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Grand Test - 3

Test-I : Quantitative Aptitude

Directions (Q. 1-5) : What should come in place of question mark (?) in the following number series?

01. 19   42   88   180   364   ?   1468
    1) 472   2) 732   3) 595
    4) 630   5) 1046

02. 51   57   102   324   ?   6390   38304
    1) 1250   2) 1680   3) 1296
    4) 1590   5) 1272

03. 1953.125   781.25   312.5   125   50   ?
    1) 20   2) 30   3) 15
    4) 45   5) 25

04. 4   11   32   74   144   ?   396
    1) 196   2) 205   3) 236
    4) 249   5) 289

05. 8   28   116   544   ?   13300
    1) 9378   2) 7864   3) 2672
    4) 5482   5) 3589

Directions (Q. 6-10): In the following questions two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and give answer

1) if x > y   2) if x ≥ y   3) if x < y
4) if x ≤ y
5) if x = y or the relationship cannot be established

06. I. $x^2 - 8x + 15 = 0$ II. $y^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$

07. I. $x^2 + 12x + 35 = 0$ II. $y^2 + 7y + 10 = 0$

08. I. $\dfrac{59}{\sqrt{x}} - \dfrac{97}{\sqrt{x}} = 19\sqrt{x}$ II. $\dfrac{47\sqrt{y}}{23} - \dfrac{\sqrt{y}}{23} = \dfrac{1}{\sqrt{y}}$

09. I. $\dfrac{2}{x} + \dfrac{3}{y} = 13$ II. $\dfrac{5}{x} - \dfrac{4}{y} = -2$

10. I. $\dfrac{x+3}{x+2} = \dfrac{3x-7}{2x-3}$ II. $\dfrac{4}{y} - 3 = \dfrac{5}{2y+3}$

11. How many different vehicle licence plates can be made if the licence contains 2 letters of the English alphabet followed by a two-digit number (from 01 to 99), if repetitions are allowed?
    1) 57869   2) 48920   3) 66924
    4) 43608   5) 72895

12. The probabilities of occurrence of events A and B are $\dfrac{1}{5}$ and $\dfrac{1}{3}$ respectively. The probability of their simultaneous occurrence is $\dfrac{11}{30}$. Find the probability that either A or B must occur.

1) $\dfrac{1}{6}$ 2) $\dfrac{3}{5}$ 3) $\dfrac{61}{100}$

4) $\dfrac{23}{56}$ 5) Can't be determined

13. Four cards are drawn at random from a pack of 52 cards. Find the probability of getting all the four cards of the same number. (Note: All the cards are counted as no. 1 to 13.)

1) $\dfrac{11}{24635}$ 2) $\dfrac{193}{28961}$ 3) $\dfrac{29}{37845}$

4) $\dfrac{1}{20825}$ 5) None of these

14. A motor boat takes 4 hours to travel a distance of 22 km downstream and it takes 8 hours to travel the same distance upstream. The difference between the speed of the boat in still water and that of the current is
    1) 3.25 km ph   2) 4.125 km ph   3) 2.75km ph
    4) 1.375 km ph   5) 2.50 km ph

15. A, B and C started a work together for ₹665. A and B did $\dfrac{13}{19}$ of the total work, while B and C did $\dfrac{11}{19}$ of the whole work. What is the wage of the least efficient person?
    1) ₹ 150   2) ₹ 175   3) ₹ 200
    4) ₹ 225   5) ₹ 250

16. ₹ 10125 amounts to ₹ 17496 in 3 years at r% pa compound interest. What is the value of r?
    1) 15%   2) 12%   3) 17%
    4) 21%   5) 20%

17. A retailer bought 2650 Reynolds pen and 4568 Cello pens at the same price. He sells Reynolds pen in such a way that he can buy 676 Reynolds pens with the selling price of 507 Reynolds pens. Again he can buy only 399 Cello pens with the selling price of 513 Cello pens. What is the overall percentage profit of the retailer?
    1) 9.63%   2) 22.22%   3) 11.11%
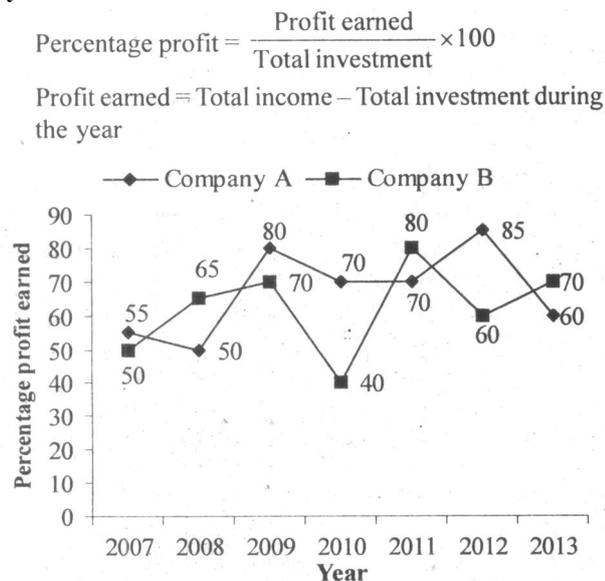   4) 33.33%   5) None of these

18. In an examination 75% of the candidates passed in History and 60% in Geography and 19% students failed in both the subjects. If 972 students passed in both the subjects, then how many candidates appeared for the examination?
    1) 1200   2) 1500   3) 2100
    4) 1800   5) 2400

Directions (Q. 19-23): What approximate value should come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?

19. $(789.689 \div 25)\%$ of $2160 = ? + 180.892$
    1) 509   2) 502   3) 680
    4) 580   5) 402

20. $(17.85)^2 \times 6.05 + (43.02)^2 \times 7.49 = ?$
    1) 15728   2) 14728   3) 16728
    4) 14792   5) 16792

21. 67.485% of $6480 - (2342.87 - 65) = ?$
    1) 4070   2) 4270   3) 4730
    4) 4370   5) 4160

22. 68% of $4096 + 17\%$ of $298.878 - 1875 = (?)^2$
    1) 29   2) 33   3) 961
    4) 31   5) 310

23. $\left(\sqrt{3968.659}\right)\%$ of $7300 \div 149.569 = ? + 2086$
    1) 2013   2) 2453   3) 2513
    4) 2813   5) 2523

Directions (Q. 24-30): Study the following graph carefully to answer these questions.

Percentage profit earned by two companies producing the year

$$\text{Percentage profit} = \frac{\text{Profit earned}}{\text{Total investment}} \times 100$$

Profit earned = Total income – Total investment during the year


24. If the profit earned in 2012 by Company A was ₹393720, what was the total income of the company in that year?
    1) ₹789465   2) ₹856920   3) ₹716459
    4) ₹ 907530   5) ₹828586

25. If the amounts invested by the two companies in 2010 were equal, what was the ratio of the total income of Company A to that of Company B in 2010?
    1) 15 : 11   2) 23 : 19   3) 11 : 13
    4) 24 : 17   5) 17 : 14

26. If the total amount invested by the two companies in 2008 was ₹ 24848460, while the amount invested .by Company B was 75% of the amount invested by Company A, what was the total profit earned by the two companies together?
    1) ₹17562173   2) ₹17328491 3) ₹14021631
    4) ₹12389725   5) ₹14869730

27. If the income of Company A in 2009 and that in 2011 were equal to the amount invested in 2009, which was ₹ 10.2 lakh, what was the amount invested in 2011?
    1) ₹ 15 lakh   2) ₹ 2131akh   3) ₹171akh
    4) ₹271akh   5) ₹ 10.8 lakh

28. I f the amount of profit earned by Company B in 2013 was ₹ 246323, what was the total investment?
    1) ₹396352   2) ₹ 51890   3) ₹439678
    4) ₹478659   5) ₹519265

29. If the amount invested by Company B in 2007 is ₹ 18 lakh and the income of 2007 is equal to the investment in 2011, what is the profit earned in 2011 by Company B?
    1) ₹21.6 lakh   2) ₹23.751akh   3) ₹ 19.7 lakh
    4) ₹ 251akh   5) ₹22.21akh

30. If each of the companies A and B invested ₹34 lakh in 2012 what was the average profit earned by the two companies?
    l) ₹28.601akh   2) ₹25.33 lakh   3) ₹29.631akh
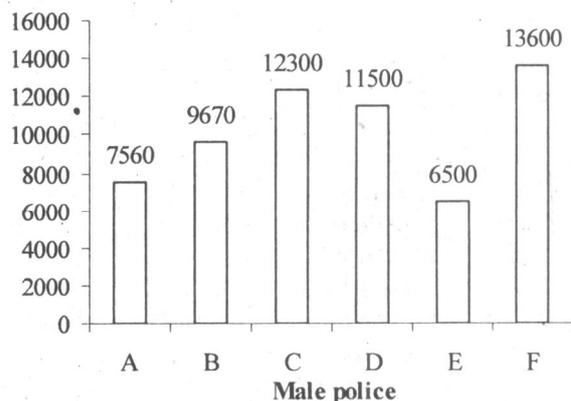   4) ₹24.65 lakh   5) None of these

Directions (Q. 31-35) : Study the following pie-chart and bar graph carefully and answer the following questions.
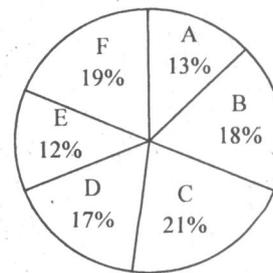
31. What is the total number of male police in District B and female police in District D and F together?
    1) 13386   2) 11295   3) 15674
    4) 17389   5) 10865

32. The number of female police in District E is what per cent of the total number of police in District B?
    1) 24.87%   2) 21.3%   3) 19.32%
    4) 27.33%   5) 33.33%

33. In which district is the number of male police more than the number of female police?
    1) B   2) E   3) D and F
    4) A and C   5) All districts

34. What is the difference between the number of female police in District B and the total number of police in District E?

1) 3896   2) 4486   3) 4125

4) 4839   5) 5267

35. What is the ratio of the number of male police in District E to that of female police in District A?

1) 1369 : 1177   2) 975 : 391   3) 1511 : 897

4) 1625 : 918   5) None of these

Directions (Q. 36-40) : Study the following graph and answer the questions that follow:

The graph shows the number of candidates taking admission in Institute A and B.
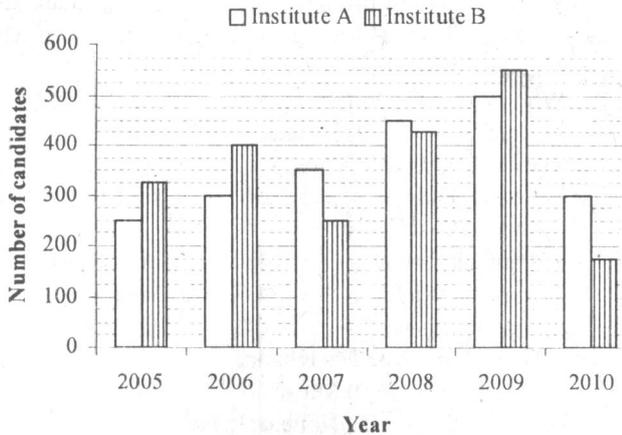

36. In which year was the total number of candidates taking admission in both the institutes together the second lowest?

1) 2006   2) 2005 and 2010   3) 2007 and 2009

4) 2009   5) 2008

37. What was the average number of candidates taking admission in institute A over all the years? (Approximately)

1) 329   2) 306   3) 358

4) 372   5) 398

38. Total number of candidates taking admission in institute A in all the years together was approximately what per cent of the total number of candidates taking admission in institute B in all the years together?

1) 101%   2) 109%   3) 99%

4) 113%   5) 119%

39. What was the difference between the total number of,, candidates taking admission in Institute A in the year 2006 and 2009 together and the total number of candidates taking admission in Institute B in the year 2005 and 2008 together?

1) 75   2) 50   3) 100

4) 125   5) 25

40. What was the ratio of the number of candidates taking admission in Institute A in the year 2007 to the total number of candidates taking admission in both the institutes together in the year 2005?

1) 12 : 29   2) 17 : 38   3) 11 : 19

4) 14 : 23   5) None of these

Directions (Q. 41-45): Study the following table carefully to answer the questions that follow: Number of students selected in campus interview by six different companies over the years in the states

Company	P	Q	R	S	T	U
2009	978	1125	817	620	734	686
2010	865	971	723	546	673	712
2011	780	694	583	387	532	684
2012	595	720	624	421	568	532
2013	756	814	570	595	498	637
2014	698	773	635	634	671	525

41. What is the average number of students selected in campus interview by all the companies together in the year 2012?

1) 577   2) 720   3) 635

4) 819   5) 630

42. What is the ratio of the total number of students selected by Company R in the year 2010 and 2014 together to the total number of students selected by Company T in the same years?

1) 71 : 89   2) 29 : 30   3) 59 : 65

4) 97 : 96   5) 83 : 85

43. What is the average number of student selected by Company P in all the given years together? (approximately)

1) 730   2) 748   3) 779

4) 796   5) 782

44. What is the percentage increase in the number of students selected by Company R in 2012 from the previous year?

1) 7.03%   2) 6.33%   3) 9.28%

4) 11.25%   5) 13.33%

45. The number of students selected by Company T in the year 2013 forms approximately what per cent of the total number of students selected by all the companies together in that year?

1) 14.5%   2) 11%   3) 10%

4) 13%   5) 15%

Directions (Q.46-50): Study the following pie-chart carefully to answer these questions. Total number of passengers travelling by six different trains = 9600
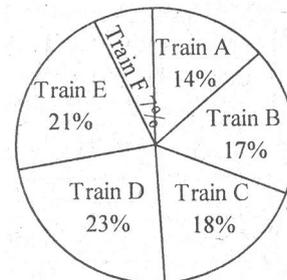
46. What was the average number of passengers travelling by B, D and F together?

1) 1504   2) 1595   3) 1632

4) 1472   5) 1539

47. In Train E, if 45% of the passengers are females and 28% are children, what is the number of male passengers in that train? (Not exact value)

1) 513   2) 595   3) 544

4) 630   5) 695

48. The number of passengers in Train F is approximately what per cent of the total number of passengers in Train A and Train C.together?
    1) 19%   2) 22%   3) 25%
    4) 20%   5) 27.5%
49. Which train has the second highest number of passengers?
    1) B   2) A   3) D
    4) E   5) F
50. The number of passengers travelling by train B is what percentage more than the number of passengers travelling by Train F?
    1) 138%   2) 129%   3) 143%
    4) 147%   5) 158%

Test-II : Reasoning Ability

Directions (Q. 51-56): Study the following informatio carefully and answer the questions given below :

Mr and Mrs Khanna has one son and two daughters and all are married. Mr Khanna invited his entire family for dinner. All eight persons are sitting around a rectangular table - three on each longer side and one on each smaller side. Mr Khanna sits on the smaller side of the table. Rohit and Shilpa represent one of the couples. Kalpna sits on her son's immediate right. Ritesh sits between Roshni and Shilpa. Gunita is not the wife of Deepak. Each man sits between two women. Roshni is daughter-in-law of Mr Khanna, who is not the neighbour of his daughters.

51. Who among the following is husband of Roshni?
    1) Ritesh   2) Deepak   3) Rohit
    4) Either Deepak or Ritesh   5) None of these
52. What is Kalpna's position with respect to her husband?
    1) Immediate right   2) Second to the left
    3) Immediate left   4) Third to the right
    5) None of these
53. Who sits opposite Mr Khanna?
    1) Deepak   2) Ritesh   3) Gunita
    4) Rohit   5) None of these
54. How is Kalpna related to Ritesh?
    1) Wife   2) Sister   3) Mother-in-law
    4) Sister-in-law 5) None of these
55. If all the males interchange their positions with the persons on their immediate right and all the females interchange their positions with the persons on their immediate left, then who among the following is third to the right of Deepak?
    1) Gunita   2) Shilpa   3) Roshni
    4) Ritesh   5) None of these
56. How many persons are there between Deepak and Ritesh according to the given arrangement?
    l) One   2) Two   3) Three
    4) Can'tbedetermind   5) None of these

Directions (Q. 57-61): In the given questions, assuming the given statements to be true, find which of the given three conclusions numbered I, II and III is/are definitely true and give your answer accordingly.

57. Statements : $Q \leq P = T, M \geq P, D > M = K$
    Conclusions : I. $D > P$ II. $T \leq K$ III. $K > Q$
    1) Only I is true
    2) All I, II, and III are true
    3) Only III is true
    4) Only I and II are true
    5) None of these
58. Statements : $E < X \geq B > C, E \geq N \geq W$
    Conclusions : I. $N > B$ II. $X > W$ III. $E \geq C$
    1) Only II is true   2) Only I is true
    3) Only II and III are true   4) Only I and III are true
    5) None of these
59. Statements : $E > R = T \geq Q, P \leq N > C = Q$
    Conclusions : I. $N \geq T$ II. $R \geq P$ III. $E > C$
    1) Only III is true   2) Only II and III are true
    3) Only I and II are true   4) Only II is true
    5) None of these
60. Statements : $K = L \leq M > T, W > H > Y = T$
    Conclusions : I. $K > Y$ II. $L < H$ III. $W > M$
    1) Only II is true   2) All I, II, and III are true
    3) None is true   4) Only I and III are true
    5) Only I is true
61. Statements : $S \leq U < R = G, S \geq P \geq N = V$
    Conclusions : I. $G > V$ II. $N \leq U$ III. $R > P$
    1) Only.I and II are true   2) Only I and III are true
    3) Only II is true   4) All I, II and III are true
    5) None of these

Directions (Q. 62-64): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions give below:

There are five towns S, T, P, R and Q. T is to the northeast of Q. R is 2 km to the east of Q, who is 5 km to the west of S. P is to the northwest of R and in the line of QT. R is 4 km the south of T.

62. In which direction is P with respect to S?
    1) North   2) East   3) Northwest
    4) Southwest   5) None of these
63. What is the distance between town R and town S?
    l) 4 km   2) 3 km   3) 2 km
    4) can't be dertermined   5) None of these
64. In which direction is S with respect to T?
    1) Southeast   2) West   3) East
    4) Southwest   5) None of these

Directions (Q. 65-69): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions give below :

A word and number arrangement machine when given an input line of words and numbers rearranges them following a particular rule in each step. The following is an illustration of an input and its rearrangement :
Input : some 31 tower down 32 29 what 45 ice 52 75 all
Step I : what 75 some 31 tower down 32 29 45 ice 52 all
Step II : what 75 tower 52 some 31 down 32 29 45 ice all
Step III : what 75 tower 52 some 45 31 down 32 29 ice all
Step IV : what 75 towei52 some 45 down 32 31 29 ice all
Step V : what 75 tower 52 some 45 down 32 all 31 29 ice
Step VI : what 75 tower 52 some 45 down 32 all 31 ice 29
And Step VI is the last step of the above input. As per the rules followed in the above steps, find out the appropriate steps for the above input.
Input : equal 54 inter 83 out town 25 79 under close 57 price 12

65. How many steps will be required to complete the rearrangement?
    1) four   2) five   3) six
    4) seven   5) None of these

66. Which of the following would be at the seventh position from the right in step IV?
    1) equal   2) inter   3) 54
    4) 57   5) None of these

67. Which step number would be the following output?
    town 83 price 79 close 57 equal 54 inter under 25 out 12
    1) Step IV   2) Step III   3) Step VI
    4) There is no such step   5) None of these

68. If in the last step all the words get rearranged in alphabetical order, which of the followhg words will remain at its original position?
    l) out   2) price   3) inter
    4) under   5) None of these

69. How many words/numbers are there between '79' and 'inter' in step II?
    1) Three   2) Four   3) None
    4) Two   5) None of these

70. How many such pairs of letters are there in the word OBJECTIVE each of which has as many letters between them in the word as in the English alphabet[1]!
    l) None   2) One   3) Two
    4) Three   5) None of these

Directions (Q. 71-75): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

In a certain code language, 'India win the match' is written as 'ka pa sa ta', 'Pakistan loss the match' is written as 'ta pic ka ha',' India defeated Pakistan now' is written as 'sa sit ha tip' and 'match between India and Pakistan' is written as 'sa ja ta til ha'.

71. How is 'match' written in that code language?
    1) pic   2) sit   3) ta
    4) pa   5) None of these

72. Which of the following is represented by the code 'pic ja pa'?
    1) loss and win   2) between the loss
    3) loss between win   4) Either 1) or 3)
    5) None of these

73. Which of the following is the code for 'now the match between'?
    1) sit ka ta til   2) kr pa til tip
    3) tip sit ja ta   4) Can't be determine
    5) None of these

74. What does 'ha' stand for?
    1) Pakistan   2) India   3) match
    4) Can't be determind   5) None of these

75. What is the code fo 'loss'?
    1) ta   2) ka   3) sa
    4) pic   5) None of these

Directions (Q. 76-80): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

There are seven shops denoted by seven consecutive numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 6 and 7. All the shops sell different things, viz - Watche, Clothes, Shoes, Mobiles, Sweets, Electronics and Crockery. Seven persons are working in these shops, viz Rajesh, Rakesh, Santosh, Mohan, Kamlesh, Rupesh and Roshan, but not necessarily in the same order.

• Rakesh works in shop no. 3 and Mohan does not work at the watch shop.
• Roshan dcesn't work in the crockery shop. The crockery shop is next to the mobile shop.
• Kamlesh works at the shoes shop.
• The shop at which Rajesh works is shop no. 6.
• The shop at which Mohan works is immediately before the shop at which Roshan works.
• The electronics shop is immediately after the watch shop and immediately before the clothes shop.
• Rupesh works in the mobile shop, which is shop no. 5.

76. In which of the following shops does Mohan work?
    1) Electronics   2) Clothes   3) Sweets
    4) Can't be determined   5) None of these

77. The shop which is immediately before the Mobile shop is ?
    1) Crockery shop   2) Clothes shop
    3) Sweet shop   4) Electronics shop
    5) None of these

78. Which of the following combinations is correct?
    1) Shop no. 2 - Roshan - Watch
    2) Shop no. 6 - Rakesh - Shoes
    3) Shop no. 3 - Rakesh - Watch
    4) Shop no. 4 - Rupesh - Mobile
    5) None of these

79. In which shop does Kamlesh work?
    1) Shop no. 2   2) Shop no. 3   3) Shop no. 6
    4) Shop no. 7   5) None of these

80. Which of the following shops is denoted by no. 6?
    1) Clothes   2) Electronics   3) Sweets
    4) Watch   5) None of these

Directions (Q. 81-85): In each question below are given three statements followed by three conclusions numbered I, II and III. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts. Read all the conclusions and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

81. **Statements :** Some cars are trucks.
    No train is a truck.
    Some trains are jeeps.
    Conclusions : I. Some jeeps are not trucks.
    II. Some cars are not trains.
    III. Some jeeps are trains.
    1) Only I and II follow   2) All I, II and III follow
    3) None follows   4) Only III follows
    5) None of these

82. **Statements :** All flowers are grasses.
    No grass is a leaf.
    Some leaves are plants.
    Conclusions :
    I. All grasses being flowers is a possibility.
    II. All plants being leaves is a possibility
    III. Some leaves are not grasses.
    1) Only I and III follow   2) Only I and II follow
    3) Only III follows   4) All follow
    5) None of these

83. **Statements :** All trees are branches.
 Some branches are seeds.
 No fruit is a tree.
 Conclusions : I. Some branches are not fruits.
 II. Some seeds are branches.
 III. Some seeds being trees is a possibility.
 1) Only I and II follow 2) Only III follows
 3) Only II follows 4) Only II and III follow
 5) All follow

84. **Statements :** No mouse is a keyboard.
 No keyboard is a computer.
 All wires are computers.
 Conclusions : I. No mouse is a computer.
 II. No keyboard is a wire.
 III. No computer is a keyboard.
 1) Only I and II follow 2) Only II follows
 3) Only II and III follow 4) Only III follows
 5) None of these

85. **Statements :** Some spoons are bowls.
 All bowls are plates.
 Some glasses are spoons.
 Conclusions : I. Some glasses are bowls.
 II. Some plates are bowls.
 III. At least some glasses are plates.
 1) Only II follows 2) Only II and III follow
 3) Only III follows 4) None follows
 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 86-90): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

There are eight teddies of different colours, viz Blue, Orange, Violet, Green, Pink, Red, Maroon and Purple. They are kept on the corners of two square tables placed side by side. If we consider the two squares together as a rectangle, then each teddy on one long side of the rectangle is facing a teddy each on the other long side.

Red and Purple teddies are kept on the two corners that meet. Maroon teddy is kept in front of Red teddy. Violet teddy is opposite Orange teddy and on the immediate left of Maroon teddy. Pink teddy is kept diagonally opposite Purple teddy on one square table. Blue teddy is not adjacent to Maroon teddy.

86. If the positions of Blue teddy and Green teddy are interchanged then which teddy will sit second to the left of Green teddy?
 1) Maroon 2) Blue 3) Purple
 4) Violet 5) None of these

87. Which teddy sits diagonally opposite Violet teddy on the same table?
 1) Green 2) Red 3) Pink
 4) Blue 5) None of these

88. Which teddies sit adjacent to Pink teddy?
 1) Violet, Green 2) Orange, Blue
 3) Blue, Green 4) Green, Red
 5) None of these

89. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and hence form a group. Which is the one that does not belong to that group?
 1) Red, Violet 2) Orange, Maroon 3) Red, Pink
 4) Blue, Green 5) Purple, Pink

90. Which of the following teddies is in front of the Blue teddy?
 l) Pink 2) Purple 3) Green
 4) Red 5) None of these

91. **Statement :** Next time, when you lose your baggage or meet with an accident while travelling by train, you need not run from pillar to post and wait for years before the cheque lands at your door.
 Which of the following can be **inferred** from the given information? (An inference is something that is not directly stated but can be inferred from the given information.)
 1) There will be quick settlement of claims into the customer's account.
 2) All travellers' details will be linked with Aadhaar card.
 3) The loss will be covered by any insurance company through railways.
 4) There will be direct settlement of claim by the IRCTC.
 5) None of these

92. **Statement :** The central government agencies SFAC and Nafed have decided to sell Nashik onion in Delhi.
 Which of the following may be the **main reason** for the above statement?
 1) To control the rising prices
 2) To ease inflation
 3) To benefit the traders
 4) To curb black marketing
 5) None of these

93. **Statement :** Passengers will now get text messages on their mobile phones if their scheduled trains get cancelled.
 Which of the following can be **concluded** from the above statement?
 1) This service is only available to passengers at originating stations.
 2) Messages will be sent only in case train gets cancelled due to unavoidable circumstances.
 3) It will help passengers plan for alternative arrangements in time.
 4) Passengers are advised to invariably mention their mobile numbers on the reservation slips.
 5) None of these

94. **Statement :** With the implementation of Mobile Number Portability (MNP), mobile subscribers can now keep their existing mobile phone numbers even while shifting between states and circles.
 Which of the following **inference** will be **definitely true** according to the above statement?
 1) There will be a decrease in the national roaming charges.
 2) The profit of the mobile phone companies will reduce.
 3) Mobile users will retain their service providers.
 4) People won't change their numbers frequently.
 5) None of these

95. **Statement :** The crime branch unearthed a major fake admission racket in Delhi University and arrested around 100 candidates for forged documents.

Which of the following **courses of action** should be taken against the students havingforged documents?
1) DU should cancel the admission of such candidates.
2) Strict action should be taken by the college authorities against such candidates.
3) Document verification should be done properly.
4) Life term imprisonment should be awarded to such candidates.
5) Only l)and2)

Directions (Q. 96): Read the following information carefully and answer the questions which follow:

Statement : It has become a bit like the inspector raj of yore. Government assessors walk up to restaurants, groceries, sidewalk cafes, and randomly pick up samples of packaged water, coffee, noodles, sandwiches - as a matter of fact, any packaged or unpackaged edibles - for testing, and leave the owners or managers of the outlets quaking in their shoes.

96. Which of the following can be **inferred from** the given information? (An inference is something that is not directly stated but can be inferred from the given information.)
   1) Food inspectors are becoming conscious about consumer interest.
   2) Unsafe food has been banned in India.
   3) Hygienic food leads to good health.
   4) Food manufacturers are honest and there is no reason to worry.
   5) None of these

97. **Statement :** A survey done by an autonomous research institute under the Ministry of Finance has found that "50 per cent" of the MGNREGA beneficiaries "pay bribes" for payment of their wages. Which of the following **negates** the statement made by the research Institute?
   1) Illiteracy in the rural areas
   2) Presence of less number of banks in the rural areas.
   3) Beneficiaries not having a bank account
   4) Transparency in distribution of wages
   5) None of these

98. **Statement :** Over- one-third of the Indian population living in rural areas is illiterate even after 68 years of independence, according to the Socio Economic and Caste Census (SECC) 2011.
   Which of the following may not be a **probable reason** for the illiteracy in India?
   1) Lack of primary and secondary schools
   2) Availability of good teachers in private and government schools
   3) Lack of good and unbiased course material
   4) Good vocational training in schools and colleges
   5) Only 2) and 4)

99. **Statement :** Asian Development Bank proposes to increase lending to India by almost 50 per cent to $ 12 billion by 2018.
   Which of the following may be a **direct benefit** to the Indian government?
   1) Growth of the country will be boosted up.
   2) Key infrastructure growth will be boosted up.

3) The country's growth rate will surpass China's by 2018.
4) There will be a surge in the demand for skilled labourers.
5) None of these

100. **Statement :** India will overtake China, the world's most populous nation, by 2022, according to the new UN report, which revises its previous estimates, which . put the date around 202 8.
   Which of the following may not be a **probable reason** for the rise in India's population?
   1) Illiteracy in the country
   2) Rise of young people in the reproductive age
   3) Decrease in mortality rate
   4) Increase in average life expectancy
   5) Decline in employment opportunities

Test-III : English Language

Directions (101-110) : Read the following passage carefully and answer the question given below it. Certain words have been printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.

Secularism may not be a hated word in Nepal today, but it is arguably one of the most **contentious** issues in the constitution-making process. Some of the major parties that took the lead in declaring Nepal secular in May 2006 are rethinking the matter. Last week, K.P. Oli, chairman of the Communist Party of Nepal-Unified Marxist Leninist (CPN-UML) invited Modnath Prashrit as guest speaker at the party's standing committee meeting. Prashrit, who quit the party seven years ago, has been a key **crusader** against making Nepal a secular country. He also favours restoring January 11, the birth anniversary of king Prithvi Narayan Shah (1723-75), as national unity day.

The government led by G.P. Koirala, which had the UML as a coalition partner and Maoist support from outside, had taken both decisions — doing away with Nepal's Hindu status and the national unity day. Prashrit has stood against the government ever since, and asked for the **annulment** of both. Others, mainly the Maoists, fear that a review of Nepal's secular status may next lead to a questioning of the federal and republican character of Nepal.

"How can this country remain secular, which means adopting an indifferent approach towards religion, when it spends from its coffers 500 million rupees for the development of Buddha's birthplace, an almost equal amount for the development of Hindu shrines, and a little less for arranging Hajj trips?" he asked. And added, "As a country that has been the birthplace of Buddhism and the land of many Hindu gods and goddesses, its glorious past, civilisation and culture must not be done away with."

The demand for the restoration of Nepal's Hindu status is gaining ground. Not only the UML but also the Nepali Congress (NC), which heads the coalition with the former, is vertically split on the issue. Religion and caste/ ethnicity have emerged as the major issues and stumbling blocks in constitution-writing. Maoist chief Prachanda, who heads a 30-party alliance that includes the Madhesi parties, has been demanding ethnicity-based provinces while advocating a secular state. According to a senior NC leader, "…a Hindu

wave sweeps across Terai as well as the hills, and Dahal (Prachanda) is being backed by European groups in dividing Hindu society."

Managing politics and parties with diverse ideologies may be easier some times. But the politics of caste and religion may not be that easy to handle. The January 22 deadline for the delivery of the constitution will be missed, which may not only cause the early exit of Sushil Koirala as prime minister but also bring the second Constituent Assembly's existence into question. The UML, by reviewing "secularism", perhaps wants to convey the message that it will deal with contentious issues more seriously and solicit a wide spectrum of public opinion, something that hasn't happened in the past.

Secularism is being interpreted differently, triggering a large scale reaction. Padma Ratna Tuladhar, who issued a public statement as minister in 1993 arguing to allow cow slaughter, now leads a movement for secularism and ethnicity-based provinces in alliance with Prachanda. Maoists have a history of **trampling** Hindu temples and idols, burning rare Sanskrit manuscripts and **slaughtering** cows, which remains taboo, during the civil war. As a result, Hindu groups are now more agitated, especially after some EU states began openly advocating the right to change one's religion.

But while provisions were debated threadbare before they became part of that constitution, no such process was followed last time round, when Nepal was declared a secular and federal republic. "We will not compromise on our demand that people must. have their say on all these issues, if necessary through a referendum," said the Rastriya Prajatantra.

Choose the correct answer among the options given under each question(101-105) based on the above passage

101. What was/ were the decisions taken by Govt led by G.P. koirala ?
(a) Doing away with Nepal's Hindu status
(b) Redeeming National unity Day
(c) Allowing cow slaughter
(1) only b　　(2) only c　　(3) only a
(4) both a and b　(5) both a and c

102. Which of the following is not true in the context of the passage?
(1) Major parties that took lead in declaring Nepal secular in may 2006 are rethinking the matter
(2) prashrit quit CPN- UML seven years ago.
(3) prashrit favours restoring jan 11 as national unity day
(4) prashrit advocated in favour of Nepal becoming a secular country.
(5) None of these

103. Which of the following is true in the context of the passage?
(1) maoists don't have history of trampling hindu temples.
(2) EU states began openly advocating the right to change one's religion
(3) Nepal will have the constitution by january 22.
(4) prachanda being opposed by European union groups in dividing hindu groups
(5) None of these.

104. Which of the following is/ are the questions asked by parshrit to Nepal's Govt?
(a) About The country providing 500 million rupees for the development of Buddha's birth place.
(b) About the country giving Around 500 million rupees for development of Hindu shrines
(c) About the country giving a little more amount for arranging Hajj trips.
(1) only a　　(2) only b　　(3) only c
(4) a and c　　(5) a and b

105. What was the public statement issued by padma Ratna tuladar as minister in 1993?
(1) annulment of national unity day
(2) annulment of Nepal's Hindu status
(3) Hindu wave sweeps across terai as well as hills
(4) To allow cow slaughter
(5) None of these

Directions (106-108): Choose the word which is most similar in meaning to the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

106. contentious
(1) unquestioned　　(2) agreed upon
(3) controversial　　(4) encouraging
(5) dangling

107. crusader
(1) advocating reform　(2) stubborn　(3) annihilator
(4) wrecker　　(5) renovator

108. annulment
(1) derogation　　(2) recall　(3) disparagement
(4) cancel　　(5) none of these

Directions (109-110): Choose the word which is most opposite in meaning to the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

109. trampling
(1) untarnished　　(2) injure　(3) evoke
(4) abase　　(5) mortify

110. Slaughter
(1) vanquish　　(2) crush　(3) rescue
(4) massacre　　(5) none of these.

Directions (111-120) : In the following passage there are blanks each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each five words are suggested one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) (**111**) the Micro Units Development and Refinance Agency (MUDRA) Bank is a new institution being (**112**) by Government of India for development and refinancing activities relating to micro units. It was announced by the Hon'ble Finance Minister while (**113**) the Union Budget for FY 2016. The purpose of MUDRA is to (**114**) funding to the non corporate small business sector.

Under the scheme, Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana three categories of interventions has been named (**115**) includes Shishu, Kisor and Tarun. These three categories will (**116**) the growth, development and funding needs of the (**117**) as well as it will assure the loan amount to be allotted (**118**) Micro Units Development and Refinance Agency Bank.

Under this scheme, (**119**) Money Control.com, nearly 1,65,000 people (**120**) the over-drafting facility where the government mobilised USD $157,400,000 for this scheme by 1 September 2015.

111. (1) referred   (2) advised   (3) under
     (4) reported   (5) through
112. (1) set about   (2) set aside   (3) set back
     (4) set up   (5) set forth
113. (1) admitting   (2) allowing   (3) involving
     (4) permitting   (5) presenting
114. (1) take over   (2) spread   (3) determine
     (4) decide   (5) provide
115. (1) whom   (2) who   (3) which
     (4) why   (5) whose
116. (1) sponsoring   (2) sanctioning   (3) guarantee
     (4) encouraging   (5) signify
117. (1) beneficiaries   (2) lenders   (3) recipient
     (4) borrower   (5) creditor
118. (1) through   (2) to   (3) by
     (4) of   (5) over
119. (1) according to   (2) in lieu   (3) instead of
     (4) relevant   (5) envisaged
120. (1) hindrance   (2) prevent   (3) enabled
     (4) avail   (5) instigate

Directions (121-125) : Which of the phrases (1), (2), (3) and (4) given below each statement should replace the phrase printed in bold in the sentence to make it grammatically correct ? If the sentence is correct as it is given and No correction is required', mark (5) as the answer

121. The centre has decided to strengthen vigil along **ports to ensure that** there is no illegal export of cow meat which is banned in India.
   1) port of making sure   2) ports in making sure that
   3) port in making sure that   4) ports of making sure that
   5) no improvement required

122. A three member committee favoured **a 400 percent hike over** basic salary of the capital's MLAs.
   1) 400 percents increase   2) a 400 percent hike in
   3) an 400 percent increase   4) the 400 percents hike
   5) no improvement required

123. veterans **who has been protesting** the delay in the implementation of the one rank one pension policy may return medals to PM.
   1) whom have been protesting
   2) which has protested
   3) who have been protested
   4) who have been protesting
   5) No improvement required.

124. The CBI had moved an application seeking to interrogate Indrani and other accused persons on **her respective jail premise**.
   1) their respective jail premises   2) his respectively jails
   3) respective jail premise   4) its respective jail
   5) No improvement required

125. Sohrabuddin's brother **wants to withdraw** plea against shah's dicharge in fake encounter case.
   1) wanted to withdrawal   2) want to withdrawal
   3) want to withdraw   4) wanted for withdrawing
   5) No improvement required.

Directions (126-130) : Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is (5) i.e. 'No Error'. (Ignore the errors of punc-tuation, if any

126. The prime minister's office on Tuesday(1)/ sought a report of the union home ministry(2)/ on the dadri incident in which a 50 year old man was dragged out out(3)/ of his house and lynched amid rumours that he had consumed beef(4)/ No error (5)

127. It was an unfortunate incident(1)/ I appeal to every citizen(2)/ to maintain communal harmony(3)/ who is everyone's responsibility(4)/ No error (5)

128. The army has objected to (1)/ the government's plan to build embarkment in (2)/ the 179-km stretch of The international border(3)/ in jammu district(4)/ No error (5)

129. The families of the three kidnapped men(1)/ and resident's of their village is (2)/ in a grip of fear(3)/ superintendent of police koya praveen is camping in chintapalli to monitor the situation(4)/ No error (5)

130. In a swift action(1)/ The bengaluru police arrested two persons(2)/ accused of sexual assaulting (3)/ a 23-year old BPO employee in a tourist van on Saturday(4)/ No error(5)

Directions(131-135): choose the most suitable answer for the blanks among the options given below each question:

131. The president's ....to israel is significant as prime minister is also expected to follow his flight path to israel in near future as....... by external affairs minister sushma swaraj.
   1) travel, denote   2) inspect, declare
   3) visit, announced   4) inflicted, proclaim
   5) imposed, foretold

132. Congress general secretary Digvijay singh has said that anti cow slaughter feelings were........ part of India, while adding that veer savarkar, was, however in favour of .... old and infirm cattle.
   1) inherent, culling   2) arranged, consenting
   3) built in, accept   4) integral, taking
   5) dyed, admitting

133. British spies can........... into phones remotely with a simple text message and make audio recordings without......... of the owners
   1) catch, skill   2) take hold , acquirement
   3) seized, ignorance   4) grabbing, unknowingly
   5) hack, knowledge

134. Ideas flew thick and .... at a meeting on the ....ceremony for Amaravathi.
   1) rapid, base   2) accelerated, grounding
   3) fast, foundation   4) sudden, earthing
   5) hurried, anchoring

135. A poor , starving man will have no second thoughts about shedding his privacy rights to........... for as it gets him a.......... meal and earnings.
   1) enters, profitable   2) inscribe, payable
   3) recruit, net   4) enrol, square
   5) engrave, substantially

Directions (136-140) : Rearrange the following six sentences (A), (B), (C), (D), (E) and (F) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then answer the questions given below them.

   (A) Nobody likes to practise it, no matter how easy and how beneficial it is.

   (B) An ounce of patience is worth, or at times even better than, a pound of brains.

(C) Patience, a virtue, is considered to be even better than wisdom.

(D) This is the worst drawback in us, in our national character.

(E) Every one of us agrees with this fast in principle, without reservation.

(F) But, unfortunately, when it comes to practising patience, there is a problem.

136. Which of the following should be the **FIRST** statement after rearrangement?
1) A   2) B   3) C
4) F   5) D

137. Which of the following should be the **SECOND** statement after rearrangement?
1) B   2) E   3) A
4) F   5) C

138. Which of the following should be the **THIRD** statement after rearrangement?
1) A   2) E   3) F
4) D   5) B

139. Which of the following should be the **FIFTH** statement after rearrangement?
1) C   2) D   3) A
4) F   5) B

140. Which of the following should be the **SIXTH (LAST)** statement after rearrangement?
1) D   2) C   3) B
4) F   5) E

Directions (141-145): Mark the out-of-context sentence for your answer.

141. A. It came as something of a surprise when scientists determined that human beings share almost 99 percent of their genetic material with chimpanzees.
B. Prehuman bipeds predated stone tools, which appeared approximately 2.5 million year ago.
C. Despite all the is held in common, however, the differences are crucial and allow humans to be allotted their won genus and species, Homo sapiens.
D. This led one scientific journalist to refer to humans as "the third chimpanzee."
1) Only A   2) Only B   3) Only C
4) Only D   5) None of the above

142. A. This is the country where the leader of the ruling party, the speaker of the lower house of parliament, at least three chief ministers, and a number of sports and business icons are women.
B. It is also a country where a generation of newly empowered young women are going out to work in large number than ever before.
C. It's early days yet, but one hopes these are the first stirrings of change.
D. Trust Law, a news service run by Thomson Reuters, has ranked India as the worst G20 country in which to be a woman.
1) Only A   2) Only B   3) Only C
4) Only D   5) None of the above

143. A. For no apparent reason you cannot help yourself from humming or singing a tune by Lady Gaga or Coldplay, or horror upon horrors, the latest American Idol reject.
B. Songs that get stuck in your head and go round and round, sometimes for days, sometimes for months.
C. Some people call them earworms.
D. It there was nothing unique about them they would be swamped by all the other memories that sound similar too.
1) Only A   2) Only B   3) Only C
4) Only D   5) None of the above

144. A. Nasa could design another rover, equipped with all sorts of life-hunting instrumentation, only to find it is taking the wrong measurements with the wrong detectors.
B. The reason scientists favour a sample return mission is that they do not know exactly what they are looking for.
C. Lunar rocks and soil were sealed in bags and only opened in airtight laboratories.
D. Martian life, for example, could come in many different guises and using equipment designed to detect life on Earth, may not pick it up on Mars.
1) Only A   2) Only B   3) Only C
4) Only D   5) None of the above

145. A. I am particularly optimistic about the potential for technological innovation to improve the lives of the poorest people in the world.
B. Companies are then willing to make the investments required to build new systems, and customers are able to accept the transition costs of adopting new behaviours.
C. But I believe that a realistic appraisal of the human condition compels an optimistic worldview.
D. Usually, "optimism" and "realism" are used to describe two different outlooks on life.
1) Only A   2) Only B   3) Only C
4) Only D   5) None of the above

Directions (146-150): For each of the words given below, a contextual usage is provided. From the alternatives given, pick the word that is the most inappropriate as a substitute in the given context and mark its number as your answer.

146. Venom: The venom in his voice was unmistakable.
1) rancour   2) abhorrence   3) malice
4) malevolence   5) bitterness

147. Acquittal: His acquittal in spite of the incriminating evidence surprised all of us.
1) dismissal   2) vindication   3) exoneration
4) deliverance   5) exculpation

148. Presage: The phenomenal growth of this chain of stores presaged globalization and was a glitzy part of it.
1) supported   2) signaled   3) prophesised
4) portended   5) threatened

149. Unassailable: Its brand image is unassailable.
1) impregnable   2) invincible   3) inviolable
4) invisible   5) secure

150. Abjure: I have decided to abjure smoking.
1) relinquish   2) renounce   3) abnegate
4) discontinue   5) abandon

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