



Previous Year Paper

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2021 Prelims

English Language

Directions (Q1-Q9): Read the passage and answer the following questions.

Does your diet meet your body's nutritional needs? We often think that eating a diet full of veggies, cereals and fruits is enough to meet our body's nutritional needs, but a recent study reveals that upto 70% of nutrients can be provided by an Indian diet.

Nearly nine out of 10 doctors and nutritionists believe that the average daily Indian diet fulfils only 70 per cent or even lower nutritional needs of a person, according to a survey.

The findings are based on a nationwide survey of 220 healthcare practitioners (doctors and nutritionists) by multivitamin supplement brand Supradyn. The survey brought to light an **(1)** _____ gap in meeting the body's 100 percent nutrition requirements across all zones in India.

As many as 90 per cent doctors and nutritionists agreed to at least a 30 per cent nutrition gap in average daily diet even among states that predominantly consume non-vegetarian foods.

Further, the survey showed that vitamin B12 and D3 are the top two vitamins lacking in an average daily diet across the country, followed by zinc, iron, calcium, folic acid, and vitamin C.

A whopping 73 per cent doctors and nutritionists believe that this inadequacy can be overcome with a daily dose of multivitamin-multimineral supplements.

The doctor-led nutrition survey has identified a surprisingly large nutrition gap in our daily diets, highlighting a grave insufficiency of micronutrients.

This survey has brought to life a surprising truth: an average daily diet cannot always meet 100 percent of your body's nutrition requirement. Including a daily multivitamin-multimineral supplement can help bridge the nutrition gap and provide your body with **(2) optimum** energy and immunity levels.

With Covid-19 pandemic having reset priorities, health and wellness have risen to the top of minds. **(3)** Hence, meeting daily **necessity (A)** of nutrients should be **added (B)** at as a growing **requirements (C)**, not just an **looked (D)** advantage, the survey suggested.

Q1. Only what percent of nutritional requirements are provided by Indian diets, according to a recent study?

- a) 20% or lower
- b) 30%-40%
- c) 50%-60%
- d) 70% or lower
- e) 100%

Answer: D

Explanation:

In the passage, it is stated that “Nearly nine out of 10 doctors and nutritionists believe that the average daily Indian diet fulfils only 70 per cent or even lower nutritional needs of a person, according to a survey.”

Q2. Who conducted the survey and who were surveyed?

- a) The survey was conducted by the national Rural Health Mission and 220 healthcare practitioners participated in it.
- b) A multivitamin supplement brand conducted the survey and doctors and nutritionists were surveyed.
- c) Supradyn conducted the survey and only doctors were surveyed.
- d) The doctors conducted the survey and many pharmaceutical industries participated in the survey.
- e) 220 healthcare practitioners conducted the survey in which many individuals from rural areas participated

Answer: B

In the passage, it is stated that “The findings are based on a nationwide survey of 220 healthcare practitioners (doctors and nutritionists) by multivitamin supplement brand Supradyn.”

Q3. What two vitamins/minerals are the top two that are lacking in an average Indian daily diet, according to the survey?

- a) Vitamin C and Vitamin B
- b) Zinc and iron
- c) Vitamin B12 and Vitamin D3
- d) Vitamin D and folic acid
- e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation:

In the passage, it is stated that "Further, the survey showed that vitamin B12 and D3 are the top two vitamins lacking in an average daily diet across the country, followed by zinc, iron, calcium, folic acid, and vitamin C."

Q4. What was concluded from the survey?

- a) An average daily diet can always meet 100 percent of your body's nutrition requirement.
- b) No diet is perfect and Indian diet is far from perfection, which does not even provide 30% of the body's nutrition requirement.
- c) Nutritionists in India are trying to identify the macronutrients that are lacking in an Indian diet.
- d) Compared to Indian diet, the diet chart of an average American is much better.
- e) Including a daily multivitamin-multimineral supplement can help bridge the nutrition gap and provide your body with optimum energy and immunity levels.

Answer: E

In the passage, it is stated that "This survey has brought to life a surprising truth: an average daily diet cannot always meet 100 percent of your body's nutrition requirement. Including a daily multivitamin-multimineral supplement can help bridge the nutrition gap and provide your body with optimum energy and immunity levels."

Thus, option 5 is correct.

Q5. Which of the following statements is/are correct according to the passage?

- (i) A recent study reveals that up to 70% of nutrients can be provided by an Indian diet.
 - (ii) Around 10 per cent doctors and nutritionists agreed to at least a 30 per cent nutrition gap in average daily diet.
 - (iii) Eating a diet full of veggies, cereals and fruits is enough to meet our body's nutritional needs.
 - (iv) The survey has identified a surprisingly large nutrition gap in our daily diets, highlighting a grave insufficiency of micronutrients.
- a) Only i is correct
 - b) Both ii and iii are correct
 - c) Both i and iv are correct
 - d) i, ii and iv are correct
 - e) All are correct

Answer: C

Explanation:

ii- not just 10%, but 90 % doctors agree to this.

iii- that is something that was believed to be true earlier, but the survey proved it wrong.

Q6. Which of the following can be an appropriate title for the passage?

- a) Average Indian diet has insufficient nutrition: study
- b) Indian diet: a comparison with other diets across the world.
- c) The importance of vegetables in everyday diet.
- d) Ill effects of Covid 19: falling nutritional efficiency of world nations.
- e) How doctors across the world found a way to deal with nutritional demands of the people.

Answer: A

Explanation:

A- it describes what the passage is about, hence is appropriate as the title.

B- no other diet is compared with the Indian diet in the passage.

C- the importance of vegetables is not much stressed in the passage.

D- this is not the central theme, and does not fit as the title of the passage.

E- doctors across the world are not part of the passage.

Q7. In the passage, a sentence, marked as (1) has a blank in it. Fill in the blank with an appropriate word from the options.

- a) enlightening
- b) encouraging
- c) utilising
- d) alleviating
- e) alarming

Answer: E

Explanation:

The correct word is 'alarming', which means 'causing worry or fear'. Other words are inappropriate with respect to the context.

Q8. From the options, select a near synonym of the word 'optimum' as mentioned as (2) in the passage.

- a) worst
- b) better
- c) best
- d) bad
- e) worse

Answer: C

Explanation:

The word 'optimum' means 'best; most likely to bring success or advantage'.

Q9. In the sentence mentioned as (3) in the passage, 4 words are in bold and they may or may not be in their correct position. From the options, pick up the option which mentions the correct place of the words. If the words are at their correct place and no exchange is required, select option 5, 'No exchange required' as the answer.

Hence, meeting daily **necessity (A)** of nutrients should be **added (B)** at as a growing **requirements (C)**, not just an **looked (D)** advantage, the survey suggested.

- a) Only A-B
- b) Both A-D and B-C
- c) Only C-D
- d) Both A-C and B-D
- e) No exchange required

Answer: D

Explanation:

A and B seem correct at their respective places, but C and D are clearly inappropriate. Exchanging C-D will not make the sentence correct. The word 'requirements' is correct at A. So, A-C can be interchanged. Also, B-D should be interchanged.

*Hence, meeting daily **requirements** of nutrients should be **looked** at as a growing **necessity**, not just an **added** advantage, the survey suggested.*

Directions (Q10-Q14): In each of the questions given below, four words are given in bold. These four words may or may not be in their correct position. The sentence is then followed by options with the correct combination of words that should replace each other in order to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. Find the correct combination of words that replace each other. If the sentence is correct as it is, select 'E' as your option.

Q10. The MCC had earlier **seeking (A)** to the Government **written (B)** its nod to **dues (C)** interest accrued on the principal amount of water tax for one-time settlement of **waive (D)**.

- a) Only A-B
- b) A-C and B-D
- c) A-B and C-D
- d) Only B-C
- e) The sentence is correct

Answer: C

Explanation:

At A, 'seeking' is wrong. The only word that can be placed at A is 'written'. So, A-B can be exchanged.

Also, C and D are not in their correct places. They also should be exchanged.

The MCC had earlier **written** to the Government **seeking** its nod to **waive** interest accrued on the principal amount of water tax for one-time settlement of **dues**.

Q11. The number of **view (A)** participating in the Republic Day **camp (B)** has been **reduced (C)** to half in **cadets (D)** of the COVID-19 pandemic this year and last year.

- a) A-B and C-D
- b) A-C and B-D
- c) Only A-D
- d) Only B-D
- e) The sentence is correct

Answer: C

The word 'view' is grammatically and contextually incorrect. It should be exchanged. The only word that is grammatically correct at A is 'cadets'. So, A-D should be exchanged. B and C are at their correct places.

The number of **cadets** participating in the Republic Day **camp** has been **reduced** to half in **view** of the COVID-19 pandemic this year and last year.

Q12. Experts, who **mild (A)** out that the infection has largely been **pointed (B)** during this wave, said **infected (C)** people are generally **recovering (D)** within a week.

- a) Only A-B
- b) Both A-D and B-C
- c) Both A-C and B-D
- d) Only C- D
- e) The sentence is correct

Ans-1

*Experts, who **pointed** out that the infection has largely been **mild** during this wave, said **infected** people are generally **recovering** within a week.*

Q13. In India, the latter ceremony **developed (A)** its origins to the early 1950s when Major Roberts of the Indian Army **traces (B)** a unique ceremony of **display (C)** by the massed bands, **according (D)** to the Defence Ministry.

- a) Only A-B
- b) A-C and B-D
- c) A-D and B-C
- d) A-B and C-D
- e) The sentence is correct

Answer: A

Explanation:

After the word developed, the preposition 'to' is incorrect and wouldn't provide a proper meaning to the sentences. But 'traces...to' is correct. So, A-B should be exchanged.

C and D are correct at their respective places.

*In India, the latter ceremony **traces** its origins to the early 1950s when Major Roberts of the Indian Army **developed** a unique ceremony of **display** by the massed bands, **according** to the Defence Ministry.*

Q14. The ECI had said that though the Directive Principles of State Policy **enshrined (A)** in the Constitution **enjoined (B)** upon the State to **objection (C)** various welfare measures for the citizens, there could be no **frame (D)** to the promise of such welfare measures in election manifestos.

- a) Only A-D
- b) A-C and B-D
- c) A-D and B-C
- d) Only C-D
- e) The sentence is correct

Answer: D

Explanation:

A and B are correct at their respective places.

C is incorrect at its place. It should be exchanged. When C-D is exchanged, the sentence will be correct.

*The ECI had said that though the Directive Principles of State Policy **enshrined** in the Constitution **enjoined** upon the State to **frame** various welfare measures for the citizens, there could be no **objection** to the promise of such welfare measures in election manifestos.*

Directions (Q15- Q19): From the options given below, select the option which states the correct combination of incorrect sentences.

Q15. I. The Tiruchi district administration has asked NHAI to convert the four-lane Tiruchi-Madurai highway into a six-lane road near Panchapur, where a new integrated bus terminus has been proposed.

II. Though the salient features of the terminus are yet to be finalised, officials expect that the Detailed Project Report will have details on various aspects, including design and elevation of the bus terminus and passenger amenities.

III. It is expected that at least six roads would cross the Tiruchi-Madurai highway near Panchapur, thereby raising hopes of manifold increase in traffic in and around the new bus terminus, necessitating a six-lane road.

- a) Only I is incorrect
- b) Both II and III are incorrect
- c) Both I and III are incorrect
- d) Only III is incorrect
- e) All are incorrect

Answer: D

The word 'across' is incorrect in III. It should be 'cross'.

*III- It is expected that at least six roads would **cross** the Tiruchi-Madurai highway near Panchapur, thereby raising hopes of manifold increase in traffic in and around the new bus terminus, necessitating a six-lane road.*

Q16.

I. With COVID-19 putting the squeeze on travel and hospitality sectors for near two years now, private operators in the city are facing a tough season.

II. The Centre digitised the application and selection of prospective pilgrims since November last through the portal of the Haj Committee of India that function under the Ministry of Minority Affairs.

III. Private tour companies in the State will know whether they will be allowed to cater to Haj traffic by March.

- a) Only II is incorrect
- b) Both I and II are incorrect
- c) Both II and III are incorrect
- d) Only III is incorrect
- e) All are incorrect

Answer: B

*I- With COVID-19 putting the squeeze on travel and hospitality sectors for **nearly** two years now, private operators in the city are facing a tough season.*

*II. The Centre digitised the application and selection of prospective pilgrims since November last through the portal of the Haj Committee of India that **functions** under the Ministry of Minority Affairs.*

Q17.

I. Without a global efforts to rapidly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, average global temperatures are very likely to exceed 2°C even with current policies in place.

II. While many developing countries made net-zero pledges at COP26 in Glasgow, they face enormous developmental challenges in their attempts to grow in a climate-constrained world.

III. Unless the energy-intensive growth trajectories of the industrialised world, India's economic growth in the last three decades, led by growth in the services sector, has come at a significantly lower emissions footprint.

- a) Only I is incorrect
- b) Both II and III are incorrect
- c) Both I and III are incorrect
- d) Both I and II are incorrect
- e) All are incorrect

Answer: C

Explanation:

*I- Without a global **effort** to rapidly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, average global temperatures are very likely to exceed 2°C even with current policies in place.*

*III- **Unlike** the energy-intensive growth trajectories of the industrialised world, India's economic growth in the last three decades, led by growth in the services sector, has come at a significantly lower emissions footprint.*

Q18.

I. Build at the site of an infamous detention centre set up by the British government, the IIT-Kharagpur was the first IIT to be commissioned.

II. Notwithstanding the criticism of encouraging brain drain and generate intense admission competition among school going students, the premier IITs continue to have a transformative presence in India's technical and science education system.

III. The intention of the calendar is to establish an alternate premise that the Aryans, the carriers of Vedic culture, was indigenous to the Indus Valley and surrounding regions.

- a) Only II is incorrect
- b) Only III is incorrect
- c) Both I and II are incorrect
- d) Both II and III are incorrect
- e) All are incorrect

Answer: E

Explanation:

*I- **Built** at the site of an infamous detention centre set up by the British government, the IIT-Kharagpur was the first IIT to be commissioned.*

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Q19.

I. Aimed at benefiting more than 40 lakh beneficiaries with real-time information from the convenience of their homes, the Health Ministry have revamped the Central Government Health Scheme website and mobile app.

II. The Minister said the facility will enable delivery of healthcare services without venturing out and is an innovative step during the ongoing pandemic.

III. The website has been developed in accordance with Guidelines for Indian Government Websites and has user friendly features including aid for visually impaired persons like audio play of the text and option to increase the font size etc.

- a) Only I is incorrect
- b) Both II and III are incorrect

- c) Both I and II are incorrect
- d) Only III is incorrect
- e) All are incorrect

Answer: A

Explanation:

*I- Aimed at benefiting more than 40 lakh beneficiaries with real-time information from the convenience of their homes, the Health Ministry **has** revamped the Central Government Health Scheme website and mobile app.*

Directions (Q20- Q24): In the following questions, each sentence has two blanks. Choose the appropriate set of words for the blanks that best fits in the context of the sentence.

Q20. The organisational reshuffle has once again brought to fore the internal _____ which has been _____ regularly over the past few months.

- a) squad, suppress
- b) suspense, submitting
- c) sequences, solving
- d) squabbles, surfacing
- e) None of these

Answer: D

Explanation:

Squabble- an argument over something that is not important.

Surfacing- appearing

These two words are correct here.

*The organisational reshuffle has once again brought to fore the internal **squabbles** which has been **surfacing** regularly over the past few months.*

Q21. She said the idea behind the book was to _____ and preserve Assamese culture and also help understand the various _____ of the Assamese society in detail.

- a) document, facets
- b) destroy, faces
- c) downtrodden, facts
- d) demand, fame
- e) None of these

Answer: A- Document- to record information about something by writing about it or taking photographs of it.

Facet- one of the parts or features of something.

She said the idea behind the book was to **document** and preserve Assamese culture and also help understand the various **facets** of the Assamese society in detail.

Q22. With an _____ to reduce the number of road accidents, the West Bengal government has _____ to increase traffic violation fines as per the Motor Vehicles Act.

- a) amount, dedicated
- b) ambitious, declared
- c) aim, decided
- d) attempt, demanded
- e) None of these

Answer: C- Here, 'aim' and 'decided' are the correct words.

In the first option, both words are inappropriate.

In the second option also, both the words are inappropriate.

In the fourth option, 'attempt' is incorrect because we say 'In an attempt', not 'with an attempt' to do something'.

With an **aim** to reduce the number of road accidents, the West Bengal government has **decided** to increase traffic violation fines as per the Motor Vehicles Act.

Q23. Despite a complete _____ in trade and travel between India and Pakistan, a new _____ by the Pakistan Hindu Council to allow pilgrims to travel by air has been forwarded by the government in Islamabad.

- a) block, policies
- b) standstill, proposal
- c) hindrance, priority
- d) obstruct, plan
- e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation:

Standstill- a condition in which all movement or activity has stopped.

The words 'standstill' and 'proposal' are correct here.

In option 1, 'policies' is incorrect.

In option 3, 'priority' is incorrect.

In option 4, 'obstruct' is incorrect.

*Despite a complete **standstill** in trade and travel between India and Pakistan, a new **proposal** by the Pakistan Hindu Council to allow pilgrims to travel by air has been forwarded by the government in Islamabad.*

Q24. Grama One, which seeks to provide a _____ of government services under the same roof in rural areas, was _____ in 12 districts by the Chief Minister on January 26.

- a) best, started
- b) ranges, implemented
- c) variety, begin
- d) host, launched
- e) None of these

Answer: D

Explanation:

'a host of' means 'a large number of something'.

The words 'host' and 'launched' are correct here.

*Grama One, which seeks to provide a **host** of government services under the same roof in rural areas, was **launched** in 12 districts by the Chief Minister on January 26.*

Directions (Q25- Q28): In each of the following questions, a word has been used in sentences in **THREE** different ways. Choose the option corresponding to the sentences in which the usage of the word is **CORRECT** or **APPROPRIATE**.

Q25. Cognizant

- (i) He was **cognizant** of the peculiarities of the case.
 - (ii) All who travel should be over **cognizant** of this fact.
 - (iii) These two factors **cognizant** to cause a temperature runaway with drastic lowering in yield.
- a) Only i
 - b) Both ii and iii
 - c) Both i and ii
 - d) i, ii and iii
 - e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation:

The word 'cognizant' means 'understanding or realizing something.'

In i and ii, it is used correctly, but not in iii.

Q26. Impasse

- (i) Negotiations have reached an **impasse**.
 - (ii) Our **impasse** response to the attack was sheer horror.
 - (iii) The proposal offered both sides a way out of the diplomatic **impasse**.
- a) Only i
 - b) Both ii and iii
 - c) Both i and iii
 - d) Only ii
 - e) None of these

Answer: C

The word 'impasse' means 'a situation in which further development is impossible'.

In i and iii, it is correct, but not in ii.

Q27. Deterrent

- (i) The speech has strengthened our faith and **deterrent**.
 - (ii) They seriously believe that capital punishment is a **deterrent**.
 - (iii) I admire him for his **deterrent**.
- a) Only ii
 - b) Both ii and iii
 - c) Only iii
 - d) Both i and iii
 - e) None of these

Answer: A- *The word 'deterrent' means 'a thing that discourages or is intended to discourage someone from doing something'.*

Only in ii, it is correct.

Q28. Subtle

(i) The evidence is not detailed enough to **subtle** his argument.

(ii) The flavour of the dried berries is more **subtle**.

(iii) Her book displays many **subtle** linguistic felicities.

- a) Only i
- b) only ii
- c) Both i and ii
- d) Both ii and iii
- e) None of these

Answer: D

Explanation:

The word 'subtle' means 'small, but important'.

i is incorrect, whereas ii and iii are correct.

Directions (Q29- Q30): Choose the combination that completes the sentences.

Q29.

Column (1)	Column (2)
(A) State Bank of India appreciated the staff for the tireless efforts	(D) SBI has also been at the forefront in the fight against the pandemic through various COVID relief measures.
(B) Besides providing uninterrupted banking service in spite of the challenges	(E) then combating the spread of the virus,
(C) The country is putting the best efforts	(F) it put in amid the challenges posed by the coronavirus pandemic.

- a) Only A-F
- b) A-E and B-F
- c) Only B-D
- d) B-E and C-D
- e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation:

Here, only B-D can be a pair.

Option 1- 'it' in F is inappropriate, when the two sentences are combined.

Q30.

Column (1)	Column (2)
(A) Year 2021, coming to an end in a week, witnessed successes of strategies	(D) adopted by the police in facing challenges from Left-wing extremists.
(B) Yet the underlying message is that they still want to continue	(E) challenge from them to the police in the whole year.
(C) Barring this violence having potential to scare	(F) their attempts to regain foothold in Telangana which was once their stronghold.

- a) Only A-E
- b) A-D and B-F
- c) Only C-E
- d) B-D and C-F
- e) None of these

Answer: B

A-D and B-F forms pairs. C does not have a pair.

Directions (Q31- Q33): Identify the words that are similar in meaning to the phrase in underline. If none of option conveys the correct meaning, mark (E) as your answer. The options do not necessarily need to be grammatically correct.

Q31. And those predicting total economic mayhem may still be forced to eat humble pie by this time next year if economic growth starts to pick up.

- a) strive for success
- b) do a good deed for someone
- c) starve for a long time
- d) admit that they were wrong
- e) None of these

Answer: D

Explanation:

The idiom 'eat humble pie' means 'to admit that you were wrong' or 'accept that one has been defeated'.

Q32. Federal policy on women's health research has evolved by fits and starts.

- a) stopping and starting again
- b) a continuous journey
- c) without any hurdles
- d) doing something instead of something else
- e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation:

If something happens in fits and starts, it often stops and then starts again.

Q33. Conveniently, there were other people around, and I was rescued in the nick of time.

- a) after a long time
- b) with a lot of hesitation
- c) at the last possible moment
- d) without thinking
- e) None of these

Answer: C- The idiom 'in the nick of time' means 'at the last possible moment'.

Directions (Q34- Q36): In each question, there are two statements which can be combined into a single statement in a number of different ways without changing their meaning. Below are given three probable starters (i), (ii) and (iii) of such a combined sentence. One, two, three or none of them may be correct. Decide upon which is/are correct, if any, and mark the option which denotes your answer. If none of the three starters is suitable, mark 'None of these' as your answer.

Q34.

1. The Maoists are kept at bay by consistent combing operations by elite commando forces.
2. Police are keeping a close watch on the attempts by some members of alleged frontal organisations of Maoists.

- (i) Despite keeping the Maoists at bay by consistent combing operations...
- (ii) Unfortunately, keeping the Maoists at bay by consistent combing operations...
- (iii) While keeping the Maoists at bay by consistent combing operations...

- a) Only i
- b) Both ii and iii
- c) Both i and iii
- d) i, ii and iii
- e) None of these

Answer: C

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Q35.

1. The Governor acknowledged the services of the scientists, doctors, paramedical staff, nurses and other frontline warriors.
 2. They helped the country implement the world's largest vaccination drive in a seamless manner.
- (i) For helping the country implement the world's largest vaccination drive...
- (ii) Because of helping the country implement the world's largest vaccination drive...
- (iii) Although acknowledging the services of the scientists, doctors, paramedical staff, nurses and other frontline warriors...
- a) Only i
 - b) Both i and ii
 - c) Both ii and iii
 - d) Only iii
 - e) None of these

Answer: A

For helping the country implement the world's largest vaccination drive in a seamless manner, the Governor acknowledged the services of the scientists, doctors, paramedical staff, nurses and other frontline warriors.

Q36.

1. The Centre will issue the gazette notification and invite objections for 21 days on land acquisition from owners proposed to be taken up on northern side.
 2. This will be followed by a public hearing after which permanent borders for the 100-metre road will be fixed.
- (i) At the same time the Centre issues the gazette notification and invite objections for 21 days...
- (ii) Following a public hearing after which permanent borders for the 100-metre road will be fixed...
- (iii) In spite of the gazette notification and invite objections for 21 days on land acquisition...
- a) Only ii
 - b) Both i and ii
 - c) Both I and iii
 - d) i, ii and iii
 - e) None of these

Answer: E

Explanation:

All the given starters are incorrect.

ii would make a grammatically correct statement, but the meaning will be reversed.

Directions (Q37- Q41): Six statements are given below, which are jumbled in any random order. Only statement (b), which has been emboldened, is in its correct place. These statements will form a coherent and meaningful paragraph, when arranged in the correct sequence. Arrange the sentences in the right order and answer the questions that follow.

- (a) This year's festival is dedicated to the late Ajay Gandhi, founder of Manthan and one of the former directors of HLF.
- (b) When the directors of the festival decided late last year to conduct it virtually, it appeared to be a preemptive move, factoring in the possibility of the third wave of COVID-19.**
- (c) After the talk, there would be literary sessions, which will take up diverse topics and the delegates include Nobel laureate Abhijit Banerjee and artist Cheyenne Olivier.
- (d) Carnatic vocalist and writer T M Krishna will deliver a tribute to Mr Gandhi on the opening evening, before moving on to talk about 'Artistic Universe: Creative Spaces Within and Without'.
- (e) There will also be workshops for children and teens, art exhibitions and movie screenings by Moving Images group.
- (f) For the second consecutive year, the Hyderabad Literary Festival will be held virtually.

Q37. Which of the following is the third sentence after rearrangement?

- a) c
b) a
c) d
d) f
e) e

Answer: B- The correct order of the sentences is **f, b, a, d, c and e.**

*Here, **f** is the first statement, as it introduces what we are talking about- The Hyderabad Literary Festival. **b** is the second sentence. the sentence after **b** is definitely **a**, because other statements revolve around **a**. After **a** comes **d**. It will be followed by **c** because in **c**, 'after the talk' is mentioned and 'the talk' is mentioned in **d**. **e** is the last sentence of the passage.*

Q38. Which of the following is the fourth sentence after rearrangement?

- a) d
- b) f
- c) e
- d) a
- e) c

Answer: A

The correct order of the sentences is f, b, a, d, c and e.

Here, f is the first statement, as it introduces what we are talking about- The Hyderabad Literary Festival. b is the second sentence. the sentence after b is definitely a, because other statements revolve around a. After a comes d. It will be followed by c because in c, 'after the talk' is mentioned and 'the talk' is mentioned in d. e is the last sentence of the passage.

Q39. Which of the following is the sixth (last) sentence after rearrangement?

- a) f
- b) a
- c) e
- d) c
- e) d

Answer: C

The correct order of the sentences is f, b, a, d, c and e.

Here, f is the first statement, as it introduces what we are talking about- The Hyderabad Literary Festival. b is the second sentence. the sentence after b is definitely a, because other statements revolve around a. After a comes d. It will be followed by c because in c, 'after the talk' is mentioned and 'the talk' is mentioned in d. e is the last sentence of the passage.

Q40. Which of the following is the fifth sentence after rearrangement?

- a) e
- b) f
- c) a
- d) d
- e) c

Answer: E

The correct order of the sentences is f, b, a, d, c and e.

Here, f is the first statement, as it introduces what we are talking about- The Hyderabad Literary Festival. b is the second sentence. the sentence after b is definitely a, because other statements revolve around a. After a comes d. It will be followed by c because in c, 'after the talk' is mentioned and 'the talk' is mentioned in d. e is the last sentence of the passage.

Q41. Which of the following is the first sentence after rearrangement?

- a) c
- b) a
- c) d
- d) f
- e) e

Answer: D

The correct order of the sentences is f, b, a, d, c and e.

Here, f is the first statement, as it introduces what we are talking about- The Hyderabad Literary Festival. b is the second sentence. the sentence after b is definitely a, because other statements revolve around a. After a comes d. It will be followed by c because in c, 'after the talk' is mentioned and 'the talk' is mentioned in d. e is the last sentence of the passage.

Directions (Q42-Q50): Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

The Indonesian Government has issued various policies to fight Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19). However, cases have continued to fluctuate over a year into the pandemic. There is a need to assess the country's healthcare system's capacity to absorb and accommodate the varying healthcare demands.

Indonesia is an important **bellwether** for the state of democracy in the era of COVID-19. It is the world's fourth most populous nation and a Muslim-majority democracy with hundreds of ethnic groups and substantial numbers of religious minorities. Alongside its size and diversity, the country shares some common features with other populous democracies like India, Brazil, and the United States. Over 1 year into the COVID-19 Pandemic, Indonesia had reported 1,837,126 cases and 51,095 deaths. The most crowded island of Java has the highest caseload, with all six provinces in the island making up around 66.1% of the national tally.

Currently available medical staff in Indonesia are insufficient to deal with potentially increasing demands for managing COVID-19 cases. This pandemic highlighted the human resources challenges the country's health system has been struggling with, characterized by an inadequate physician-to-population ratio, an inequality of physician geographical distribution, and a significant shortage of nurses and midwives. The shortage of healthcare professionals has been further _____
(1) by the deaths of healthcare professionals, which have been reported worldwide. Lack of personal protective equipment (PPE) has been commonly cited as a cause of death among healthcare professionals globally. Such lack of PPE, including coveralls, N95 masks, and face shields, has also been reported in Indonesia.

Surges in patients requiring hospitalization have led to depleted medical supplies and escalating the utilization of limited medical equipment (e.g., ventilators). (2) Especially in small cities (i) and mechanical ventilation, (ii) shortage of high-flow oxygen devices (iii) **and outside Java**, (iv) has been reported (v). The pandemic has exposed the fragility of medical supply chains in Indonesia. The medical supply system in Indonesia has so far relied mainly on the global supply chain.

(3) The surge of COVID-19 cases (i)/have also exposed the limited capacity (ii)/of the Indonesian healthcare infrastructure (iii)/to manage medical waste (iv). Improper disposal of medical waste has been a major environmental problem in Indonesia even before the pandemic.

The Indonesian Government needs to ramp up the country's healthcare capacity. In terms of staff, the number and distribution of healthcare workers and their well-being are still areas of concern. Boosting healthcare capacity should be coupled with efforts to flattening the curve, e.g., suppress transmission through the implementation of effective and evidence-based public health and social measures; reduce exposure by (4) **enabling** communities to adopt risk-reducing behaviours and practice infection prevention and control. Effective pandemic response ultimately requires governments' commitment to increase healthcare capacity and flatten the curve concurrently.

Q42. What is the main theme of the passage?

- a) Indonesia, as a role model to the world, showing how it coped with COVID-19 pandemic.
- b) Assessing the capacity of the Indonesian Healthcare System to Respond to COVID-19.
- c) How the pandemic affected the third world countries.
- d) Neglect of duty by the Indonesian Government during the pandemic and how it has negatively affected other countries of the world.
- e) Analysis of pandemic relief measures taken by various countries across the globe.

Answer: B

The passage talks about Indonesia and its healthcare capacity to respond to the pandemic.

Option 1 is wrong because the passage doesn't project the country as a role model.

Option 3 is wrong because only one country is being talked about.

Option 4 is wrong because the passage doesn't talk about how other countries were affected.

Option 5 is wrong because the measures taken by only one country is mentioned here.

Q43. What issues faced by the Indonesian Government on COVID management is/ are mentioned in the passage?

- I. Insufficient medical staff in Indonesia
 - II. Deaths of healthcare professional
 - III. Lack of personal protective equipment
 - IV. Management of medical supplies
 - V. Depletion of medical waste
- a) Only ii
 - b) Both iii and iv
 - c) i, ii and iii
 - d) iii, iv and v
 - e) All these issues were faced by the Indonesian government.

Answer: C

iv- Depletion of medical supplies

v- Management of medical waste.

Q44. What are some of the suggestions by the author to effectively flatten the curve in Indonesia?
Select the option that is correct.

- (i) increasing the number of healthcare workers and focusing on their well-being.
 - (ii) implementation of effective and evidence-based public health and social measures
 - (iii) reducing exposure by enabling communities to adopt risk-reducing behaviours
 - (iv) practicing of infection prevention and control by communities.
- a) Only i
 - b) i and ii
 - c) ii and iii
 - d) ii, iii and iv
 - e) All are correct

Answer: E

All these are suggested by the author. they are mentioned in the last paragraph of the passage.

Q45. Which of the following is not correct according to the passage?

- a) Indonesia is world's fourth most populous nation.
- b) In Indonesia, Java is the most crowded island, but not many cases are reported there.
- c) There is an inadequate physician-to-population ratio, an inequality of physician geographical distribution, and a significant shortage of nurses and midwives in Indonesia.
- d) Improper disposal of medical waste was a major environmental problem in Indonesia even before the pandemic.
- e) The medical supply system in Indonesia relied mainly on the global supply chain and the pandemic has made it difficult to procure necessary supplies.

Answer: B

All statements except B are correct. B is wrong because it is stated in the passage that "The most crowded island of Java has the highest caseload, with all six provinces in the island making up around 66.1% of the national tally."

Q46. Which of the following is the synonym of the word 'bellwether' mentioned in the passage?

- a) miser
- b) pacesetter
- c) practitioner
- d) dreamer
- e) failure

Answer: B- The word 'bellwether' means 'something that leads or indicates a trend.'

The word 'pacesetter' means 'a person or organization that is the first to do new or different things and so provides an example for others to follow'. They are synonyms.

Q47. Fill in the blank with a suitable word from the options given below. The blank is marked as (1) in the passage.

- a) acute
- b) accumulated
- c) accuses
- d) abide
- e) aggravated

Answer: E- The word 'aggravated' is only grammatically and contextually correct here.

'aggravate' means 'to make a bad situation worse'.

Q48. In the passage, a sentence is marked as (2). The sentence is divided into five parts, where only one part is in its correct place. Arrange the rest of the parts correctly so that it would be grammatically and contextually correct.

Especially in small cities (i) and mechanical ventilation, (ii) shortage of high-flow oxygen devices (iii) **and outside Java**, (iv) has been reported (v).

- a) i and ii should be interchanged.
- b) i and iii should be interchanged.
- c) ii and v should be interchanged
- d) i-ii and iii-v should be interchanged.
- e) The sentence is correct.

Answer: B- Here, 'small cities and medical ventilation' is incorrect and 'shortage of devices and outside Java' is inappropriate. Exchanging i-iii would make the sentence correct.

Shortage of high-flow oxygen devices and mechanical ventilation, especially in small cities and outside Java, has been reported.

Q49. The sentence marked as (3) in the passage, is divided into four parts. In that sentence, there may be an error, and if there is an error, it will be in only one part of the sentence. Identify the part containing error. If there is no error, mark option 5, 'No error' as the answer.

- a) The surge of COVID-19 cases
- b) have also exposed the limited capacity
- c) of the Indonesian healthcare infrastructure
- d) to manage medical waste
- e) No error

Answer: B- Since 'the surge' is mentioned, the verb should be singular and 'have' should be changed to 'has'.

*The surge of COVID-19 cases **has** also exposed the limited capacity of the Indonesian healthcare infrastructure to manage medical waste.*

Q50. Which of the following is a near antonym of the word 'enable', as mentioned in the passage as (4)?

- a) cover
- b) allow
- c) pester
- d) prevent
- e) saturate

Answer: D- The word 'enable' means 'to make someone able to do something, or to make something possible'.

The word 'prevent' means 'to stop something from happening or someone from doing something'.

Reasoning Aptitude

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

Give answer

Q51. **Statement:** "You are hereby appointed as a programmer with a probation period of one year and your performance will be reviewed at the end of the period for confirmation." - A line in an appointment letter.

Assumptions: I. The performance of an individual generally is not known at the time of appointment offer.

II. Generally an individual tries to prove his worth in the probation period.

- a) Only assumption I is implicit
- b) Only assumption II is implicit
- c) Either I or II is implicit
- d) Neither I nor II is implicit
- e) Both I and II are implicit

Ans- 5

Q52. Statements: In 2015, the government has decided against reduction of prices of petroleum products, though there is a significant drop in the crude oil prices in the international market.

Assumption: I. The present price of different petroleum products will help the government withstand any possible price rise in future. II. The prices of crude oil in the international market may again increase in the near future.

- a) Only assumption I is implicit
- b) Only assumption II is implicit
- c) Either I or II is implicit
- d) Neither I nor II is implicit
- e) Both I and II are implicit

Ans- 4

Q53. Statement : You can't solve syllogism question without constructing a diagram(Venn). Difficult question of syllogism need Venn diagram solving, A teacher tells his students.

Assumptions: I. The students are not intelligent. II. Problem cannot be solved.

- a) If only I is implicit
- b) If only II is implicit
- c) If either assumption I or II is implicit
- d) If neither assumption I nor II is implicit
- e) If both are implicit

Ans- 4

Direction: In Each question below is followed by two arguments numbered I and II. You have to decide which of the arguments a “strong” argument is and which a “weak” argument is. “Strong” arguments are those which are both important and directly related to the question. “Weak” arguments are those which are of minor importance and also may not be directly related to the question or may be related to a trivial aspect of the question.

Q54. **Statement:** Should graduation be made minimum educational qualification for entry level jobs in any public sector organisation?

Argument I. Yes, graduates always perform better than non-graduates by virtue of their higher level of education.

II. No, there are quite a few people who cannot afford to remain unemployed till the completion of graduation and are capable of performing equally well as the graduate candidates.

- a) If only Argument I is strong
- b) If only Argument II is strong
- c) If either Argument I or II is strong
- d) If neither Argument I or II is strong
- e) If both Argument I or II is strong

Ans- 4

Q55. **Statement:** The survey for this year reports that the number of people living below poverty line has increased in urban areas. **Argument:** I. People living in rural areas are not below the poverty line.

II. A similar survey was conducted last year.

- a) If only course of action I follows
- b) If only course of action II follows
- c) If either course of action I or II follows
- d) If neither course of action I nor II follows
- e) If both courses of action I and II follow

Ans- 2

Direction:- Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

Seven boxes are arranged in a stack J, K, L, M, N, O and P are placed one above another (but not necessarily in the same order) are containing seven different items i.e. Syrups, Tablets, Pills, Diapers, Sanitizers, Cotton and Scissors.

Four boxes are between the box J and the one which contains Cotton. Box K contains Pills. Only one box is between O and J. Only three boxes are between J and K. O is placed in the middle of the stack. Same number of boxes are placed between O and P and O and the box which contains Cotton. P does not place below the box which contains Pills. Only one box is between the box which contains Diapers and box M. The box that contains Syrups is above the box that contains Diapers but not place immediate above the box that contains Diapers. Only one box is between the box which contains Syrups and box L. N contains Cotton. O does not contain Sanitizers and Scissors. M does not contain Scissors. Box L is not placed below M.

Q56. How many boxes is/are there below P?

- a) One
- b) Two
- c) Three
- d) Four
- e) More than four

Ans- e

Q57. 'Box L' contains which of the following item?

- a) Tablets
- b) Diapers
- c) Sanitizers
- d) Scissors
- e) None of these

Ans- 2

Q58. Find the pair of item and boxes which is correct?

- a) M – Diapers
- b) L – Scissors
- c) K – Tablets
- d) J – Sanitizers
- e) None of the above is true.

Ans- 5

Q59. Which of the following box is immediate below the box that contain Tablets ?

- a) J
- b) K
- c) L
- d) M
- e) None of these

Ans- 4

Q60. Which of the following item belongs to the box which is immediate above P?

- a) Tablets
- b) Diapers
- c) Sanitizers
- d) Scissors
- e) None

Ans- 5

Direction:- Study the following digit-letter-symbol sequence carefully and answer the questions given below:

T ¥ A J M 3 © F \$ N # 9 D % C * W 6 & E X 5 Q I + R @ 8 G 7

Q61. How many such number are there in the above sequence, each of which is immediately preceded by a consonant and immediately followed by a symbol?

- a) None
- b) One
- c) Two
- d) Four
- e) None of these

Ans- 3

Q62. Which of the following is 5th to the left of 17th element from the left?

- a) %
- b) D
- c) N
- d) #
- e) 9

Ans- 5

Q63. If all the numbers are dropped in the given series, then which element will be at 10th position from right end?

- a) N
- b) W
- c) C
- d) %
- e) D

Ans- 2

Q64. If the first fifteen elements in the above sequence are written in reverse order, then which of the following element will be 22nd from the right end?

- a) 3
- b) F
- c) Q
- d) ©
- e) C

Ans- 4

Q65. What should come in place of question mark in the following on the basis of above sequence? A©M \$D# C&W ?

- a) X+Q
- b) XIR
- c) I@8
- d) X+I
- e) None of these

Ans- 1

Direction:- Study the following information carefully and answer the given questions:

Point D is 8 m east of point E. Point E is 7 m north of point F and also 11 m south of point G. Point H is 10 m west of point G. Point F is 13 m south of point I. Point J is 12 m west of point F.

Q66. Point J is in which direction with respect to point G?

- a) North-west
- b) South-west
- c) North-east
- d) South-east
- e) None of these

Ans- 2

Q67. What is the shortest distance between I and D?

- a) 15 m
- b) 10 m
- c) 12 m
- d) 8 m
- e) None of these

Ans- b

Direction:- Study the following information carefully and answer the given questions:

T, U, V, W, X and Y are six family members. T and U are a married couple. X is sister of W. U is daughter-in-law of Y, who is grandmother of X's brother. W is the only son of V, who is brother of T.

Q68. What is the relation of U with W?

- a) Brother
- b) Mother
- c) Uncle
- d) Aunt
- e) None of these

Ans-4

Q69. How is V related to X?

- a) Mother
- b) Brother
- c) Sister
- d) Father
- e) None of these

Ans- 4

Q70. How is W related to Y?

- a) Brother
- b) Nephew
- c) Son
- d) Grandson
- e) None of these

Ans- 4

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

Q71. Statements:

Some remotes are cars

No car is a bus

Only Buses are Trains

Conclusion:

I. All trains are buses.

II. All buses are remotes

- a) If only conclusion I follows.
- b) If only conclusion II follows.
- c) If either conclusion I or II follows.
- d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- e) If both conclusions I and II follow.

Ans- 1

Q72. Statements:

Only a few wheels are round

Some round are circles

Some circles are squares

Conclusion:

I. All round can be circles

II. All wheels can be round

- a) If only conclusion I follows.
- b) If only conclusion II follows.
- c) If either conclusion I or II follows.
- d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- e) If both conclusions I and II follow.

Ans- 1

Q73. Statements:

All conditioners are shampoos

Some shampoos are masks

All masks are sheets

Conclusion:

I. All masks are conditioners

II. Some masks are not conditioners

- a) If only conclusion I follows.
- b) If only conclusion II follows.
- c) If either conclusion I or II follows.
- d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- e) If both conclusions I and II follow.

Ans- 3

Q74. Statements:

No dog is a cat

Some cats are bats

Only bats are Cows

Conclusions:

I. Some cows are bats is a possibility.

II. Some bats are not dogs

- a) If only conclusion I follows.
- b) If only conclusion II follows.
- c) If either conclusion I or II follows.
- d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- e) If both conclusions I and II follow.

Ans- 2

Q75. Statements:

All computers are laptops

Some computers are tablets

Only a few Tablets are Notebooks

Conclusions:

I. All tablets can be laptops

II. Some notebooks can be computers

- a) If only conclusion I follows.
- b) If only conclusion II follows.
- c) If either conclusion I or II follows.
- d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- e) If both conclusions I and II follow.

Ans- 5

Direction:- Read the following information carefully and answer the following questions.

A word/number arrangement machine when given an input line of word/numbers rearranges them following a particular rule. The following is an illustration of input and rearrangements.

Input: pages 53 panther 56 pause 29 paper 31 painter 68

Step I: 66 pages 53 panther 56 pause 29 paper 31 painter

Step II: 66 paper pages 53 panther 56 pause 29 31 painter

Step III: 66 paper 54 pages 53 panther pause 29 31 painter

Step IV: 66 paper 54 pause pages 53 panther 29 31 painter

Step V: 66 paper 54 pause 51 pages panther 29 31 painter

Step VI: 66 paper 54 pause 51 panther pages 29 31 painter

Step VII: 66 paper 54 pause 51 panther 35 pages 31 painter

Step VIII: 66 paper 54 pause 51 panther 35 painter pages 31

Step IX: 66 pause 54 paper 51 panther 35 painter 29 pages

Step IX is the last step of the rearrangements, Based on the following logic rearrange the given input.

Input: monkey 67 layer 52 eager 77 animals 99 surprise 37

Q76. How many steps are required to complete the arrangements?

- a) Seven
- b) Six
- c) Eight
- d) Nine
- e) None of these

Ans- 2

Q77. What will be the Step III of the given input?

- a) 97 surprise 75 monkey 65 layer 52 eager animals 37
- b) 97 surprise 75 monkey 67 layer 50 eager animals 37
- c) 97 surprise 75 monkey 67 layer 52 eager animals 37
- d) 97 surprise 77 monkey 67 layer 52 eager animals 37
- e) None of these

Ans- 3

Q78. What is the position of '65' from right end in Step VII?

- a) Second
- b) Third
- c) Fourth
- d) Fifth
- e) There is no such step

Ans- 5

Q79. '97 surprise 75 monkey 65 layer 50 eager animals 37' represents which step of the given input?

- a) Step IV
- b) Step V
- c) Step VI
- d) Step VII
- e) None of these

Ans- 2

Q80. What is the sum of the term which is 5th from the left end in step I and the term which is second last from the right end in step VI?

- a) 92
- b) 90
- c) 83
- d) 87
- e) None of these

Ans- 4

Direction:- In the following questions, the symbols %, &, #, * and @ are used with the following meaning as illustrated below-

'P#Q' means 'P is neither greater than nor equal to Q'

'P*Q' means 'P is neither equal to nor smaller than Q'

'P%Q' means 'P is neither smaller than nor greater than Q'

'P@Q' means 'P is not smaller than Q'

'P&Q' means 'P is not greater than Q'

Now in each of the following questions assuming the given statement to be true, find which of the conclusions given below them is/are definitely true and give your answer accordingly.

Q81. Statements: F * G @ H # I; G * J % K @ L

Conclusions: I. F * L II. I @ K

- a) None is true
- b) Only I is true
- c) Only II is true
- d) Either I or II is true
- e) Both are true

Ans- 2

Q82. Statements: A & B & C % D * F @ E * G % H

Conclusions: I. D * A II. D % A

- a) None is true
- b) Both are true
- c) Only II is true
- d) Either I or II is true
- e) Only I is true

Ans- 4

Q83. Statements: K @ L # M % P & O; N * O % Q & R

Conclusions: I. R * L II. Q * K

- a) None is true
- b) Only I is true
- c) Only II is true
- d) Either I or II is true
- e) Both are true

Ans- 2

Q84. Statements: A & C % E % D * F * B # G**Conclusions: I. A # F****II. G * C**

- a) None is true
- b) Only I is true
- c) Only II is true
- d) Either I or II is true
- e) Both are true

Ans- 1**Q85. Statements: Q @ S & T * U # R; Q * V * P % W****Conclusions: I. W # S****II. T * W**

- a) None is true
- b) Only I is true
- c) Only II is true
- d) Either I or II is true
- e) Both are true

Ans- 1**Direction- Study the following information carefully and answer the given questions.**

Eight friends are sitting around a square table facing the centre in such a way that four of them sit at four corners while four sits at the middle of each side. All of them facing inside. Each of them has different colours. The person who likes Crimson sits opposite to S. The one who likes Yellow doesn't sit at any of the four corners. Only two persons sit between V and T. X sits second to the left of S, who likes Orange. Friends who like Black and Green sit diagonally opposite to each other. W is not an immediate neighbour of X, who likes Red. Y does not sit at any of the corners and sits second to the right of V. Y is not an immediate neighbour of U. Z sits second to left of T. W is not an immediate neighbour of Y. U does not like black. The person who likes Blue is not an immediate neighbour of S and Z. X sits at the middle of one of the sides of the table. One of the persons like White. Z does not like Blue.

Q86. Who sits second to the right of the one who likes white?

- a) T
- b) X
- c) The one who likes crimson
- d) Z
- e) None of these

Ans- 4

Q87. Who among the following likes Blue?

- a) W
- b) S
- c) T
- d) U
- e) None of these

Ans- 3

Q88. Who among the following sits third to the left of Z?

- a) X
- b) The one who sits immediate right of U
- c) Y
- d) The one who likes Red
- e) None of these

Ans- 2

Q89. Which of the statement is not true about Y?

- a) U sits third to the right of Y
- b) Y likes white
- c) V sits second to the left of Y
- d) The one who likes Blue is an immediate neighbour of Y
- e) Both (2) and (4)

Ans- 2

Q90. Who among the following likes Green?

- a) The one who sits immediate right of X
- b) S
- c) Y
- d) The one who sits opposite to T
- e) None of these

Ans- 1

Direction:- Study the following information carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Seven persons are sitting in a straight line. Four of them are facing south and remaining of them are facing north. They also like different hobbies Painting, Dancing, Sketching, Reading, Writing, Cooking and Singing but not necessarily in the same order. Those seven people are also sitting in alphabetical order from left end. The person who likes Sketching sits second to the left of U. Two persons sit between the one who likes Sketching and the one who likes Dancing. The immediate neighbours of the one, who likes Dancing faces opposite directions (i.e. if one faces to north then the other faces to south vice versa). V likes Writing. The one who likes Cooking sits second to the right to V. Only one person sits between W and the one, who likes Reading. The persons who like Dancing and Painting are immediate neighbours. The one, who likes Singing sits third to the right of the person who likes Cooking. V and W face opposite directions (i.e. If one faces north then the other faces south vice versa). The one who likes Dancing faces south. The person who likes Reading faces north.

Q91. Who among the following sits extreme end of the row?

- a) S & W
- b) V & T
- c) S & Y
- d) U & X
- e) V & Y

Ans- 3

Q92. Who among the following person faces north direction?

- a) W
- b) X
- c) U
- d) V
- e) T

Ans- 4

Q93. Which of the following hobby does W like?

- a) Sketching
- b) Reading
- c) Cooking
- d) Painting
- e) None of these

Ans- 1

Q94. If Painting is related to U and Dancing is related to V then Writing is related to whom?

- a) W
- b) X
- c) Y
- d) T
- e) None of these

Ans- 2

Q95. Which of the following combination is true?

- a) U – Painting
- b) W – Dancing
- c) X – Singing
- d) T – Sketching
- e) Y – Reading

Ans- 5

Direction:- Read the following information carefully and answer the questions given below.

Eight persons J, K, L, M, N, O, P and Q are attending the seminar on 11th and 28th of the four different months viz., January, June, September and December of the same year. They all like different mobiles viz., Nokia, Oppo, POCO, Vivo, Motorola, Apple, Realme and Samsung but not necessary in the same order.

- i. Only three persons are attend the seminars between the one who likes Apple and J, who does not attend the seminar on even numbered date. J does not attend the seminar in the month which has odd number of days. L attends the seminar immediately after the one who likes Apple.
- ii. The one who likes Motorola attend the seminar immediately before N. As many persons attend the seminar before N is same as after the one who likes Samsung. J does not like Motorola. Only one person attend the seminar between N and Q.
- iii. Two persons attend the seminar between P and the one who likes Nokia, who attended before P. Only one person attends the seminar between M and the one who likes Nokia. M does not like Samsung.
- iv. Only one person attends the seminar between the one who likes POCO and the one who likes Oppo. N does not like Oppo. As many persons attend the seminars between K and the one who likes Apple is same as between Q and the one who likes Realme. The one who likes Realme does not attend the seminar in September.

Q96. K likes which of the following mobiles?

- a) Vivo
- b) Realme
- c) Motorola
- d) Apple
- e) None of these

Ans- 3

Q97. How many persons are attending the seminar between P and the one who likes Realme?

- a) One
- b) Two
- c) Three
- d) More than three
- e) None

Ans- 4

Q98. O attended the seminar on which of the following dates?

- a) January 28
- b) December 11
- c) June 28
- d) January 11
- e) Cannot be determined

Ans- 4

Q99. If M is related to Apple and K is related to Nokia in a certain way. Then, P is related to which of the following?

- a) Realme
- b) Vivo
- c) Samsung
- d) Motorola
- e) POCO

Ans- 1

Q100. Which of the following statements is true?

- a) Only two persons attend the seminars between J and the one who likes Vivo
- b) K and the one who likes POCO attend the seminar in the same month
- c) N attend the seminar on December 11
- d) No one attend the seminar after P
- e) None is true

Ans- 2

General Awareness

Question No. 101

The 11th edition of Exercise EKUVERIN between India and _____ will be conducted at Kadhdhoo Island.

Options :

1. Indonesia
2. Myanmar
3. Thailand
4. Japan
5. Maldives

Answer : Maldives

Question No. 102

Haiderpur Wetland, a human-made wetland spread over 6,908 hectares in _____, got the Ramsar Convention tag of global importance.

Options :

1. Sikkim
2. Madhya Pradesh
3. Andhra Pradesh
4. Uttar Pradesh
5. Assam

Answer : Uttar Pradesh

Question No. 103

Equitas Small Finance Bank announced its partnership with _____ for the launch of its new co-branded credit cards, to provide the company with the facilities of the banking ecosystem.

Options :

1. HDFC Bank
2. SBI
3. ICICI Bank
4. Axis Bank
5. Kerala Bank

Answer : HDFC Bank

Question No. 104

World Bank has come up with 'World Bank's Remittance Prices Worldwide Database' in which India became the world's largest recipient of remittances by receiving USD 87 billion in 2021.

Which country was its biggest source, accounting for over 20% of these funds?

Options :

1. China
2. US
3. Mexico
4. Philippines
5. Egypt

Answer : US

Question No. 105

Who has taken over India's National Carrier Air India with a deal of 18,000 crores?

Options :

1. Spice jet
2. Indigo
3. Tata group
4. Vistara
5. None of these

Answer : Tata group

Question No. 106

_____ has become the world's first government to turn 100 per cent paperless.

Options :

1. UAE
2. Dubai
3. Qatar
4. Oman
5. Turkey

Answer : Dubai

Question No. 107

_____ poet Nilmani Phookan has won the 56th Jnanpith Award for his contribution to Indian literature.

Options :

1. Bangla
2. Assamese
3. Odia
4. Malayali
5. None of these

Answer : Assamese

Question No. 108

Which state bagged gold medal in the 40th India International Trade Fair (IITF) held at Pragati Maidan in Delhi for excellence in display in state government/union territory pavilion category?

Options :

1. Uttar Pradesh
2. Bihar
3. Delhi
4. Haryana
5. Madhya Pradesh

Answer : Bihar

Question No. 109

The world's first floating city, which will be built off the coast of _____, is likely to be completed as early as 2025.

Options :

1. South Korea
2. Japan
3. China
4. Thailand
5. Singapore

Answer : South Korea

Question No. 110

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Saryu Nahar National Project in Balrampur, _____.

Options :

1. Bihar
2. Madhya Pradesh
3. Uttar Pradesh
4. Haryana
5. Punjab

Answer : Uttar Pradesh

Question No. 111

_____ government has declared 5,151.60 hectares of swamp/wetlands in Villupuram district as Kazhuveli Wetland Birds Sanctuary.

Options :

1. Tamil Nadu
2. Maharashtra
3. Andhra Pradesh
4. Assam
5. Nagaland

Answer : Tamil Nadu

Question No. 112

The _____ Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports has signed a Letter of Understanding (LoU) with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), as part of the state-level initiative 'Code-Unnati' with the aim of improving access to entrepreneurship and employment opportunities among the youth, including women.

Options :

1. Assam
2. Maharashtra
3. Karnataka
4. Kerala
5. Haryana

Answer : Karnataka

Question No. 113

PM Narendra Modi gives exquisite Agate Bowls to Russian President Vladimir Putin. It is made by the tribal community and artisans of _____.

Options :

1. Gujarat
2. Chhattisgarh
3. Bihar
4. Jharkhand
5. Rajasthan

Answer : Gujarat

Question No. 114

Which bank launched a feature-rich Savings Bank product for women called Mahila Mitra Plus which provides a curated set of features, designed to make financial planning and investments easy for women?

Options :

1. South Indian Bank
2. HDFC Bank
3. Axis Bank
4. Federal Bank
5. ICICI Bank

Answer : Federal Bank

Question No. 115

_____ ranked at top in 2021 World Cooperative Monitor report which is published by the International Cooperative Alliance (ICA) and European Research Institute on Cooperative and Social Enterprises (Euricse).

Options :

1. NFL
2. IFFCO
3. IRCTC
4. NABARD
5. ONGC

Answer : IFFCO

Question No. 116

_____ announced that it is planning to build the world's first "Bitcoin City".

Options :

1. US
2. El Salvador
3. Russia
4. Nicaragua
5. Morocco

Answer : El Salvador

Question No. 117

Axis Bank has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the _____ Police, offering a package with benefits and features under "Power Salute", a salary account designed for the personnel of the force.

Options :

1. Kerala
2. Maharashtra
3. Kolkata
4. Karnataka
5. None of these

Answer : Kolkata

Question No. 118

Which state will host Hornbill Festival in December 2021?

Options :

1. Assam
2. Nagaland
3. Sikkim
4. Manipur
5. Meghalaya

Answer : Nagaland

Question No. 119

Transparency International released Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI) 2021. What is India's rank in this?

Options :

1. 40th
2. 55th
3. 63rd
4. 85th
5. 92nd

Answer : 85th

Question No. 120

In a pioneering initiative to take tourism deep into the state's interiors and rural hinterland, _____ Tourism will launch the 'STREET' project in select spots in seven districts, which would help visitors experience the diversity of offerings in these locales.

Options :

1. Uttar Pradesh
2. Kerala
3. Maharashtra
4. Gujarat
5. Rajasthan

Answer : Kerala

Question No. 121

In December 2021, Bangladesh Navy (BN) and the _____ military personnel kicked off the annual Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) maritime exercise. The exercise will be carried out virtually and in the Bay of Bengal.

Options :

1. China
2. Japan
3. US
4. India
5. Pakistan

Answer : US

Question No. 122

In cricket, who is the men's ICC Player of the Month for November?

Options :

1. Steve Smith
2. David Warner
3. Pat Cummins
4. Glenn Maxwell
5. Mitchell Marsh

Answer : David Warner

Question No. 123

_____ will become the first deputy managing director of the IMF, replacing Geoffrey Okamoto.

Options :

1. Anshula Kant
2. Kristalina Georgieva
3. Abhijit Banerjee
4. Gita Gopinath
5. Christine Lagarde

Answer : Gita Gopinath

Question No. 124

The Centre has formed a three-member committee to review the criteria for reservation for the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) category. Who will head the committee?

Options :

1. T. V. Somanathan
2. Hasmukh Adhia
3. Ajay Bhushan Pandey
4. Ajay Kumar Bhalla
5. Amitabh Kant

Answer : Ajay Bhushan Pandey

Question No. 125

On November 30, _____ became the world's newest republic.

Options :

1. Aruba
2. Barbados
3. Belize
4. Grenada
5. Martinique

Answer : Barbados

Question No. 126

_____ has approved Rs 2,644.85 crore (USD 350 million) loan for India to help improve its urban services.

Options :

1. IMF
2. ADB
3. AIIB
4. World Bank
5. None of these

Answer : ADB

Question No. 127

Which state has unveiled the Milk Price Incentive Scheme, which will benefit around 53,000 people?

Options :

1. Uttrakhand
2. Haryana
3. Rajasthan
4. Uttar Pradesh
5. Madhya Pradesh

Answer : Uttrakhand

Question No. 128

RBI made Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) mandatory for cross-border transactions for capital or current account transactions of Rs 50 crore and above, from _____.

Options :

1. December 1, 2021
2. January 1, 2022
3. April 1, 2022
4. July 1, 2022
5. October 1, 2022

Answer : October 1, 2022

Question No. 129

Anne Rice passed away. Who was she?

Options :

1. Educationist
2. Author
3. Politician
4. Environmentalist
5. Social Reformer

Answer : Author

Question No. 130

Who has won Saudi Arabian GP 2021?

Options :

1. Max Verstappen
2. Valtteri Bottas
3. Lewis Hamilton
4. Sebastian Vettel
5. Fernando Alonso

Answer : Lewis Hamilton

Question No. 131

Border Security Force's commemorated its ____ Raising day on 1 December 2021.

Options :

1. 55th
2. 57th
3. 59th
4. 60th
5. 62nd

Answer : 57th

Question No. 132

_____ signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Kendriya Sainik Board to support and educate the children of war veterans, ex-servicemen, and war widows.

Options :

1. Canara Bank
2. SBI
3. PNB
4. Bank of Baroda
5. Kerala Bank

Answer : SBI

Question No. 133

Nanda Kishore Prusty passed away. Who was he?

Options :

1. Educationist
2. Author
3. Politician
4. Singer
5. None of these

Answer : Educationist

Question No. 134

India's Harnaaz Sandhu has been crowned Miss Universe 2021. Punjab-based Harnaaz Sandhu represented India at the _____ Miss Universe 2021, held in Eilat, Israel.

Options :

1. 55th
2. 64th
3. 70th
4. 79th
5. 80th

Answer : 70th

Question No. 135

Cambridge Dictionary has announced "_____" as its Word of the Year 2021.

Options :

1. Vax
2. Perseverance
3. Corona
4. WFH
5. COVID

Answer : Perseverance

Question No. 136

India is ranked _____most powerful country in Asia, according to a report by Lowy Institute Asia Power Index 2021.

Options :

1. 1st
2. 2nd
3. 3rd
4. 4th
5. 5th

Answer : 4th

Question No. 137

Who is the author of the book "Democracy, Politics and Governance"?

Options :

1. Narotam Sekhsaria
2. A. Surya Prakash
3. Prabhat Kumar
4. Gautam Chintamani
5. Rachna Bisht Rawat

Answer : A. Surya Prakash

Question No. 138

Sanket Mahadev Sargar won the gold medal in the Men's ____kg snatch category at the ongoing Commonwealth Weightlifting Championships 2021 in Tashkent.

Options :

1. 55
2. 60
3. 65
4. 67
5. 70

Answer : 55

Question No. 139

Which state's police was honoured with the 'President's Colour Award'?

Options :

1. Himachal Pradesh
2. Gujarat
3. Rajasthan
4. Haryana
5. Odisha

Answer : Himachal Pradesh

Question No. 140

Which of the following Indian women is not listed in the Forbes 100 Most Powerful Women 2021 list?

Options :

1. Falguni Nayar
2. Nirmala Sitharaman
3. Roshni Nadar Malhotra
4. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw
5. Indra Nooyi

Answer : Indra Nooyi

Question No. 141

_____ successfully defended their Hero Senior Women's National Football Championship crown after a penalty shootout win over Railways in the final.

Options :

1. Nagaland
2. Meghalaya
3. Tripura
4. Manipur
5. Kolkata

Answer : Manipur

Question No. 142

Who has been roped in as Brand Ambassador of '50 Years of Arunachal Pradesh' celebration?

Options :

1. Amitabh Bachchan
2. Salman Khan
3. Sanjay Dutt
4. Shahrukh Khan
5. Aamir Khan

Answer : Sanjay Dutt

Question No. 143

Nagaland celebrated its _____ Statehood Day on 1 December 2021.

Options :

1. 50th
2. 55th
3. 59th
4. 60th
5. 64th

Answer : 59th

Question No. 144

According to the data released by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), _____ has pipped Maharashtra to emerge the largest manufacturing hub in the country.

Options :

1. Gujarat
2. Andhra Pradesh
3. Telangana
4. Karnataka
5. Tamil Nadu

Answer : Gujarat

Question No. 145

Who has been named as the Time magazine's 'Person of the Year 2021'?

Options :

1. Warren Buffett
2. Jeff Bezos
3. Elon Musk
4. Bill Gates
5. Richard Branson

Answer : Elon Musk

Question No. 146

Who was appointed as the chairman of India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet?

Options :

1. Sambit Patra
2. Pradip Shah
3. Rajnish Kumar
4. Kumar Mangalam Birla
5. Alka Upadhyaya

Answer : Sambit Patra

Question No. 147

Which bank has announced the launch of its online platform, 'Trade Emerge', to offer comprehensive digital banking and value-added services to exporters and importers across India?

Options :

1. HDFC Bank
2. SBI
3. ICICI Bank
4. Axis Bank
5. Kerala Bank

Answer : ICICI Bank

Question No. 148

State Bank of India has inked a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the _____ Cooperative Milk Producers Union to provide loan to individual dairy farmers there.

Options :

1. Andaman and Nicobar Islands
2. Puducherry
3. Srinagar
4. Goa
5. Kavaratti

Answer : Puducherry

Question No. 149

_____ Police launched a mobile application named 'Call Your Cop' to enhance communication between the police and citizens.

Options :

1. Assam
2. Nagaland
3. Sikkim
4. Manipur
5. Meghalaya

Answer : Nagaland

Question No. 150

Who won FIDE World Chess Championship 2021?

Options :

1. Magnus Carlsen
2. Ian Nepomniachtchi
3. Hikaru Nakamura
4. Fabiano Caruana
5. Sergey Karjakin

Answer : Magnus Carlsen

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