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English Language and Comprehension

1. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
causing great damage or suffering
(a) Catastrophic (b) Spasmodic
(c) Catatonic (d) Chasm
2. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. They also believe that one must not hold on to things if one doesn't use them and love them anymore.
B. Finally it's a very good idea to give the things to someone who can and will use them.
C. They further advise that one can begin the process of decluttering by first checking if the things one wishes to give away are still usable and valuable.
D. Minimalists believe that clutter causes a lot of stress and wastes precious space.
(a) DCBA (b) ABDC
(c) DACB (d) CADB
3. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
Why should always we have to wait for her to join us?
(a) for her to join her (b) Why should
(c) always we (d) have to wait
4. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The priest said to me, "You have committed a cardinal sin."
(a) The priest told me that I had committed a cardinal sin.
(b) The priest is saying I have committed a cardinal sin.
(c) The priest said if I will be committing a cardinal sin.
(d) The priest told me I am committing a cardinal sin.
5. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Two children were shot dead by a psychopath during the California music festival.
(a) Two children were being shot dead by a psychopath during the California music festival.
(b) Two children are shot dead by a psychopath during the California music festival.
(c) A psychopath during the California music festival was shooting dead two children.
(d) A psychopath shot dead two children during the California music festival.
6. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Her mother said, "We must have a party to celebrate your promotion."
(a) Her mother said that they must have a party to celebrate her promotion.
(b) Her mother said she had been planning a party for celebrating her promotion.
(c) Her mother says that they should plan a party to celebrate her promotion.
(d) Her mother told that they would be having a party to celebrate her promotion.
7. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Somebody feeds the stray dog daily.
(a) Daily somebody has fed the stray dog.
(b) The stray dog was fed daily.
(c) The stray dog is fed daily by somebody.
(d) The stray dog will be fed daily.
8. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. As soon as she was given the slippers, she broke into a dance strutting around in her first ever pair of slippers.

- B. This story may seem strange but it is a fact that, in many villages of India, people don't have anything to put on their feet.
- C. Goonj , a leading NGO of India, runs a Cloth for Work Scheme and gives clothes and useful items in exchange for work done.
- D. Recently, as part of the scheme, an old lady in a Madhya Pradesh village was given a pair of slippers.
- (a) DACB (b) CABD
(c) CDAB (d) DBAC
9. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. She is a very good sprinter. I can't run as fast as she does.
- (a) no improvement
(b) like she is doing
(c) as she doing
(d) as she do
10. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
- A The home then was a bungalow, single storied and bounded by walls.
- B He states that in the early 1950's houses in most cities relied on the bungalow model.
- C According to Gautam Bhatia ,a leading architect we need to bring about a radical change in our model of housing.
- D. Sadly ,nearly 70years later after a 100-fold increase in city population, density and land value we still persist on the same outmoded model
- (a) CBAD (b) CDAB
(c) DBAC (d) CDBA
11. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
- A. But today adults as well as a growing number of young parents are cutting down on intake of sugar.
- B. Until about two decades ago, becoming careful about sugar was only for diabetics.
- C. Thus going zero on sugar is fast becoming a popular trend for all.
- D. Before joining this trend doctors advise that we all need to find out whether all sugars are harmful.
- (a) BACD (b) CDAB
(c) ABDC (d) DBAC
12. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
- A Unfortunately this resulted in his going to jail.
- B. As a child he always landed in trouble.
- C. Louis Armstrong was a famous jazz musician.
- D. Once he found a pistol and fired it in the street.
- (a) CBAD (b) CBDA
(c) BCAD (d) DABC
13. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The car cleaner expressed his inability to continue cleaning my car from 1st July due to his _____.
- (a) ill feeling (b) ill health
(c) disease (d) disorder
14. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
A strong feeling of dislike towards someone or something.
- (a) sympathy (b) telepathy
(c) antipathy (d) empathy
15. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
She is a great cook, has her own blog on YouTube and was followed by one lakh viewers.
- (a) She is (b) a great cook
(c) has her own blog (d) was followed
16. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
My uncle said, "Just my luck! I've missed the bus again."
- (a) My uncle exclaimed that he was unlucky as he had missed the bus again.
(b) My uncle said he was lucky as he had missed the bus again.
(c) My uncle exclaimed that he is once again lucky to miss the bus.
(d) My uncle says that he is unlucky as he has missed the bus again.
17. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

- Kiran said, "I will reach Patna tomorrow morning."
- (a) Kiran said that she will reach Patna tomorrow morning.
(b) Kiran says that she will reach Patna tomorrow morning.
(c) Kiran said that I will reach Patna the next morning.
(d) Kiran said that she would reach Patna the next morning.
18. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
The Prime Minister holding is the important meeting to review the security and safety of doctors working in government hospitals.
(a) of doctors (b) working in
(c) to review (d) holding is the
19. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
Making the final paper was a really difficult task but by the end of the week, I was able to _____.
(a) bark up the wrong tree
(b) wrap my head around it
(c) cry my eyes out
(d) run out of steam
20. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. His death was a cause of great speculation.
B. Edgar Allan Poe was a famous American author.
C. Within a few days of being found, he died mysteriously on Oct 7, 1849.
D. He had gone missing on October 3, 1849 and was found a few days later.
(a) CDBA (b) BADC
(c) BCDA (d) DBCA
21. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
To express in an unclear way
(a) eloquent (b) garbled
(c) lucid (d) Intelligible
22. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The sky is quite overcast. We're _____ to have rain today.
(a) likely (b) mostly
(c) surely (d) probably
23. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
When my friend suggested going to the mall for lunch, I agreed _____.
(a) at once (b) at large
(c) at most (d) at ease
24. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. This record of migration is one of the greatest natural events on earth.
B. Each Autumn, millions of Monarch butterflies leave their breeding grounds in US and Canada.
C. The migration of the Monarch butterfly is an amazing phenomenon.
D. They travel over 3000 miles to reach their winter habitat in Mexico.
(a) ADBC (b) CBDA
(c) DCBA (d) ABDC
25. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. Next, step by step from the shallow waters you are gradually guided to dive in safe areas.
B. This 'dry' lesson is followed by wearing the gear and then entering shallow waters to practice basic scuba diving skills.
C. The Discover Scuba Diving tour starts with a 30 minute lesson on teaching basic skills outside water.
D. Finally, what is most reassuring about the whole tour is that your instructor is always by your side to monitor you till the end of the session.
(a) CABD (b) ABDC
(c) ABCD (d) CBAD
26. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The airline official said, "We are extremely sorry that the flight has been delayed due to heavy floods."
(a) The airline official announced the airline is extremely sorry that the flight will be delayed due to heavy floods.

- (b) The airline official announces they are extremely sorry that the flight has been delayed due to heavy floods.
- (c) The airline official announced that they were extremely sorry that the flight had been delayed due to heavy floods.
- (d) The airline official announced that we are extremely sorry that the flight has been delayed due to heavy floods.
27. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. If you wishes to participating at the National level games you'll have to start getting coaching immediately.
- (a) wish to participating
(b) wished for participating
(c) wish to participate
(d) no improvement
28. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Popular monuments will be kept open till 9 p.m.
- (a) They had kept popular monuments open till 9 p.m.
(b) They are keeping popular monuments open till 9 p.m.
(c) They will keep popular monuments open till 9 p.m.
(d) They will be keeping popular monuments open till 9 p.m.
29. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
Last evening my friend tells me the funny joke that I have ever heard.
- (a) that I have
(b) ever heard
(c) tells me the funny joke
(d) Last evening my friend
30. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. You have been so unwell! How you feeling now?
- (a) you is feeling (b) you are feeling
(c) No improvement (d) are you feeling
31. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
something happening by chance in a happy and beneficial way
- (a) serenity (b) serendipity
(c) misadventure (d) fortitude
32. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
- A. Despite this, he was very good at delegating work.
B. No wonder his films were universally acclaimed.
C. A Satyajit Ray film was solely his film.
D. Even after delegation, he was involved in every aspect of the film.
- (a) DACB (b) CDAB
(c) CADB (d) ABDC
33. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given
lacking in variety and interest
- (a) monotonous (b) fresh
(c) exclamatory (d) vibrant
34. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. I am going to see a play tomorrow evening.
- (a) seeing (b) no improvement
(c) to saw (d) to seeing
35. Pick a word opposite in meaning to optimistic.
- (a) energetic (b) pessimistic
(c) idealistic (d) realistic
36. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Rita said, "I'm not feeling well."
- (a) Rita said that she was not feeling well.
(b) Rita said she will not be feeling well.
(c) Rita said she is not feeling well.
(d) Rita says that I'm not feeling well.
37. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
Suman really has _____. She moved to a new house just a month back but already has a lovely garden.
- (a) a heart of gold (b) a bad hair day
(c) a foot in the door (d) green fingers

Direction (Q. 38 to 42): Read the following passage and fill in each blank with words chosen from options given.

As he started his speech, Harsh was aware that people were listening to him quite (1) _____. Things seemed to be going quite well. (2) _____, halfway through the talk, he saw his friend, Ravi look (3) _____ his pal Sunil, roll his eyes and whisper in his ear. Harsh (4) _____ understood that Ravi, who had been upset ever since his promotion, was now (5) _____ disturbance intentionally.

38. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1

- (a) intently (b) smoothly
(c) evenly (d) clearly

39. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2

- (a) Wherever (b) Whenever
(c) Moreover (d) However

40. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3

- (a) at (b) opposite
(c) through (d) in

41. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4

- (a) immediately (b) keenly
(c) urgently (d) cleverly

42. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5.

- (a) created (b) create
(c) creates (d) creating

43. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. When I was a child I do not like going out to play in the park.

- (a) did not like (b) don't likes
(c) no improvement (d) did not liked

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

Something causing shock or dismay

- (a) frivolous (b) appalling
(c) mischievous (d) remarkable

45. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.

My guests doesn't wanted to eat anything since they weren't hungry after the party.

- (a) didn't want to eat (b) didn't wanted to eat
(c) don't wants to eat (d) no improvement

46. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. Please switch on all the lights in the room as it's getting very dark now.

- (a) as it were getting (b) no improvement
(c) as it was getting (d) when it will get

47. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. One of the crocodiles was four feet long and almost six years old.
B. Post this announcement a video of a crocodile attacking a dog has gone viral causing people to panic further.
C. The authorities have announced that more crocodiles would be sighted once the waters recede.
D. After the monsoon deluge the Forest Department of Vadodara has so far rescued three crocodiles which had swum into residential areas.

- (a) BDAC (b) ADBC
(c) DACB (d) DCAB

48. Identify the word that is misspelt.

- (a) Immediate (b) iliterate
(c) implement (d) illogical

49. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

Pallavi worked really hard for the examination and _____ to gain success.

- (a) struck a sour note
(b) hit the bull's eye
(c) beat about the bush
(d) left no stone unturned

50. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

By how many people were you helped in your time of difficulty?

- (a) How many people helped you in your time of difficulty?
(b) How many people were you helping in time of difficulty?

- (c) How many people are you helped by in your time of difficulty?
(d) In your time of difficulty how many people were you helped by?
51. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Nobody told me Vanita was unwell.
(a) I wasn't being told by anybody that Vanita was unwell.
(b) I wasn't told by anybody that Vanita was unwell.
(c) Nobody told me Vanita was being unwell.
(d) Nobody tells me that Vanita was unwell.
52. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
When Veena returned to India she had to get use driving on the left.
(a) to get used to drives
(b) to get used to driving
(c) No improvement
(d) to getting use to
53. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
The birth of a girl bring great joy to Neha's family.
(a) The birth (b) of a girl
(c) to Neha's family (d) bring great joy
54. Identify the word that is misspelt.
(a) aesthetic (b) equivocal
(c) catastrophe (d) ingenious
55. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
Listen, you need to prioritize. You can't have your ____!
(a) Achilles'heel (b) heebie-jeebies
(c) paint the town red (d) finger in every pie
56. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
This summer, I've met down a lot of interesting people.
(a) interesting people
(b) I've met down
(c) a lot of
(d) This summer
57. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The business prospect seemed quite _____ so I convinced my friend to partner with me to start the venture.
(a) lucrative (b) dubious
(c) flourishing (d) prosperous
58. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Do not take the coastal road during monsoons.
(a) You are not taking the coastal road during monsoons.
(b) You will not take the coastal road during monsoons.
(c) Coastal road is not being taken during monsoons.
(d) Coastal roads should not be taken during monsoons.
59. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
The team manager is examining the documents of all the players.
(a) Examination of the documents of all the players was done by the team manager.
(b) The documents of all the players are being examined by the team manager.
(c) The documents of all the players the team manager is examining.
(d) The team manager has been examining the documents of all the players.
60. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
He asked me if I would like to take that apartment on rent from the next day.
(a) "Would you had taken this apartment on rent from tomorrow?" he said to me.
(b) "Would you have taken this apartment on rent from the next day?" he said to me.
(c) "Would you like to take this apartment on rent from tomorrow?" he said to me.
(d) "Would you be liking to take this apartment on rent from tomorrow?" he said to me.

61. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

Initially I thought I could participate in the international Scholars Contest but when I saw the preparatory material I _____ .

- (a) missed the boat (b) hit the bull's eye
(c) got cold feet (d) made a scene

62. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

The company gave in to the demands of the employees as it found them _____ .

- (a) illegal (b) irrational
(c) legitimate (d) formidable

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

continuing for a very long time

- (a) laconic (b) interim
(c) concise (d) interminable

64. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

I won't be here next week as I'm going to Mumbai to a conference.

- (a) I won't (b) be here
(c) to a conference (d) as I'm going

65. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.

My daughter fell asleep while she been reading.

- (a) while she is reading
(b) no improvement
(c) while she was reading
(d) whenever she has reading

66. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

Teenagers don't like being told what to do.

- (a) Being told what to do was not being liked by teenagers.
(b) Teenagers should not be told what to do.
(c) Being told what to do is not liked by teenagers.
(d) Teenagers are not liking being told what to do.

67. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

A. Its chief feature is that the reader is given the opportunity to play along and engage in the process of deduction.

B. A whodunit is a kind of detective story made famous by Agatha Christie.

C. Thus, along with the protagonist the reader is also involved in solving the case.

D. As the reader goes along he/she takes note of the clues, deduces and tries to identify the criminal before the climax.

- (a) ABCD (b) BDAC
(c) DABC (d) BADC

68. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
The metro service is so good that one doesn't have to wait since a few minutes.

- (a) beyond a few minutes
(b) No improvement
(c) for some few minutes
(d) up to a few minutes

69. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.

Have you any idea where is Anya?

- (a) where Anya were?
(b) No improvement
(c) where was Anya?
(d) where Anya is?

70. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

I am really bored of this movie! When was it end?

- (a) it end? (b) I am really bored
(c) of this movie (d) When was

71. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

I'm going to the airport to receives my friend.

- (a) my friend (b) to the airport
(c) to receives (d) I'm going

72. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

People are reading the articles on using plastic waste innovatively with interest.

- (a) The articles on innovative use of plastic waste are read with interest.
(b) The articles on using plastic waste innovatively are being read with interest.

- (c) People have been reading the articles on using plastic waste innovatively with interest.
- (d) People were reading the articles on using plastic waste innovatively with interest.
73. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
- "You speak such good English!" said Mary.
- (a) Mary exclaimed that I speak so much good English.
- (b) Mary told me I was speaking much good English.
- (c) Mary exclaimed that I spoke very good English.
- (d) Mary exclaimed that I was speaking very good English.

Direction (Q. 74 to 83): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

The four-year tiger census report, Status of Tigers in India, 2018, released by Prime Minister Narendra Modi shows numbers of the cat have increased across all landscapes.

The Global Tiger Forum, an international collaboration of tiger-bearing countries, has set a goal of doubling the count of wild tigers by 2022. More than 80% of the world's wild tigers are in India, and it's crucial to keep track of their numbers.

The total count in 2018 has risen to 2,967 from 2,226 in 2014 — an increase of 741 individuals an increase of 33%, in four years.

This is by far the biggest increase in terms of both numbers and percentage since the fouryearly census using camera traps and the capture-mark-recapture method began in 2006.

The 2018 figure has a great degree of credibility because, according to the report, as many as 2,461 individual tigers (83% of the total) have actually been photographed by trap cameras. In 2014, only 1,540 individuals (69%) were photographed.

The tiger census is needed because the tiger sits at the peak of the food chain, and its conservation is important to ensure the well-being of the forest ecosystem. The tiger estimation exercise includes habitat assessment and prey estimation. The numbers reflect the success or failure of

conservation efforts. This is an especially important indicator in a fast-growing economy like India where the pressures of development often run counter to the demands of conservation.

Where has the tiger population increased the most? The biggest increase has been in Madhya Pradesh – a massive 218 individuals (71%) from 308 in 2014 to 526.

However, since tigers keep moving between states, conservationists prefer to talk about tiger numbers in terms of landscapes.

So, why have the numbers gone up?

The success owes a lot to increased vigilance and conservation efforts by the Forest Department. From 28 in 2006, the number of tiger reserves went up to 50 in 2018, extending protection to larger numbers of tigers over the years. Healthy increases in core area populations eventually lead to migrations to areas outside the core; this is why the 2018 census has found tigers in newer areas. Over the years, there has been increased focus on tigers even in the areas under the territorial and commercial forestry arms of Forest Departments.

The other important reason is increased vigilance, and the fact that organized poaching rackets have been all but crushed. According to Nitin Desai of Wildlife Protection Society of India, there has been no organized poaching by traditional gangs in Central Indian landscapes since 2013.

The increased protection has encouraged the tiger to breed. Tigers are fast breeders when conditions are conducive.

The rehabilitation of villages outside core areas in many parts of the country has led to the availability of more inviolate space for tigers.

Also, because estimation exercises have become increasingly more accurate over the years, it is possible that many tigers that eluded enumerators in earlier exercises were counted this time.

74. The Global Tiger Forum comprises -

- (a) countries which have tigers.
- (b) National Geographic and World Wildlife Fund.
- (c) all countries of the United Nations.
- (d) America and the European Union.

75. The biggest increase in tiger population has been between the years
(a) 2014-2018 (b) 2002-2006
(c) 2006-2010 (d) 2010-2014
76. The year 2022 marks the target date for -
(a) tripling the world tiger population.
(b) tripling India's tiger population.
(c) doubling the count of world tiger population.
(d) doubling the count of India's tiger population.
77. 2018 census on the big cat has been the most reliable because
(a) it photographed 1540 tigers.
(b) it photographed 83% of the tigers.
(c) it photographed all living tigers of India.
(d) it only uses the capture-mark-recapture method.
78. The survival of the tiger is vital today because
(a) it is no longer a threat to the villagers' safety.
(b) it is central to the food chain and the eco system.
(c) it promotes tourism in India and increases revenue.
(d) it is now on the verge of extinction.
79. Researchers refer to places where tigers are found not by states but by the term
(a) green belts (b) deep forests
(c) landscapes (d) ecosystems
80. What is the tiger population of Madhya Pradesh?
(a) 28 (b) 741
(c) 50 (d) 526
81. Which of the following statements is not true as per the passage?
(a) There are more reliable ways of data collection
(b) Forest departments have become more watchful
(c) The tiger reserves have increased to 100 in 2018
(d) Poaching gangs have been reduced drastically
82. What has been the impact of providing inviolate spaces for tigers?
(a) The poachers have been caught in these spaces very easily.
(b) The number of villagers killed by man eater tigers has increased.
- (c) Tiger numbers have increased due to safe breeding places.
(d) Tigers have moved from Uttar Pradesh to Madhya Pradesh.
83. Pick out a word that is similar in meaning to: CONDUCTIVE
(a) reclusive (b) helpful
(c) unfavorable (d) hindering
84. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
Does an English examination begin at 10 o'clock?
(a) 10 o'clock? (b) English examination
(c) begin at (d) Does an
85. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Please give me some more time to complete the assignments.
(a) You may please give me some more time to complete the assignments.
(b) I am requesting you to give me some more time to complete the assignments.
(c) Some more time will be given to me to complete the assignments.
(d) I may please be given some more time to complete the assignments.
86. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Rohan smiled and said that he thought Jojo liked him.
(a) Rohan smiled and said he thought, "Jojo likes me!"
(b) Rohan smiled and said, "I think Jojo likes me!"
(c) Rohan smiled and said, "They think Jojo likes me!"
(d) Rohan smiled and asked, "Do you think Jojo likes me?"
87. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
The Inspector stopped the boy and asked where he went.
(a) he had going (b) No improvement
(c) he has gone (d) he was going

88. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
I use to going for a morning walk when I was living in Dehradun.
(a) living in Dehradun
(b) for a morning walk
(c) when I was
(d) use to going
89. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The commander ordered his battalion to march on.
(a) The commander says to his battalion, "Please march on."
(b) "March on!" the commander said to his battalion.
(c) The commander says to his battalion, "March on!"
(d) The commander gives his battalion order, "March on!"
90. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The lawyer says, "My client is innocent."
(a) The lawyer said that his client is innocent.
(b) The lawyer says that his client is innocent.
(c) The lawyer says my client was innocent.
(d) The lawyer said that my client is innocent.
- Direction (Q. 91 to 100):** Read the following passage and fill in each blank with words chosen from options given-
- I was friends with the artist Bhupen Khakar. He was one of the (1) _____ human beings I have ever met. I learnt (2) _____ from him. When we were in Baroda we (3) _____ meals together all the time. I _____ (4) _____ remember how his caretaker (5) _____ family to him and he would often (6) _____ his children to school and taught _____ (7) _____ mathematics. His studio was in the (8) _____ of the house and (9) _____ for anyone to come in (10) _____ at his work.
91. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1
(a) Finer (b) finest
(c) few (d) fine
92. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2
(a) a lot (b) the more
(c) a lots (d) the less
93. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3
(a) would had (b) having had
(c) has had (d) would have
94. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4
(a) still (b) until
(c) never (d) alone
95. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5
(a) is (b) was
(c) be (d) were
96. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.6
(a) to drop (b) dropping
(c) dropped (d) drop
97. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.7
(a) those (b) their
(c) they (d) them
98. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.8
(a) centering (b) centralized
(c) centre (d) central
99. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.9
(a) open (b) was opening
(c) opens (d) opening
100. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.10
(a) to look (b) to watch
(c) looking upon (d) for looking
101. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
What shall we do on ourselves this evening?
(a) this evening (b) on ourselves
(c) What shall (d) we do
102. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
"Let's go out for dinner. I've been home this whole week," said Anna.

- (a) Anna said to me that we must go out for dinner as she has been home that whole week.
(b) Anna told me she was wanting to go out for dinner and had been home this whole week.
(c) Anna told me she is at home the whole week and would like to go out for dinner.
(d) Anna suggested we go out for dinner as she had been home that whole week.
103. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
They sealed all unauthorized farms on the highway.
(a) All unauthorized farms on the highway were sealed.
(b) They are sealing all unauthorized farms on the highway.
(c) All unauthorized farms on the highway have sealed the authorities.
(d) The authorities were sealing all unauthorized farms on the highway.
104. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Do you think that the government will accept our demands?
(a) Do you think we will accept the government demands?
(b) Do you think that our demands will be accepted by the government?
(c) Do you think that the government is going to accept our demands?
(d) Do you think that our demands have been accepted by the government?
105. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
How many languages are spoken in India?
(a) How many languages did the Indians speak?
(b) How many languages are Indians speaking?
(c) How many languages do people in India speak?
(d) People have been speaking how many languages in India?
106. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
In my parents' time, we mostly ate at home and family outings happened _____.
(a) once in a blue moon
(b) behind the back
(c) in fine feather
(d) shoulder to shoulder
107. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
"Go on, apply for the job," said my best friend.
(a) My best friend says I should go off and apply for the job.
(b) My best friend had said to me to go on and apply for the job.
(c) My best friend encouraged me to apply for the _____ job.
(d) You should apply for the job my best friend said.
108. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. These tribes believe that they can communicate with dead ancestors only through this language.
B. Today, linguists call such a language an "isolated" language.
C. Zuni is a language spoken only by the Zuni tribes.
D. It is remarkable that these tribes have been able to preserve their language.
(a) BCDA (b) ADCB
(c) CADB (d) DABC
109. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
High interest rates are alarming automobile dealers.
(a) Automobile dealers is being alarmed by high interest rates.
(b) High interest rates has been alarmed by automobile dealers.
(c) High interest rates have alarmed automobile dealers.
(d) Automobile dealers are being alarmed by high interest rates.

110. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
“You should lock your car as there have been some instances of theft,” said Anil.

- (a) There have been instances of theft so I should lock my car was told to me by Anil.
- (b) Anil advised me that I should lock my car as there had been some instances of theft.
- (c) There have been some instances of theft so I should have locked my car said Anil.
- (d) Anil said he must lock his car because there were some instances of theft.

111. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
Instead of studying in home I went to my friend's house.

- (a) in home
- (b) I went
- (c) Instead of studying
- (d) to my friend's house.

112. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given Impossible to satisfy

- (a) palatable (b) insatiable
- (c) insane (d) magnanimous

113. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

“I'm so sorry! I totally forgot about the meeting,” he said.

- (a) He is being sorry for having totally forgotten about the meeting.
- (b) He apologized and said he had totally forgotten about the meeting.
- (c) He was so sorry that he had forgot totally about the meeting.
- (d) Having forgotten totally about the meeting he is very sorry.

114. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
I couldn't visit my aunt as there were the traffic jam due to an accident.

- (a) no improvement
- (b) are a traffic jam
- (c) were a traffic jam
- (d) was a traffic jam

115. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

We have written all the library rules on the notice-board.

- (a) All the library rules have been written on the notice-board.
- (b) All the library rules were written on the notice-board.
- (c) All the library rules are being written on the notice-board.
- (d) We are writing all the library rules on the notice-board.

116. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

The Queen said to the ministers, “Cut off the prisoner's head!”

- (a) The Queen ordered the ministers to cut off the prisoner's head.
- (b) Screaming at the ministers the Queen is ordering to cut off the prisoner's head.
- (c) The prisoner's head would be cut off screamed the queen to the ministers.
- (d) The Queen told the ministers that to cut off the prisoner's head.

117. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
We waited till 10 pm for our guests but they never turned up.

- (a) was waiting (b) no improvement
- (c) have been waited (d) are waiting

118. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

That student of yours has such sound values. She's indeed a _____ .

- (a) rare bird
- (b) barrel of laughs
- (c) pain in the neck
- (d) pot calling the kettle black

119. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

Mother said, “Sonam, don't throw tantrums.”

- (a) Mother warns Sonam not to throw tantrums.
(b) Mother said that Sonam is not to throw tantrums.
(c) Mother told Sonam not to throw tantrums.
(d) Mother says to Sonam not to throw tantrums.

120. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. The most helpful thing you can do is to hold someone's hand when they most need it.
B. Also, jotting down notes for your seniors on ward rounds is probably not the most important thing.
C. My first year as a doctor in U.K. is over and this is what I have learnt.
D. No matter what anyone tells you, writing that urgent discharge summary is not the most important thing you will do today.

- (a) DBAC (b) CDBA
(c) ABDC (d) CBAD

121. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

He likes to put all the garbage into a black small bag.

- (a) into a (b) all the garbage
(c) He like to put (d) black small bag

Direction (Q. 122 to 131): Read the following passage and fill in each blank with words chosen from options given

One can soon feast (1) _____ eyes on Humayun's Tomb (2) _____ Safdarjung Tomb at night, with the government deciding to keep 10 heritage (3) _____ open to the (4) _____ from sunrise (5) _____ 9 p.m. The announcement was made (6) _____ morning by the Union Minister for Culture and (7) _____. Currently, most monuments (8) _____ for visitors at 6pm. The change in timings (9) _____ effective for a period (10) _____ 3 years.

122. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1

- (a) her's (b) ours
(c) one's (d) theirs

123. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2

- (a) therefore (b) both
(c) by (d) and

124. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 3

- (a) building (b) monument
(c) apartments (d) monuments

125. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4

- (a) peoples (b) mob
(c) public (d) residents

126. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5

- (a) in (b) by
(c) for (d) till

127. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.6.

- (a) this (b) then
(c) those (d) that

128. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.7

- (a) Tour (b) Tourist
(c) Tourists (d) Tourism

129. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 8

- (a) close (b) was closed
(c) having closed (d) was being closed

130. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 9

- (a) will be (b) has been
(c) will have been (d) would have been

131. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 10

- (a) about (b) into
(c) through (d) of

Direction (Q. 132 to 136): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

A few years ago it seemed as if the moment for stand-up comedy had arrived. By the end of 2017, stand-up comedians were on the cover of a magazine, signaling the coming of age of the industry.

The stand-up game attracted investors in the right places: on platforms like Netflix and Amazon Prime, apart from increasing open mic schedules in venues across cities. Two major companies Comedy Store and Canvas Laugh Club arrived on the scene and were game changers.

But despite a heady start, the comic landscape has changed drastically today with stand-up comedians

feeling the brunt of faltering payments and cancelled shows.

Despite a good start, the Indian stand-up industry is still unorganized and uncertain for comics.

If you ask viral comic Kunal Kamra about the scene, he says that the audience isn't really 'invested' in the art form at the moment and that only ten or twenty tickets would sell if comics weren't on the internet promoting themselves. And this is despite the surge in open mics and more stand-ups coming in. Last year, new-age Indian comedy's reputation came under strain when allegations under the #MeToo movement exposed a darker side of the circuit. Since then, the big three comedy groups: All India Bakchod, SNG Comedy and East India Comedy, have either disbanded or had founding members quit.

Jeeya Sethi, a leading comedian says, "It's a good thing that these -collectives have died because they mostly had men with no women being showcased." Sethi adds saying that it isn't as easy as it sounds. "In a fledgling industry, a viral YouTube video isn't a sign that you've made it". Craft takes time. Every comic who does two open mics calls himself a comedian. In my opinion, you have to do comedy for more than 20 years to be a comic. It takes at least five years to find your voice."

132.By saying 'the audience has not invested in the stand-up comedy art form' the author means that

- (a) the audience prefers to watch only women comedians.
- (b) it is a new art form and it will take time to build an audience.
- (c) the audience don't wish to develop a sense of humour.
- (d) there are faltering payments and cancelled shows.

133.The stand-up comedy show had a wonderful start because-

- 1. Open mic shows were held in venues across cities.
- 2. Leading companies came forward to support artists.
- 3. Payments to artists were prompt and good.
- 4. Some Bollywood directors offered them roles.

5. Comedians were given good media coverage.

- (a) 3, 4 & 5 (b) 1, 2 & 5
- (c) 2, 4 & 5 (d) 2, 3 & 4

134.Select the word which means the same as 'fledgling' in the given context -

- (a) a nervous person who frets a lot
- (b) a fairly new company or industry
- (c) a mature person who performs well
- (d) a successful and established venture

135.How has the situation been reversed from the early success of stand-up comedy?

- (a) SNG Comedy and East India Comedy support the comedians.
- (b) Comedians are being offered double the price asked by them.
- (c) Comedy Store and Canvas Laugh Club are offering bigger platforms to comedians.
- (d) Comedy groups are packing up and founders are resigning.

136.Sethi believes that-

- 1. The road to success is only through YouTube.
- 2. A viral YouTube video is a sign of success.
- 3. Comedy is an art form and takes hard work and patience.
- 4. The true comic artist takes years to find one's voice.

- (a) 1 & 3 (b) 2 & 4
- (c) 1 & 2 (d) 3 & 4

137.Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. Ravi can't come to the meeting as he was not well.

- (a) couldn't came (b) could come
- (c) couldn't come (d) no improvement

138.Find a word that is the synonym of Philanthropist.

- (a) humanitarian (b) philosopher
- (c) humanist (d) misanthropist

139.Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. These houses which were built 20 years ago are now in need of repairs.

- (a) which can built (b) no improvement
(c) which was build (d) who was built
140. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
Splendid and expensive-looking
(a) sumptuous (b) peculiar
(c) curious (d) malicious
141. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
Don't stay in school after 2 p.m. All the teachers have been leaving by then.
(a) are leave (b) will have left
(c) must left (d) No improvement
142. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
I have an invite from a friend to visit the Canada and United States next month.
(a) no improvement
(b) to Canada or the united states
(c) to the Canada and United States
(d) Canada and the United States
143. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Reena said, "What a lovely scene! I wish I could stay here forever!"
(a) Reena said with happiness that was a lovely scene. She wishes to stay there forever.
(b) Reena exclaimed that it was a lovely scene. She further wished that she could stay there forever.
(c) Reena says this is a lovely scene. I wish I could stay there forever.
(d) Reena said what a lovely scene! She wished she could stay here forever.
144. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
My grandfather wished that God should give me success in my new venture. He further said that his prayers would always be with me.
(a) My grandfather says to me, "God might give you success in your new venture! My prayers are always going to be with you."
- (b) My grandfather said to me, "Maybe God will give you success in your new venture! My prayers would always be with you."
(c) My grandfather wished to me, "May God give to you success in your new venture! My prayers are always with you."
(d) My grandfather said to me, "May God give you success in your new venture! My
145. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The salesman said to me, "All the gift items are new. We received this consignment yesterday."
(a) The salesman informed me that all the gift items were new. He further said they had received that consignment the day before.
(b) The salesman informed to me about all the gift items that they were new. They received that consignment the day before.
(c) The salesman told me that all the gift items are new. He further said we received this consignment yesterday.
(d) The salesman said to me that all the gift items are new. We received that
146. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
Seeming reasonable
(a) plausible (b) permeable
(c) versatile (d) volatile
147. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
Whenever we go out we spend a lot money on food.
(a) much of (b) most of
(c) a lot of (d) no improvement
148. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. In those allotted minutes the directors have the freedom to interpret the segments in their own unique way.
B. The play has been divided into segments of 10 minutes each by the directors.
C. Eight young directors, over 50 actors and one landmark play-Hayavadana.
D. This unique collaboration is a tribute to the playwright Girish Karnad.

- (a) BACD (b) CDBA
(c) ADBC (d) CABD
149. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
An apple carries about 100 million useful bacteria.
- (a) About 100 million useful bacteria are being carried by an apple.
(b) An apple will carry about 100 million useful bacteria.
(c) The useful bacteria to be carried in an apple is about 100 million.
(d) About 100 million useful bacteria are carried by an apple.
150. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
High level security arrangements were made for the forthcoming visit to a Japanese Prime Minister.
- (a) security arrangements
(b) were made
(c) for the forthcoming
(d) visit to a
151. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Preparations are being made for our Annual fest.
- (a) We are making preparations for our Annual fest.
(b) We have made preparations for our Annual fest.
(c) Preparations were being made for our Annual fest.
(d) Our Annual fest preparations are made.
152. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
My student, a doctor by profession, preferring to walk to the hospital everyday.
- (a) preferring walking
(b) no improvement
(c) prefers to walk
(d) prefer to walking
153. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

The teacher said to Rana, "Have you completed the project?"

- (a) The teacher asked Rana that if Rana has completed the project.
(b) The teacher asks Rana have you completed the project.
(c) The teacher asked Rana whether he had completed the project.
(d) The teacher asks Rana will you complete the project.

154. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

Sonia says, "I love the monsoons."

- (a) Sonia said that she loved the monsoons.
(b) Sonia says that she loves the monsoons.
(c) Sonia says that she is loving the monsoons.
(d) Sonia said that she was loving the monsoons.

Direction (Q. 155 to 164) : Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

According to a new American study headed by Dr. Willis, it has been found that people who exercise in the morning seem to lose more weight than people completing the same workouts later in the day.

These findings help shed light on the vexing issue of why some people shed considerable weight with exercise and others almost none. The study adds to the growing body of science suggesting that the timing of various activities, including exercise, could affect how those activities affect us.

The relationship between exercise and body weight is somewhat befuddling. Multiple past studies show that a majority of people who take up exercise to lose weight drop fewer pounds than would be expected, given how many calories they are burning during their workouts.

Some gain weight. But a few respond quite well, shedding pound after pound with the same exercise regimen that prompts others to add inches.

The Midwest Trial 2, was conducted in the University of Kansas, U.S. on how regular, supervised exercise influences body weight.

The trial involved 100 overweight, previously inactive young men and women who were made to work out five times a week at a physiology lab, jogging or

otherwise sweating until they had burned up to 600 calories per session.

After 10 months of this regimen, almost everyone had dropped pounds. But the extent of their losses fluctuated wildly, even though everyone was doing the same, supervised workout. A team of researchers started brainstorming what could be responsible for the enormous variability in the weight loss.

They hit upon activity timing. They decided to do a Follow-up study of the Mid West Trial 2. In this new study, the Mid West Trial 2 Follow up study the researchers now studied a team of participants who could visit the gym whenever they wished between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. They also tracked everyone's calorie intakes and daily movement habits throughout the 10 months. They knew, too, whether and by how much people's weights had changed.

Now, they checked weight change against exercise schedules and quickly noticed a consistent pattern. Those people who usually worked out before noon had lost more weight, on average, than the men and women who typically exercised after 3 p.m.

The researchers uncovered a few other, possibly relevant differences between the morning and late-day exercisers. The early-exercise group tended to be slightly more active throughout the day, taking more steps in total than those who worked out later. They also ate less.

These factors may cumulatively have contributed to the striking differences in how many pounds people lost, Dr. Willis says.

Thus it seems that people who worked out before noon lost more weight, on average, than those who typically exercised after 3 p.m.

But Dr. Willis also points out that most of those who worked out later in the day did lose weight, even if not as much as the larkish exercisers, and almost certainly became healthier. "I would not want anyone to think that it's not worth exercising if you can't do it first thing in the morning," he says. "Any exercise, at any time of day, is going to be better than none."

155. The Mid West Trail 2 was a

- (a) A European study on 100 participants who exercised 7 times a week and burnt 800 calories.

- (b) Canadian study on 500 participants who exercised 6 times a week and burnt 600 calories.
(c) U.S based study on 100 participants who exercised 5 times a week and burnt 600 calories
(d) U.S based study on 100 participants who exercised 3 times a week and burnt 300 calories.

156. The Mid West Trial 2 duration was -

- (a) 12 months (b) 6 months
(c) 18 months (d) 10 months

157. Select the option that is not true as per the passage.

Several studies show that as a result of the workout

- (a) the majority lost a little weight.
(b) a few had the desired weight loss.
(c) some gained some weight.
(d) most gained a lot of weight.

158. What was the difference between the Mid West Trial 2 study and the Mid West Trial 2 Follow-up study that was taken up later?

- (a) The duration of the follow up study was longer.
(b) The calorie intake and the time of exercise were examined.
(c) Participants of the study stayed in the premises.
(d) Face to face interviews were conducted.

159. The finding of the Mid West Trial 2 Follow-up study was that the best time for exercise was

- (a) noon to 3 p.m. (b) between 3-7 p.m.
(c) before noon. (d) 7 p.m. onwards.

160. Select the option which is not true.

The successful weight losers in the Mid West Trial 2 Follow-up study _____

- (a) remained active. (b) slept more.
(c) walked more. (d) ate less.

161. Select the correct option.

By 'larkish exercisers' the writer refers to people who

- (a) love to see the lark in the morning.
(b) like to exercise late with the larks.
(c) like to sing in the morning.
(d) exercise in the morning.

162. Find one word which means the same as the following.

a set of rules about food and diet that someone follows

- (a) catalogue (b) regiment
(c) regimen (d) fundamental

163. Find one word in the passage which means the same as 'confusing'.

- (a) brainstorming (b) vexing
(c) befuddling (d) striking

164. What would Dr. Willis say to someone who has given up exercising because they cannot do so in the morning?

- (a) Exercise is good only in the morning.
(b) Exercise only with a trainer.
(c) Any exercise is better than none.
(d) Evening is the worst time to exercise.

165. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

Colleges cannot _____ to ragging because of the Anti Ragging Act.

- (a) turn a blind eye
(b) add fuel to the fire
(c) look forward
(d) look someone in the eye

166. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

I had a hard time paying the driver as I had only hundreds rupee note.

- (a) paying the driver
(b) only hundreds rupee note
(c) I had a hard time
(d) as I had

167. Identify the word that is misspelt.

- (a) Miscellaneous (b) Umbilical
(c) Prophecy (d) Accommodation

168. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

During the staff meeting there was a lot of ruckus since many didn't _____ with the authorities.

- (a) see eye to eye
(b) put their best foot forward
(c) put their foot down
(d) move up in the world

169. Pick a word opposite in meaning to Predecessor.

- (a) processor (b) lessor
(c) oppressor (d) successor

170. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Furthermore, make sure that you give some vivid details of the city making it as real as you can.
B. For example, if it begins in a city, give details about the city.
C. First of all make it as specific as possible.
D. While writing a story or a novel the setting is very important.

- (a) DCBA (b) CABD
(c) ACBD (d) DABC

171. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

I could make out that the conversation was leading to a fight so I _____.

- (a) nipped it in the bud
(b) cut corners
(c) killed two birds with a stone
(d) made a song and a dance

172. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Therefore, I firmly believe that this curriculum be extended to all schools.
B. I believe that India as a country needs the happiness curriculum.
C. They are a dejected lot and will definitely benefit from this curriculum.
D. It is really needed for the younger generation.

- (a) ABDC (b) BCAD
(c) BDCA (d) CDAB

173. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

I had to go to the doctor because I was not bear the pain in my tooth.

- (a) had to go (b) in my tooth
(c) to the doctor (d) was not bear

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

The fear of water

- (a) claustrophobia (b) autophobia
(c) hydrophobia (d) pyrophobia

175. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

My boss said, "Do you think you can complete the report within five days?"

- (a) My boss said to me do you think I can complete the report within five days?
- (b) My boss asked me whether I thought I could complete the report within five days.
- (c) My boss said to me if I think I can complete the report within five days.
- (d) My boss says do you think you can complete the report within five days?

176. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

To write a poem I need a pen, a diary and also the quiet place.

- (a) a diary (b) To write
- (c) and also the (d) I need

177. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. I think that capitalism is not a better economic system for our country.

- (a) was not the good (b) is not better
- (c) no improvement (d) is not a good

178. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

The play on environment issues was performed with great professionalism by our students.

- (a) Our students performed the play on environment issues with great professionalism.
- (b) Our students were to perform with great professionalism the play on environment issue.
- (c) Our students have been performing the play on environment issues with great professionalism.
- (d) The play on environment issues was being performed with great professionalism by our students.

179. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

"Don't overspeed at night," I said to Irina.

- (a) I warned Irina not to overspeed at night.
- (b) Over speeding at night is not good, I said to Irina.
- (c) I warn to Irina not to overspeed at night.
- (d) I had been warning Irina not to overspeed at night.

180. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Therefore an advanced ambulance needs to reach the patient immediately.
 - B. A cardiac arrest, as is well known, needs revival within 4 minutes.
 - C. A question often asked by us in India is whether we will get timely health care in an emergency.
 - D. But even in Delhi, the capital city, a patient does not get emergency care.
- (a) ABDC (b) BCAD
 - (c) CDAB (d) CBAD

181. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

My friend told me I could stay at his place in Dehradun whenever I wished.

- (a) My friend said, "You will be coming to stay at my place in Dehradun whenever you wish."
- (b) My friend said, "If you are wishing to come to Dehradun come and stay in my place."
- (c) My friend said, "You can stay at my place in Dehradun whenever you wish."
- (d) My friend said, "You will come and be staying in my place in Dehradun whenever you wish."

182. Find a word that is the synonym of impoverished.

- (a) spendthrift (b) generous
- (c) wealthy (d) penniless

183. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.

I don't like movies who has an unhappy ending.

- (a) who has (b) I don't
- (c) like movies (d) an unhappy ending

184. Find a word that is the synonym of Stoical.
- (a) ruffled (b) apathetic
(c) panicky (d) equivocal
185. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
- Our home was built in 1990 by my father.
- (a) Our home was being built in 1990 by my father.
(b) My father had built our home in 1990.
(c) My father was building our home in 1990.
(d) My father built our home in 1990.
186. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
- Mary said, "I have to be there by 10 am tomorrow."
- (a) Mary says to me that she has to be there by 10 am.
(b) Mary tells me she has to be there by 10 am tomorrow.
(c) Mary told me that she had to be there by 10 am the next day.
(d) Mary is telling me that she has to be there by 10 am tomorrow.
187. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
- A. But a sprig was taken and planted in one of the hills of Sri Lanka.
B. The original tree is no longer there.
C. That sprig grew into a tree and is called Maha Bodhi tree.
D. Gautam Buddha attained enlightenment under a peepal tree in Bodhgaya in Bihar.
- (a) CABD (b) BCAD
(c) ACBD (d) DBAC
188. Identify the segment in the sentence, which contains the grammatical error.
- It takes me one hour to get to work in the morning in week day.
- (a) in week day (b) in the morning
(c) takes me (d) to get to work
189. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Some of the Vitamin A rich sources of foods are carrots, broccoli, spinach, fish and meat.
B. An American research study has found that Vitamin A intake can lower risk of skin cancer.
C. It suggests that we should consume a diet with fruits and vegetables.
D. This study has been published in JAMA Dermatology.
- (a) ABDC (b) BDCA
(c) BADC (d) CABD
190. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
- It has been two years that I have see Meena.
- (a) since I have seen (b) No improvement
(c) since I didn't saw (d) that I saw
191. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
- A. This lovable big cat is all ready to charm kids in a film version.
B. 'The Tiger who Came to Tea' is Judith Kerr's bestselling book, having sold 5million copies.
C. He ends up making a delightful nuisance of himself.
D. The story is about a tiger who pops by for tea.
- (a) BCAD (b) BDCA
(c) CDBA (d) ACDB
192. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
- I am writing a story after a long time.
- (a) A story after a long time was written by me.
(b) A story is being written by me after a long time.
(c) I have written a story after a long time.
(d) A story had been written by me after a long time.
193. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
- A distinguished conductor or performer of classical music
- (a) maestro (b) layman
(c) amateur (d) novice

Direction (Q. 194 to 198): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

The United Kingdom's Social Mobility Commission study reports that disadvantaged children in England are being priced out of a cultural hinterland. Children aged 10-15 from low-income families are three times less likely than wealthier peers to engage in out-of-school musical activities, such as learning an instrument etc.

There were also differences according to race – 4% of British Pakistani children took part in music classes, compared with 28% of Indian children and 20% of white children – and regional divides: 9% of children in north-east England played a musical instrument, compared with 22% in the south-east. Disadvantaged children are also more likely to miss out on extracurricular sports (football, boxing, cricket) and drama, dance and art. The commission set out recommendations, including bursaries, better funding and support for schools – let's hope they're taken on board. As well as the activities themselves, children are missing out on other crucial gains including confidence-building, team spirit and social skill, and are less likely to go on to higher education. Extracurricular activities tend to cost money, but there are also problems with a lack of availability and access, such as schools being unable to afford to run after-school clubs or stay open during holidays. Another barrier is the kids' "fear of not fitting in". In this sense, certain children are self-excluding from, say, learning an instrument, singing in a choir, playing cricket or acting. They decide by themselves that they're "undeserving" of music, sport, art and drama. Unbelievably, in 2019, children as young as 10 are already hard-wired with the self-limiting poverty notion of "not for the likes of us". This is heartbreaking. It's hardly news that life is tougher for poorer children, but it's an outrage if all sense of curiosity, artistry and playfulness is knocked out of them so early.

Something is wrong if better-off children feel entitled to explore and participate in areas that interest and excite them, while the disadvantaged are cast from the start as cultural wallflowers – doomed to sit out every dance.

This isn't about every child learning the piano or violin (but why not?), it's about sowing the seeds for a cultural hinterland that will sustain and enrich them for life. It's about people exploring their passions and refusing to have their horizons artificially limited. Regardless of circumstances, all children should know that their faces "fit" – automatically and forever. Culture belongs to everyone.

194. The probability of a child in United Kingdom getting opportunities to engage in cultural and sports activities depends on-

1. parental economic background
2. whether one parent is British
3. whether parents have a university education
4. kind of school and funding available

Of the above points which are correct

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| (a) 1 & 4 | (b) 2 & 4 |
| (c) 1 & 2 | (d) 3 & 4 |

195. According to the passage which of the following is not the correct reason Exposure to cultural activities and sports at a young age is very important for children because it

- (a) brings about differences among children.
- (b) leads children to explore their talents.
- (c) builds team spirit and social skills.
- (d) helps in confidence building.

196. Pick out a phrase or a word which means the same as a group of people considered to be superior to others because of their social standing or wealth

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| (a) disadvantaged | (b) cultural wallflowers |
| (c) hard-wired | (d) elitist |

197. How will a wholesome education including arts and sports not benefit the disadvantaged?

- (a) Children will get exposure to arts and sports.
- (b) Children will no longer have the fear of not fitting in.
- (c) Children will have feelings of low self-esteem and self-exclusion.
- (d) Children will explore play and learning outside of class.

198. According to the author, what is truly heart-breaking and damaging for the kids is that -
- parents don't have money to pay for any additional classes for their children.
 - teachers are told not to offer these opportunities as they are not tested.
 - schools wish to offer activities but don't have funds.
 - children themselves feel that the activities are not fit for the likes of them.
199. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
- Sumit said, "I will be leaving for London this summer so I can meet you only when I return."

- Sumit said he will be leaving for London this summer and he could meet him only when he returned.
 - Sumit said he will go to London this summer and he would meet me only when he will be returning.
 - Sumit said that he would be leaving for London that summer and he could meet me only when he returned.
 - Sumit said he will have gone to London that summer and could meet me only when he returned.
200. Pick a word opposite in meaning to Lackadaisical.
- indifferent
 - jocular
 - enthusiastic
 - lukewarm

ANSWER KEY

1. (a)	2. (c)	3. (c)	4. (a)	5. (d)	6. (a)	7. (c)	8. (c)	9. (a)	10. (a)
11. (a)	12. (b)	13. (b)	14. (c)	15. (d)	16. (a)	17. (d)	18. (d)	19. (b)	20. (b)
21. (b)	22. (a)	23. (a)	24. (b)	25. (d)	26. (c)	27. (c)	28. (c)	29. (c)	30. (d)
31. (b)	32. (c)	33. (a)	34. (b)	35. (b)	36. (a)	37. (d)	38. (a)	39. (d)	40. (a)
41. (a)	42. (d)	43. (a)	44. (b)	45. (a)	46. (b)	47. (c)	48. (b)	49. (d)	50. (a)
51. (b)	52. (b)	53. (d)	54. (c)	55. (d)	56. (b)	57. (a)	58. (d)	59. (b)	60. (c)
61. (c)	62. (c)	63. (d)	64. (c)	65. (c)	66. (c)	67. (d)	68. (a)	69. (d)	70. (d)
71. (c)	72. (b)	73. (c)	74. (a)	75. (a)	76. (c)	77. (b)	78. (b)	79. (c)	80. (d)
81. (c)	82. (c)	83. (b)	84. (d)	85. (d)	86. (b)	87. (d)	88. (d)	89. (b)	90. (b)
91. (b)	92. (a)	93. (d)	94. (a)	95. (b)	96. (d)	97. (d)	98. (c)	99. (a)	100. (a)
101. (b)	102. (d)	103. (a)	104. (b)	105. (c)	106. (a)	107. (c)	108. (c)	109. (d)	110. (b)
111. (a)	112. (b)	113. (b)	114. (d)	115. (a)	116. (a)	117. (b)	118. (a)	119. (c)	120. (b)
121. (d)	122. (c)	123. (d)	124. (d)	125. (c)	126. (d)	127. (a)	128. (d)	129. (a)	130. (a)
131. (d)	132. (b)	133. (b)	134. (b)	135. (d)	136. (d)	137. (c)	138. (a)	139. (b)	140. (a)
141. (b)	142. (d)	143. (b)	144. (d)	145. (a)	146. (a)	147. (c)	148. (b)	149. (d)	150. (d)
151. (a)	152. (c)	153. (c)	154. (b)	155. (c)	156. (d)	157. (d)	158. (b)	159. (c)	160. (b)
161. (d)	162. (c)	163. (c)	164. (c)	165. (a)	166. (b)	167. (d)	168. (a)	169. (d)	170. (a)
171. (a)	172. (c)	173. (d)	174. (c)	175. (b)	176. (c)	177. (d)	178. (a)	179. (a)	180. (d)
181. (c)	182. (d)	183. (a)	184. (b)	185. (d)	186. (c)	187. (d)	188. (a)	189. (b)	190. (a)
191. (b)	192. (b)	193. (a)	194. (a)	195. (a)	196. (d)	197. (c)	198. (d)	199. (c)	200. (c)

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English Language and Comprehension

1. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
 - A. She was a tall woman and she carried a large purse.
 - B. Suddenly a boy ran up behind her and tried to snatch her purse.
 - C. It was 11 o'clock at night and a woman was walking alone.
 - D. It had a long strap, and she carried it slung across her shoulder.
 - (a) CADB (b) DCBA
 - (c) ACDB (d) DBCA
- Direction (Q. 2 to 11):** In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number.
In a rare show of honesty, a gardener of the irrigation department has handed (1)_____ to the police 57 tolas of gold (2)_____ by him while working in the (3)_____ of the superintending engineer's bungalow in Raipur. The (4)_____ in turn has handed over the (5)_____ to the Central Excise and Customs Department (6)_____ investigation. It was in June this year (7)_____ Ramdayal found a tiny plastic box, meticulously (8)_____ with polythene, buried six inches (9)_____ under a Banyan tree, while digging the garden. He (10)_____ the box and took it to his house behind the bungalow and was dazzled to find that it contained biscuits, bangles and coins all of gold.
2. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1
 - (a) over (b) out
 - (c) up (d) down
3. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2
 - (a) recovered (b) recovers
 - (c) recovering (d) recover
4. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3
 - (a) garden (b) orchard
 - (c) park (d) field
5. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4
 - (a) engineer (b) gardener
 - (c) custom officer (d) police
6. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5.
 - (a) coins (b) bangles
 - (c) biscuits (d) gold
7. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.6.
 - (a) by (b) about
 - (c) for (d) to
8. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.7.
 - (a) after (b) until
 - (c) that (d) while
9. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.8.
 - (a) sheltered (b) topped
 - (c) enclosed (d) covered
10. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.9.
 - (a) deep (b) deepen
 - (c) deeply (d) depth
11. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.10.
 - (a) picked on (b) picked in
 - (c) picked over (d) picked up
12. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.
ALLURING
 - (a) interesting (b) charming
 - (c) repulsive (d) glamorous
13. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
The authorities are planning to lift restrictions on the movement of people in the Valley from the coming week.
 - (a) It has been planned to lift restrictions on the movement of people in the Valley from the coming week.

- (b) Restrictions on the movement of people in the Valley from the coming week are planning to lift the authorities in the Valley.
- (c) It is being planned by the authorities to lift restrictions on the movement of people in the Valley from the coming week.
- (d) Lifting restrictions on the movement of people in the Valley is planned from the coming week.
14. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
Mother said to Kavya, "Turn on the light."
(a) Mother told Kavya to turn on the light.
(b) Mother asked Kavya if the light was on.
(c) Kavya told mother to turn on the light.
(d) Mother requested Kavya to please on the light.
15. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options. If there is no error, select No error.
No one inform me that you would be absent.
(a) No one inform me
(b) would be absent.
(c) No error
(d) that you
16. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
A. Security cameras captured the whole incident.
B. Commuters in Virginia, USA got a shock when a deer entered a metro station.
C. However, it eventually backed out and ran away unharmed.
D. Nobody knows how it made into the station.
(a) DCBA (b) BADC
(c) BDCA (d) ADCB
17. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.
The little girl asked her mother if she could visit her friend's house.
(a) The little girl said to her mother, "Why can't I visit my friend's house?"
(b) The little girl said to her mother, "Should she visit her friend's house?"
(c) The little girl said to her mother, "Can I visit my friend's house?"
(d) The little girl said to her mother, "I could visit my friend's house."
18. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
He was surprised at me refusing to accept his offer.
(a) No improvement
(b) at me to refusing
(c) at my refusing
(d) on me refusing
19. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
Pushpa said, "I arrived at the workshop an hour ago but nothing much is happening here."
(a) Pushpa observed that though she had arrived at the workshop an hour ago but nothing much is happening there.
(b) Pushpa said that she has arrived at the workshop an hour earlier but nothing much is happening here.
(c) Pushpa asked why she had to arrive at the workshop an hour before when nothing much was happening there.
(d) Pushpa said that she had arrived at the workshop an hour before but nothing much was happening there.
20. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
When we arrived at his house, we were welcomed by his parents.
(a) When his parents arrived at his house, we welcomed them.
(b) When we arrived at his house, his parents welcomed us.
(c) When we arrived at his house, we welcomed his parents.
(d) After we arrived at his house, his parents had welcomed us.
21. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.
TURBULENT
(a) raging (b) peaceful
(c) forceful (d) swirling
22. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

- For most people a six figure salary was unimaginable two decades ago.
- (a) For most of people
(b) To much people
(c) For a many people
(d) No improvement
23. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
A brick falling from the roof top broke the front glass of my car.
(a) The front glass of my car has broken a brick falling from the roof top.
(b) The front glass of my car was broken by a brick falling from the roof top.
(c) The front glass of my car had been broken by a brick falling from the roof top.
(d) The front glass of my car has been broken by a brick falling from the roof top
24. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
I have visited several places in India, but I _____ the Andaman and Nicobar Islands yet.
(a) haven't been visiting
(b) didn't visit
(c) haven't visited
(d) don't visit
25. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
A dome-shaped shelter built from blocks of solid snow used by Eskimos
(a) wigwam (b) yurt
(c) tepee (d) igloo
26. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
The trouble makers took to their heels when they saw the police coming.
(a) hid themselves (b) ran away
(c) faced them boldly (d) prepared to fight
27. Select the wrongly spelt word.
(a) medieval (b) measure
(c) magazine (d) machenic
28. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
Having been a student activist once, a politician never forget those days.
(a) a politician (b) never forget
(c) Having been (d) those days
29. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Your behavior annoys me greatly.
(a) I was greatly annoyed by your behavior.
(b) I have been greatly annoyed by your behavior.
(c) I am greatly annoyed by your behavior.
(d) Your behavior has been greatly annoyed by me.
30. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
The Indian army has inducted several women officers in Infantry and Armoured Corps.
(a) Several women officers will be inducted by the Indian Army in Infantry and Armoured Corps.
(b) Several women officers were inducted by the Indian Army in Infantry and Armoured Corps.
(c) Several women officers are being inducted by the Indian Army in Infantry and Armoured Corps.
(d) Several women officers have been inducted by the Indian Army in Infantry and Armoured Corps.
31. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
Prasad recalled that meeting people have been a part of his life as a student activist.
(a) meeting people have been
(b) Prasad recalled that
(c) a part of his life
(d) as a student activist.
32. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
The teacher said to Mohit, "Go to your seat and sit quietly"
(a) The teacher requested Mohit to go to his seat and sit quietly.
(b) The teacher instructed Mohit to go to his seat and sit quietly.
(c) The teacher instructed Mohit that he must go to his seat and sit quietly.
(d) The teacher told Mohit to go to your seat and sit quietly.

33. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

The rescue team dug out a soldier from the snow _____ how he could have survived for seven days buried under it.

- (a) wondering (b) wondered
(c) to wonder (d) wonder

34. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. It is because nowadays people have no time for recreation.
B. But this pastime is getting out of favour now.
C. It is really a thrilling exercise.
D. Flying kites is my favourite pastime.
(a) DCBA (b) CDAB
(c) DBAC (d) BCDA

35. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. If we drove 10 kilometers along the road that branched off to the right, we would reach Barhampur.
B. Aditya and I were returning from the site of our new factory.
C. We had reached a point where the road bifurcated.
D. We were driving along National Highway 40.
(a) CDBA (b) BDAC
(c) BDCA (d) ACBD

Direction (Q.36 to 45) : In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number.

Hunter-gatherer culture was the way of life for early humans until around 11,000 to 12,000 years ago. The lifestyle of hunter-gatherers was (1) _____ on hunting animals and foraging for food.

Anthropologists (2)_____ discovered evidence for the practice of hunter-gatherer culture (3)_____ modern humans (Homo sapiens) and their distant ancestors dating as (4)_____ back as two million years ago. Before the (5)_____ of hunter-gatherer culture, earlier groups relied on (6)_____ practice of scavenging animal remains that predators left (7)_____. Because hunter-gatherers did not rely on

agriculture, (8)_____ used mobility as a survival strategy. Indeed, (9)_____ lifestyle required access to large areas of (10)_____ to find the food they needed for survival.

36. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1

- (a) based (b) basing
(c) base (d) bases

37. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2

- (a) have (b) has
(c) had (d) having

38. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3

- (a) with (b) from
(c) by (d) to

39. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4

- (a) far (b) distant
(c) near (d) farther

40. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5.

- (a) dependence (b) experience
(c) emergence (d) departure

41. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.6.

- (a) an (b) one
(c) the (d) a

42. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.7.

- (a) before (b) beyond
(c) beneath (d) behind

43. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.8.

- (a) them (b) he
(c) they (d) we

44. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.9.

- (a) their (b) our
(c) theirs (d) its

45. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.10.

- (a) towns (b) valleys
(c) land (d) villages

46. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

- The old man lifted the heavy bundle with hardly no effort at all.
- (a) with hardly any effort
(b) No improvement
(c) with hard an effort
(d) without hardly no effort
47. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Did you receive my letter?
(a) Did my letter was received by you?
(b) Have you been received by my letter?
(c) Was my letter received by you?
(d) Has my letter been received by you?
48. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
Many companies prefer that the new employees have not only a degree also two years' work experience.
(a) but also two years' work experience
(b) No improvement
(c) but more two year work experience
(d) but two year work experience
49. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom in the given sentence.
When Anshul told everyone that he had resigned his job, all the members in the family were at their wits' end.
(a) very serious (b) quite angry
(c) quite perplexed (d) absolutely satisfied
50. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
I was surprised to see as Avika could write such good poems in Hindi.
(a) to see as Avika
(b) I was surprised
(c) such good poems in Hindi
(d) could write
51. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
Has the car been cleaned by the driver?
(a) How has the driver cleaned the car?
(b) Does the driver clean the car?
(c) Has the driver cleaned the car?
(d) Did the driver clean the car?
52. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
The Science which studies the crust of the earth
(a) zoology (b) etymology
(c) biology (d) geology
53. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
Frost occurs in the northern part of the state as frequently than in the central part.
(a) more frequently than
(b) No improvement
(c) more frequently as
(d) as frequent than
54. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
A. They appeared to be posing for 'selfies'.
B. An expeditioner had left it sitting on the ice while he visited a rookery.
C. In Antarctica, two penguins found a video camera.
D. The penguins curiously stared down at the camera.
(a) CBDA (b) CADB
(c) DACB (d) BCDA
55. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
A. Mr Adams was very proud of it and insisted on an inspection by everyone.
B. The vault was a small one but it had a new patented door.
C. It fastened three solid steel bolts thrown simultaneously with a single handle, and had a time lock.
D. The Elmore Bank had just put in a new safe and vault.
(a) BCAD (b) ADBC
(c) ABCD (d) DABC
56. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
full of beans
(a) being upset (b) lively and energetic
(c) full of crazy ideas (d) in good health

57. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.

We have sufficient food and clothing about the flood victims in Kerala.

- (a) We have sufficient
- (b) in Kerala
- (c) about the flood victims
- (d) food and clothing

58. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

EMPATHY

- (a) appreciation (b) warmth
- (c) sympathy (d) apathy

59. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

Who was the first to declare that the earth is round ?

- (a) an earth was round
- (b) the earth were round
- (c) an earth is round
- (d) No improvement

60. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.

The officer ordered the fellow to be arrested.

- (a) The officer said, "Why don't we arrest the fellow?"
- (b) The officer said, "Arrest the fellow."
- (c) The officer requested, "The fellow may be arrested."
- (d) The officer said to the fellow, "Arrest him."

61. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

If the bus hadn't broken down, we will be at home now.

- (a) will have been (b) had been
- (c) No improvement (d) would have been

62. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

By my opinion it is better to cancel the trip during this monsoon.

- (a) No improvement (b) In my opinion
- (c) From my opinion (d) By mine opinion

63. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

Preparations were being made for the sports meet at the school.

- (a) They have been making preparations for the sports meet at the school.
- (b) They were making preparations for the sports meet at the school.
- (c) They have started making preparations for the sports meet at the school.
- (d) They have made preparations for the sports meet at the school.

64. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Bhanu made a working model of an airplane _____ when he was sixteen.

- (a) itself (b) himself
- (c) oneself (d) herself

65. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. I caught a snake once.
- B. That well is full of snakes.
- C. I caught it by its tail and dropped it in the old well.
- D. Whenever we catch one, instead of killing it, we drop it in the well.

- (a) BCAD (b) CBDA
- (c) ACBD (d) BACD

66. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate idiom. This is strictly _____ but some changes are going to happen in the company in the near future.

- (a) off the rails (b) off the key
- (c) off the mark (d) off the record

67. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. There were some mangoes lying beside him.
- B. She looked at the mangoes longingly.
- C. Romi was growing fast and was nearly always hungry.
- D. Just as he was about to eat one, Kamla came along.

- (a) ABCD (b) BCAD
(c) CBDA (d) CADB
68. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Please share your class notes with me.
(a) Your class notes have been shared with me.
(b) You are requested to share your class notes with me.
(c) Why don't you share your class notes with me?
(d) You can share your class notes with me.
69. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
Rahul said, "I can speak French."
(a) Rahul said that he should speak French.
(b) Rahul said that he can speak French.
(c) Rahul said that he could speak French.
(d) Rahul said that I can speak French.
70. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.
For a long time he kept his wife in the dark about the true nature of his job.
(a) in high position (b) in a dark place
(c) in ignorance (d) in a locked room
71. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options. If there is no error, select No error.
Everything has become very expensive these days.
(a) No error
(b) Everything has become
(c) very expensive
(d) these days
72. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
the cultivation of grapevines.
(a) agriculture (b) horticulture
(c) viticulture (d) sericulture
73. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
EVIDENCE
(a) indication (b) refutation
(c) denial (d) concealment
74. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.
She told the villagers that she would not rest till she had solved their water problem.

- (a) She said to the villagers, "She would not rest till she has been solved their water problem."
(b) She said to the villagers, "She will not rest till she has solved my water problem."
(c) She said to the villagers, "I will not rest till I have solved your water problem."
(d) She said to the villagers, "I would not rest till I am solving our water problem."
75. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
A. It was tossed high on the waves.
B. A violent storm rocked the sea.
C. The helpless people aboard the ship plunged into the sea.
D. Fierce winds struck a sailing ship.
(a) DCBA (b) DABC
(c) BDCA (d) BDAC
76. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence.
If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
Bhanu promised that he would have come today but he hasn't arrived yet.
(a) would have came (b) would come
(c) No improvement (d) will came
77. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence.
If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
If he is more careful, he wouldn't have had an accident.
(a) had been more careful
(b) No improvement
(c) has been more careful
(d) being more careful
78. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Doctors are constantly monitoring the condition of the patient.
(a) The condition of the patient has been constantly monitored by the doctors.
(b) The condition of the patient is being constantly monitored by the doctors.
(c) The condition of the doctors is being constantly monitored by the patient.
(d) The condition of the patient is constantly monitored by the doctors.

79. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
PERSIST
(a) continue (b) cease
(c) halt (d) forget
80. Select the wrongly spelt word.
(a) lathargy (b) latter
(c) lateral (d) latitude
81. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
Organizing World Cup matches in England imply that rains can be a constant threat.
(a) be a constant threat.
(b) in England imply
(c) that rains can be
(d) Organizing World Cup matches
82. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Who can help me with Mathematics?
(a) By whom was I helped in Mathematics?
(b) By whom can I be helped in Mathematics?
(c) Could I be helped in Mathematics by somebody?
(d) Whom did I help in Mathematics?
83. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence.
If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
The royal family hid their internal discord and presented a united front on its country .
(a) on their country (b) No improvement
(c) to their country (d) to its country
84. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
a room where medicines are prepared and provided
(a) infirmary (b) dispensary
(c) surgery (d) hospital
85. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
By whom was this window pane broken?
(a) Who breaks this window pane?
(b) Who broke this window pane?
(c) Who has broken this window pane?
(d) Who will break this window pane?
86. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
COGENT
(a) convincing (b) weak
(c) ineffective (d) pathetic
87. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.
A poster on Independence Day was being made by Avika.
(a) A poster was making Avika on Independence Day.
(b) Avika was making a poster on Independence Day.
(c) Avika is making a poster on Independence Day.
(d) Independence Day was making a poster on Avika.
88. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
My friend has started a restaurant in a wooden big building in Manali.
(a) in Manali
(b) in a wooden big building
(c) My friend has started
(d) a restaurant
89. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
The lady said to the plumber, "Why didn't you come last week? The RO machine has been making some noise for the last ten days."
(a) The lady asked the plumber why he hadn't come the previous week and told him that the RO machine had been making some noise for the last ten days.
(b) The lady asked the plumber why he didn't come last week and told him that the RO machine has been making some noise for the last ten days.
(c) The lady asked the plumber if he had come the previous week and told him that the RO machine had been making some noise for the last ten days.
(d) The lady scolded the plumber for not coming last week and told him that the RO machine was making some noise for the last ten days.

90. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
Why he was angry with the guard?
(a) Why was he angry
(b) Why he were angry
(c) Why did he angry
(d) No improvement
91. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
the science dealing with X-rays and other high-energy radiation, especially for the diagnosis and treatment of disease.
(a) nephrology (b) neurology
(c) pathology (d) radiology
92. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
The patient waited in dread for the trolley it would taken him to the operation theatre.
(a) that would taken (b) it would take
(c) that would take (d) No improvement
93. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
India and Bhutan signed ten MOUs in the field of space research, aviation, power and education.
(a) Ten MOUs in the field of space research, aviation, power and education have been signed by India and Bhutan.
(b) Ten MOUs in the field of space research, aviation, power and education will be signed by India and Bhutan.
(c) Ten MOUs in the field of space research, aviation, power and education were signed by India and Bhutan.
(d) Ten MOUs in the field of space research, aviation, power and education are being signed by India and Bhutan.
94. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
Wealth creators are essential for money to distributed in the economy.
(a) for money to distributed
(b) are essential
(c) in the economy
(d) Wealth creators
95. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
fear of heights
(a) autophobia (b) zoophobia
(c) xenophobia (d) acrophobia
96. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
When Rohit saw Saurabh, he said, "Oh, how tall you have grown!"
(a) When Rohit saw Saurabh, he exclaimed that he (Saurabh) had grown very tall.
(b) When Rohit saw Saurabh, he exclaimed how tall he (Saurabh) was grown.
(c) When Rohit saw Saurabh, he observed that you have grown very tall.
(d) When Rohit saw Saurabh, he commented that he (Saurabh) has grown very tall.
97. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
This is one of the best book that I have read.
(a) one of a best book
(b) one of the best books
(c) one in the best book
(d) No improvement
98. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
Most of the work of this NGO are of little benefit to the disadvantaged.
(a) Most of the work
(b) of this NGO
(c) to the disadvantaged
(d) are of little benefit
99. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
Addressing a public meeting, Rajnath Singh said, "Whatever talks take place they will be on the issue of Pakistan occupied Kashmir."
(a) Addressing a public meeting, Rajnath Singh asked whatever talks took place, why they

were not on the issue of Pakistan occupied Kashmir.

- (b) Addressing a public meeting, Rajnath Singh said that whatever talks take place, they will be on the issue of Pakistan occupied Kashmir.
- (c) Addressing a public meeting, Rajnath Singh announced that whatever talks took place, they would be on the issue of Pakistan occupied Kashmir.
- (d) Addressing a public meeting, Rajnath Singh said that if there were talks, that had to be on the issue of Pakistan occupied Kashmir.

100. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

We urgently need well qualified teachers for our school.

- (a) No improvement (b) for ours school
- (c) to ours school (d) to our school

101. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. I learnt to push Lily's wheel chair.
- B. I stopped the chair in front of the pond and watched Lily roll her eyes to see the ducks.
- C. All of a sudden, the wheelchair shook violently.
- D. One afternoon, I wheeled her to the park.
- (a) DACB (b) DBAC
- (c) ABCD (d) ADBC

102. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

More roles for women will be opened up in the ranks of soldiers by the Indian army.

- (a) The Indian army has opened up more roles for women in the ranks of soldiers.
- (b) More roles will open up for the Indian army in the ranks of women soldiers.
- (c) The Indian army will open up more roles for women in the ranks of soldiers.
- (d) Women will open up more roles for the Indian army in the ranks of soldiers.

103. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.

The teacher asked Avika what had happened to her and why her nose was bleeding.

- (a) The teacher said to Avika, "What happened to her? Why was her nose bleeding?"
- (b) The teacher said to Avika, "What happened to you? Why is your nose bleeding?"
- (c) The teacher said to Avika, "What had happened to you? Why was your nose bleeding?"
- (d) The teacher said to Avika, "What is happening to you? Why is your nose bleeding?"

104. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.

The saint prayed that God might pour all his blessings on the newly married couple.

- (a) The saint said to the newly married couple, "God must pour all his blessings on you."
- (b) The saint said to the newly married couple, "May God pour all his blessings on you."
- (c) The saint requested God, "Pour all your blessings on the newly married couple."
- (d) The saint blessed the newly married couple, "God will pour all his blessings on you."

105. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.

the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles.

- (a) insatiability
- (b) integrity
- (c) insidiousness
- (d) intellect

106. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

The film Jurassic Park was directed by Steven Spielberg.

- (a) The film Jurassic Park directed Steven Spielberg.
- (b) Steven Spielberg is the director of the film Jurassic Park.
- (c) Steven Spielberg has been directing the film Jurassic Park.
- (d) Steven Spielberg directed the film Jurassic Park.

107. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence.

If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

He spends good deal of money on clothing.

- (a) a good deal of (b) the good deal of
(c) No improvement (d) good dealing of

108. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.

Rani said, "We are organizing a cleaning programme in the colony tomorrow."

- (a) Rani said that they were organizing a cleaning programme in the colony the next day.
(b) Rani asked why they were organizing a cleaning programme in the colony the next day.
(c) Rani said that we are organizing a cleaning programme in the colony tomorrow.
(d) Rani told that we were organizing a cleaning programme in the colony that day.

109. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.

I will tell him that I don't want to join the art classes.

- (a) I will tell him, "I don't want to join the art classes."
(b) I said to him, "I couldn't join the art classes."
(c) I want to tell him, "I don't like to join the art classes."
(d) I will tell him, "I didn't want to join the art classes."

110. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence.

If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

My cousin has been ill since three days.

- (a) for three days. (b) No improvement
(c) from three days. (d) by three days.

111. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.

In order for he to attend the meeting, he needs to prepare exhaustive notes.

- (a) to attend the meeting
(b) he needs to prepare
(c) exhaustive notes
(d) In order for he

Direction (Q. 112 to 121): Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it. Nothing, not even the angry, red eruptions on her face and body, will stop Sneha from aiming for her "dream job". "I love the Indian Army," says the 18-year-old, as she sits by herself under one of the canopies at the Chhatrapati Shivaji Stadium of the Maratha Light Infantry Regimental Centre in Belagavi, Karnataka. Outside the enclosure, around 35 women run on the 400-m track.

A day earlier, Sneha had cleared her ground tests — a (a)6-km race that had to be completed in eight minutes or less, high jump and long jump — and physical fitness tests, when she was diagnosed with chickenpox. Now on medication for the pox, she is back at the stadium for a medical examination as part of the recruitment process. As she waits for her turn, isolated from the other women, Sneha, says, "I had no fever when I left home in Kerala. Even when I reached Belagavi and got these pimples, I did not think much of it. So I came for my physical and ground tests."

Accompanied by her mother and uncle, Sneha, who is pursuing a computer course in her hometown Iritty, about 41 km from Kannur, made the 611-km journey from home to Belagavi spending eight hours in a bus and three hours on a train. She is among the 850-odd women, many of whom have travelled several hundred kilometers, to turn up at the first-ever recruitment rally for women to the Indian Army's Corps of Military Police.

The recruitment of women as Soldier General Duty (Women Military Police) marks the first time that women will be taken in not only as officers, but as soldiers, giving them an opportunity to be involved in active military duties. As personnel of the military police, the women soldiers will be responsible for investigating offences such as molestation, theft, and rape; "assisting in the maintenance of good order and discipline"; and in custody and handling of prisoners of war — essentially combat-support operations.

The move is part of a slow opening up of avenues for women in the armed forces. In his Independence Day speech last year, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had said women officers recruited into the armed

forces under the Short Service Commission would be given the option of taking up permanent commission — a “gift” to India’s “brave daughters”. Following a notification issued by the Army on April 25, around 15,000 women registered for the recruitment rally at Belagavi, the first of five such to be held across India to fill 100 positions in the Military Police. The Belagavi centre catered to candidates from the southern states of Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and the Union Territories of Lakshadweep, Andaman and Nicobar and Puducherry. Of the 15,000 aspirants, about 3,000 were short-listed on the basis of their Class 10 marks, with the cut-off set at 86 per cent. Of the shortlisted candidates, only about one-third turned up at the Belagavi centre between August 1 and 5 at the date and time assigned to them. Just then, outside the enclosure where Sneha is sitting, a shrill whistle pierces the air and another batch of girls takes off — feet on the wet ground, mostly bare, making a dash for their place in history.

“Does everybody understand English?” asks Major Chaudhry and the group of 30 women, sitting on red carpets on the ground, bellows: “Yes”.

112. What is the occasion being talked about in the passage?

- (a) Recruitment of women in the Indian Army
- (b) Medical examination of the women soldiers of the Indian Army
- (c) Sports event for the women working in the Indian Army
- (d) An assembly of the women personnel of the Indian Army

113. Which city does Sneha come from?

- (a) Kannur, Kerala
- (b) Kozhikode, Kerala
- (c) Iritty, Kerala
- (d) Belagavi, Karnataka

114. Why are there eruptions on Sneha’s face?

- (a) She is tired and hot after the run of 400 meters.
- (b) She has pimples on her face.
- (c) She has got the chicken pox.
- (d) She is angry over the long wait.

115. How many women are participating at the recruitment rally at Belagavi?

- (a) 100
- (b) 850
- (c) 3000
- (d) 15000

116. What gift was announced by the PM in his Independence Day speech last year for the brave daughters of the country?

- (a) Women will be recruited in armed forces.
- (b) Women will be recruited as soldiers in the Military police.
- (c) Women officers will be able to opt for permanent commission in the armed forces.
- (d) Women will have an opportunity to be involved in active military duties.

117. In what way is ‘history’ being made in Belagavi?

- (a) Women have travelled from far-off places to turn up at the recruitment rally.
- (b) This rally marks the first time that women will be taken in as soldiers.
- (c) Belagavi rally is the first of the five to be held across India.
- (d) The rally is a result of the PM’s Independence Day speech last year.

118. Which of the following duties will be borne by women soldiers?

- (1) Investigating offences involving molestation, theft and rape.
- (2) Assisting in maintaining order and discipline.
- (3) Administrative jobs
- (4) Handling prisoners of war in custody.
- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 2, 3 and 4
- (c) 1, 2 and 4
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

119. Which of the following is NOT necessary to qualify for the recruitment in the armed forces?

- (a) long jump and high jump
- (b) 1.6 meter race to be completed within 8 minutes
- (c) to speak English
- (d) physical fitness tests

120. Which of the following states were not covered by the Belagavi centre?

- (a) Karnataka and Kerala
- (b) UTs of Puducherry, Lakshadweep and AN Islands
- (c) Telangana and Andhra Pradesh
- (d) Maharashtra and Goa

121. Which statement is NOT true according to the passage?

- (a) About one third of the shortlisted candidates turned up at the Belagavi centre.
- (b) Women were called on the basis of their class 10 marks
- (c) There are only 100 positions to be filled up.
- (d) 3000 women registered for the recruitment rally at Belagavi.

122. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.

Major Chaudhry said to the aspirants, "Does everyone understand English?"

- (a) Major Chaudhry informed the aspirants that everyone understood English.
- (b) Major Chaudhry asked the aspirants whether everyone understood English.
- (c) Major Chaudhry told the aspirants that everyone should understand English.
- (d) Major Chaudhry asked the aspirants whether everyone understands English.

123. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. Flying kites is an old world sport.
- B. This sport involves a lot of risk.
- C. So, one has to be very cautious and skilful.
- D. It was quite popular during the days of the Nawabs.

- (a) BDCA (b) BACD
- (c) ABDC (d) ADBC

124. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

The soldiers carried around the orders of their commander without question.

- (a) No improvement (b) carried out
- (c) carried away (d) carried

125. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

In an examination, it is more important to answer accurately than a quick finish.

- (a) to quick finishing (b) No improvement
- (c) to finish quickly (d) finish quickly

126. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.

The Finance Minister said, "The Government will trim the corporate tax gradually to 25 percent for all companies."

- (a) The Finance Minister said that the Government would trim the corporate tax gradually to 25 percent for all companies.
- (b) The Finance Minister asked the Government if it would trim the corporate tax gradually to 25 percent for all companies.
- (c) The Finance Minister ordered the Government to trim the corporate tax gradually to 25 percent for all companies
- (d) The Finance Minister told that the Government will trim the corporate tax gradually to 25 percent for all companies

Direction (Q. 127 to 131): In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each number.

The other day there was a heavy downpour in our town. The roads looked (1) _____ small rivulets. There was a house (2) _____ our locality which was in a (3) _____ condition. All of a sudden it collapsed. (4) _____ news spread in the whole (5) _____ like wild fire.

127. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1

- (a) same (b) so as
- (c) as (d) like

128. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2

- (a) in (b) to
- (c) at (d) on

129. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3

- (a) destroyed (b) dilapidated
- (c) dejected (d) declined

130. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4

- (a) A (b) Few
- (c) One (d) The

131. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5.

- (a) house (b) village
- (c) valley (d) town

132. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options. If there is no error, select No error.
What is the function of the kidney in the body?
(a) in the body
(b) the function of the kidney
(c) What is
(d) No error
133. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
A. And I was earning barely enough money to keep body and soul together.
B. It was twenty years ago.
C. At that time I was living in Paris.
D. I had a tiny apartment in the Latin Quarter overlooking a cemetery.
(a) ADBC (b) BCDA
(c) ABCD (d) BDCA
134. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.
Her mother advised her not to go too fast while reciting her poem.
(a) Her mother said, "Why are you going so fast while reciting your poem?"
(b) Her mother said, "Don't go too fast while reciting your poem."
(c) Her mother said, "You needn't go too fast while reciting your poem."
(d) Her mother said, "Don't go too fast while reciting her poem."
135. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
A. The other day we entered the city's only Jewish cemetery.
B. But then, it should not be a surprise.
C. We were astonished to discover how tiny it was.
D. Although Jewish people have lived in India for generations, they are one of the nation's tiniest minorities.
(a) BCAD (b) DCBA
(c) ADBC (d) ACBD
136. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. The officers are looking to reunite the dog with his owner.
B. Eventually, the police caught the Chihuahua.
C. A police officer on a motorcycle chased the dog.
D. A Chihuahua ran across California's San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge.
(a) DCBA (b) CDAB
(c) ABCD (d) DBCA

Direction (Q. 137 to 141): Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it.

At a number of places in the Kashmir Valley, security forces have put coils of razor wire on roads to enforce restrictions on movement. Concertina wire or razor wire fences are used along territorial borders and in areas of conflict around the world, to keep out combatants, terrorists, or refugees.

The expandable spools of barbed or razor wire get their name from concertina, a hand-held musical instrument similar to the accordion, with bellows that expand and contract. Concertina wire coils were an improvisation on the barbed wire obstacles used during World War I. The flat, collapsible coils with intermittent barbs or blades were designed to be carried along by infantry, and deployed on battlefields to prevent or slow down enemy movement.

The Englishman Richard Newton is credited with creating the first barbed wire around 1845; the first patent for "a double wire clipped with diamond shaped barbs" was given to Louis François Janin of France. In the United States, the first patent was registered by Lucien B Smith on June 25, 1867, for a prairie fence made of fireproof iron wire. Michael Kelly twisted razor wires together to form a cable of wires.

The American businessman Joseph F Glidden is considered to be the father of the modern barbed wire. He designed the wire with two intertwined strands held by sharp prongs at regular intervals. Barbed wire was initially an agrarian fencing invention intended to confine cattle and sheep, which unlike lumber, was largely resistant to fire and bad weather. An advertorial published in the US in 1885 under the title 'Why Barb Fencing Is Better Than Any Other', argued that "it does not

decay; boys cannot crawl through or over it; nor dogs; nor cats; nor any other animal; it watches with Argus eyes the inside and outside, up, down and lengthwise; it prevents the 'ins' from being 'outs', and the 'outs' from being 'ins', watches at day-break, at noontide, at sunset and all night long..."

Barbed wire was put to military use in the Siege of Santiago in 1898 during the Spanish American War, and by the British in the Second Boer War of 1899-1902 to confine the families of the Afrikaans-speaking Boer fighters.

World War I saw extensive use of barbed wire — and German military engineers are credited with improvising the earliest concertina coils on the battlefield. They spun the barbed wire into circles and simply spread it on the battlefield. Without using any support infrastructure like poles etc. this was more effective against the infantry charge by Allied soldiers.

The fence erected by India along the Line of Control to keep out terrorist infiltrators consists of rows of concertina wire coils held by iron angles. They are now commonly seen and are used to secure private properties as well.

137. What is the main theme of the above passage?

- (a) How barbed wire was patented
- (b) The use of barbed wire in Jammu and Kashmir
- (c) The use of barbed wire in agriculture
- (d) The evolution and use of barbed wire

138. Who is credited with creating the modern barbed wire?

- (a) Louise Francoise Janin
- (b) Joseph F Glidden
- (c) Lucien B Smith
- (d) Richard Newton

139. What was the initial purpose of inventing the barbed wire?

- (a) to secure the borders of a country
- (b) to keep the dogs and boys out of gardens
- (c) to restrict the movement of trouble makers
- (d) to confine cattle and sheep within an area

140. Who first spread the barbed wires on the field without using the poles or any other support system?

- (a) German military engineers
- (b) British army

- (c) American military
- (d) Allied soldiers

141. Which statement is NOT true according to the passage?

- (a) The fence along the Indian Line of Control consists of rows of concertina wire coiled held by iron angles.
- (b) In the United States, the first patent was registered by Louis François Janin.
- (c) It was Richard Newton, an Englishman, who invented the barbed wire around 1845.
- (d) Barbed wire was first put to military use in the Siege of Santiago in 1898 during the Spanish-American War.

142. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. There had already been abundant rainfall in Delhi.
- B. It was the fag end of summer.
- C. A strong wind began to blow and the rain came causing havoc all around.
- D. One day, however, we had a cyclonic storm.
- (a) BADC (b) CADB
- (c) BACD (d) CBAD

143. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.

I said to Taru, "The tyre of my car is punctured."

- (a) I told Taru that the tyre of my car is punctured.
- (b) Taru told me that the tyre of my car was punctured.
- (c) I told Taru that the tyre of my car was punctured.
- (d) I told Taru that the tyre of her car is punctured.

144. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.

Rohit did not came to the office because he got held up due to the heavy rains.

- (a) to the office
- (b) due to the heavy rains
- (c) Rohit did not came
- (d) because he got held up

145. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.

Despite incessant rains, she is the only one who plan to attend the meeting at the ministry.

- (a) Despite incessant rains
- (b) who plan to attend
- (c) the meeting at the ministry.
- (d) she is the only one

146. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

pie in the sky

- (a) something very small
- (b) something not possible
- (c) difficult to find
- (d) an easy situation

147. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. Due to the movie, tourists started coming to the beach there.
- B. Maya Bay in Thailand was in the media in 1999 when Hollywood arrived there to film 'The Beach'.
- C. One of the film's actors was Leonardo Di Caprio.
- D. As many as 4,000 visitors would arrive on boats every day.

- (a) BCAD (b) CBDA
- (c) ABCD (d) CABD

148. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

In view of the excessive heat, schools in Delhi remained closed _____ a week in July.

- (a) for (b) about
- (c) in (d) to

149. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.

Everybody is waiting to see whether the new leadership has effect some changes soon in the party.

- (a) Everybody is waiting to see
- (b) soon in the party
- (c) has effect some changes
- (d) whether the new leadership

Direction (Q. 150 to 159):

Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it.

LAST WEEK, scientists from all corners of India descended on Ahmedabad to remember the architect of India's space programme, a man whom the late president, APJ Abdul Kalam, had famously termed "Mahatma Gandhi of Indian Science".

They were there to launch celebrations on the birth centenary of Vikram Sarabhai, 47 years after his death at the age of 52, by when he had founded 38 institutions that are now leaders in space research, physics, management and performing arts.

Former director of the Space Applications Centre Pramod Kale was a 19-year old science graduate from MS University of Baroda, besotted by space technology, when he first met Sarabhai. "In May 1960, I went to Ahmedabad to meet Dr. Sarabhai. "I met him and ended up talking for two hours," Kale says. By June that year, Kale had done exactly as Sarabhai had advised him and taken up a master's course at Gujarat University. In 1962, when Sarabhai was looking at studying the magnetic equator, Kale went on to be among the first few to go to NASA to learn radar tracking.

The room resounded with many such memories. Former ISRO chairman K Kasturirangan remembered how they ran into some trouble at the Physical Research Laboratory (PRL), founded in 1947 by Sarabhai, in their attempts to fly a balloon at 4 am, when in sailed Sarabhai. "He told us had the flight been successful, you would not have learnt even half of what you learnt because of that initial problem," said Kasturirangan.

Many of those who had collected in Ahmedabad in Sarabhai's memory were teenagers when they first met him. Gandhinagar-based entrepreneur K Subramanian was 19 and a student of National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli, working on a summer project at PRL, when a man in a kurta-pyjama walked in and began turning all the wastepaper bins upside down, inspecting their contents and putting them back again. "I asked a colleague who that was and was told it is Dr Vikram Sarabhai. He had come to check how much waste the lab was generating," laughs Subramanian.

Born to Ambalal and Sarla Devi, Ahmedabad's leading textile-mill owners, Vikram Sarabhai showed creative promise early. He was 15 when he built a

working model of a train engine with the help of two engineers, which is now housed at the Community Science Centre (CSC) in Ahmedabad. The CSC was Vikram's way of providing other children the privileges he had, of experimental research, says his son Kartikeya, 71, adding how his father wished to work with children at the science centre after he retired. "He was essentially a researcher, and believed that people, especially children, should be allowed to think freely and come up with solutions on their own," recalls Kartikeya, who founded the Centre for Environment Education in 198(d) Kartikeya is carefully piecing together all the dog-eared notes he is discovering in the recesses of their three grand homes — Shanti Sadan, The Retreat and Chidambaram.

To inspire the young to dream like Sarabhai, Kartikeya is building a permanent exhibition gallery on the Sabarmati Riverfront, expected to open this November.

150.What was the occasion for the gathering at Ahmedabad?

- (a) Foundation Day of Community Science Centre
- (b) Launch of the celebrations of the Birth Centenary of Vikram Sarabhai
- (c) Foundation Day of ISRO
- (d) Birth Anniversary of India's Space Programme

151.What is Vikram Sarabhai mainly known for?

- (a) for being an entrepreneur in Ahmedabad
- (b) for pioneering India's space programme
- (c) for founding 38 different institutions
- (d) for establishing Community Science Centre

152.Among the people who had gathered at Ahmedabad, who was the former chairman of ISRO?

- (a) Kartikeya
- (b) K Subramanian
- (c) K Kasturirangan
- (d) Pramod Kale

153.Which statement shows that Vikram Sarabhai had a creative mind at an early age?

- (a) He built a working model of a train engine at the age of 15.
- (b) He founded the Physical Research Laboratory (PRL).
- (c) He told the scientists that they learnt much more from problems than from success.
- (d) He checked how much waste the lab was generating.

154.How did Vikram Sarabhai provide under-privileged children the experience of experimental research?

- (a) By initiating space research at PRL
- (b) By founding Community Science Centre at Ahmedabad.
- (c) By founding Physical Research Laboratory
- (d) By providing them with scholarships in science

155.APJ Abdul Kalam called Vikram Sarabhai "Mahatma Gandhi of Indian Science". What does 'Mahatma Gandhi' mean here?

- (a) Father
- (b) Social reformer
- (c) Revolutionary
- (d) Architect

156.Which statement is NOT true according to the passage?

- (a) The Sarabhai family owns three grand homes in Mumbai.
- (b) Vikram Sarabhai's son, Kartikeya, is now 71 years old.
- (c) The names of Vikram Sarabhai's parents were Ambalal and Sarla Devi.
- (d) Vikram Sarabhai's father was a textile mill owner.

157.'He was a 19-year old science graduate besotted by space technology, when he first met Sarabhai.' 'besotted' here means

- (a) frantic
- (b) wasted
- (c) obsessed
- (d) greedy

158.Who among the following went to NASA to study radar tracking?

- (a) Pramod Kale
- (b) K Subramanian
- (c) K Kasturirangan
- (d) Kartikeya

159.Where did K Subramanian come from to work at PRL?

- (a) Bangalore
- (b) Baroda
- (c) Ahmedabad
- (d) Tiruchirappalli

160.Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

Pruning of trees in my colony has been started by the horticulture department.

- (a) Pruning of trees in my colony has started the horticulture department.
- (b) The horticulture department has been starting pruning of trees in my colony.
- (c) The horticulture department has started pruning of trees in my colony.
- (d) The horticulture department will start pruning of trees in my colony.

161. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.

The officer told me that I needed to work harder to meet my targets otherwise I would have to leave the company.

- (a) The officer said to me, "I need to work harder to meet my targets otherwise I will have to leave the company."
- (b) The officer said to me, "Work harder to meet your targets otherwise be ready to leave the company."
- (c) The officer said to me, "You have to work harder to meet our targets otherwise I will have to leave the company."
- (d) The officer said to me, "You need to work harder to meet your targets otherwise you

162. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.

I am going to a holiday to Panchmarhi tomorrow.

- (a) tomorrow (b) to Panchmarhi
- (c) to a holiday (d) I am going

163. Select the wrongly spelt word.

- (a) naucea (b) naughty
- (c) naturalistic (d) nautical

164. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.

Avika said to her mother, "You are very late today."

- (a) Avika asked her mother why she was late today.
- (b) Avika told her mother that she is very late that day.
- (c) Avika told her mother that she was very late that day.
- (d) Avika told her mother that you were very late that day.

165. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

Being a space scientist, you are advised not to take your work lightly.

- (a) Being a space scientist, you do not take your work lightly.
- (b) Being a space scientist, you could not take your work lightly.
- (c) Being a space scientist, you should not take your work lightly.

(d) Being a space scientist, you will not take your work lightly.

166. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.

Mr. Lucas told his wife not to wait for him as he would be late at the studio that night.

- (a) His wife said to Mr Lucas, "Don't wait for him as he will be late at the studio that night."
- (b) Mr Lucas said to his wife, "Not to wait for him as I would be late at the studio tonight."
- (c) Mr Lucas said to his wife, "Don't wait for me as I will be late at the studio tonight."
- (d) Mr Lucas said to his wife, "Don't wait for him as he will be late at the studio that night."

167. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

I came across some words which meaning I did not know.

- (a) the meanings of which
- (b) No improvement
- (c) that meanings which
- (d) which means that

168. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

sell like hot cakes

- (a) to face hardship
- (b) to sell quickly
- (c) to agree fully
- (d) to deal with a problem

169. Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

Mobile toilets were placed by the district administration behind the area where people assembled for army recruitment.

- (a) The district administration has placed mobile toilets behind the area where people assembled for army recruitment.
- (b) The district administration is planning to place mobile toilets behind the area where people will assemble for army recruitment.

- (c) The district administration placed mobile toilets behind the area where people assembled for army recruitment.
- (d) The mobile toilets placed district administration behind the area where people assembled for army recruitment.
170. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
- A. All day I seem to remember, I played on the sands with strange exciting children.
- B. Then watched the incoming tide destroy them.
- C. My parents took me by car to a place by the sea.
- D. We made sandcastles with huge walls.
- (a) ACDB (b) CADB
- (c) CDAB (d) ABCD
171. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
- The height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level
- (a) rectitude (b) longitude
- (c) latitude (d) altitude
172. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
- I am sure he will give me some advice about admission in the University of Delhi.
- (a) I am sure he will be given some advice by me about admission in the University of Delhi.
- (b) I am sure I will be given some advice by him about admission in the University of Delhi.
- (c) I am sure I was given some advice by him about admission in the University of Delhi.
- (d) I am sure I can be given some advice by him about admission in the University of Delhi.
173. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
- Anshul said, "Should we go to the Zoo today?"
- (a) Anshul told that they should go to the zoo that day.
- (b) Anshul wondered if they should go to the zoo that day.

- (c) Anshul asked if we should go to the zoo today.
- (d) Anshul announced that they would go to the zoo that day.
174. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
- causing no harm
- (a) insolvent (b) inorganic
- (c) integral (d) innocuous
175. Select the most appropriate indirect form of the given sentence.
- My sister said, "What time will the train reach Bhopal?"
- (a) My sister asked what time the train reaches Bhopal.
- (b) My sister asked what time the train will reach Bhopal.
- (c) My sister asked what time the train reached Bhopal.
- (d) My sister asked what time the train would reach Bhopal.

Direction (Q. 176 to 180): Read the following passage and answer the questions given after it.

A great water scarcity looms over India; by 2025 Indians will get just over half the water they get today. This grave problem has a simple solution. Catch the rain as it falls, and the water crisis will disappear. However, about 80 per cent of India's rainfall buckets down during the three months of the monsoons. As yet, no government programmer has discovered how to store this water.

'Dying Wisdom', a seven-year countryside study by Delhi's Centre for Science and Environment, reveals that ruins of amazing ancient technologies survive in every corner of India. Drip-irrigation systems of bamboo pipes in Meghalaya; 'kunds', underground tanks in Rajasthan; 'pynes', water channels built by tribals in Bihar; and thousands of open-water bodies down south are all superb examples of rain water harvesting systems. Even today, tanks called 'eris' in Tamil Nadu water one-third of the state's irrigated area. Unfortunately, governmental planners mostly refuse to acknowledge the potential of these low-cost systems, concentrating on costly dams and canals.

Few cities have lost touch with their ecological

traditions as fast—and with as damaging results—as Bangalore. Only 17 of its water bodies struggle to survive in a city where once 200 lakes, ponds and wetlands cooled the city and recharged its ground water. The threats continue unabated as the relentless march of urbanization shows no sign of stopping. 176. 'This grave problem' in the passage refers to

- (a) short monsoon span
- (b) rainfall
- (c) storage of water
- (d) water crisis

177. What, according to the passage, is the primary reason for the water shortage?

- (a) Lack of means to store rainwater
- (b) Government's ignorance of the situation
- (c) Less rainfall in the country
- (d) Carelessness of people in using water

178. Which State uses bamboo pipes for the drip irrigation system?

- (a) Bihar (b) Rajasthan
- (c) Meghalaya (d) Tamil Nadu

179. Which of the following is not a low cost technology in water usage?

- (a) water channels
- (b) drip-irrigation
- (c) underground tanks
- (d) dams and canals

180. The people in ancient India had amazing technology to harvest water. This shows that

- (a) they understood the significance of water.
- (b) it used to rain heavily.
- (c) they did not know how to build dams.
- (d) water was scarce at that time.

181. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.

the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something.

- (a) astonishment (b) fascination
- (c) frustration (d) anticipation

182. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. On Saturday the 10th, Typhoon Lekima made land fall in China's Zhejiang province.

B. This province is often hit with typhoons, but this storm was its strongest ever.

C. The typhoon brought winds of up to 116mph, and floods affected almost 5 million people.

D. More than 1 million people were evacuated from their homes.

- (a) ABCD (b) BDCA
- (c) ADBC (d) CBAD

183. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

I request you to not to crack jokes in the class.

- (a) not to crack (b) No improvement
- (c) to not to cracking (d) not cracking

184. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

In the same boat

- (a) at the centre of attention
- (b) in a superior position
- (c) in the same situation
- (d) in disgrace

185. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.

The Social Media Department is headless at the moment and many are vying to the post.

- (a) is headless at the moment
- (b) The Social Media Department
- (c) to the post.
- (d) and many are vying

186. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Right from the beginning _____ government's focus has been on _____ development of the country.

- (a) the, the (b) a, the
- (c) the, a (d) a, no word required

187. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.

- A. And taking this village lad into their midst was terribly upsetting.

- B. She was by no means pleased with this unnecessary addition to her family.
C. When he reached Calcutta, Phatik met his aunt for the first time.
D. She found her own three boys quite enough to manage without taking in anyone else.
(a) CBDA (b) BCDA
(c) BCAD (d) CADB
188. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
He switched on the TV to listening to the speech of the PM on the Independence Day.
(a) He switched on the TV
(b) of the PM
(c) to listening to the speech
(d) on the Independence Day.
189. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.
They started playing badminton at a young age of nine years old.
(a) the young age of nine
(b) the young age of nine years old
(c) a young age of nine years
(d) No improvement
190. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
the customary code of polite behaviour in society
(a) norm (b) majesty
(c) estimation (d) etiquette
191. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.
The traveller said that he had come a long way off.
(a) The traveller said, "He had come a long way off."
(b) The traveller said, "I am coming a long way off."
(c) The traveller told, "He has come a long way off."
(d) The traveller said, "I have come a long way off."

192. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.
I told Vinod that the plumber had forgotten his mobile there.
(a) I said to Vinod, "The plumber is forgetting his mobile here."
(b) I said to Vinod, "The plumber had forgotten his mobile there."
(c) Vinod said to me, "The plumber has forgotten his mobile here."
(d) I said to Vinod, "The plumber has forgotten his mobile here."
193. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate idiom.
Now that Mr. Krishna Murthy has retired from the company, his daughter is _____.
(a) in the doghouse
(b) in the driver's seat
(c) in the lap of luxury
(d) in the pink
194. Select the most appropriate sequence from the given options to make a meaningful paragraph from jumbled sentences.
A. After around 20 minutes of the crash, the tanker caught fire and exploded.
B. On Saturday, an oil tanker in Tanzania lost control and overturned on a busy road.
C. Around 150 people gathered near the tanker and some of them tried to siphon away some fuel.
D. At least 61 people died and 70 more were injured.
(a) DCAB (b) BCAD
(c) DBAC (d) BACD
195. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.
I asked my friend if he had seen the launch of the Chandrayaan2 from Sriharikota.
(a) I said to my friend, "How did you see the launch of the Chandrayaan2 from Sriharikota?"
(b) I said to my friend, "I had seen the launch of the Chandrayaan2 from Sriharikota?"
(c) I said to my friend, "Did you see the launch of the Chandrayaan2 from Sriharikota?"

- (d) I said to my friend, "He has seen the launch of the Chandrayaan2 from Sriharikota."
196. Select the most appropriate direct form of the given sentence.
She says that Rani is a talented actress.
(a) She said, "Rani was a talented actress."
(b) She told, "Rani is a talented actress."
(c) She says, "Rani is a talented actress."
(d) She asks, "Is Rani a talented actress?"
197. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.
a decision on which one cannot go back
(a) intractable (b) invincible
(c) invulnerable (d) irrevocable
198. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom in the given sentence.
They talked over the matter of his leaving the job and going for further studies.

- (a) discussed (b) fought against
(c) surveyed (d) explained
199. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options. If there is no error, select No error.
They made her as the Chairperson of their bank.
(a) No error (b) as the Chairperson
(c) of their bank. (d) They made her
200. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error from the given options.
They can't hardly believe that Article 370 is no longer valid in Jammu and Kashmir.
(a) is no longer valid
(b) in Jammu and Kashmir.
(c) that Article 370
(d) They can't hardly believe

ANSWER KEY

1. (a)	2. (a)	3. (a)	4. (a)	5. (d)	6. (d)	7. (c)	8. (c)	9. (d)	10. (a)
11. (d)	12. (c)	13. (c)	14. (a)	15. (a)	16. (c)	17. (c)	18. (c)	19. (d)	20. (b)
21. (b)	22. (d)	23. (b)	24. (c)	25. (d)	26. (b)	27. (d)	28. (b)	29. (c)	30. (d)
31. (a)	32. (b)	33. (a)	34. (a)	35. (c)	36. (a)	37. (a)	38. (c)	39. (a)	40. (c)
41. (c)	42. (d)	43. (c)	44. (a)	45. (c)	46. (a)	47. (c)	48. (a)	49. (c)	50. (a)
51. (c)	52. (d)	53. (a)	54. (a)	55. (d)	56. (b)	57. (c)	58. (d)	59. (d)	60. (b)
61. (d)	62. (b)	63. (b)	64. (b)	65. (c)	66. (d)	67. (d)	68. (b)	69. (c)	70. (c)
71. (b)	72. (c)	73. (a)	74. (c)	75. (d)	76. (b)	77. (a)	78. (b)	79. (a)	80. (a)
81. (b)	82. (b)	83. (c)	84. (b)	85. (b)	86. (a)	87. (b)	88. (b)	89. (a)	90. (a)
91. (d)	92. (c)	93. (c)	94. (a)	95. (d)	96. (a)	97. (b)	98. (d)	99. (c)	100. (a)
101. (d)	102. (c)	103. (b)	104. (b)	105. (b)	106. (d)	107. (a)	108. (a)	109. (a)	110. (a)
111. (d)	112. (a)	113. (c)	114. (c)	115. (b)	116. (c)	117. (b)	118. (c)	119. (c)	120. (d)
121. (d)	122. (b)	123. (d)	124. (b)	125. (d)	126. (a)	127. (d)	128. (a)	129. (b)	130. (d)
131. (d)	132. (d)	133. (b)	134. (b)	135. (d)	136. (a)	137. (d)	138. (b)	139. (d)	140. (a)
141. (b)	142. (a)	143. (c)	144. (c)	145. (b)	146. (b)	147. (a)	148. (a)	149. (c)	150. (b)
151. (b)	152. (c)	153. (a)	154. (b)	155. (a)	156. (a)	157. (c)	158. (a)	159. (d)	160. (c)
161. (d)	162. (c)	163. (a)	164. (c)	165. (c)	166. (c)	167. (a)	168. (b)	169. (c)	170. (b)
171. (d)	172. (b)	173. (b)	174. (d)	175. (d)	176. (d)	177. (a)	178. (c)	179. (d)	180. (a)
181. (c)	182. (a)	183. (a)	184. (c)	185. (c)	186. (a)	187. (a)	188. (c)	189. (a)	190. (d)
191. (d)	192. (d)	193. (b)	194. (b)	195. (c)	196. (c)	197. (a)	198. (a)	199. (b)	200. (d)

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English Language and Comprehension

1. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
 - A. Using his mother's show-business contacts, Charlie became a professional entertainer in 1897.
 - B. He spent his early childhood with his mother, the singer Hannah Hall, after she and his father separated.
 - C. Even today Charlie is widely regarded as the greatest comic artist of the screen and one of the most important figures in motion-picture history.
 - D. Charlie Chaplin was born on April 16, 1889 in London and named after his father, a British music-hall entertainer.
 - (a) CBDA (b) CABD
 - (c) DABC (d) DBAC
2. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
All human beings must learn to live in _____ with nature.
 - (a) kindness (b) pleasure
 - (c) admiration (d) harmony
3. Find a word that is the ANTONYM OF animosity
 - (a) sarcasm (b) benevolence
 - (c) bitterness (d) contamination
4. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
I regret the way I treated you.
 - (a) I regret the way you were being treated by me.
 - (b) I regret the way you were treated by me.
 - (c) I regret the way I am treating you.
 - (d) I regret the way you treated me.
5. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
I owe a big debt of gratitude to my mentor, Ms. Pallavi Dutta.
 - (a) A big debt of gratitude had been owed by me to my mentor, Ms. Pallavi Dutta.
 - (b) A big debt of gratitude was owing by me to my mentor, Ms. Pallavi Dutta.
 - (c) A big debt of gratitude will be owed by to my mentor, Ms. Pallavi Dutta.
 - (d) A big debt of gratitude is owed by me to my mentor, Ms Pallavi Dutta.
6. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Mrs. Sethi said to her students, "Would you like to go outdoors for the yoga class?"
 - (a) Mrs Sethi asked her students whether they would like to go outdoors for the yoga class.
 - (b) Mrs Sethi asked her students about their liking to go outdoors for the yoga class.
 - (c) Mrs Sethi told her students that would you like to go outdoors for the yoga class.
 - (d) Mrs Sethi said to her students will you like to go outdoors for the yoga class?
7. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Did the boys take permission to go out today?
 - (a) Are the boys taking permission to go out today?
 - (b) Was permission to go out today taken by the boys?
 - (c) Has permission to going out today been taking by the boys?
 - (d) Had the boys taken permission to go out today?
8. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
My friends persuaded me that I should forgive him.
 - (a) I was persuaded by my friends that he should be forgiven.
 - (b) I will have been persuaded by my friends to forgive him.

(c) I am being persuaded by my friends that he should be forgiven.

(d) I will be persuaded by my friends that he should be forgiven.

9. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

'Let's not go out today. It's going to be a hot day,' he said to me.

(a) He suggested that we shouldn't be going out that day as it is going to be a hot day.

(b) He is suggesting that they shouldn't go out today as it was going to be a hot day.

(c) He suggested that we shouldn't go out that day as it was going to be a hot day.

(d) He had suggested that they shouldn't go out today as it was going to be a hot day.

Direction (Q. 10 to 14): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow

Dust storms of May 2018, in Northern India, contributed to the deteriorating air quality in the region and the capital city of Delhi, with implications for human health, a study found. The high death toll from the severe dust storms that lashed the region was mainly attributed to the intense winds, which surprised even scientists and meteorologists. But apart from the immediate damage to life and property, drastic changes in air quality from the dust engulfing the region affected far more people with potential implications for human health, stated a team of researchers who analysed the impact of the spell of dust storms that struck the region that month. They reported increases in particulate matter, mainly in Delhi and urged for an early warning system.

Dust storms commonly occur in the Indo-Gangetic Plains – the fertile plains in northern India that stretch all the way to the East – from March to May, the pre-monsoon season. Westerly winds typically bring loose sand and soil particles, picked up from the Arabian Peninsula or the Thar Desert in North Western India, to the Indo-Gangetic Plains. The dust tends to worsen air quality over the Indo-Gangetic Plains, home to around 900 million people, which can have far-reaching effects on human health. While dust storms are a regular feature in the region, the May 2018 dust storms specifically had a death toll of about

100 people, with around 200 people injured.

"We are concerned that the dust impacts the health of people who get exposed," said a senior professor. However, he also observed that scattered rains occurring soon after the dust storms tend to clean up the dust, improving air quality. During October-November, densely populated cities like Delhi and Kanpur in the Indo-Gangetic Plains are vulnerable to windborne long-range air pollution from crop residue burning in the North, and now this study "shows the effect of dust storms during the March-May time frame," Sarkar pointed out. "This really puts the Indo-Gangetic valley in a unique spot in terms of it being targeted by these different hazardous conditions which are mostly outsourced from other areas."

10. Dust storms in Delhi are a cause of concern as they

(a) cause strong winds.

(b) affect Delhi alone.

(c) challenge scientists.

(d) are a health hazard.

11. Dust storms are caused by

(a) winds from the North.

(b) winds from the South.

(c) Westerly winds.

(d) Easterly winds.

12. The notable fact about pollution in Oct to Nov is that _____

(a) Westerly winds bring loose sand and soil particles

(b) dust storms are a regular feature.

(c) it is caused by crop burning in North India.

(d) it is caused by the winds from Thar Desert.

13. By saying, 'This really puts the Indo-Gangetic valley in a unique spot' the writer refers to the fact that

(a) the Indo- Gangetic valley receives its pollution from other areas or factors.

(b) the valley is affected by pollution caused by hazardous industries.

(c) intense winds in the valley surprise even scientists and meteorologists.

(d) studies find that only the valley faces pollution all year round.

14. Choose the correct sequence in which events take place -
 (a) Strong winds- poor air quality -dust storms- death and disease
 (b) Dust storms- poor air quality- strong winds -death and disease
 (c) Dust storms - death and disease-strong winds- poor air quality
 (d) Strong winds- dust storms- poor air quality-death and disease
15. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
 A. New ideas on marketing were brainstormed and all the members agreed to try them forthwith.
 B. Upon their return from an off-site camp Ravi and Sunil decided to hold a meeting.
 C. As soon as everyone assembled, the meeting which lasted for four hours, began.
 D. Its purpose was to replace some of the old ways of marketing used by the company with new ones.
 (a) ACBD (b) BDAC
 (c) CDAB (d) BCDA
16. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. I'm thinking to buy a new car as my old one is giving me trouble.
 (a) thinks to buying (b) thinking of buying
 (c) thought to buy (d) no improvement
17. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
 exercising a compelling charm
 (a) dismissive (b) vapid
 (c) charismatic (d) uninspiring
18. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence. They shifted the venue of the conference.
 (a) The venue of the conference was shifted.
 (b) The venue of the conference has been shifted.
 (c) They are shifting the venue of the conference.
 (d) They were shifting the venue of the conference.
19. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
 A. There is a story about an ancient Indian sage who was called ugly names by a passerby.
 B. The sage then said, "Well then, I have not accepted your offering" and walked away.
 C. He finally asked the man, "If an offering is not accepted who does it belong to?" at which the man replied, "To the person who offered it."
 D. The sage listened unperturbed till the man ran out of words.
 (a) CABD (b) ACDB
 (c) DCBA (d) ADCB
20. Identify the word that is misspelt.
 (a) definitely (b) accidentally
 (c) conscience (d) chargeable
21. Select the segment which has an error.
 Over the years, the writer Amish has evolved to what millions of youngsters aspires to be today – an intellectual.
 (a) Over the years (b) aspires to be today
 (c) Amish has evolved (d) millions of youngsters
22. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
 Rohit was _____ when he took important decisions without consulting the family.
 (a) cutting the red tape
 (b) told to get a new lease of life
 (c) in the same boat
 (d) told to fight his own battles himself
23. Select the segment which has an error.
 Each film will be checked by a government-appointed censor board along public exhibition.
 (a) along public exhibition.
 (b) each film
 (c) by a government-appointed censor board
 (d) will be checked
24. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. The books those I gave you is mine. Please don't misplace them or lend them to someone else.

- (a) that I gave you are mine
(b) no improvement
(c) that I gave to you is my
(d) which I gives to you is mine
25. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. It was called the 'take ownership' programme, and it worked.
B. The programme was a huge success in reviving the corporate culture of the bank and in reviving the bank's stock price.
C. My colleagues and I felt and behaved like owners, because we actually were.
D. I once worked for a large bank that gave stock options to all of its employees.
(a) CDBA (b) DACB
(c) ADCB (d) CABD
26. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Kapil said to his team, "If you don't perform well in this match, you will not get a place in the team."
(a) Kapil told to his team if you don't perform well in this match, you will not get a place in the team.
(b) Kapil warned his team that if they didn't perform well in that match, they would not get a place in the team.
(c) Kapil warned to his team, if they don't perform well in this match, they will not get a place in the team.
(d) Kapil said to his team that if you don't perform well in that match, you will not get place in the team.
27. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. The author is not well known. Little bit people have heard of him.
(a) no improvement (b) A little bit of people
(c) A few person (d) Few people
28. Select the segment which has an error.
It is be said that in 2019 the Indian Stock Market will fall drastically and we can expect that fall very soon.
- (a) we can expect
(b) It is be said
(c) that in 2019
(d) the Indian Stock Market will fall
29. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
"I will be twenty five tomorrow", said Vidushi.
(a) Vidushi is saying that she will be twenty five by tomorrow.
(b) Vidushi said that she would be twenty five the next day.
(c) Vidushi will say that she would be twenty five tomorrow.
(d) Vidushi had told that me she would be twenty five the next day.
30. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
My grandmother believes that drinking a glass of milk at bedtime is essential for health.
(a) It is believed by my grandmother that drinking a glass of milk at bedtime is essential for health.
(b) It is being believed by my grandmother that drinking a glass of milk at bedtime is essential for health..
(c) It will have been believed by my grandmother that drinking a glass of milk at bedtime is essential for health..
(d) It has been believed by my grandmother that drinking a glass of milk at bedtime is essential for health.
31. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
Radha is unable to continue working in this office. Hard work is _____ on her health.
(a) making her meet both ends
(b) blowing hot and cold
(c) keeping an eye
(d) taking a toll on
32. Find a word that is the synonym of-
mercurial
(a) interchangeable (b) predictable
(c) permanent (d) volatile

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

diverse in character or event

- (a) homogenous (b) assiduous
(c) heterogeneous (d) horrendous

34. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. My recent London trip was really special because I was being able to meet my nephew and his family after many years.

- (a) was able to meet (b) am unable to
(c) no improvement (d) has able to

Direction (Q. 35 to 39): Read the following passage and fill in each blank with words chosen from options given.

Uncertainty looms over the revival of Naini Lake, a waterbody in the middle of Model Town in North Delhi, due to _____ (1) in the opinions of residents and local bodies regarding its desilting and _____ (2). While the Corporation claimed that the lake _____ (3) for years and several attempts by them to initiate a drive to desilt it were halted because of lack of funds or _____ (4) from locals, residents alleged that it is _____ (5) fresh water lake and is free from silt, and only a water treatment plant will be enough to resolve the problem.

35. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1

- (a) feuds (b) protests
(c) objections (d) differences

36. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2

- (a) evacuation (b) beautification
(c) moderation (d) resolution

37. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3

- (a) is desilted
(b) is not to be desilted
(c) hasn't been desilted
(d) has desilted

38. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4

- (a) activation (b) applause
(c) resistance (d) assault

39. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5

- (a) any (b) some
(c) the (d) a

40. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

The interviewer said, "Rajiv, I'm impressed with you."

- (a) The interviewer says I am impressed with Rajiv.
(b) The interviewer told to Rajiv that he is impressed with him.
(c) The interviewer told Rajiv that he was impressed with him.
(d) The interviewer said to Rajiv that he had been impressed with you.

Direction (Q. 41 to 50): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow-

Parents all over Iceland's capital Reykjavik embark on a two-hour evening walk around their neighbourhood every weekend, checking on youth hangouts as a 10 pm curfew approaches.

The walk in Reykjavik is one step toward Iceland's success into turning around a crisis in teenage drinking.

Focusing on local participation and promoting more music and sports options for students, the island nation in the North Atlantic has dried up a teenage culture of drinking and smoking. Icelandic teenagers now have one of the lowest rates of substance abuse in Europe.

The Icelandic Centre for Social Research and Analysis, the institute pioneering the project for the past two decades, says it currently advises 100 communities in 23 countries, from Finland to Chile, on cutting teenage substance abuse. "The key to success is to create healthy communities and by that get healthy individuals," said Inga Dora Sigfusdottir, a sociology professor who founded the Youth of Iceland programme, which now has rebranded as Planet Youth.

The secret, she says, is to keep young people busy and parents engaged without talking much about drugs or alcohol. That stands in sharp contrast to other anti-abuse programmes, which try to sway

teenagers with school lectures and scary, disgusting ads showing smokers' rotten lungs or eggs in a frying pan to represent an intoxicated brain.

"Telling teenagers not to use drugs can backlash and actually get them curious to try them," Ms Sigfusdottir said. In 1999, when thousands of teenagers would gather in Reykjavik every weekend, surveys showed 56% of Icelandic 16-year-olds drank alcohol and about as many had tried smoking.

Years later, Iceland has the lowest rates for drinking and smoking among the 35 countries measured in the 2015 European School Survey Project on Alcohol and Other Drugs.

On average, 80% of European 16-year-olds have tasted alcohol at least once, compared with 35% in Iceland, the only country where more than half of those students completely abstains from alcohol.

Denmark, another wealthy Nordic country, has the highest rates of teenage drinking, along with Greece, Hungary and the Czech Republic, where 92% to 96% have consumed alcohol.

In the US, teen drinking is a significant health concern, because many US teenagers are driving cars and do not have access to good public transport like teenagers in Europe.

Reykjavik mayor Dagur B. Eggertsson said the Icelandic plan "is all about society giving better options" for teens than substance abuse. He believes the wide variety of opportunities that now keep students busy and inspired has dramatically altered the country's youth culture.

Local municipalities like Reykjavik have invested in sport halls, music schools and youth centres. To make the programmes widely available, parents are offered a 500 US dollar annual voucher toward sports or music programmes for their children.

Researchers say the Planet Youth prevention model is evolving constantly because it is based on annual surveys to detect trends and measure policy effectiveness. By law, introduced when Icelandic police routinely dealt with alcohol-fuelled street gatherings, children under 12 are not allowed to be outside after 8pm without parents and those 13 to 16 not past 10pm.

"We tell the kids if they are out too late, polite and nice, and then they go home," said Heidar Atlason, a

veteran member of the patrol. Over Iceland's harsh winter, one parent admits, evenings sometimes pass without running into any students.

41. Parents in Reykjavik take an evening walk at night in order to
 - (a) remain fit and healthy by avoiding drinking at night
 - (b) keep a watch on teenagers to ensure they don't get into the habit of drinking
 - (c) meet other parents to know and discuss how to control teenagers
 - (d) enjoy the evening stroll with other parents after dinner
42. What is dramatic about the figures of teenage drinking in Iceland?
 - (a) They've remained the same over the years
 - (b) They've become the lowest in Europe
 - (c) They've gone up by 36%
 - (d) They've shot down by 96%
43. The Icelandic Centre for Social Research and Analysis does the work of
 - (a) showing teenagers anti-abuse programmes, which stop teenagers from drinking.
 - (b) advising many countries on controlling use of drugs etc. by young adults
 - (c) legally allowing children 12 years and more to remain outside their homes after 6 pm.
 - (d) going around at night with patrolling groups in many European countries.
44. Teenage drinking in many countries like Denmark, Greece, Hungary, etc has been reported as
 - (a) completely eradicated.
 - (b) the lowest in the world.
 - (c) low compared to Iceland.
 - (d) the highest in the world.
45. "Cutting teenage substance abuse" refers to
 - (a) teenagers consuming hazardous substances such as alcohol and drugs.
 - (b) parents shaming their young children for their bad habits.
 - (c) reducing consumption of drugs and alcohol among young adults.
 - (d) teenagers who consume alcohol abusing their parents.

46. The programme Planet Youth was started by Ans
(a) The Icelandic Centre for Social Research and Analysis
(b) the local municipality of Reykjavik
(c) Inga Dora Sigfusdottir
(d) Dagur B. Eggertsson
47. Which of the following does not contribute to the success of Planet Youth programme?
(a) Enacting laws against late night movement of teenagers
(b) Arranging street gatherings of teenagers
(c) Arranging opportunities for music, sports etc.
(d) Ensuring parental control and influence
48. From the passage one can conclude that
(a) bad habits can be checked by engaging teens in alternative activities.
(b) by showing smokers' diseased lungs to teens, parents can influence them.
(c) parents must pay for sports and other activities for their children.
(d) strict punishment is needed as it acts as a deterrent.
49. The word from the passage that means 'change the image of an organisation or program' is
(a) abstain (b) rebrand
(c) invest (d) embark
50. 'Over Iceland's harsh winter, one parent admits, evenings sometimes pass without running into any students.' This means—
(a) parents are not motivated to get involved in the programme.
(b) students are not bothered about the efforts made for them.
(c) the programme is having the right impact on teenagers.
(d) authorities are disappointed that the programme has failed.
51. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. The masses, though well intentioned, preferable to remain passive spectators.
(a) prefer to remain
(b) prefers to remaining
(c) No improvement
(d) had preferred to remaining
52. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The old lady said, "May God bless you and give you all you desire in life!"
(a) The old lady says that may God bless you and give you all you desire in life.
(b) The old lady said that God may bless you and give you all you desire in life.
(c) The old lady said that God will bless me and give me all I desire in life.
(d) The old lady wished that God would bless me and give me all I desired in life.
53. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
They are selling very good stationery here.
(a) Very good stationery sells here.
(b) Very good stationery is being sold here.
(c) Stationery selling here is very good.
(d) Stationery selling has been very good here.
54. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
The act of compelling or forcing authority on others.
(a) aspersion (b) volition
(c) coercion (d) scion
55. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. This move is part of the government's reform agenda for PSBs under Enhanced Access and Service Excellence Programme (EASE) 2.0.
B. Banks have already agreed to keep branches operational for customers for uniform working hours in one location and this will be another step towards standardising operating hours.
C. Under EASE a banker's panel has recommended that every region adopt one of three six-hour time slots — 9 am to 3 pm, 10 am to 4 pm or 11 am to 5 pm.
D. Public sector banks (PSBs) across the country will soon have standard operating hours as per a recent move.
(a) BCDA (b) CDBA
(c) DCBA (d) DACB

56. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Were all formalities completed by you?
(a) Did you complete all formalities?
(b) Have you completed all formalities?
(c) Have you been completing all formalities?
(d) Will you complete all formalities?
57. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
"Don't use your mobile while crossing the road," I said to him.
(a) I told him to not to use his mobile while crossing the road.
(b) I advised him not to use his mobile while crossing the road.
(c) I am advising him not to use his mobile while crossing the road.
(d) I said him not to use his mobile while crossing the road.
58. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
He tries to perform well but good projects done by him are _____. He needs to put in extra effort.
(a) on edge
(b) walking on air
(c) few and far between
(d) going with the flow
59. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. In the study, researchers found that kids who experienced their growth spurt late had lower than average bone density in young adulthood.
B. Teens who hit puberty late may end up with weaker bones, a new study finds.
C. However, they continue to have lower bone strength even after they finish growing and may be at greater risk for osteoporosis in adulthood.
D. These later maturing teens do catch up with early maturing teens in terms of bone strength.
(a) ACDB (b) BADC
(c) BCDA (d) ADCB
60. Given below are four jumbled sentences. . Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. Having cancer is often one of the most stressful experiences in a person's life.
B. They also allow people to learn from others facing similar situations .
C. The groups are gaining popularity these days as they allow volunteers to talk with those who are living with cancer.
D. But these days there are support groups that help patients cope with the emotional aspects of cancer by providing an opportunity to share feelings and challenges they face with others.
(a) CBDA (b) ADCB
(c) DCBA (d) ACBD
61. Select the segment which has an error.
Two American cities, witnessed shooting and resulting in mass fatalities over the weekend.
(a) over the weekend
(b) Two American cities
(c) witnessed shooting
(d) and resulting in mass fatalities
62. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
She said to her friend, "Where did you go yesterday?"
(a) She asked her friend where she had gone the day before.
(b) She asked her friend where had she gone the day before.
(c) She asked her friend where she was going yesterday.
(d) She asked her friend where she went yesterday.
63. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
Word by word reading lead to the development of another bad habit which is the habit of reading aloud.
(a) lead to develops
(b) leads to the development
(c) No improvement.
(d) leading to the developing

64. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'—
My friend did not understand the story. She asked me for explain it her.
(a) to explain it to her
(b) no improvement
(c) to explaining it for her.
(d) can I explain that to her
65. Select the segment which has an error.
Instead of helping her mother at the kitchen, Rekha was on her mobile talking to her friend.
(a) talking to her friend
(b) of helping
(c) at the kitchen
(d) on her mobile
66. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. The ingredients must therefore be of the finest quality and in the right proportions.
B. When you have them right and keep practicing you are sure to bake some of the yummiest cakes.
C. Success in life is just like baking a cake that requires many things.
D. Firstly, unless you have the right ingredients and recipe it is not going to work.
(a) BADC (b) CDAB
(c) CABD (d) BCDA
67. Select the segment which has an error.
Please go out and check if it is yet raining.
(a) and check (b) if it is
(c) yet raining (d) Please go out
68. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'—
My new office is in a first floor of the new office complex.
(a) no improvement (b) over first floor
(c) on the first floor (d) at above floor
69. Select the segment which has an error.
It was a really bad movie- a worse movie I've ever seen in my life.
(a) in my life (b) I've ever seen
(c) was a really (d) a worse
70. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
found everywhere
(a) scarce (b) rare
(c) unusual (d) omnipresent
71. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
The government has decided to _____ GST on some items in order to help small traders.
(a) steer clear of (b) roll back
(c) wash away (d) crack down on
72. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
If your actions are _____ what you say, no one is going to believe you.
(a) contrary for (b) contrary with
(c) contrary to (d) contrary at
73. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The mother said to her son, "You always do what you want. Do you always have to be so _____?"
(a) stubborn (b) reasoning
(c) withdrawn (d) awkward
74. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. Creating a relaxing bedroom environment is very important too, and this can be done using a calming, subtle fragrance.
B. It is possible to retrain your brain to have a sound sleep.
C. This is possible if you make sure your room is undisturbed, quiet and dark.
D. Start by regulating the times you go to bed and get up.
(a) BDCA (b) ADBC
(c) BCAD (d) DACB
75. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
The residents of my colony _____ in trying to find out about the increasing number of car thefts.
(a) hit a purple patch
(b) hit the sack
(c) beat about the bush
(d) pulled all the stops

76. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'-
It take me within 15 minutes to walk to the metro station from my house.
(a) take me most of
(b) no improvement
(c) takes me about
(d) takes me going
77. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
When you _____ it is best to be patient and have faith in your inner strength.
(a) remain on high alert
(b) keep someone at an arms length
(c) call a spade a spade
(d) find yourself in troubled waters
78. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'-
When we were on holiday in Kerala, we were visiting much beautiful tea terraces and spice gardens.
(a) visited any (b) are visit a few
(c) visited many (d) no improvement
79. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
The belief that events are predetermined and therefore cannot be changed
(a) fatalism (b) chasm
(c) autism (d) prism
80. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. Spoon the brownie batter into the prepared pan and bake for 30 to 40 minutes.
B. Now beat in eggs and vanilla extract, and add cocoa and mix until well combined.
C. To make chocolate chip brownies mix together melted butter, brown sugar and white sugar using a wooden spoon or hand mixer.
D. Next, stir in flour and salt and mix until flour is incorporated, and then add some chocolate chips.
(a) CDBA (b) ACDB
(c) CABD (d) ADCB
81. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The airport helper said, "Should I fetch you a trolley?"
(a) The helper had said he would be fetching me a trolley.
(b) The airport helper is asking me that he will fetch a trolley.
(c) The airport helper asked me if he should fetch me a trolley.
(d) The airport helper said he will go to fetch me a trolley.
82. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'-
Would you like to speak in English or Hindi?
(a) like to speaking
(b) liking to speak
(c) no improvement
(d) liked speaking
83. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The salesgirl said, "Forgive me but this dress is already sold."
(a) The salesgirl said that she is sorry but this dress is already sold.
(b) The salesgirl begged forgiveness and regretted that that dress was already sold.
(c) The salesgirl asked to be forgiven but this dress was already sold.
(d) The salesgirl said to me to forgive her but this dress was sold.
84. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
The exact opposite
(a) prosthesis (b) aesthete
(c) analogous (d) antithesis
85. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. She started the Udaipur-based organisation Shikshantar to create a space for selfdirected learning called 'unschooling'.
B. It also organizes week-long camps where children involve themselves in local communities and interact with other kids who don't attend school.

- C. Nidhi Jain has been an unschooling parent for over two decades.
- D. The organisation arranges everything from internships in filmmaking to cooking for unschooled kids.
- (a) DBAC (b) CBAD
(c) ACDB (d) CADB
86. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
"If the rains don't stop we will have to move the animals to another place," said the zoo official.
- (a) The zoo official had been saying said that if the rains don't stop they would have to move the animals to another place.
- (b) The zoo official said that if the rains didn't stop they would have to move the animals to another place.
- (c) The zoo official will say that if the rains don't stop they would have to move the animals to another place.
- (d) The zoo official said that if the rains are not stopping they would have to move the animals to another place.
87. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
touching along the side or boundary
- (a) inconspicuous (b) unpretentious
(c) harmonious (d) contiguous
88. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
- A. "It's sort of cool to be on a ship but even more amazing is this Earth we live on," Williams remarked as she described life on a spaceship to eager kids.
- B. Williams, who is set to be one of the first to fly aboard Boeing's Starliner spacecraft in November 2019, was introduced at the festival by former NASA astronaut Mike Massimino .
- C. On Sept. 22, 2018 NASA astronaut Sunita Williams — a veteran of two long-duration spaceflights — talked to families and space enthusiasts about space travel.
- D. She was speaking at the Intrepid Air, Sea & Space Museum during the recent Space & Science Festival.
- (a) BCDA (b) CDDB
(c) CBDA (d) BACD
89. Select the segment which has an error.
Found in many parts of India, the frangipani tree is a small, low –branching tree which is especial used for several medicinal purposes.
- (a) a small, low –branching tree
(b) Found in many parts
(c) The frangipani tree is
(d) which is especial used
90. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The art teacher said, "I never tell my students what to draw. I tell them to imagine."
- (a) The art teacher said that I never tell my students what to draw. I tell them to imagine.
- (b) The art teacher said that she never told her students what to draw. She told them to imagine.
- (c) The art teacher is saying that she never tells her students what to draw. She tells them to imagine.
- (d) The art teacher had said that she never told her students what to draw. She tells them to imagine.
91. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'–
I am like very much Chinese food and have learnt to cook it.
- (a) like very much Chinese food
(b) like Chinese food very much
(c) no improvement
(d) am liking very much Chinese food
92. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
- A. Some used cars may have been involved in accidents or salvaged and rebuilt.
- B. Before buying a used car it's important to know everything there is to know about it.
- C. If the car engine is clean, it's a good sign, but still ask for a test drive.
- D. It is therefore very important to examine the car's engine for any fluid leaks.

- (a) CDBA (b) ACDB
(c) BADC (d) DBCA
93. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
Many old projects are _____ with a change in company policies.
(a) beating around the bush
(b) caught red handed
(c) getting a new lease of life
(d) breaking the ice
94. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'-
Food and water are the two basic necessities that citizens should have accessing in.
(a) access for (b) access at
(c) No improvement. (d) access to
95. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
"Reena, I'm surprised you want dinner as we had such a late lunch," said Rajat.
(a) Rajat had told Reena that he was surprised that she had wanted dinner as they were having such a late lunch.
(b) Rajat was saying to Reena that he was surprised that she was wanting dinner as they had been having such a late lunch.
(c) Rajat had been telling Reena that he was surprised that she wants dinner as they had had such a late lunch.
(d) Rajat told Reena that he was surprised that she wanted dinner as they had had such a late lunch.
96. Find a word that is the synonym of -
onerous
(a) arduous (b) abundant
(c) honourable (d) accessible
97. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
The two little girls were playing a game of dice.
(a) The two little girls had played a game of dice.
(b) A game of dice was played by the two little girls.
(c) A game of dice was being played by the two little girls.
(d) The two little girls had been playing a game of dice.
98. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
To be a good speaker you need to memorize these speeches.
(a) These speeches will be memorized by you to be a good speaker.
(b) To be a good speaker these speeches need to be memorized by you
(c) To be a good speaker these speeches need to memorize by you.
(d) To be a good speaker these speeches being memorized by you.
99. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
"Can you pay him in cash?" she said to me.
(a) She asked me if he could pay me in cash.
(b) She asked him if I can pay him in cash.
(c) She asked me if I could pay him in cash.
(d) She asked him if I should pay him in cash.
100. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
He advised me to go abroad for higher studies the following year.
(a) He said to me, "I go abroad for higher studies next year."
(b) He said to me, "Please go abroad for higher studies next year."
(c) He told to me, "You should go abroad for higher studies the following year."
(d) He said to me, "You should go abroad for higher studies next year."
101. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
one who studies human societies and their culture
(a) pathologist (b) astrobiologist
(c) pharmacologist (d) anthropologist

102. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. According to hair loss experts, excess DHT drastically increases collagen production in the hair follicle.
- B. Hair loss can be traced to an increase of internal Dihydrotestosterone (DHT) and collagen production.
- C. Eventually, collagen blocks the pore completely causing a lack of necessary blood flow due to which your hair loses its sheen, thins down and finally you lose your hair completely.
- D. When too much collagen lines the interior of the follicle, it narrows the pores, decreases blood flow and slowly strangles your hair to death.

- (a) DABC (b) DCAB
- (c) BADC (d) BDAC

103. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

"If I had the manual of the new T.V, I would have fixed it by now," said Uma.

- (a) Uma said that if she was having the manual of the new T.V she would have fixed it by now.
- (b) Uma said that if she has the manual of the new T.V she will have fixed it by then.
- (c) Uma said that if she will have the manual of the new T.V she would have fixed it by then.
- (d) Uma said that if she had had the manual of the new T.V she would have fixed it by then.

104. Find a word that is the ANTONYM of - pandemonium

- (a) turbulence (b) harmony
- (c) excitement (d) uproar

105. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'- Shyamalan's movie 'The Sixth Sense' starring Bruce Willis was a great success but doesn't win all Academy Award as expected.

- (a) No improvement.
- (b) but didn't win any

- (c) but did win most
- (d) although it won some

106. Find a word that is the ANTONYM OF piquant

- (a) pungent (b) interesting
- (c) bland (d) peppery

107. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Over the past week, the state has been pounded by intense rainfall, thus transforming the July deficit to surplus.
- B. A year after being ravaged by the worst floods in 100 years, Kerala is once again facing a deluge.
- C. The districts in Kerala's north - in particular Kozhikode, Wayanad, and Malappuram - are among the worst affected where relief work is going on.
- D. The copious amounts of rainfall in the state have been both intense and consistent leading to many deaths besides rendering thousands homeless.

- (a) BADC (b) DBAC
- (c) DBCA (d) ABCD

108. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

I hope you are 100 percent fit by now.

- (a) It will be hoped that you are 100 percent fit by then.
- (b) It is hoping you are 100 percent fit by now.
- (c) It is hoped that you are 100 percent fit by now.
- (d) It was being hoped by me that you are 100 percent fit by then.

109. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'- Even if Uma is unable to make it, I can't most definitely come.

- (a) No improvement.
- (b) won't definite
- (c) needn't more definite
- (d) shall most definitely

Direction (Q. 110 to 119): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow—

Mount Everest, the world's highest peak at 8,848 metres, draws adventurers from all over. But the mountain on the Nepal-China border is fast becoming a dangerous place to visit even for the hardened mountaineer. The inherent risks were highlighted with a photograph by Nirmal Purja, a Gorkha ex-soldier. The image, which went viral and altered the manner in which people worldwide imagine what it is to scale Mt. Everest, showed a long queue awaiting a final tilt at the summit, with all the dangers such a wait holds. In the 2019 season, at least 11 climbers have died or gone missing, including four Indians. Experts have been calling for Nepal to restrict the number of permits. It awarded a record 381 for this spring each fetching \$11,000 (climbing from the Tibet side is more expensive). On 22nd May, 200 climbers ascended the summit, a new record for a single day. Last year, 807 managed to reach the summit. In 2012, the United Nations estimated that there were more than 26,000 visitors to the Everest region, and this figure has grown manifold since then. Nepal officials argue that permits are not issued recklessly, and that jams such as this year's near the summit are on account of spells of bad weather, which result in mountaineers being compelled to reach the summit within a narrow time frame. Waiting in sub-zero temperatures at rarefied altitude can be fatal-- this season's deaths were mostly due to frostbite, exhaustion, dehydration and lack of oxygen. This year's drama has caught public imagination, as happened in 1996 when eight persons died in a single day amid an unexpected storm - events of and around that day were the subject of Jon Krakauer's bestselling book 'Into Thin Air'. The adventure industry that is built around the human desire to scale the peak has meant many amateurs take up the challenge, confident that support teams and specialized equipment will make up for their lack of adequate mountaineering experience. The fallout is that in case of a disaster not only are some of them unable to manage but they also hold up others, putting them in harm's way. The commercial operations have led to the Everest being called the world's highest garbage dump as many climbers

discard non-critical gear, used oxygen cylinders, plastic bottles, cans, batteries, food wrappings, fecal matter and kitchen waste on the mountains. It is unlikely, however, that this season's tragedies will deter future summiteers, as the hypnotic lure remains intact. But the authorities must learn from this year's tragedies and work out an optimum number of climbers and strengthen safety measures.

110.What is the theme of this newspaper editorial?

Select the most appropriate combination of factors given below.

- Overcrowding of Mount Everest on 22nd May, 2019.
- The urgent necessity to introduce and implement adequate safety measures to prevent man-made disasters.
- Not to treat the ascent of the highest peak as an adventure sport.
- Refuse permits to amateur climbers.
- Disallow tour operating companies from crowding the base-camp.

- (a) c & d
- (b) b & c
- (c) a & e
- (d) a & b

111.Fill in the blank to complete the statement.

In 2019 _____ people have lost their lives on Mt. Everest.

- eleven
- eight
- nine
- ten

112.What image has Nirmal Purja's viral photograph captured?

- A long queue of climbers on the final stretch of a steep slope.
- Dead bodies of mountaineers on the route of the highest peak.
- The accumulated garbage on the mountain slopes.
- Exhausted mountaineers falling unconscious on the way up.

113.Why was the Nepal Government criticized recently?

- For not providing optimum facilities to the mountaineers.
- For charging a hefty fee to issue a permit.
- For allowing too many tour operators at the Everest Base Camp Site.
- For issuing 381 permits to aspiring climbers.

114. Why, according to the text, do most climbers prefer to climb the Everest from Nepal side?
- Nepali people are keen to help the climbers because this is their only way to earn money.
 - International mountaineers are not allowed in Chinese territory.
 - Nepal provides better logistical support than India.
 - Climbing the Everest from Nepal side is cheaper than the Tibet side.
115. Choose the factor, which was NOT responsible for the death of mountaineers in May, 2019.
- Dehydration
 - Lack of food
 - Lack of oxygen
 - Frost bite and exhaustion
116. If an amateur mountaineer is one who climbs mountains as a hobby, which word in the text, describes an experienced one.
- reckless mountaineer
 - ex-soldier climber
 - adventure climber
 - hardened mountaineer
117. How are amateur mountaineers a threat to others?
- Amateurs are dependent on their support teams and cannot manage anything on their own.
 - Amateurs, because of their inexperience and slow pace, are exposed to all kinds of hazards.
 - Amateurs need specialized equipment to make up for their inexperience.
 - Amateurs hold up other mountaineers in case of unforeseen disasters because they are not self-reliant.
118. Identify the INCORRECT OPTION.
The Everest has become the 'highest garbage dump' as many climbers leave behind _____
- kitchen waste
 - protective clothing.
 - empty food cans and bottles
 - spent oxygen tanks
119. Select the INCORRECT Option.
'Into Thin Air' is _____
- a best-selling book.
 - based on an unexpected storm in the Himalayas.
 - an account of the death of eight people in a single day.
 - an incident that happened in 1999.
120. Select the segment which has an error.
A recent government report highlight that the shortage of teachers in higher educational institutions is greater than that in countries like China, Brazil, Sweden and Russia.
- A recent government report highlight
 - in higher educational institutions
 - that the shortage of teachers
 - is greater than
121. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
Consisting of many things or parts
- few
 - singular
 - numeral
 - multitudinous
122. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
His large income was still insufficiently to meet the growing demands of his family.
- No improvement.
 - was still insufficient
 - have been still insufficient
 - was being yet insufficient
123. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
I had no idea at first how difficult it was being track the identity of every tree in Delhi.
- No improvement.
 - was to track
 - were to tracked
 - have been tracking
124. Select the segment which has an error.
Their house aren't very big but their garden is.
- aren't very big
 - Their house
 - garden is
 - but their
125. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
It is known by everyone that the tournament will be won by us.

- (a) It is known to everyone that we are going to win the tournament.
(b) It is known that the tournament is going to be won by us.
(c) Everyone knows that we will win the tournament.
(d) Everyone knows that the tournament was won by us.
126. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. It requires continuous learning and sacrifices.
B. To raise well behaved and responsible children one should be willing to invest a considerable amount of time, patience and energy.
C. Instilling and inculcating good values in a child will go a long way in making him/her a good person and a better citizen.
D. There is no doubt that parenting is among the most difficult and demanding tasks in the world.
(a) ACBD (b) ABCD
(c) BDCA (d) DABC
127. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.
A. Such was his devotion that Kaali Ma appeared before him with a thousand heads and a thousand pairs of arms.
B. Once, Tenali Raman wanted to visit the Kaali temple on the outskirts of the city and pray.
C. It was quite dark by the time Tenali reached the temple, prostrated before the goddess, and with eyes closed started praying to Mother Kaali.
D. Raman who was dazzled to see Mother Kaali in all her glory, looked at her from left to right and right to left and could not control his happiness.
(a) BCAD (b) BACD
(c) DCBA (d) CDAB
128. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
How were they managing the school for one year without a Principal?
(a) How was the Principal managed for one year without a School?
(b) How was the school managed for one year without a Principal?
(c) How was the Principal being managed for one year without a School?
(d) How was the school being managed for one year without a Principal?
129. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
Factory owners are protesting because they think that the government has _____ of plastic manufacturing companies by closing their factories in big cities.
(a) separated the wheat from the chaff
(b) made no bones
(c) been barking up the wrong tree
(d) upset the applecart
130. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
It was quite a _____ matter but was escalated due to the media coverage.
(a) humble (b) trivial
(c) stingy (d) ghastly
131. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.
In trying to solve the crime, the detective found himself _____. Yet the mystery kept deepening.
(a) beating the bush
(b) beating his brains out
(c) letting his hair down
(d) making room for others
132. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
One should leave office on time to maintain good work life balance.
(a) Office is being left on time to maintain good work life balance.
(b) Office should be left on time to maintain good work life balance.
(c) Office has to be left on time to maintain good work life balance.
(d) Office will be left on time to maintain good work life balance.

133. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
Now that I having grow old, I often spend a lot of time thinking about my childhood.

- (a) had grown older (b) has grown older
(c) No improvement. (d) am growing older

134. Select the segment which has an error.

Is she go to visit her parents in the evening?

- (a) her parents (b) to visit
(c) in the evening (d) Is she go

135. Select the segment which has an error.

Our most memorable meeting with Spielberg happened while we were at the Berlin Film Festival in 1977, where the film 'Shatranj ke Khilari' were being screened as India's official entry.

- (a) Our most memorable meeting
(b) while we were at
(c) where the film
(d) were being screened

136. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

The commander said, "Keep marching till you reach the border."

- (a) The commander ordered his men to keep marching till they reached the border.
(b) The commander requested the men keep marching till they reach the border.
(c) The commander said the men should keep marching till they reach the border.
(d) The commander said to his men they should keep marching till you reach the border.

137. Select the segment which has an error.

Doctors say that eating red meat is one of a lead cause of heart disease.

- (a) is one of a lead cause
(b) of heart disease
(c) Doctors say that
(d) eating red meat

138. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
An interesting discussion is being held on environmental degradation.

- (a) They are holding an interesting discussion on environmental degradation.
(b) An interesting discussion had been held on environmental degradation.
(c) An interesting discussion is to be held on environmental degradation.
(d) They will be holding an interesting discussion on environmental degradation.

139. Identify the word that is misspelt.

- (a) exhilaration (b) idiosyncrasy
(c) recalcitrant (d) conscientious

140. Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

The official found himself _____ when he could not explain his actions and all the members started attacking him with accusations of cheating.

- (a) in the eye of a storm
(b) on the same page
(c) wet behind the ears
(d) burning the midnight oil

141. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. So he told his son that for every careless act of his he would hammer a nail into a wooden pillar in their house, and for every positive act he would pull out one nail.
B. The boy saw that the pillar was getting crowded with nails and realised his mistake.
C. A father wanted to inculcate a sense of responsibility in his careless son.
D. He resolved to change his behaviour and soon the nails started coming out, till there were none left.

- (a) BACD (b) BCDA
(c) CABD (d) CDBA

142. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

I said, "Mother please let me go out for a movie with my friends."

- (a) He requested his mother she may please let him go out for a movie with his friends.
(b) I said to mother you please let me go out for a movie with my friends.

- (c) She is begging her mother to please let me go out for a movie with my friends.
(d) I begged my mother to let me go out for a movie with my friends.
143. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
My art teacher asked me whether I had attended her classes.
(a) My art teacher was asking me whether I had attended her classes.
(b) My art teacher asks me whether I attended her classes.
(c) I was being asked by my art teacher whether I was attending her classes.
(d) I was asked by my art teacher whether I had attended her classes.
144. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
I think you can have a piece of this cake but not all of it. I have to save some for my mother.
(a) but never all of those
(b) but not some of that
(c) or not most of it
(d) no improvement
145. Identify the word that is misspelt.
(a) questionnaire (b) hierarchy
(c) liaison (d) millenium
146. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
We expect an important announcement regarding the foreign policy today.
(a) An important announcement regarding the foreign policy was expected today.
(b) We had been expected an important announcement regarding the foreign policy today.
(c) An important announcement regarding the foreign policy is expected today.
(d) An important announcement regarding the foreign policy will be expected today.
147. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

- "Why is everybody leaving so early today?" said the manager.
(a) The manager asked why was everybody leaving so early that day.
(b) The manager asked why everybody left so early that day.
(c) The manager asked why everybody was leaving so early that day.
(d) The manager asked why everybody was leaving so early today.
148. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'.
In my lifetime, I have been greatly privileged to travel to some of the most wonderful places in the world.
(a) No improvement. (b) only a few of
(c) none of (d) least of the
149. Select the segment which has an error.
Since a meeting drew to a close, I realized that people were not really listening to me.
(a) I realized (b) Since a meeting
(c) drew to a close (d) were not really
150. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Amar urged Amit to stop taking tranquillizers without consulting the doctor.
(a) "Amit, please stop taking tranquillizers without consulting the doctor," Amar was advising,
(b) Amit said to Amar, "Please stop taking tranquillizers without consulting the doctor."
(c) "Amit, please stop taking tranquillizers without consulting the doctor," said Amar.
(d) Amar says to Amit, "Please consult the doctor before taking tranquillizers."
151. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
My birthday was celebrated by my colleagues at the office today.
(a) My colleagues have celebrated my birthday at the office today.

- (b) My colleagues are celebrating my birthday at the office today.
(c) My colleagues will celebrate my birthday at the office today.
(d) My colleagues celebrated my birthday at the office today.
152. Select the segment which has an error.
Rescue officials was unable to find any survivors in the California boat tragedy.
(a) was unable (b) in the
(c) to find (d) Rescue officials
153. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Aanya said, "Even if it rains very hard I will not miss school tomorrow."
(a) Aanya says that even if it rains very hard she will not miss school tomorrow.
(b) Aanya said that even if it rained very hard she would not miss school the next day.
(c) Aanya said though it rains very hard she will not miss school the next day.
(d) Aanya has said that if it rains very hard I will not miss school tomorrow.
154. Find a word that is the synonym of - diminutive
(a) petite (b) expeditious
(c) dangerous (d) fallacious
155. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
Father hugged me and said, "What a beautiful painting!"
(a) Father hugged me and exclaimed that my painting was very beautiful.
(b) Father hugs me and exclaimed that my painting is very beautiful.
(c) Father hugs me and says that my painting was very beautiful.
(d) Father hugged me and exclaimed I had made a very beautiful painting.
156. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.
Making a show of being morally superior to others
(a) approving (b) sanctum
(c) profligate (d) sanctimonious

157. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

The _____ speech did not impress the audience as they could not really make out the focus of her discussion.

- (a) contagious (b) concurrent
(c) contaminated (d) convoluted

158. Select the segment which has an error.

Please don't disturbs to me as I am reading a book.

- (a) Please don't (b) reading a book
(c) as I am (d) disturbs to me

Direction (Q. 159 to 168): Read the following passage and fill in each blank with words chosen from options given.

Packing is one of those chores that seems _____ (1) simple but it's a skill that most of humanity _____ (2). Even seasoned travellers end up carrying a _____ (3) array of stuff they don't use. Heavy bags _____ (4) be back-breaking and frustrating. Packing _____ (5) is a test of planning skills and is indicative of one's ability to _____ (6) one's life. The simplest way to pack smart is to _____ (7) a medium- sized bag so you're not tempted to _____ (8) more stuff at the last minute. The smart packer doesn't _____ (9) what -if -I -need it- category of stuff, the singular reason junk lands in _____ (10) suitcase.

159. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1

- (a) deceptively (b) cleverly
(c) specially (d) deceitfully

160. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.2

- (a) do have (b) does have
(c) don't have (d) doesn't have

161. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.3

- (a) irritating (b) illuminating
(c) bedazzling (d) mind boggling

162. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.4

- (a) will (b) mustn't
(c) should (d) can

163. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.5

- (a) complicatedly (b) randomly
(c) deliberately (d) strategically

164. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.6

- (a) detect (b) reflect
(c) organise (d) interpret

165. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.7

- (a) select (b) invest
(c) go (d) look

166. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.8

- (a) squeeze in (b) pushing in
(c) spreading on (d) putting on

167. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.9

- (a) live on (b) stay on
(c) think on (d) dwell on

168. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.10

- (a) most (b) the
(c) one (d) many

169. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

Rashmi says, "My startup is doing very well."

- (a) Rashmi says that my startup is doing very well.
(b) Rashmi said that her startup is doing very well.
(c) Rashmi said that her startup was doing very well.
(d) Rashmi says that her startup is doing very well.

170. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Now, that the real estate sector has got its own regulator, RERA, from May 1, 2017, things are expected to improve.
B. For many of the homebuyers, across locations the delay has extended to almost six years or more.
C. In the absence of a regulator and with no rules in place, the builder-buyer battle appeared one-sided.
D. For the buyers of real estate properties the delay in possession of their homes has been the biggest concern.

- (a) DBCA (b) ABDC
(c) DABC (d) BACD

171. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

He said, "The last film I saw was such a violent one that I couldn't sleep the whole night".

- (a) He is saying the last film he saw was such a violent one that he couldn't sleep the whole night.
(b) He shall be saying that the last film he had been seeing was such a violent one that he couldn't sleep the whole night.
(c) He shall say that the last film he had seen was such a violent one that he couldn't sleep the whole night.
(d) He said that the last film he had seen was such a violent one that he couldn't sleep the whole night.

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

a private conversation between two people

- (a) monologue (b) tête-à-tête
(c) dialogue (d) sermon

173. Select the segment which has an error.

Aanya's class teacher and her friends congratulates her warmly when she won the inter school debate and brought the trophy to the school.

- (a) and brought the trophy
(b) congratulates her
(c) when she won
(d) and her friends

174. Select the segment which has an error.

Some of us are plan to go for a movie tonight.

- (a) for a movie (b) to go
(c) Some of us (d) are plan to go

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

proceeding in a gradual way and secretly intending to cause harm

- (a) benevolent (b) malevolent
(c) solvent (d) insidious

176. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Though everything was on the up and up for Holzman, yet ... something wasn't quite right.
- B. At 19, he enrolled in the Culinary Institute of America before heading to the West Coast to cook for such well-esteemed restaurants as Palladin, Napa and Aqua.
- C. He got a little fed up with the kitchen and started to feel that he wanted to do something different with it.
- D. Holzman, a well known chef, started his career at the age of 15 when the prodigy began cooking under Eric Ripert at the iconic New York restaurant, Le Bernadin.
- (a) DBAC (b) ABCD
(c) DACB (d) ACBD

177. Select the segment which has an error.

The novel 'Embers' has a captivating plot and begins with a senior army officer preparing to receive a rare visitor, a man who was once his closer friend.

- (a) his closer friend
(b) has a captivating plot
(c) a man who was once
(d) begins with

Direction (Q. 178 to 182): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow—

Brain training is big business. From online websites to video games to mobile apps, it seems like there are plenty of ways to give your brain a bit of a boost. But does all this brain training really work? Can it increase your cognitive abilities or your IQ? According to a few recent studies, while these brain training tools might help sharpen your abilities to retain information, they won't necessarily increase your intelligence or improve your ability to reason and think abstractly.

The parent company of one of the most prominent "brain training" websites was recently fined for deceptive advertising. According to the complainant, the company suggested its games could reduce or delay cognitive impairment such as one might find in Alzheimer's patients, which is false.

So while there may be some benefits to brain training, don't expect miraculous results. Earlier studies have

found no link between increased intelligence and brain training exercises.

Same is the case with standardized tests. Students today take a wide variety of standardized tests, from assessments throughout elementary school to evaluations required for college admission. While test preparation for such assessments can increase factual knowledge, one study suggests that this preparation does little to increase overall IQ.

Why is it so? While test preparation increases what psychologists refer to as crystallized intelligence, it does not increase what is known as fluid intelligence. Crystallized intelligence includes facts and information, while fluid intelligence involves the ability to think abstractly or logically.

In a study published in the journal Psychological Science, researchers looked at the IQ scores and test scores of approximately 1,400 eighth-grade students. While schoolwork helped increase the students' test scores, it had no effect on measures of fluid intelligence. The authors suggest that fluid intelligence is a much better indicator of abilities such as problemsolving ability, abstract thinking skills, memory capacity, and processing speed.

While the study found no indicator that test preparation improved IQ, that does not mean that this preparation has no value. Research clearly shows that having high scores on standardized tests is linked to having high scores on other important tests including Advanced Placement tests, the SAT etc.

178. In the passage, 'give your brain a bit of a boost' means to -

- (a) increase its ability to grow stronger
(b) be able to play video games
(c) increase its size
(d) sharpen it

179. What do brain training tools do?

- (a) Enable you to retain information
(b) Sharpen the ability to think clearly
(c) Increase intelligence
(d) Improve problem solving abilities

180. A brain training site was fined for-

- (a) making false claims
(b) causing Alzheimer's disease
(c) helping improve learning ability
(d) decreasing intelligence

181. On comparing crystallized intelligence and fluid intelligence it is found that
- students have better fluid intelligence and perform better because of schoolwork and standardized test.
 - crystallized intelligence helps in making you think with a logical mind gives you better test scores.
 - fluid intelligence is what gives a learner skills such as problem-solving and processing of information.
 - crystallized intelligence is better because it helps you learn facts and information.
182. From the passage one can arrive at the conclusion that both brain training and standardized tests -
- do not really increase overall IQ and mental abilities.
 - sharpen logical thinking through intensive training.
 - increase brain functioning and performance.
 - make you more intelligent and get better results.
183. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
Hillary Clinton and her daughter Chelsea are working on 'The Book of Gutsy women'.
- 'The Book of Gutsy Women,' is being worked upon by Hillary Clinton and her daughter Chelsea.
 - Hillary Clinton and Chelsea will have worked upon 'The Book of Gutsy Women'.
 - 'The Book of Gutsy Women' would have been worked upon by Hillary Clinton and her daughter Chelsea.
 - Hillary Clinton and her daughter Chelsea were working upon 'The Book of Gutsy Women.'
184. Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.
The monsoons spur the trees to sprout new leaves.
- Trees were spurred to sprout new leaves by the monsoons.
 - The monsoons will have spurred the trees to sprout new leaves.
 - Trees are spurred by the monsoons to sprout new leaves.
 - The monsoons are spurring the trees to sprout new leaves.
185. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The gym instructor exclaimed that her students' performance was extremely poor.
- The gym instructor said to her students, "How poor their performance is!"
 - The gym instructor said to her students, "How is your performance so poor?"
 - The gym instructor said to her students, "How poor your performance is!"
 - The gym instructor says to her students, "Your performance is poor."
186. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The teacher suggested that the PTM be postponed to the third Saturday of the month.
- The teacher told, "The PTM will be postponed to the third Saturday of the month."
 - The teacher said, "Let's postpone the PTM to the third Saturday of the month."
 - The teacher said, "The PTM would be postponed to the third Saturday of the month."
 - The teacher suggested, "The PTM must be postponed to the third Saturday of the month."
187. Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.
The RWA members said, "We want to see the audited accounts before we make more payments."
- The RWA members are saying that they want to see the audited accounts before they make more payments.
 - The RWA members said that they wanted to see the audited accounts before they made more payments.

- (c) The RWA members said that we want to see the audited accounts before we make more payments.
(d) The RWA members said we wanted to see the audited accounts before we make more payments.
188. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. The vicious cycle of poverty refers to the situation where those who are poor will trapped in poverty.
(a) would be trap (b) will remain trapped
(c) No improvement. (d) were trapping
189. Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'. There was a time when it was fashionable to have a dainty dog, like as the poodles or any other tiny creature as a pet.
(a) like as the poodle
(b) such as a poodle
(c) No improvement.
(d) much like a poodles

Direction (Q. 190 to 199): Read the following passage and fill in each blank with words chosen from options given.

It's a magical sight: Just as the light begins to vanish, thousands of tiny penguins waddle _____ (1) the surf on an island in south-eastern Australia, then _____ (2) the beach and along well-worn paths toward _____ (3) burrows. The "Penguin Parade" has been a major attraction since the 1920s, when tourists _____ (4) by torchlight to view the nightly _____ (5) the birds — the world's smallest penguin breed, with adults _____ (6) 13 inches tall. For much of that time, the penguins lived _____ (7) the residents of a housing development, in tight proximity to cars and pets. The penguins' numbers fell _____ (8) But in 1985, the state government decided to buy _____ (9) piece of property on the Peninsula and return the land to the penguins. Today there are about 31,000 penguins _____ (10) on the peninsula, up from 12,000 in the 1980s.

190. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 1
(a) stand off (b) passing off
(c) far off (d) out of
191. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 2
(a) move out (b) move up
(c) moves on (d) moved to
192. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 3
(a) their (b) those
(c) these (d) this
193. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 4
(a) was lead (b) had led
(c) were led (d) were leading
194. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 5
(a) shining of (b) arrival of
(c) playing off (d) going of
195. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 6
(a) averages (b) average
(c) averaging (d) averaged
196. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 7
(a) within (b) among
(c) between (d) towards
197. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 8
(a) drastically (b) variously
(c) numerously (d) clearly
198. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 9
(a) all (b) any
(c) each (d) some
199. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No. 10
(a) preparing (b) proceeding
(c) propelling (d) breeding
200. Select the segment which has an error.
It is estimated that most of the addict, a whopping 85%, in God's own country Kerala, are below 25 years of age.
(a) It is estimated that
(b) are below 25
(c) most of the addict
(d) a whopping 85%

ANSWER KEY

1. (d)	2. (d)	3. (b)	4. (b)	5. (d)	6. (a)	7. (b)	8. (a)	9. (c)	10. (d)
11. (c)	12. (c)	13. (a)	14. (d)	15. (d)	16. (b)	17. (c)	18. (a)	19. (d)	20. (d)
21. (b)	22. (d)	23. (a)	24. (a)	25. (b)	26. (b)	27. (d)	28. (b)	29. (b)	30. (a)
31. (d)	32. (d)	33. (c)	34. (a)	35. (d)	36. (b)	37. (c)	38. (c)	39. (d)	40. (c)
41. (b)	42. (b)	43. (b)	44. (d)	45. (c)	46. (c)	47. (b)	48. (a)	49. (b)	50. (c)
51. (a)	52. (d)	53. (b)	54. (c)	55. (d)	56. (a)	57. (b)	58. (c)	59. (b)	60. (b)
61. (d)	62. (a)	63. (b)	64. (a)	65. (c)	66. (b)	67. (c)	68. (c)	69. (d)	70. (d)
71. (b)	72. (c)	73. (a)	74. (a)	75. (d)	76. (c)	77. (d)	78. (c)	79. (a)	80. (a)
81. (c)	82. (c)	83. (b)	84. (d)	85. (d)	86. (b)	87. (d)	88. (b)	89. (d)	90. (b)
91. (b)	92. (c)	93. (c)	94. (d)	95. (d)	96. (a)	97. (c)	98. (b)	99. (c)	100. (d)
101. (d)	102. (c)	103. (d)	104. (b)	105. (b)	106. (c)	107. (a)	108. (c)	109. (d)	110. (d)
111. (a)	112. (a)	113. (d)	114. (d)	115. (b)	116. (d)	117. (d)	118. (b)	119. (d)	120. (a)
121. (d)	122. (b)	123. (b)	124. (a)	125. (c)	126. (d)	127. (a)	128. (d)	129. (d)	130. (b)
131. (b)	132. (b)	133. (d)	134. (d)	135. (d)	136. (a)	137. (a)	138. (a)	139. (b)	140. (a)
141. (c)	142. (d)	143. (d)	144. (d)	145. (d)	146. (c)	147. (c)	148. (a)	149. (b)	150. (c)
151. (d)	152. (a)	153. (b)	154. (a)	155. (a)	156. (d)	157. (d)	158. (d)	159. (a)	160. (d)
161. (d)	162. (d)	163. (d)	164. (c)	165. (a)	166. (a)	167. (d)	168. (b)	169. (d)	170. (a)
171. (d)	172. (b)	173. (b)	174. (d)	175. (d)	176. (a)	177. (a)	178. (d)	179. (a)	180. (a)
181. (c)	182. (a)	183. (a)	184. (c)	185. (c)	186. (b)	187. (b)	188. (b)	189. (b)	190. (d)
191. (b)	192. (a)	193. (c)	194. (b)	195. (c)	196. (b)	197. (a)	198. (a)	199. (d)	200. (c)