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General English Part C - COMPREHENSION

III. COMPREHENSION

- I. Select the correct answer given under each passage
- 1. Rama's parents were humble and financially weak. But Rama was fond of reading books but his financial position did not allow him to buy books. So, he worked as a low grade servant in a library and read books there.

Rama came from a	family.
Select the correct answe	er:
A) middle class	
B) poor	
C) well-to-do	
D) None of these	
Answer : B) poor	
	archer capable of aiming objects even at a great distance. He was great in oncentrated his attention fully well on the target, His aim never failed.
His arrows hit the	_ straight.
Select the correct answe	er:
A) bird	
B) tree	
C) target	
D) object	
Answer : C) target	
-	n India and Africa. The elephants in India are beautiful though the tusks are small when compared with those of the African elephants.
The elephants in Africa	have
Select the correct answe	er:
A) long trunks	
B) long tusks	
C) small tusks	
D) medium sized tusks	
Answer : A) long trunks	S

4. Refrigerators were considered as luxurious as they were costly and so the rich houses only could afford a fridge. Now-a-days they are no longer luxuries. They are necessary.
Refrigerators were in the past.
Select the correct answer:
A) cheap
B) very cheap
C) costly
D) more costly
Answer: C) costly
5. The Ganges is the longest river in India irrigating thousands of acres of land. Most of the states in North India will suffer if the Ganges goes dry. It is feared that the river is likely to disappear in the days to come.
The Ganges irrigates of the states in North India.
Select the correct answer:
A) much
B) many
C) most
D) more
Answer : C) most
6. The universe comprises Galaxies that are huge with millions of stars; some galaxies have great spiralling arms trailing around them. Milky way is a good example.
Galaxies have spiralling arms.
Select the correct answer:
A) great
B) greater
C) greatest
D) more greater
Answer: A) great
7. The Humpi ruins in Karnataka receive a good number of foreign visitors. The ruins are spread over a vast stretch of lands standing as a monument to the glorious Vijayanagar Empire.
The ruins are spread over a stretch of lands.
Select the correct answer:

A) more vast
B) most vast
C) vast
D) None of these
Answer: C) vast
8. Comets are luminous celestial bodies moving round the sun. If any comet is sighted, it is believed that it signals the death of a royal figure. It is considered a superstition.
The blind belief is called
Select the correct answer:
A) false belief
B) superstition
C) wrong belief
D) bad signal
Answer : B) superstition
9. A name is given specifically to the mountain range of the Andes in South Africa and other great ranges in North America. That name is Cordillera. The word 'Cordillera' is derived from the Spanish word meaning 'chain'.
The name of the ranges is
Select the correct answer:
A) Chain
B) Andes
C) Cordillera
D) Spanish
Answer : C) Cordillera
10. The Sun and Moon produce certain tides when they act in opposition. Such tides are called Neap Tides. They occur twice monthly.
Neap Tides occur in a month.
Select the correct answer:
A) once
B) thrice
C) twice

D) five times
Answer: C) twice
11. Mirage is an optical illusion produced by the atmosphere. It is caused by the refraction of the light rays. The illusion results in the objects floating in mid-air or appearing on the a ground as if they were in existence.
Mirage is caused by
Select the correct answer:
A) Optical illusion
B) refraction of light
C) atmosphere
D) objects floating in mid-air
Answer : B) refraction of light
12. Ozone is pure but unstable. It is formed in the air around electric motors whenever an electric discharge causes sparks.
Ozone is
Select the correct answer:
A) stable
B) more stable
C) unstable
D) most stable
Answer: C) unstable
13. The heart, the pumping station of the system, is a muscular organ about the size of a closed fist. Its average weighs is about 340 grams in men and 255 grams in women. It lies to the left, in the chest.
The heart weighs grams in men.
Select the correct answer:
A) 255
B) 340
C) 255 or 340
D) None of these
Answer : B) 340

14. Colour blindness means the inability to distinguish red and green colours, particularly their less

bright shades, in dim lights. This is more common among males than in females.

Colour blindness means inability to distinguish shades.
Select the correct answer:
A) bright
B) more bright
C) brighter
D) less bright
Answer: D) less bright
15. Cancer is an abnormal growth of cells. Its cure is not certain. Its symptoms are a sore that does not heal, repeated bleeding in women after menopause, persistent indigestion etc.
Cancer means
Select the correct answer:
A) a sore that does not heal
B) repeated bleeding
C) an abnormal growth of cells
D) menopause
Answer: C) an abnormal growth of cells
16. Cooking takes more time on mountain tops. It is due to low pressure on mountain tops. The water boils at the lowest temperature as the boiling point is always proportional to pressure.
Cooking takes more time due to on mountain tops.
Select the correct answer:
A) less pressure
B) low pressure
C) more pressure
D) lowest pressure
Answer: B) low pressure
17. The liver is the largest organ in our body and it weighs one and half kilos. It performs more than 500 jobs, some of them essential to life.
The largest organ in our body is the
Select the correct answer:
A) intestine
B) heart

C) liver
D) rib
Answer : C) liver
18. The atmosphere protects the Earth. It softens the intense light and heat of the Sun. It is bound to the Earth by gravity. The ultra violet rays of the Sun are absorbed by it protecting the living organisms from existinction.
The atmosphere absorbs the
Select the correct answer:
A) heat of the Sun
B) intense light of the Sun
C) ultra violet rays of the Sun
D) organisms
Answer : C) ultra violet rays of the Sun
19. An earth quake is basically the vibration of Earth produced by the rapid release of energy. This energy spreads in all directions in the form of waves. These are called seismic waves.
An earth quake is caused by
Select the correct answer:
A) vibration
B) energy release
C) seismic waves
D) waves
Answer : B) energy release
20. Ocean currents are swift moving large masses of surface water. They move in a fairly well defined direction over great distances. They influence the climate of bordering coastal regions.
Ocean currents are large masses of surface
Select the correct answer:
A) water
B) ice
C) glaciers
D) None of these
Answer: A) water

snow clad peak presents a beautiful spectacle.
The highest peak in the Himalayas is
A) Kanchenjunga
B) Mt. Everest
C) Dhaulagiri
D) Nanga Parbat
Answer: B) Mt. Everest
22. Harappan potteries are mostly wheel made wares. They are plain and painted. They are decorated in many ways. Circles, squares, figures of animals, birds etc. make them more ornamental.
Harappan potteries are ornamental.
Select the correct answer:
A) more
B) most
C) much
D) very
Answer: A) more
23. Aryan's main occupations were agriculture and cattle rearing. They were good at weaving cloth, tanning leather and making ornaments. They traded locally and in foreign countries. Barter system was popular then.
Aryans used in trade.
Select the correct answer:
A) legal tender
B) barter system
C) leather coins
D) copper coins
Answer: B) barter system
24. The word Sangam refers to a college or assembly of Tamil scholars. It was supported by Pandya kings of Madurai. It is said that there were three Sangams lasting for 9,990 years.
Sangam was supported by
Select the correct answer:
A) Chera kings

21. Mt. Everest is the highest peak looking snow white in the Himalayas. It is situated in Nepal. The

B) Chola kings
C) Pallava kings
D) Pandya kings
Answer : D) Pandya kings
25. Alexander was the son of King Philip, a great king of Macedonia. Aristotle was his teacher. He came to India and defeated King Porus. He wanted to bring India under his control but failed in that attempt.
Alexander defeated King
A) King Sisunaga
B) Purushothaman
C) Porus
D) none of these
Answer : D) none of these
26. Mahatma Gandhi moved the masses in India spiritually and launched the freedom struggle. Indians looked on him as the saviour of the country. They were drawn towards him as his Satyagraha attracted all.
Gandhiji was popular for his
Select the correct answer:
A) Quit India movement
B) Dandi march
C) Satyagraha
D) Ahimsa
Answer: C) Satyagraha
27. Olympic Games are held once in four years. The events bring all players and sports men together from all parts of the world. The games are conducted in a city and the International Olympic Committee only decides where the games are to be held.
Olympic games are held once in four years in
Select the correct answer:
A) Tokyo
B) Paris
C) Athens
D) none of these

Answer: D) none of these 28. Aristotle was a famous Greek philosopher. He was a disciple of Plato. His books are well known; of them the Ethics and Poetics are the best known works. The Ethics and Poetics are the _____ known works of Aristotle. **Select the correct answer:** A) good B) better C) best D) well **Answer : C) best** 29. Skin covers the whole body and protects the muscles under it. It consists of two layers, Epidermis and Dermis. It regulates the temperature. It throws out the waste products via perspiration. Skin regulates _____. Select the correct answer: A) Perspiration B) Dermis C) Epidermis D) the temperature **Answer: D) the temperature** 30. A wet cloth is placed on the forehead of a patient suffering from high temperature. The reason is that water evaporating from the wet cloth cools the body. The temperature comes down. The wet cloth _____ the body. **Select the correct answer:** A) cool B) cools C) cooled D) has cooled Answer: B) cools

31. the sky appears blue. It is because of the light scattered by dust particles in the atmosphere. The wave lengths of all colours differ. The shorter wavelengths are scattered. Blue has the shortest wavelength of all colours. So the sky appears blue.

The colour with the shortest wavelength is _____.

Select the correct answer:
A) red
B) blue
C) green
D) orange
Answer: B) blue
32. Tsunami is a Japanese word. It means 'harbour wave'. It hit the southern coast of the Indian Peninsula on 26 th December 2004. Thousands of people died in Indonesia.
Tsunami means
Select the correct answer:
A) under current
B) harbour wave
C) tidal wave
D) Neap Tide
Answer: B) harbour wave
33. Steppes is the area unforested and unflooded by high water. Grassy vegetation growing on black soils is its special quality. The steppes have warm dry summers and cold winters.
Vegetation grows on
Select the correct answer:
A) alluvial soil
B) delta
C) black soil
D) none of these
Answer : B) delta
34. The Pacific Ocean is the largest ocean in the world. Its area is 165,242,000 sq. km. The greatest known depth is 35,610 feet.
The known depth of it is 35,610 feet.
Select the correct answer:
A) great
B) greater
C) greatest

D) more greater
Answer: C) greatest
35. The Goddess Kali called Rama a funny and witty fellow. She blessed him with the gift of making people laugh. She said further, that would be called a Vikatakavi or a jesting poet.
Kali gave Rama the name
Select the correct answer:
A) a jester
B) poet
C) Vikatakavi
D) funny fellow
Answer : B) poet
36. India is a developing country with its great resources and manpower. The only drawback is the failing monsoon affecting the agricultural operations. Therefore its further development depends on its improvement of agriculture through proper irrigation and adopting new modern farming techniques.
Indian agricultures can improve through irrigation.
Select the correct answer:
A) more proper
B) most proper
C) proper
D) improper
Answer : C) proper
37. The shark is a large killer fish living in sea. It has sharp teeth and pointed fin on its back. It attacks usually swimmers.
The Shark usually swimmers.
Select the correct answer:
A) in attacking
B) attacks
C) attack
D) none of these
Answer: B) attacks

38. Glasses is a pair of lenses in a frame resting on the nose and ears. It improves the eye sight. Binoculars, goggles and magnifying glasses are available for a bigger vision.
A bigger vision is possible through
Select the correct answer:
A) frame
B) glasses
C) nose
D) magnifying glasses
Answer : D) magnifying glasses
39. Computer is an electronic device for storing information. It helps to calculate and analyse. Its sister unit is laptop. It can be carried to any place.
Computer's sister unit is
Select the correct answer:
A) software
B) hardware
C) laptop
D) floppy
Answer : C) laptop
40. Lions are found in India and Africa. They belong to the cat family. The lion is called the king of the forest. Its mane gives to it a beautiful look.
Lions are animals.
Select the correct answer:
A) domestic
B) wild
C) bold
D) shy
Answer : B) wild
41. People in the past moved from one place to another on foot or used carts drawn by animals. They lived a simple life and enjoyed a good health as industrialization was unknown at that time and so they breathed fresh air.
People in the past breathed air.
Select the correct answer:

A) fresher
B) more fresh
C) fresh
D) pure
Answer: C) fresh
42. Rig Veda is the earliest among the Vedas. It is a collection of devotional songs offered to various gods. The famous Gayatri Mantra finds a place in it.
The earliest Veda is
Select the correct answer:
A) Yajur Veda
B) Sama Veda
C) Rig Veda
D) Athervana Veda
Answer : C) Rig Veda
43. Fahien was a Chinese traveller who visited India during the time of Chandragupta II. His aim was to study and pursue the Buddhist texts. He described the religious conditions of India, especially the condition of Buddhism.
Fahien was interested in
Select the correct answer:
A) Hinduism
B) Jainism
C) Buddhism
D) None of these
Answer : C) Buddhism
44. Dinosaurs lived long-long ago; now the race has disappeared. They were of a huge size capable of covering long distances. Their fossils are found in Ariyalur near Tiruchirapalli. They were inhabiting plains mostly.
They inhabitated
Select the correct answer:
A) forest
B) plains
C) hill side

D) coastal

Answer: B) plains

45. Green Revolution means a significant improvement in agricultural production in a short period. The mid 1960's was an important period as there was a great revolution in the Indian agriculture though it had its adverse effects. It promoted agriculture and produced inequalities in rural sector.

The effect of Green Revolution was felt in.

Select the corre	ect ans	wer:
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- A) mid-1950's
- B) mid-1960's
- C) mid-1970's
- D) in 1964.

Answer : B) mid-1960's

46. Deepavali is celebrated with a great pomp and bustle. Of late it has its own harmful effects on our health. Crackers pollute air; their noise affects our eardrum. Their poisonous fumes carried in the air are highly dangerous. So, steps must be taken to control the use of crackers. They release sulphur dioxide and carbon monoxide.

The air carries _____ released by crackers.

Select the correct answer:

- A) fumes
- B) sulpher dioxide
- C) carbon-dioxide
- D) oxygen

Answer: A) fumes

47. Teeth are made of enamel, denties and pulp. Enamel is mainly made of calcium and phosphorus and it is the hardest material in our body. But the teeth begin to decay while aging as acids break through the enamel. So, enamel care is more important.

Enamel is _____ material in our body.

Select the correct answer:

- A) harder
- B) the hardest
- C) most harder
- D) very hard

Answer: B) the hardest

48. Female anopheles cause Malaria. A kind of cell organism enters into the blood and destroys red blood corpuscles. The result is high fever. It can be prevented by destroying mosquitoes. D. D. T, Kerosene oil etc. will destroy them.
Malaria is caused by
Select the correct answer:
A) a cell organism
B) female anopheles
C) red corpuscles
D) none of these
Answer: B) female anopheles
49. Hibernation is winter sleep. It is seen in many mammals, reptiles, infects, etc. This condition is common in temperate and arctic regions. The temperature of the mammals drop to that of the surroundings.
Hibernation is common in
Select the correct answer:
A) polar regions
B) temperate regions
C) arctic regions
D) temperate and arctic regions
Answer: D) temperate and arctic regions

50. Wrinkles in the skin are caused by one's long exposure to the Sun. With aging, the middle layer of the skin worsens and wrinkles appear. The ultra violet radiation from the Sun also breaks down the middle layer. So one should limit his exposure to direct Sunlight.

The wrinkles on the skin are caused by _____.

Select the correct answer:

- A) gamma rays
- B) ultra violet rays
- C) ultra violet radiation of the sun
- D) creams and lotions

Answer: C) ultra violet radiation of the sun

51. The green leaf appears dark in red light. The reason is simple. The red light is absorbed by the green leaf. It does not reflect any colour. So, it looks dark.
The red light is absorbed by leaf.
Select the correct answer:
A) violet
B) green
C) brown
D) none of these
Answer : B) green
52. Lungs are the organs of respiration. They purify blood. The inhaled air has oxygen. Oxygen is taken by the lungs and impurities and other waste matters are discharged in the form of Carbon dioxide.
The impurities discharged by the lungs is called
Select the correct answer:
A) respiration
B) oxygen
C) carbon dioxide
D) waste matter
Answer : C) carbon dioxide
53. Aryabhatta lived between 476 and 520 A. D. He was a great mathematician and astronomer. He formed the basis for algebra. He brought out the importance of zero.
Aryabhatta founded
Select the correct answer:
A) geometry
B) algebra
C) calculus
D) astrology
Answer: B) algebra
54. Kangaroo is an Australian animal. It has strong back legs. It moves by jumping. The female carries its young in a fold of flesh on the front of its body.
Kangaroo is a
Select the correct answer:

A) mammal
B) marsupial
C) man-eater
D) marine creature
Answer : B) marsupial
55. Abraham Lincoln had humble beginnings. He fought for the abolition of slavery and became a martyr in that attempt. His definition of democracy, "a government of the people by the people and for the people" is very popular.
Lincoln's definition of democracy is
Select the correct answer:
A) popular
B) more popular
C) less popular
D) very popular
Answer : D) very popular
56. A passenger was knocked down by a speeding car. Immediately he lost his consciousness. He was rushed to hospital by the passers-by.
The passenger lost his
Select the correct answer:
A) conscious
B) more conscious
C) consciousness
D) most conscious
Answer: C) consciousness
57. The monsoon was very active. It started raining continuously. So the vehicles could not move fast as the blinding rain made the visibility poor.
It started raining
Select the correct answer:
A) continuousness
B) continuously
C) continual

D) very continuously
Answer: B) continuously
58. The Tsunami that hit in 2004 caused much destruction to human lives and property. The relief measures were not adequate.
The relief measures
Select the correct answer:
A) was not adequate
B) was not more adequate
C) is not adequate
D) were not adequate
Answer : D) were not adequate
59. The earth's gravitational force pulls down the objects thrown up or dropped down. But once a rocket escapes from the gravitational field of the earth, it cannot be pulled down.
The objects going out of the earth's gravitational field pulled down.
Select the correct answer:
A) can be
B) cannot be
C) could not be
D) could be
Answer : B) cannot be
60. Indus valley people worshipped stones, trees, animals and snakes. They practiced yoga. Anima sacrifices were made to appease gods by them.
Animal sacrifices to appease gods.
Select the correct answer:
A) was made
B) is made
C) were made
D) were not made
Answer : C) were made
61. Household and industrial chemicals used in refrigeration, air conditioning etc. deplete the life

saving layer called Ozone. Once the Ozone layer is affected, cancer is caused; fishes die and crops

also yield less.

The layer affected by chemicals is
Select the correct answer:
A) refrigeration
B) ozone
C) air conditioning
D) crops
Answer : B) ozone
62. Rivers in North India are long and so the hydal projects are not great in number. In south the rivers are not long and so hydal projects are many generating more power. Another difference between the rivers in north and south is that rivers like the Ganges do not dry up. Water flows through out the year.
Rivers in north can be called rivers.
Select the correct answer:
A) perennial
B) never drying
C) ever flowing
D) none of these
Answer : A) perennial
63. Laser is a beam of light used in micro drilling, welding, and cutting of metals in lathe. It is also used in surgery and cancer treatment.
Laser is widely used in treating and welding.
Select the correct answer:
A) patients
B) diseases
C) lathe
D) surgery
Answer: A) patients
64. Mist formation is highly dangerous. It causes poor visibility. As a result road accidents are common in winter.
Mist formation affects the movement on roads.
Select the correct answer:
A) vehicle

B) vehicular
C) people
D) animals
Answer: A) vehicle
65. The brain controls intellect, will, thought, memory, action, etc The spinal cord controls reflex action. If the system fails, paralysis will result.
The part that controls reflex action is called
Select the correct answer:
A) Brain
B) Spinal cord
C) Paralysis
D) Intellect
Answer : B) Spinal cord
66. Some people are born with natural skills, ability etc. They shine in life and become successful. Others without such natural abilities must acquire them by working hard.
There are people born with abilities.
Select the correct answer:
A) more natural
B) unnatural
C) natural
D) super natural
Answer: C) natural
67. A house is made of bricks. A home is made of love and affection. One has to differentiate between them and show what he wants.
Man must prefer for a happy life.
Select the correct answer:
A) a house
B) love
C) affection
D) a home
Answer: D) a home

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68. Owls have large round eyes. They hunt small animals at night. They are traditionally regarded as wise.
An owl is a bird.
Select the correct answer:
A) domestic
B) forest
C) cunning
D) foolish
Answer: B) forest
69. Vitamin D is available free of cost. How? It is present in the ultra violet rays from the sun. If it is deficient, rickets and poor formation of teeth will result.
Vitamin D is available in rays.
Select the correct answer:
A) Gamma
B) ultra violet
C) infracted
D) none of these
Answer : B) ultra violet
70. Green Revolution means employing new techniques in agriculture. They help to increase the yield. Chemical fertilizers, tractors, pesticides etc. increase the agricultural production.
Green Revolution has agricultural production.
Select the correct answer:
A) stepped up
B) beneficed
C) helpful
D) helped
Answer: A) stepped up
71. People in the past were not literate. So, they were afraid of natural occurrences like rain, fire etc. Science only has removed such blind beliefs.
Rains, fires etc. caused in the minds of the people in the past.
Select the correct answer:

A way of swimming is called _____.

Select the correct answer:

- A) butterfly strike
- B) butterfly beat
- C) butterfly stroke
- D) none of these

Answer: C) butterfly stroke
75. Caravan is a large vehicle on wheels. It is equipped for living and sleeping. It is used mostly in holidays, vary popular in western countries.
Caravan is equipped for when one is holidaying.
Select the correct answer:
A) to live and sleep
B) for living and sleeping
C) living and sleeping
D) sleeping
Answer : C) living and sleeping
76. The leopard is a large African and South Asian animal. It belongs to the cat's family with a yellowish coat and dark spots. It is not a man eater.
Leopards eat only.
Select the correct answer:
A) raw flesh
B) bark of the
C) animal flesh
D) human flesh
Answer: C) animal flesh
77. Late Prime Minister Lal Baghadur Sastri had to swim across a river to reach his school. He was very poor. So, he could not pay the boatman to carry him in his boat. Being earnest he did not mind swimming to go to school.
He was and so he swam across the river.
Select the correct answer:
A) very poor
B) poor
C) poorer
D) much poorer
Answer : A) very poor
78. Fair is a collection of outdoor entertainments, stalls, etc. on a large. Open ground. It is also a market, and show, especially of farm animals and farm products held regularly in a particular place.

Fair is a place of exhibiting _____ goods.

Select the correct answer:
A) Commercial
B) domestic
C) handicraft
D) eatable
Answer : D) eatable
79. Frog is an amphibian living on water or near water. It is a small animal with cold blood and smooth skin. It has no tail. It jumps using its long back legs.
The frog is called an
Select the correct answer:
A) cold blood animal
B) amphibian
C) long legged animals
D) none of these
Answer : B) amphibian
80. Cosmic rays consist mainly of charged particles. Some particles are protons. These rays are dangerous to living beings. They are a powerful source of radiation.
Cosmic rays are to living things.
Select the correct answer:
A) harmful
B) dangerous
C) highly dangerous
D) less dangerous
Answer: B) dangerous
81. Holography is an improvement on photography. An ordinary photography is only two-dimensional but it is reconstructed with the help of laser beams. The result is 3-D image called a 'hologram'.
The name of the reconstructed 3-D image is
A) Holography
B) Photography
C) Beams

D) hologram
Answer: D) hologram
82. Virus is a simple living thing. It is smaller than bacteria causing infectious diseases. Now it means a hidden code with in a Computer programme causing errors and destroying or stealing data.
Virus means also harming computer.
Select the correct answer:
A) a harmful programme
B) hidden code
C) minute organism
D) none of these
Answer : B) hidden code
83. The rainbow is formed by the reflection of the sunlight after rain. The rain drops act as prisms causing dispersal of rays of sunlight. It consists of seven colours called VIBGYOR.
The rain drops act as causing dispersal of rays of sunlight.
Select the correct answer:
A) a good conductor
B) a bad conductor
C) a refractory medium
D) prisms
Answer : D) prisms
84. Reptiles are cold blooded animals. They have skin covered with scales. They lay eggs. Snakes lizards, tortoises and crocodiles are reptiles. Most of them are highly dangerous.
Reptiles are animals.
Select the correct answer:
A) wild
B) domestic
C) not domestic
D) wild and domestic

Answer : C) not domestic

85. Captain cook was a great explorer. He was searching for new lands. Once he came upon cannibals, he was eaten up by them.

Cannibals are
Select the correct answer:
A) uncivilized
B) uncultured
C) man eaters
D) savages
Answer : C) man eaters
86. Vampires rise from graves and suck the blood of females turning them into vampires. This is the picture of the vampires presented in the Hollywood movies. The term refers to a tropical bat sucking the blood of other animals.
Vampire means a also.
Select the correct answer:
A) ghost
B) ghoul
C) bat
D) none of these
Answer: C) bat
87. Surf is the white part of waves as they fall on the shore or on rocks. Riding on a wave using a surfboard is a sport called surfing. Surfing calls for a high level of sporting spirit.
The name of the kit used for surfing is
Select the correct answer:
A) ski board
B) surfboard
C) rowboat
D) surfer
Answer: B) surfboard
88. Spleen is an organ of the body near the stomach. It regulates the quality of the blood. An enlargement of it or a rupture can damage the system.
The organ regulating the quality of the blood is
Select the correct answer:
A) the spleen

B) the liver
C) the pancreas
D) the lungs
Answer: D) the lungs
89. Planets are of varying size and physical composition. They revolve round the Sun in elliptical orbits. Mercury, Jupiter, Saturn etc. are members of our solar system.
Planets revolve round
Select the correct answer:
A) Jupiter
B) Mars
C) Venus
D) Sun
Answer: D) Sun
90. India became independent in 1947. It has made tremendous achievements in all fields in a short period. It shows how potential we are. India will be great power soon.
India shows how potential we
Select the correct answer:
A) are
B) was
C) will be
D) would be
Answer: A) are
91. Mahabharata is one of the greatest epics of our literature. It answers all questions, relating to political, social etc. if we give a proper interpretation. It is so popular that it is has been translated into many languages of the world.
Mahabharata is a of answers to all questions.
Select the correct answer:
A) compendium
B) collection
C) storehouse
D) encyclopedia

Answer: C) storehouse 92. Man's landing on the Moon is one of the greatest achievements of the scientists. It has paved way for exploring other planets also. The expedition to the Moon has kindled our interest in space science. The greatest achievement is _____. **Select the correct answer:** A) man's landing on the Moon B) man's exploration of Venus C) man's flight to mars D) none of these Answer: A) man's landing on the Moon 93. Morally and culturally American television programmes have affected our society. American programmes have many positive sides but the negative aspects of them have affected our cultural approach and customs. Indians have been influenced by _____ sides of American T. V. programmes. **Select the correct answer:** A) positive B) negative C) both positive and negative D) none of these **Answer : C) both positive and negative** 94. Students suffer from the examination mania when examinations approach. Teachers and parents must educate them to prepare themselves mentally as there is nothing to gain worrying about them. Students seem to suffer from some _____ when examinations approach. Select the correct answer: A) mental illness B) psychological effect C) mania D) sickness Answer: C) mania 95. Land lords in the past treated farm workers like slaves. The conditions of the workers were miserable because of the attitude of the land lords. This condition was called feudalism.

Landlords farm workers like slaves.

Select the correct answer:	:
A) ill treated	
B) badly treated	
C) unkindly treated	
D) treated	
Answer : D) treated	
_	ce has made our lives highly enjoyable. It has replaced the manual labour as work. Examples: washing grinding etc.
Machines do of th	e work.
Select the correct answer	
A) much	
B) many	
C) more	
D) most	
Answer : D) most	
	across the world get their names depending upon their origin. The storm fic Ocean is called Hurricane. The storm starting from the Indian Ocean is
The name of the storm from	om the Pacific Ocean is
Select the correct answer	
A) Cyclone	
B) Hurricane	
C) blow	
D) ocean	
Answer : B) Hurricane	
_	is car in a forest at night. Some one on the road side asked for a lift. Krishna him if he believed in ghosts. The man said 'Yes' and disappeared into the
The fellow asking for a lif	it was
Select the correct answer	:
A) a by-stander	
B) a passenger-by	

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C) a ghost	
D) a forest man	
Answer: C) a ghost	
99. There are many popular hill stations in our country. K them as it is situated on the Himalayas. It should not be Chennai.	
One of the most popular summer resorts is in our co	untry.
Select the correct answer:	
A) Manali	
B) Manali New Town	
C) Munnar	
D) Kulu Manali	
Answer : D) Kulu Manali	
100. Some people walk during sleep. It is called sleep walking people while walking in sleep.	ng or insomnia. We should not touch the
Sleep walking is called	
Select the correct answer:	¥
A) Kleptomania	
B) Insomnia	
C) Pneumonia	
D) None of these	
Answer : B) Insomnia	
II. Select the correct answer given under each passage	
1. Tamil Nadu was ruled by the Chera, Chola and Pandya K of them. The Pallavas built cave temples as they wanted the and mortar were liable to be destroyed.	

Select the correct answer:

- A) The Pallavas built ordinary temples
- B) The Cholas only built cave temples
- C) The Pallavas built only temples using bricks
- D) The Pallavas built cave temples

Answer : D. The Pallavas built cave temples

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2. English is an international language though Mandarin of the Chinese is spoken by more than 15	50
crores of people. Roman script only is used by English has there own script.	



- A) Mandarin is in international language
- B) English is not spoken widely
- C) Roman script is used by the English
- D) English is a simple language

Answer: C) Roman script is used by the English

3. The ancient people lived in caves without any settled life. They hunted animals and ate raw flesh as the usage of fire was not known to them.

Select the correct answer:

- A) The ancient people led a settled life
- B) They hunted animals and ate roasted flesh
- C) They did not know how to make fire
- D) The ancient people were advanced

Answer: C) They did not know how to make fire

4. Local time is calculated from the position and movement of the Sun. As the local time differs from place to place, each country has fixed uniform time for the whole country. This is called standard time.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Local time is uniform in all places
- B) The Sun rise is uniform at all places
- C) Standard time means uniformity of time in the whole country
- D) Standard time is not much different from the local time

Answer: C) Standard time means uniformity of time in the whole country

5. Fold mountains are made up of folded strata of sedimentary rocks. These are the highest mountains of the world. These rocks are folded when they are compressed.

Fold mountains are _____ mountains.

Select the correct answer:

- A) higher
- B) the highest
- C) high

D) very high
Answer: B) the highest
6. Bacteria, algae and fungi represent the earliest stages in the development of life on earth. They originated in the ocean; now they are found in lakes also.
Bacteria, algae and fungi are found in also.
Select the correct answer:
A) rivers
B) wells
C) floods
D) lakes
Answer : D) lakes
7. A mask in a covering for the head or face. It was used by primitive tribes to ensure a good harvest, a safe hunt and to ward off evil.
Mask was used to ensure a hunt.
Select the correct answer:
A) safer
B) safest
C) safe
D) more safe
Answer: C) safe
8. Winston Churchill was lecturing in Canada when the amplifying system broke down. Angry cries of 'Louder, Louder' began at once.
Select the correct answer:
A) Churchill's lecture was boring
B) The audience did not like the loud speaker
C) They were unable to hear him as the amplifier failed
D) It was time for them to go
Answer: C) They were unable to hear him as the amplifier failed
9. Newspapers are printed in large numbers as advertisements keep them financially strong. So newspapers are priced low.
Advertisements the newspapers financially strong.

Select the correct answer:

- A) keeps
- B) has kept
- C) keep
- D) does keeps

Answer: C) keep

10. Any world war hereafter means total destruction of our civilization.

It is possible as modern weapons of war can destroy even a big nation like India in a few seconds.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Modern Weapons of war are powerful to destroy any nation
- B) Small nations can escape destruction
- C) Big nations only want wars
- D) Civilizations rise and fall

Answer: A. Modern Weapons of war are powerful to destroy any nation

11. Modern age means the period of international conflicts and growing terrorism.

It is due to the progress of science. It has put more destructive powers in our hands.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Science has not progressed
- B) Man has become a terrorist
- C) There are conflicts only at the local level
- D) Man has become more powerful in causing destruction

Answer: D) Man has become more powerful in causing destruction

12. Failure and success are common in life but one has to take them in a balanced way without losing heart when failure stares at or gloat over when achieved something.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Failures are more common than success
- B) One should jump in joy when something is achieved
- C) Success comes rarely
- D) Failure and success must be treated equally

Answer: D) Failure and success must be treated equally

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13. Military training is more important for all young men. It displines our life and keeps us prepared to join the army at any time.
Military training is more important all youngmen.
Select the correct answer:
A) to
B) for
C) far
D) too
Answer: B) for
14. Mahatma Gandhi believed in people's self-sufficiency. Industrialization was not an answer to the problems of the country. He wanted people to weave their our cloth and produce food grains without relying upon others.
Select the correct answer:
A) Mahatma Gandhi was opposed to the industrialization
B) All problems were caused by industrialization
C) Self sufficiency meant refusal to accept items made by others
D) He wanted people to work hard
Answer: A) Mahatma Gandhi was opposed to the industrialization
15. Even the lowest insect strives for protection against dangers threatening its life. It does not want to die. So, all other creatures try to protect themselves.
Even the lowest insect strives for its protection against dangers its life.
Select the correct answer:
A) threatens
B) threaten
C) threatening
D) threat
Answer: C) threatening
16. To read nothing but fiction is like eating nothing but cakes and sweet meats. We need a healthy food for the body. Similarly we have to read serious books for the mind.
Select the correct answer:
A) Eating cakes is good
B) Reading fiction is good for the mind

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D) Sweet meats will keep us healthy

Answer: C) We need serious reading for the mind

17. All scientists must invent things useful to mankind. They should not do any research for destructive purpose. He has a duty to society, i. e. duty to do good service.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Scientists are free to invent destructive things
- B) They have a duty to do for society
- C) They have no obligation to society
- D) They can research in any thing

Answer: B) They have a duty to do for society

18. You probably know about instant coffee and instant tea; they are part of a modern man's life.

But have you ever heard _____ instant trees?

Select the correct answer:

A) of

B) on

C) with respect to

D) off

Answer: A) of

19. English is an international language important for its wide spread usage. It does not mean our languages are less important. English has become a medium of communication for its commercial importance.

Our languages are not _____ important.

Select the correct answer:

A) little

B) less

C) least

D) a little

Answer: B) less

20. Unemployment is rising leaving thousands of youngsters frustrated. Our present education has very little relevance to life. So, it is high time that we revamped the educational system.

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The outing unemployment is rising and leaving youngsters
Select the correct answer:
A) frustrate
B) frustrating
C) frustrated
D) in frustrate
Answer: C) frustrated
21. During the Mughal period, the English were permitted to have their bases in Surat and Ahamedabad. Then they extended their business activities to other areas in north.
The English was permitted their bases in Surat.
Select the correct answer:
A) have
B) has
C) to have
D) having
Answer: C) to have
22. Indians were highly advanced in Mathematics. For example, the decimal system was first known in India at the beginning of the 5^{th} Century A. D.
The decimal system in India at the beginning of the 5 th Century A. D.
Select the correct answer:
A) was being known
B) was known
C) known
D) being known
Answer: B) was known
23. The cultural side of education cannot be ignored. That is possible if History and Geography are taught. They are as important as Science in the curriculum.
Select the correct answer:
A) History is more important than Science
B) Geography is less important than Science
C) History, Geography and Science are important

D) Science only is important

Answer: C) History, Geography and Science are important

24. Travels to many places and parts of the world will help us acquire more knowledge. Different customs and life style of the people of different regions and countries come to be known if we travel widely.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Travels help us know more about people
- B) Travels make us wise
- C) Travels expose us to different customs and life style of people
- D) Travels to some places make us knowledgeable

Answer: C) Travels expose us to different customs and life style of people

25. The Moon has no atmosphere and so there cannot be seas, rivers etc. It cannot support life on it. Does it mean that the Moon is a dead planet?

The Moon _____ life on it.

Select the correct answer:

- A) can support
- B) could not support
- C) cannot have support
- D) cannot support

Answer: D) cannot support

26. Culture is the cultivation of a plant or garden. It is not eradication of roots. It is an understanding of the seeds and roots.

_____ is an understanding of the seeds and roots.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Cultivation
- B) Garden
- C) Eradication
- D) Culture

Answer: D) Culture

27. Whales can wreck a ship as they have such an enormous strength. They are hunted for oil. They are called marine mammals.

The Marine Mammals referred to here are _____.

Select the correct answer:
A) ships
B) whales
C) strength
D) wreck
Answer: B) whales
28. The feats in the circus delight all, especially children who are amused and entertained greatly. The jester in the circus is a very great entertainer. Such jesters were in the royal courts in the past.
The entertainer here spoken of is
Select the correct answer:
A) children
B) the jester
C) circus
D) counts
Answer: B) the jester
29. All batsmen turn out runs mechanically without emotions. Cricket is not an adventure to them. It is a business.
The game called business is
Select the correct answer:
A) batsmen
B) emotion
C) adventure
D) cricket
Answer: D) cricket
30. The bomb exploded producing mushroom clouds. They surged upto 40,000 feet-over 10,000 feet higher than Everest. The clouds looked beautiful with all colours of the rainbow, surged more higher than Mount Everest.
Select the correct answer:
A) bomb
B) rainbow clouds
C) mushroom clouds

D) rainbows
Answer: C) mushroom clouds
31. Fairy tales frighten children or arouse their sadistic impulses. Such frightening stories repeatedly told make them derive more pleasure. Their fear vanishes.
Fairy tales arouse the children's
Select the correct answer:
A) sadistic ferns
B) sadistic impulses
C) feelings of joy
D) fear
Answer: B) sadistic impulses
32. Adults spend three minutes on writing a post card and posting it. The old people spend nearly half-a-day on it. First they look for the card, and then spectacles. They search for the address and spend an hour on writing the matter. Then they spend an hour looking for an umbrella and then go towards the post office.
The old people look for the post card and then search for
Select the correct answer:
A) address
B) umbrella
C) spectacles
D) post office
Answer: C) spectacles
33. Deserts differ from mountains, valleys and the plains. They provoke awe; they don't invite us to conquer. Its sight produces a feeling of heroism.
The sight of produces heroic feelings.
Select the correct answer:
A) mountains
B) valleys
C) plains
D) deserts

Answer : D) deserts

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34. Each nation indulges in self-glorification in writing books of history. It boasts of its achievements without any limit.
History of a nation means only its
Select the correct answer:
A) boasting
B) achievement
C) self-glorification
D) indulgence
Answer : C) self-glorification
35. People are strangers in new places; but they don't behave like strangers in zoological gardens. They assume familiarity with animals and feel free with them touching or offering them eatables.
People feel free with in Zoos.
Select the correct answer:
A) strangers
B) animals
C) eatables
D) familiarity
Answer : B) animals
36. Man's contact with nature brings him peace and harmony with all. He can observe all effects of nature and find meaning in their existence.
Man's with nature brings him peace.
Select the correct answer:
A) observation
B) meaning
C) contact
D) harmony
Answer: C) contact
37. Books are everlasting products; they do not crumble into ruin like temples. Picture decay, not the books. Only the trash do not survive. Good books live long.
The books that are survive.
Select the correct answer:

D) has found

A) find

B) found

C) is find

Select the correct answer:

Answer: B) found

-	rith men at all levels. It shows that their abilities are at par with those of their role in administration has found acceptance by all.
Women's abilities	those of men.
Select the correct answ	ver:
A) match	
B) equally	
C) at par	
D) matches	
Answer: A) match	
42. Birds migrate to d direction and reach the	istant lands flying thousand of miles. They have a high sense of distance and e proper destination.
Birds migrate to	·
Select the correct answ	ver:
A) long distances	
B) proper destination	
C) distant lands	
D) far lands	
Answer : C) distant la	nds
43. Over confidence w does and wants to achi	vrecks most of us. One must have self confidence and go ahead with what he leve.
What wrecks our life i	s
Select the correct answ	ver:
A) confidence	
B) over confidence	
C) self confidence	
D) achievement	
Answer: B) over confi	idence
44. Gandhiji believed religious bias.	in non-violence. It was also known as Ahimsa. It had neither religion nor
Non-violence was also	known as

Select the correct answer:
A) religion
B) bias
C) Ahimsa
D) no religion
Answer: C) Ahimsa
45. Ants share any food they come across with others. Without hesitation they sacrifice their life if there is any threat to their living place. They work for the community without any selfishness.
Ants serve for the community.
Select the correct answer:
A) with selfishness
B) without selfishness
C) without hesitation
D) sharing food
Answer : B) without selfishness
46. Noise pollution affects us in many ways. Coversations are impossible; our ear drum is damaged. Productivity is affected as we cannot concentrate on work.
Noise damages our
Select the correct answer:
A) ear drum
B) heart
C) productivity
D) concentration
Answer : A) ear drum
47. The human brain is the most powerful organ performing astounding functions that one cannot imagine. How it works is not clearly known. Any damage done to any other part of the body can be corrected. But it is not easy if the brain malfunctions.
The most powerful organ is
Select the correct answer:
A) the liver
B) the spinal cord

C) the brain
D) heart
Answer : C) the brain
48. The Aravalli Ranges are considered to be older than the Himalayas. The ranges are not as long as the Himalayas.
The older ranges are
Select the correct answer:
A) the Himalayas
B) the Aravalli ranges
C) the Hindugush ranges
D) the Vindyas
Answer : B) the Aravalli ranges
49. Sirapunji used to receive the heaviest rainfall. But it is known for its water scarcity.
Sirapunji is known for its
Select the correct answer:
A) water scarcity
B) forest wealth
C) animals
D) water falls
Answer: A) water scarcity
50. Shakespeare was a popular dramatist of England. He was born on $23^{\rm rd}$ April, 1564. He wrote nearly 37 dramas. He died on his birthday.
Shakespeare died on
Select the correct answer:
A) 23 rd April
B) 21st April
C) 15 th April
D) 5 th April
Answer: A) 23 rd April

51. Cricket is the most popular game in our country and it is said to be the legacy of the British. It is not played in the Olympic Games. America and Russia are not in favour of it.

Cricket is popular in the
Select the correct answer:
A) Asian Countries
B) African Countries
C) British Colonies
D) Arab Nations
Answer : C) British Colonies
52. The hypertension is a slow killer like diabetes. Diabetes is not a disease but a mother of all diseases. Similarly hypertension can damage the system in its own way.
Many diseases are caused by
Select the correct answer:
A) diabetes
B) hypertension
C) cancer
D) Aids
Answer: B) hypertension
53. Jupiter is the largest planet in our solar system. It has five moons. Though it is bigger than our earth., it is made up of gas only.
The Jupiter belongs to our
Select the correct answer:
A) galaxy
B) milky way
C) orbit
D) family of asteroids
Answer: A) galaxy
54. Most of the Buddhists were vegetarians in the past and they propagated vegetarianism. In fact vegetarian animals like elephants were the strongest. So non-vegetarians need not claim to be strong because of the diet.
Non-vegetarian food has nothing to do with
Select the correct answer:
A) the physical strength

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- B) bravery
- C) martial valour
- D) mental abilities

Answer: A) the physical strength

55. Kautilya's Arthasastra is concerned with the political problems of the government. It describes its machinery and functions both in times of peace and war.

Asthasastrs is concerned with the _____ of the government.

Select the correct answer:

- A) political problems
- B) machinery
- C) functions
- D) all

Answer: B) machinery

56. Sita and Mala were class mates. Sita was intelligent and hard working. Mala was only a mediocre student but hard working. Though her intelligence did not match with that of Sita.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Sita was only an average student
- B) Mala was not as hard working as Sita.
- C) Sita and Mala were in different classes.
- D) Mala was less intelligent than Sita.

Answer: D) Mala was less intelligent than Sita.

57. Mumbai is the financial capital of India though it is ranked next to New Delhi. Major industrial as well as business activities are centred in and around Mumbai only. It does not mean that other metropolitan cities are no match to it in many aspects.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Mumbai enjoys reputation as a financial capital only.
- B) New Delhi is overtaking Mumbai in many ways.
- C) Mumbai is a leading business centre
- D) Other cities also are equally comparable with Mumbai.

Answer: D) Other cities also are equally comparable with Mumbai.

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58. Many talented youngsters go to overseas countries in search of jobs. It does not imply that job opportunities are wanting in India. Parents only are responsible as they want their wards to go abroad as it is a status symbol.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Youngsters go abroad as jobs are not available in India.
- B) They are after more money.
- C) Parents want their children to earn more and more.
- D) A job in a foreign country adds prestige to them.

Answer: D) A job in a foreign country adds prestige to them.

59. Many boys were playing using a rubber ball. Unfortunately the ball fell inside of a hole in a tree nearby. They did not know how to take out the ball. One of the boys suggested that a bucket of water be poured into the hole of the tree. They did as advised by him see the ball rising out of the hole. The clever of boy who gave the suggestion was Jawaharlal Nehru.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Nehru did not play
- B) The ball came out floating as it was light in weight.
- C) All of them tried their best in vain
- D) None of these

Answer: B) The ball came out floating as it was light in weight.

60. Chandragupta Maurya founded the Mauryan dynasty driving away the Nandas. He was supported and helped by his Guru Chanakya in establishing his rule. His dynasty ruled for 137 years.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Chandragupta came from the Mauryan dynasty.
- B) The Nandas also belonged to the Mauryan family.
- C) The Mauryan dynasty ruled for about 14 decades.
- D) Chanakya belonged to the Gupta family.

Answer: C) The Mauryan dynasty ruled for about 14 decades.

61. Noise pollution may be defined as the state of discomfort and restlessness caused by men. Urbanization and industrialization are responsible for this increasing noise pollution. Adding to it is the noise made by loud speakers blaring out during festival times.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Noise is an irritant.
- B) There was no noise pollution before industrialization

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- C) People in urban areas only produce noise
- D) Loud speakers, if banned, will reduce the noise pollution.

Answer: B) There was no noise pollution before industrialization

62. Women were given only a subordinate place in society. Only after the advent of the British rule, there came a change. Women were liberated to some extent. Though they enjoy freedom and equality with men these days, men continue to dominate. They are economically independent.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Women enjoy freedom after their revolt.
- B) Women are totally liberated.
- C) Their economic independence is one of the latest developments.
- D) Men are willing to treat them equally without any power over them.

Answer: C) Their economic independence is one of the latest developments.

63. Marriage has became a business proposition as dowry is demanded though it is too illegal. The dowry evil has wrecked many families and many marriage have broken up also. The evil can be destroyed if only the greedy parents change themselves.

Select the correct answer:

- A) Marriage brings money to the greedy.
- B) Giving dowry is not an offence.
- C) Families can survive the onslaught of dowry.
- D) Marriages break up for other reasons also.

Answer: C) Families can survive the onslaught of dowry.

64. The Greeks liked to present their deities in human form. It was natural for them to symbolize the gods as human beings glorified and idealized. To give the gods a human form is called anthropomorphism. Anthropos means a man and morphe form.

Select the correct answer:

- A) The Greeks only saw their gods in a human forms.
- B) It is unnatural to see the gods in human forms.
- C) Anthropos means a man as well as woman.
- D) Human begins are raised to the gods status.

Answer: D) Human begins are raised to the gods status.

65. The supposed presence of water on the Moon, especially in its polar regions has raised hopes of man's colonization of the Moon in a distant future. To support life on it, the Moon must have oxygenrich atmosphere. Does it has this atmosphere?

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Select the correct answer:

- A) Water is seen in all regions of the Moon.
- B) Man hopes to colonise the Moon at the earliest.
- C) In future man can live on the Moon.
- D) The Moon has no oxygen to support life.

Answer: D) The Moon has no oxygen to support life.

