SSC CGL Exam Day Based Paper (22 Oct 2026)

Q1. If 'A' stands for '÷', 'B' stands for '×', 'C' stands for '+' and 'D' stands for '−', then what will come in place of the question mark (?) in the following equation?
12 A 4 B 6 C 8 D 2 = ?
(a) 22
(b) 23
(c) 24
(d) 25
Ans.(c)

Q2. P started walking towards north. He turned 7 times right and 7 times left during his journey. In which direction he will be facing finally?
(a) West
(b) North
(c) South
(d) East
Ans.(b)

Q3. Read the given statements and conclusions carefully. Assuming that the information given in the statements is true, even if it appears to be at variance with commonly known facts, decide which of the given conclusions logically follow(s) from the statements.
Statements:
All cats are dogs. Some cats are tigers. No tiger is a lion.
Conclusions:
(I) Some dogs are tigers.
(II) No cat is a lion.
(a) Both conclusion (I) and (II) follow
(b) Only conclusion (II) follows
(c) Only conclusion (I) follows
(d) Neither conclusion (I) nor (II) follows
Ans.(c)

Q4. Statement: "To promote reading, the library will start weekend storytelling sessions for children."
Which conclusion follows?
(a) Adult members dislike weekends
(b) The library wants to attract young readers
(c) Only children visit libraries
(d) Storytelling is the only reading activity planned
Ans.(b)

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Q5. WELD is related to YHPI in a certain way based on the English alphabetical order. In the same way, AKTN is related to CNXS. To which of the following is EQBX related, following the same logic?
(a) FUDB
(b) HSED
(c) GUED
(d) GTFC
Ans.(d)

Q6. Amit is standing in a row of 35 people facing north. He is 10th from the left end. If Sunil stands 5th to the left of Amit, what is Sunil's position from the left end?
(a) 11th
(b) 6th
(c) 5th
(d) 8th
Ans.(c)

Q7. In question below is given a statement followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. You have to assume everything in the statement to be true, then consider the two conclusions together and decide which of them logically follows beyond a reasonable doubt from the information given in the statement.
Statement: The eligibility for admission to the course is minimum second class Master's degree. However, the candidates who have appeared for the final year examination of Master's degree can also apply.
Conclusions:
I. All candidates who have yet to get their Master's degree will be there in the list of selected candidates.
II. All candidates having obtained second class Master's degree will be there in the list of selected candidates.
(a) If only conclusion I follows
(b) If only conclusion II follows
(c) If either conclusion I or conclusion II follows
(d) If neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows
Ans.(d)

Q8. In the question one statement is given, followed by two course of actions, I and II. You have to consider the statements to be true even if it seems to be at variance from commonly known facts. You have to decide which of the given course of action, if any, follows from the given statement.
Statement: The poverty level is increasing day by day and is one of the major problems faced by the country.
Courses of Action :
I : The Government should come up with various poverty alleviation programmes to help the poor people.
II : The Government should provide free education to poor people which will increase their employment opportunities.

(a) Only I follows
(b) Only II follows
(c) Both I and II follows
(d) Neither I nor II follows
Ans.(c)

Q9. One statement is given, followed by two courses of action, I and II.
Statement: Pick-pocketing in public transports is increasing drastically day by day.
Course I: More CCTV Cameras should be installed wherever possible according to available budget.
Course II: Persons travelling through public transport should be taught via social media how to protect themselves from pick-pockets.
(a) Only I follows
(b) Only II follows
(c) Both I and II follows
(d) Neither I nor II follows
Ans.(c)

Q10. The statement given below is followed by two decisions labeled I, and II. You have to assume everything in the statement to be true, and then decide which of the two suggested decisions logically follows for pursuing.
Statement: All employees of the office have gone on strike in protest against the privatization of women helpline.
Decisions:
I: The government should lodge FIR on all employees.
II: All the employees should be immediately terminated from job.
(a) Only I follows
(b) Both I and II follow
(c) Neither I nor II follow
(d) Only II follows
Ans.(c)

Q11. Each item describes a situation and is followed by four possible responses. Indicate the response you find most appropriate. Choose only one response for each item. The responses will be evaluated based on the level of appropriateness for the given situation.
An athlete is recovering from injury. The doctor says he can resume light training, but he wants to return to full form quickly. What's the safer choice?
(a) Train hard anyway
(b) Follow gradual recovery plan
(c) Quit sports altogether
(d) Take painkillers and push through
Ans.(b)

Q12. Six boxes, D, E, F, G, X and Y, are kept one over the other, but not necessarily in the same order. No box is kept above D. Only two boxes are kept between D and Y. Only one box is kept between D and G. E is kept immediately below Y. Only four boxes are kept between D and X.
How many boxes are kept between F and X?
(a) Two
(b) Three
(c) Four
(d) One
Ans.(b)

Q13. Read the following statement carefully and identify the conclusion that follows.
Statement
Some pens are pencils.
All pencils are erasers.
Conclusions
i. Some pens are erasers.
ii. No pen is an eraser.
(a) Only conclusion I follows.
(b) Only conclusion II follows.
(c) Both conclusions I and II follow.
(d) Neither conclusion I nor II follows.
Ans.(a)

Q14. Refer to the given letter and symbol series and answer the question that follows.
Counting to be done from left to right only.
(Left) C S L Q P Q L C E * / M H W J A N W $ J Z (Right)
How many such symbols are there, each of which is immediately preceded by a letter and also immediately followed by a letter?
(a) None
(b) Three
(c) One
(d) Two
Ans.(c)

Q15. Six people, C, D, E, O, P and Q, are sitting in a row, facing north. Only four people sit between O and Q. C sits to the immediate left of Q. Only one person sits between C and E. P sits at some place to the left of D.
How many people sit between P and D?
(a) Two
(b) Three
(c) None
(d) One
Ans.(d)

Q16. Seven people, P, Q, S, T, U, V, and W, are sitting around a circular table, facing the centre of the table. Only W sits between U and P. P sits third to the left of S. V sits immediately to the left of S. Q is not an immediate neighbour of P. Based on the given information, who is sitting second to the right of T?
(a) P
(b) Q
(c) S
(d) V
Ans.(c)

Q17. Find code for SMILE
Matrix-I

	0	1	2	3	4
0	H	A	P	P	Y
1	S	M	I	L	E
2	F	R	I	E	N
3	D	S	T	U	V
4	W	X	Y	Z	A

Matrix-II

	5	6	7	8	9
5	B	C	D	E	F
6	G	H	I	J	K
7	L	M	N	O	P
8	Q	R	S	T	U
9	V	W	X	Y	Z

Two matrices are provided: Matrix I uses row and column numbers 0 to 4. Matrix II uses row and column numbers 5 to 9. A letter is represented by row number, column number (for example, 23 means row 2, column 3 in Matrix I; 66 means row 6, column 6 in Matrix II). From the matrices, find the row-column codes for each letter in SMILE in sequence, and select the correct option from the given alternatives.
(a) 10,11,12,13,14
(b) 87,12,11,13,14
(c) 87,12,13,14,10
(d) 10,11,13,12,14
Ans.(a)

Q18. In a class of 27 students, Neha is ranked 6th from the top. What is her rank from the bottom?
(a) 22nd
(b) 23rd
(c) 20th
(d) 21st
Ans.(a)

Q19. Each of Q, R, W, T, E, U and Y has an exam on a different day of a week starting from Monday and ending on Sunday of the same week. T has an exam on Friday. Exactly three people have an exam between R and U, neither of whom has an exam on Sunday. W has an exam immediately after E. Q has an exam immediately before U. Who has an exam immediately after W?
(a) T
(b) U
(c) E
(d) R
Ans.(a)

Q20. Which of the following letter-number clusters will replace the question mark "?" in the given series to make it logically complete?
JVO 5, HTM 11, FRK 17, DPI 23, ?
(a) BOG 29
(b) BME 27
(c) BNG 29
(d) AMF 30
Ans.(c)

Q21. In the following question, select the number can be placed at the sign of question mark (?) from the given alternatives.

3	7	2	43
5	8	6	241
4	3	9	?

(a) 105
(b) 109
(c) 107
(d) 111
Ans.(b)

Q22. In the question one statement is given, followed by two conclusions, I and II.
Statement: Prices of fruits are increasing day by day.
Conclusion I: Fruits are a rare commodity and that is why price of fruits are rising.
Conclusion II: Demand for fruits have decreased leading to an increase in the price of fruits.
(a) Only conclusion I follows
(b) Only conclusion II follows
(c) Both I and II conclusion follows
(d) Neither I nor II conclusion follows
Ans.(d)

Q23. Statement: Unemployment is one of the major reasons for the poverty of any country.
Conclusions
I: In a poor country all the people are unemployed.
II: It is required to create employment opportunities to reduce poverty.
(a) Only I follows
(b) Only II follows
(c) Neither I nor II follows
(d) Both I and II follow
Ans.(b)

Q24. A series is given with one term wrong. Select that wrong term from the given alternatives.
XL16, ET64, NB256, VJ1024, DR4096
(a) VJ1024
(b) XL16
(c) ET64
(d) NB256
Ans.(c)

Q25. What should come in place of ? in the given series based on the English alphabetical order?
YDB UHE QLH MPK ?
(a) ITN
(b) NTO
(c) OPS
(d) NTL
Ans.(a)

Q26. The Indian Desert lies to the northwest of the Aravalli Hills and is characterized by arid conditions and shifting sand dunes. Which of the following is the correct reason for the formation of the Indian Desert?
(a) It lies in the tropical rainforest region
(b) It is located in the windward side of the Western Ghats
(c) It lies in the rain shadow region of the Aravalli Hills
(d) It receives heavy rainfall from the northeast monsoon
Ans.(c)

Q27. During which Five-Year Plan, emergency was imposed, new elections were held and Janata Party was selected ?
(a) Third
(b) Fourth
(c) Fifth
(d) Sixth
Ans.(c)

Q28. Which new sport made its debut at the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris?
(a) Sport Climbing
(b) 3×3 Basketball
(c) Breaking
(d) Surfing
Ans.(c)

Q29. The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) introduces significant changes regarding the use of technology in criminal justice. Which of these is a key technological integration mandated by Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS)?
(a) Mandatory use of Artificial Intelligence for investigations.
(b) Videography of search and seizure operations and crime scenes.
(c) Robot-assisted policing.
(d) Automated judgment delivery system.
Ans.(b)

Q30. Consider the following pairs of Constitutional Amendments and their provisions:
1. 42nd Amendment : Added the Fundamental Duties to the Constitution
2. 44th Amendment : Removed the Right to Property as a Fundamental Right
3. 61st Amendment : Reduced the voting age from 21 to 18 years
Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?
(a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
Ans.(d)

Q31. Which female athlete was honoured with the 2025 Laureus World Sportswoman of the Year Award, announced in April 2025?
(a) Katie Ledecky
(b) Iga Świątek
(c) Simone Biles
(d) Athing Mu
Ans.(c)

Q32. Consider the following statements regarding the Coriolis force:
1. It is directly proportional to the speed of the moving object.
2. It is maximum at the equator and minimum at the poles.
3. It deflects winds to the right in the Northern Hemisphere and to the left in the Southern Hemisphere.
Which of the statements given above are correct?
(a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
Ans.(c)

Q33. Which of the following best explains why entropy is associated with the "arrow of time" in physical processes?
(a) Entropy measures the speed of chemical reactions, which only occur in one direction.
(b) Entropy always increases in a closed system, providing a direction for time from past to future.
(c) Entropy causes particles to lose mass, making time irreversible.
(d) Entropy controls gravitational force, which cannot be reversed.
Ans.(b)

Q34. What is the significance of the Sultan Azlan Shah Cup in Indian hockey history?
(a) It's India's first hosted World Cup
(b) It's the only event India has never won
(c) It serves as a prestigious international annual invitational tournament
(d) It replaced the Champions Trophy
Ans.(c)

Q35. National Statistics Day is observed annually in India on:
(a) 15 August
(b) 26 January
(c) 29 June
(d) 2 October
Ans.(c)

Q36. In March 2024, Gyanesh Kumar, a 1988-batch Kerala cadre officer of the Indian Administrative Service, joined which of the following departments of the Indian Government?
(a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
(b) Election Commission of India (ECI)
(c) Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)
(d) Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG)
Ans.(b)

Q37. Assertion (A): Women-led Self-Help Groups (SHGs) have significantly improved financial inclusion and economic empowerment in rural areas.
Reason (R): SHG-linked credit has primarily been used for business investment rather than household consumption which facilitated economic empowerment.
Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?
(a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true, but R is false
(d) A is false, but R is true
Ans.(c)

Q38. question is one to which a member desire an oral answer in the house and which is distinguished by an asterisk mark
(a) Short notice
(b) Starred
(c) Unstarred
(d) Long notice
Ans.(b)

Q39. Read the below statements:
1. Trade Policy Reforms removed import licensing for most items.
2. Devaluation of the rupee made imports cheaper.
3. FDI was encouraged post-1991 through automatic approval routes.
Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) Only 1 and 2 are correct
(b) Only 1 and 3 are correct
(c) Only 2 and 3 are correct
(d) All 1, 2, and 3 are correct
Ans.(b)

Q40. What is one of the major factors contributing to a country's low ranking in the World Happiness Index?
(a) High military expenditure
(b) Weak social support systems and political instability
(c) Excessive industrial growth
(d) High population density
Ans.(b)

Q41. Hornbill and Moatsu Festivals are predominantly celebrated in which of the following states?
(a) Nagaland
(b) Uttar Pradesh
(c) Himachal Pradesh
(d) West Bengal
Ans.(a)

Q42. Which of the following statements about space debris is incorrect?
(a) Space debris consists primarily of defunct satellites, spent rocket stages, and fragments from collisions.
(b) The Kessler Syndrome refers to a scenario where the density of space debris is high enough to cause a cascade of collisions, exponentially increasing debris.
(c) Space debris poses a threat only to satellites in geostationary orbit (GEO) and is negligible in low Earth orbit (LEO).
(d) International guidelines, such as those by the Inter-Agency Space Debris Coordination Committee (IADC), recommend post-mission disposal of satellites to mitigate debris creation.
Ans.(c)

Q43. The anthropomorphic representation of the Buddha first appeared in Indian art through:
(a) Mauryan stone pillars
(b) Amaravati School of art
(c) Gandhara and Mathura schools
(d) Sanchi stupas
Ans.(c)

Q44. What CRISPR-Cas9 breakthrough was achieved by Indian scientists at IGIB in 2024?
(a) First test-tube baby
(b) Editing the sickle cell gene in an Indian patient
(c) Human cloning
(d) Inventing artificial blood
Ans.(b)

Q45. Consider the following statements regarding child protection laws in India:
1. The Right to Education Act (Article 21(a) ensures free and compulsory education for children between 6 to 14 years as a fundamental right.
2. The Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986, strictly prohibits employment of children below 10 years in all sectors, whether hazardous or non-hazardous.
3. The POCSO Act, 2012, ensures the best interest of the child is prioritized in all stages of legal proceedings related to sexual offenses against children.
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
(a) Only 1 and 3
(b) Only 2 and 3
(c) Only 1 and 2
(d) All 1, 2, and 3
Ans.(a)

Q46. Which major internal boundary of the Earth separates the mantle from the outer core and is characterized by a sudden drop in seismic wave velocities?
(a) Moho Discontinuity
(b) Lehmann Discontinuity
(c) Gutenberg Discontinuity
(d) Conrad Discontinuity
Ans.(c)

Q47. Assertion (A): The RBI uses the Repo Rate as a primary tool to control inflation.
Reason (R): When RBI increases the Repo Rate, it becomes cheaper for commercial banks to borrow from the RBI, leading to increased liquidity.
(a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true, but R is false
(d) A is false, but R is true
Ans.(c)

Q48. Under Section 147 of the BNS, 2023, what is the punishment for waging or attempting to wage war against the Government of India?
(a) Imprisonment up to 5 years or fine
(b) Imprisonment up to 10 years only
(c) Death or imprisonment for life and also liable to fine
(d) Imprisonment only if weapons are used
Ans.(c)

Q49. Who among the following won the Asian Billiards title for the 8th time at the 19th Asian 100 UP Billiards Championship 2022?
(a) Aditya Mehta
(b) Dhruv Sitwala
(c) Geet Sethi
(d) Pankaj Advani
Ans.(d)

Q50. Which Indian city hosted the inaugural Kho Kho World Cup (Jan 2025)?
(a) Mumbai
(b) New Delhi
(c) Chennai
(d) Hyderabad
Ans.(b)

Q51. There are 125 students in a hostel. Food is provided to them by the hostel mess. Due to new admissions, 60 new students join the mess, and the daily expenses of the mess increase by ₹1,650, while the average expenditure per head diminishes by ₹24. What was the original daily expenditure (in ₹, to the nearest tens) of the mess?
(a) 12980
(b) 16280
(c) 18290
(d) 12690
Ans.(d)

Q52. A shopkeeper gains 25% by selling an item at a 37.5% discount on its marked price. If the cost price increases by 20% and the shopkeeper wishes to maintain the same profit percentage, what discount should he offer?
(a) 24%
(b) 25%
(c) 23%
(d) 22%
Ans.(b)

Q53. In a Δ ABC, AB = 16, BC = 32 and CA = 24. AD is an angle bisector of ∠ A meet BC at D. then find the value of AD
(a) $4.8\sqrt{6}$
(b) $5.2\sqrt{6}$
(c) $7.2\sqrt{6}$
(d) $2.4\sqrt{6}$
Ans.(a)

Q54. Raghu's expenditures and savings are in the ratio 8 : 5. If his income and expenditures increase by 10% and 12%, respectively, then by what percentage will his savings increase?
(a) 6.8%
(b) 8.8%
(c) 12%
(d) 10%
Ans.(a)

Q55. If A + B = C, then tan A tan B tan C = ?
(a) tan C + tan A − tan B
(b) tan C + tan A + tan B
(c) tan A − tan B − tan C
(d) tan C − tan A − tan B
Ans.(d)

Q56. The average of 5 consecutive odd natural numbers is 27. Previous 5 consecutive odd natural numbers to these 5 odd natural numbers are also included. What will be the average of newly added numbers?
(a) 9
(b) 17
(c) 15
(d) 11
Ans.(b)

Q57. Find the value of x in the following expression.
$(0.49)^4 \times (0.343)^4 \div (0.2401)^4 = (7 \div 10)^{(x+2)}$
(a) 1
(b) 2
(c) 4
(d) 3
Ans.(b)

Q58. Two right circular cylinders C1 and C2 have equal volumes, and their heights are in the ratio 2 : 3, respectively. What is the ratio of their radii, r1 : r2?
(a) $\sqrt{2} : \sqrt{3}$
(b) $\sqrt{3} : \sqrt{5}$
(c) $\sqrt{3} : \sqrt{2}$
(d) $\sqrt{5} : \sqrt{3}$
Ans.(c)

Q59. Navneeta lent ₹ 8200 to Kavya at 3% annual compound interest for 3 years. The amount Navneeta receives after 3 years is: (approximately)
(a) ₹ 8960
(b) ₹ 6340
(c) ₹ 7740
(d) ₹ 8741
Ans.(a)

Q60. Which of the following is correct?
$\sqrt{10}+\sqrt{3}>\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{5}\sqrt{10}+\sqrt{3}<\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{5}\sqrt{10}+\sqrt{3}=\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{5}$
(a) i
(b) ii
(c) iii
(d) None of the above
Ans.(b)

Q61. The height of a tree varies as the square root of its age. When the age of the tree is 324 years, its height is 19 feet. What will be the height of the tree (in feet) at the age of 81 years?
(a) 9.01
(b) 8.39
(c) 9.5
(d) 9.14
Ans.(c)

Q62. When x is added to each of 13, 19, 16 and 23, then the numbers so obtained, in this order, are in proportion. Then, if 5x : y :: y : (8x-4), and y > 0, what is the value of y?
(a) 42
(b) 37
(c) 41
(d) 30
Ans.(d)

Q63. Two circles, having their centres at A and at B, touch externally at a point M. From a point P on a tangent at M, tangents PQ and PR are drawn to the circles with points of contact Q and R, respectively. If AP = 13 cm and AM = 5 cm, find the value of PQ + PR - PM.
(a) 12 cm
(b) 10 cm
(c) 13 cm
(d) 14 cm
Ans.(a)

Q64. The length of a side of a square is equal to the diameter of a circle. If the area of the square is equal to 196 cm^2, then find the area of the circle (in cm^2). (Use π=22/7)
(a) 154
(b) 148
(c) 616
(d) 145
Ans.(a)

Q65. The value of $\frac{1}{(1+\cot^2 x)^2}+\frac{\tan^2 x}{(1+\tan^2 x)^2}+\frac{1}{1+\tan^2 x}$ is:
(a) 4
(b) 5
(c) 3
(d) 1
Ans.(d)

Q66. If two numbers are each divided by the same divisor, the remainders are, respectively, 5 and6. If the sum of the two numbers is divided by the same divisor, the remainder is 4. The divisor is:
(a) 5
(b) 3
(c) 7
(d) 9
Ans.(c)

Q67. The price of an electronic machine decreased by 5%, 10% and 15% during the first three years. What will be the price of the machine after three years if the value at the beginning was ₹ 8,000?
(a) ₹ 6,721
(b) ₹ 5,814
(c) ₹ 7,000
(d) ₹ 5,000
Ans.(b)

Q68. Which of the following has terminal decimal representation?
(a) $\frac{2}{7}$
(b) $\frac{2}{5}$
(c) $\frac{2}{3}$
(d) $\frac{2}{9}$
Ans.(b)

Q69. A thief, seeing a policeman at a distance of 540 metres, starts running at a speed of 9 km/h. The policeman immediately starts chasing him at a speed of 10 km/h. Find the distance covered by the thief before he is caught.
(a) 5120 metres
(b) 4920 metres
(c) 4860 metres
(d) 4750 metres
Ans.(c)

Q70. If $x + y = 10$ and $x - y = 8$, then the value of x^2y^2 is:
(a) 81
(b) 24
(c) 64
(d) 36
Ans.(a)

Q71. The width of a rectangle is such that its length exceeds it by 2 cm. Given that the perimeter measures 44 cm, determine the area of the rectangle.
(a) 44 cm^2
(b) 40 cm^2
(c) 144 cm^2
(d) 120 cm^2
Ans.(d)

Q72. The salary of Margaret is increased by 12%. If her new salary becomes ₹22,400, find the original salary of Margaret.
(a) ₹19,500
(b) ₹20,000
(c) ₹21,500
(d) ₹19,800
Ans.(b)

Q73. A sum fetched a total simple interest of ₹1376.70 at the rate of interest of 5% per annum in 6 years. What is the sum?
(a) ₹4520
(b) ₹4589
(c) ₹4890
(d) ₹5210
Ans.(b)

Q74. Three solutions contain acid and water in the ratios 1:2, 2:3, and 3:2 respectively. Equal quantities of the first two solutions and twice the quantity of the third solution are mixed together. What is the ratio of acid to water in the final mixture?
(a) 29:31
(b) 11:14
(c) 17:23
(d) 15:19
Ans.(a)

Q75. A rectangular prism has volume 288 cm^3 and base dimensions 6 cm and 4 cm. Find its height.
(a) 10 cm
(b) 11 cm
(c) 12 cm
(d) 13 cm
Ans.(c)

Q76. Choose the correct meaning of the idiom 'jump the gun' in the sentence:
You shouldn't jump the gun before getting confirmation.
(a) Act too soon
(b) Run faster
(c) Ask a question
(d) Fire a shot
Ans.(a)

Q77. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words. A speech given after conclusion of a drama
(a) Epilogue
(b) Entomology
(c) Elegy
(d) Prologue
Ans.(a)

Q78. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
The mountaineers spotted an injured snow leopard lying motionless near the frozen stream.
(a) An injured snow leopard was spotted to lie motionless near the frozen stream by the mountaineers.
(b) An injured snow leopard was spotted lying motionless near the frozen stream by the mountaineers.
(c) An injured snow leopard had been spotted lying motionless near the frozen stream by the mountaineers.
(d) An injured snow leopard was spotted to be lying motionless near the frozen stream by the mountaineers.
Ans.(b)

Q79. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
Three decades of failed monsoons have _____ a region that was once the granary of the province.
(a) revitalised
(b) augmented
(c) hallowed
(d) beggared
Ans.(d)

Q80. Which of the following idiom given in the alternatives has the meaning?
Describing the shortest, most direct path between two points, measured in a straight line and disregarding any obstacles like roads, rivers, or mountains.
(a) Pull a crow with one
(b) As the crow flies
(c) Stone the crows
(d) Crow about something
Ans.(b)

Q81. The following sentence has two blanks. Choose the most suitable set of prepositions from the given options to fill in the blanks and complete the sentence meaningfully.
The poor fellow fell ___ his bicycle and landed ___ a puddle.
(a) off, in
(b) from, into
(c) down, to
(d) of, at
Ans.(a)

Q82. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the highlighted segment in the given sentence.
The standing committee recommended that the proposal is deferred until the next financial quarter.
(a) be deferred until
(b) will be deferred till
(c) is being deferred until
(d) No substitution required
Ans.(a)

Q83. Choose the most suitable preposition from the given options to fill in the blank in the following sentence:
She apologized ___ her rude behaviour at the meeting.
(a) to
(b) about
(c) for
(d) on
Ans.(c)

Q84. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.
Please help the injured man at once.
(a) The injured man is requested to be helped at once.
(b) The injured man should be helped at once.
(c) Let the injury man be helped at once.
(d) You are requested to help the injured man at once.
Ans.(d)

Q85. Change the following sentence into the Active form.
The groundbreaking quantum theory should not have been dismissed as mere speculation by the scientific community.
(a) The scientific community should not have been dismissing the groundbreaking quantum theory as mere speculation.
(b) The scientific community should not have dismissed the groundbreaking quantum theory as mere speculation.
(c) The groundbreaking quantum theory should not be dismissed as mere speculation by the scientific community.
(d) The scientific community should not be dismissing the groundbreaking quantum theory as mere speculation.
Ans.(b)

Directions (86-90): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.
Rajasthan's farmers have been banging plates and lighting fires these days. It is their desperate attempt to scare away the swarms of migratory locusts invading their fields and eating away crops. The pest attack has come as a double blow for farmers already reeling under the impact of the Covid lockdown.
Millions of locusts, covering 1-4 sq km of the skyline, have reached 10 of the state's 33 districts within three weeks of being first spotted on April 30. Last year, yellow locusts had entered India from Pakistan in the second half of May. The attack had originated from Yemen, coming all the way to West Asia and Pakistan and then India, creating havoc in 17 countries en route.
With the harvest nearly over in Rajasthan, the invading population of grasshoppers this May is feeding mainly on sprouting cotton crop sown last month, vegetables and fodder. State officials, though, fear damage to the young millet and moong dal crops due in July and August if the locusts breed.
Flying in through the Pakistan border near Jaisalmer, the locust swarms have infiltrated as deep as Kishangarh in Ajmer district. Locusts can cover 200-250 km in a day if they get wind support. Presently, the dust storms sweeping parts of Rajasthan are aiding their flight.
Officials said the Union agriculture ministry's Locusts Warning Organisation (LWO) is in the process of acquiring 60 vehicles with mounted insecticide sprayers from abroad by July. Ten such vehicles were purchased this January.
"Immature pink locusts are very active, which is why they have reached the interiors of Rajasthan [from Pakistan] so quickly," says K.L. Gurjar, deputy director, LWO. Their metabolism slows down during winters, but in summers, they can fly from 4 am to 8 pm, covering long distances and consuming more crops along the way than mature locusts would.

The LWO has put 10 insecticide-spraying vehicles on the job in Rajasthan. The Rajasthan government has provided rented tractors, on which insecticide sprayers are mounted, and also the manpower to man them. The Centre-state joint operation has so far cleared a few hundred sq km of fields of the locusts. Preliminary estimates put the loss to crops at a few crore rupees.
State officials say there is an urgent need to contain the pink locusts before they start breeding in the next few weeks. Indiscriminate aerial spraying of insecticides is ill-advised as this can damage crops as well as affect human settlements.
One of the strategies being considered now is to use fixed-wing aircraft for ultra-low volume spraying of chemicals. The state government may request for such aerial sorties by the air force. Drones have limited capabilities as they can carry only about 20 liters of insecticide at a time, making them effective only over small areas.

Q86. If the locusts breed, which crops will they damage?
(a) Fodder
(b) Millet and moong
(c) Cotton crop
(d) Vegetables
Ans.(b)

Q87. It can be inferred from the passage that the present swarm of locusts consists of:
(a) yellow immature locusts
(b) pink mature locusts
(c) pink immature locusts
(d) yellow mature locusts
Ans.(c)

Q88. The main theme of the passage is:
(a) breeding of locusts
(b) the damage done by the locusts
(c) measures for dealing with the locusts
(d) invasion of locusts in Rajasthan
Ans.(d)

Q89. After reading this passage it can be said that it is:
(a) a survey analysis
(b) an epic
(c) a government statement
(d) a news report
Ans.(d)

Q90. Which of the following measures the government of Rajasthan wants to procure for containing locusts?
(a) Insecticide-spraying vehicles
(b) Drones for spraying small areas with insecticide
(c) Rented tractors mounted with insecticide sprayers
(d) Fixed-wing aircraft for spraying of chemicals
Ans.(d)

Q91. Identify the part of the sentence that contains an error.
The presiding officer, along with two senior assistants, / have examined the documents / submitted by the applicants / before the stipulated deadline.
(a) The presiding officer, along with two senior assistants,
(b) have examined the documents
(c) submitted by the applicants
(d) before the stipulated deadline
Ans.(b)

Q92. Choose the correctly spelt word:
(a) Parliment
(b) Pailament
(c) Parliament
(d) Parlaiment
Ans.(c)

Q93. Choose the correct option to complete the sentence.
Had the discrepancy been detected earlier, the office ____ the incorrect entry before the file was submitted.
(a) would correct
(b) would have corrected
(c) will have corrected
(d) had corrected
Ans.(b)

Q94. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in indirect voice.
The student said, "I have been practicing for the competition for months, but I am still nervous, as the other competitors are very skilled."
(a) The student said that he has been practicing for the competition for months, but he is still nervous, as the other competitors are very skilled.
(b) The student said that he had been practicing for the competition for months, but he was still nervous, as the other competitors were very skilled.
(c) The student said that he had been practicing for the competition for months, but he is still nervous, as the other competitors are very skilled.
(d) The student said that he was practicing for the competition for months, but he was still nervous, as the other competitors were very skilled.
Ans.(b)

Q95. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in active voice.
It was reported that the minister had been summoned by the tribunal.
(a) People report that the tribunal had summoned the minister.
(b) Somebody reported the minister to be summoned by the tribunal.
(c) People reported that the minister had summoned the tribunal.
(d) People reported that the tribunal had summoned the minister.
Ans.(d)

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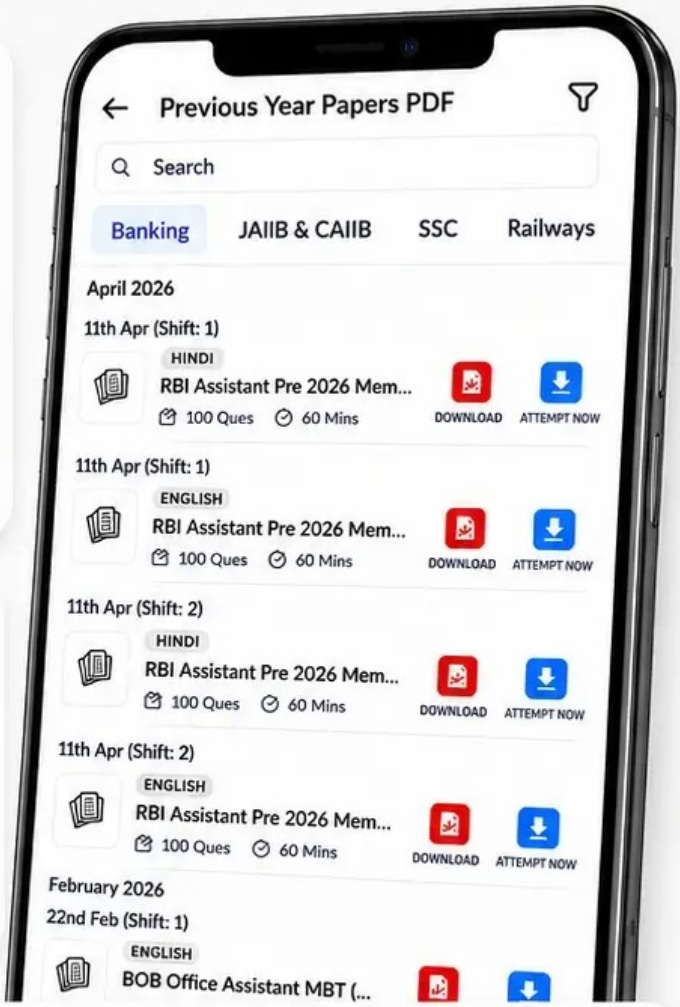
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Q96. Identify the part of the sentence that contains an error.
Neither the administrative officer / nor the members of the selection committee / were willing to reconsider / the decision taken earlier.
(a) Neither the administrative officer
(b) nor the members of the selection committee
(c) were willing to reconsider the decision taken earlier
(d) No error
Ans.(d)

Q97. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. Vociferous
(a) Clamorous
(b) Reticent
(c) Boisterous
(d) Strident
Ans.(b)

Q98. Find the word most nearly SIMILAR in meaning to the given word:
Surreptitious
(a) Gregarious
(b) Judicious
(c) Furtive
(d) Overt
Ans.(c)

Q99. Choose the option that is the most appropriate conversion of the following sentence into Direct Speech.
Shalini asked Yusuf if he would go to her party that night.
(a) Shalini asked Yusuf, "Would you go to my party this night?"
(b) Shalini said to Yusuf, "Will you come to my party that night?"
(c) Shalini said to Yusuf, "Will you come to my party tonight?"
(d) Shalini asked Yusuf, "You will come to my party tonight?"
Ans.(c)

Q100. The sentence given below is divided into four segments labelled P, Q, R, and S. Select the segment that contains a grammatical, syntactic, or idiomatic error.
(P) Although the newly appointed directors were initially eager to exculpate the CEO by any wrongdoing, / (Q) they found themselves entirely at odds with the legal counsel's aggressive strategy, / (R) which sought to attribute the catastrophic financial losses directly to systemic institutional negligence / (S) rather than to external, unpredictable market forces.
(a) P
(b) Q
(c) R
(d) S
Ans.(a)