	C	
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	18/17

table 1

Step 5: The difference of roll number of student B and student F is 4. For this to be true, the student B must have the roll number 17 and F shall be the head of the class on Friday with his roll number as 21 as shown in the table below.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	18
Tuesday	C	
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday		20
Friday	F	21
Saturday	B	17

table 1

Finally filling the remaining places, we get that Student E becomes the head of the class on Thursday and the student C who is the head of the class on Tuesday has 23 roll number.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	18
Tuesday	C	23
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday	E	20
Friday	F	21
Saturday	B	17

Student E

117. Ans. D.

The highest roll number belongs to the student who is the head of the class on Wednesday.

Step 1: The head of the class on Wednesday is Student D and on Saturday is B. The student whose roll number is 20 becomes the head of the class on Thursday.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	D	
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	

Step 2: Student C becomes the head of the class just after student A. The student with roll number 24 is the next student to

become the head of the class after student C. Here we can have two possibilities,

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	
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Friday		
Saturday	B	

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Days	Students	Roll Number
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Friday	C	
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Step 4: The difference between the roll number of the head of the class on the first day of the week and last day of the week is 1.

Days	Students	Roll Number
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Friday		
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table 1

Step 5: The difference of roll number of student B and student F is 4. For this to be true, the student B must have the roll number 17 and F shall be the head of the class on Friday with his roll number as 21 as shown in the table below.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	18
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Finally filling the remaining places, we get that Student E becomes the head of the class on Thursday and the student C who is the head of the class on Tuesday has 23 roll number.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	18
Tuesday	C	23
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday	E	20
Friday	F	21
Saturday	B	17

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118. Ans. B.

The highest roll number belongs to the student who is the head of the class on Wednesday.

Step 1: The head of the class on Wednesday is Student D and on Saturday is B. The student whose roll number is 20 becomes the head of the class on Thursday.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	D	
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	

Step 2: Student C becomes the head of the class just after student A. The student with roll number 24 is the next student to become the head of the class after student C. Here we can have two possibilities,

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	
Tuesday	C	
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday		20
Friday		
Saturday	B	

table 1

Days	Students	Roll Number
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Step 4: The difference between the roll number of the head of the class on the first day of the week and last day of the week is 1.

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Saturday	B	17

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Finally filling the remaining places, we get that Student E becomes the head of the class on Thursday and the student C who is the head of the class on Tuesday has 23 roll number.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday	A	18
Tuesday	C	23
Wednesday	D	24
Thursday	E	20
Friday	F	21
Saturday	B	17

23

119. Ans. D.

The highest roll number belongs to the student who is the head of the class on Wednesday.

Step 1: The head of the class on Wednesday is Student D and on Saturday is B. The student whose roll number is 20 becomes the head of the class on Thursday.

Days	Students	Roll Number
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	D	
Thursday		20
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Saturday	B	

Step 2: Student C becomes the head of the class just after student A. The student with roll number 24 is the next student to become the head of the class after student C. Here we can have two possibilities,

Days	Students	Roll Number
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Finally filling the remaining places, we get that Student E becomes the head of the class on Thursday and the student C who is the head of the class on Tuesday has 23 roll number.

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Friday	F	21
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120. Ans. C.

Esha < Dravid < Laksh < Sia < Bhoomika < Palak

10 < 20 < 30 < 40 < 50 < 60

Sia takes 40 min

121. Ans. D.

Esha < Dravid < Laksh < Sia < Bhoomika < Palak

10 < 20 < 30 < 40 < 50 < 60

Palak takes maximum time

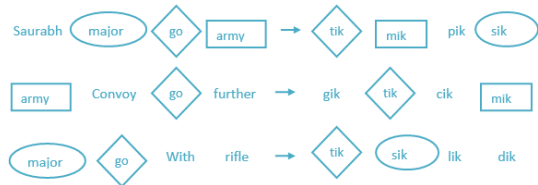
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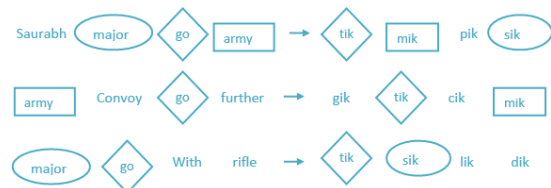
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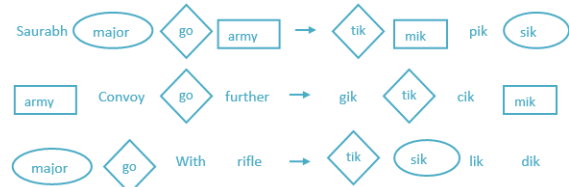
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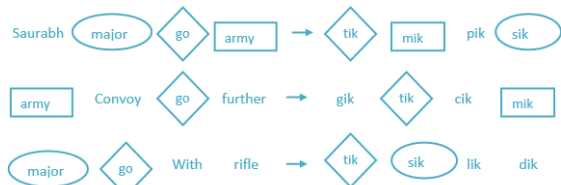
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124. Ans. A.



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125. Ans. C.



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126. Ans. D.



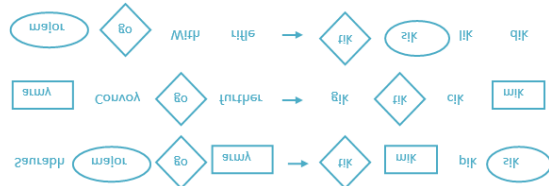
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Here we can't match the code for convoy and further but in statement 2 code gik and cik are remaining, but we can't assure that which code will be for which word. So here we use either or.

Hence 'cik' is the code for either convoy or further.

127. Ans. B.



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Hence 'tik' is the code for 'go'.

128. Ans. E.

The professional who has just been recruited needs to be evaluated over a period of time to know if he/she suits the work environment of the company. So, I is implicit. The statement mentions that the individual's capabilities shall be judged before confirmation. Hence, II is implicit as well.

129. Ans. C.

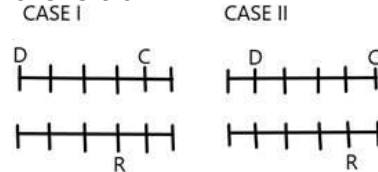
Since, it is stated that the existing laws are not strong enough, I is strong Argument II states that there is no problem with the laws, but the problem is with implementation. Hence, II is strong. But, I and II are contradictory. One argument says that they are not sufficient and the other says they are sufficient. Hence either I or II is strong.

130. Ans. B.

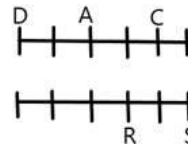
Argument I is weak - just because something has been taking place/happening for ages doesn't make that thing right or correct. Argument II is strong as it gives us a proper reasoning why parents shouldn't be involved in arranging their child's marriage. Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

131. Ans. D.

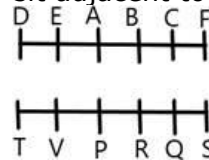
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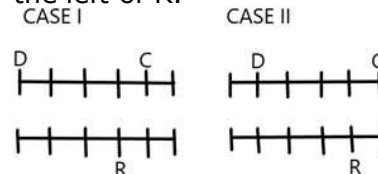


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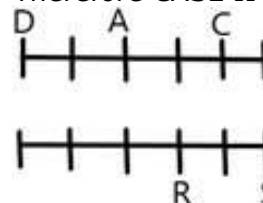


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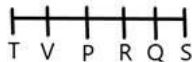
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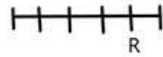
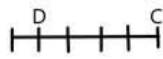
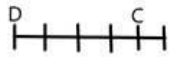


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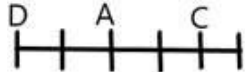
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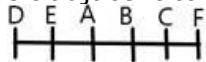
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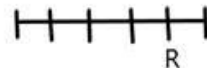
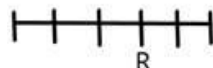
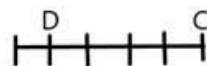
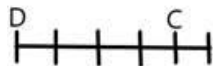


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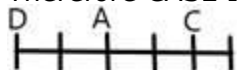
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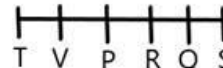
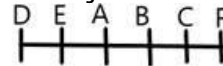
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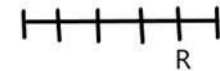
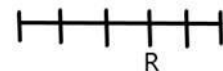
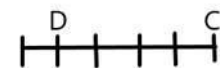
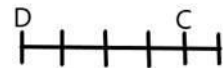


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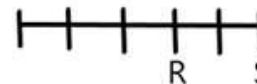
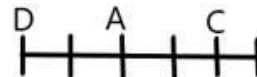
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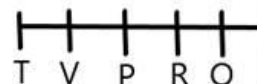
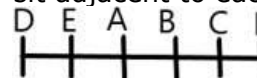
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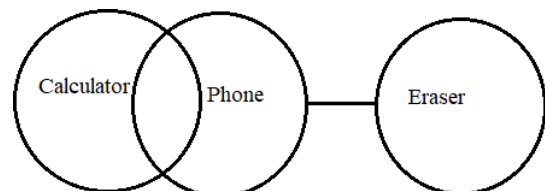
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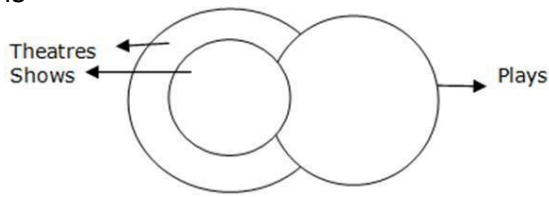
136. Ans. D.



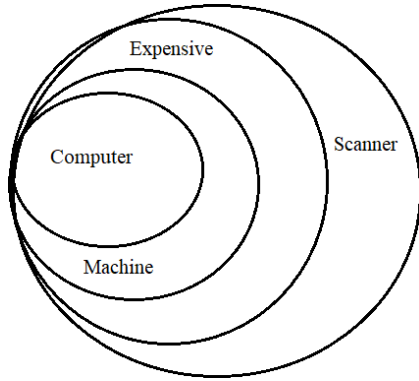
Neither conclusion I nor II follows.

137. Ans. D.

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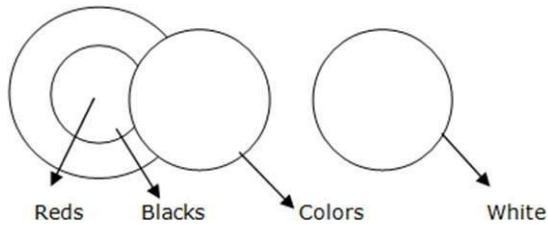
138. Ans. A.



Only conclusion I follows.

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Thus only conclusion I follow from the above diagram.

Hence Option A is correct

140. Ans. D.

Case 1: $H * 7) 0 M ^ \% K @ L \& 8 P \# \& O Y 7 I 4 Q 6 R @ 8 E 6 \& W 8) Z$

141. Ans. C.

Case 1: $H * 7) 0 M ^ \% K @ L \& 8 P \# \& O Y 7 I 4 Q 6 R @ 8 E 6 \& W 8) Z$

Case 2: $H * 8) 6 M ^ \% K @ L \& 8 P \# \& O Y 6 I 4 Q 7 R @ 8 E 0 \& W 7) Z$

Here, L is the fourth letter and as per our problem, second to the right of L is 6.

142. Ans. B.

Case 1: $H * 7) 0 M ^ \% K @ L \& 8 P \# \& O Y 7 I 4 Q 6 R @ 8 E 6 \& W 8) Z$

Case 2: $H * G) 0 M ^ \% K @ L \& H P \# \& O Y G I D Q F R @ H E F \& W H) Z$

143. Ans. A.

Given : $H * 7) 0 M ^ \% K @ L \& 8 P \# \& O Y 7 I 4 Q 6 R @ 8 E 6 \& W 8) Z$

After changes : $8 * 7) 0 13 ^ \% 11 @ 12 \& 8 16 \# \& 15 25 7 9 4 17 6 18 @ 8 5 6 \& 23 8) 26$

Numbers divisible by 4 : 8,12,8,16,4,8,8.
144. Ans. E.

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In question, first see **ninth number (i.e. '1','2','3' etc.)** from the right end - 7

Then, **seventh letter (i.e. letter means 'a','b','c' etc)** to the **right of '7' - 'I'**

145. Ans. D.

Let Shalini started at A and moved into south 15 m and reached at B, then she turned right and walked 3m to reach C. She again turn right and walked 15m and reached D.



From the figure it is clear that at point D Shalini is faced on north direction.

146. Ans. D.

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2) The one, who works in ONGC, lives on the topmost floor.

3) The one, who works in Tata motors, lives just above X.

4) V lives on an even numbered floor.

5) There are two floors between the floors on which X and V lives.

Case 1

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6	V	
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4		Tata motors
3	X	
2		
1		

Case 2

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6) Neither X nor Z works in RIL.

7) The one, who works in HPCL, lives above T.

- 8) There is only one floor between U and the one, who works in RIL.
 9) There are three floors between T and the one, who works in IOC.
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1	T	

Case 2

Floors	Persons	Companies
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5	Z	HPCL
4	V	RIL
3	Y	BPCL
2	T	Tata motors
1	X	

- 11) Z and X don't work in SBI.
 (Here, case 2 will be eliminated)

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Therefore, option D is the correct answer.
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