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English Paper

(Set-C)

CLOZE COMPREHENSION

Directions:

Each of the following sentences in this section has a blank space with four words or group of words given. Select whichever word or group of words you consider most appropriate for the blank space and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet accordingly.

CLOZE COMPREHENSION – I

The question whether war is ever justified, and it so under what circumstances, is one which has been forcing itself _____ (1) the attention of all thoughtful men. On this question I find myself in the somewhat _____ (2) position of holding that no single one of the combatants is justified in the present war, while not taking the extreme Tolstoyan view that war is under all circumstances a _____ (3). Opinions on such a subject as war are the outcome of _____ (4) rather than of thought: given a man's emotional temperament, his convictions, _____ (5) on war in general, and on any particular war which may occur during his lifetime, can be _____ (6) with tolerable certainty. The arguments used will be mere reinforcements to convictions otherwise reached. The fundamental facts in this as in all ethical _____ (7) are feelings; all that thought can do is to clarify and systematize the expression of those feelings, and it is such clarifying and systematizing of my own feelings that I wish to _____ (8) in the present article. In fact, the question of right and wrongs of a particular war is generally _____ (9) from a judicial or quasi-judicial _____ (10).

1.
 - A. Upon
 - B. On
 - C. At
 - D. Over
2.
 - A. Delightful
 - B. Painful
 - C. Pleasant
 - D. Lovely
3.
 - A. Duty
 - B. Obligation
 - C. Responsibility
 - D. Crime
4.
 - A. Feeling
 - B. Sentiment
 - C. Reason
 - D. Patriotism
5.
 - A. However
 - B. As well as
 - C. Both
 - D. Despite

6.
A. Thought
B. Intimated
C. Suggested
D. Held
7.
A. Questions
B. Answers
C. Statements
D. Experiences
8.
A. Engage
B. Praise
C. Attempt
D. Commend
9.
A. Considered
B. Observed
C. Transferred
D. Opined
10.
A. Possibility
B. Formula
C. Force
D. Standpoint

CLOZE COMPREHENSION – II

The Nobel Prize for Chemistry this year is a tribute to the power of ____ (11) ____ The laureates harnessed evolution and used it in the ____ (12) ____ with amazing results. Frances H. Arnold, an American who was given one-half of the prize, used 'directed evolution' to ____ (13) ____ variants of naturally occurring enzymes that could be used to ____ (14) ____ biofuels and pharmaceuticals. The other half went to George P. Smith, also of the U.S., and Sir Gregory P. Winter, from the U.K., who evolved antibodies to ____ (15) ____ . Autoimmune diseases and even metastatic cancer through a process called phase display.

11.
A. evolution
B. devolution
C. revolution
D. involution
12.
A. microscope
B. field
C. market
D. laboratory

- 13.
- A. inhibit
 - B. synthesize
 - C. hamper
 - D. hold back
- 14.
- A. constitute
 - B. sink
 - C. manufacture
 - D. resolve
- 15.
- A. combat
 - B. support
 - C. observe
 - D. invite

ORDERING OF SENTENCES

Directions :

In this Section each item consists of six sentences of a passage. The first and sixth sentences are given in the beginning as S1 and S6. The middle four sentences in each have been jumbled up and labelled as P, Q, R and S. You are required to find the proper sequence of the four sentences and mark your response accordingly on the Answer Sheet.

16. S1 : He no longer dreamed of storms, nor of women, nor of great occurrences, nor of great fish, nor fights, nor contests of strength, nor of his wife.
 S6 : He urinated outside the shack and then went up the road to wake the boy.
 P : He never dreamed about the boy.
 Q : He only dreamed of places and of the lions on the beach now.
 R : He simply woke, looked out through the open door at the moon and unrolled his trousers and put them on.
 S : They played like young cats in the dusk and he loved them as he loved the boy.
 The correct sequence should be
- A. R Q P S
 - B. S R Q P
 - C. Q R P S
 - D. P R S Q
17. S1 : We do not know, after 60 years of equation, how to protect ourselves against epidemics like cholera and plague.
 S6 : This is the disastrous result of the system under which we are educated.
 P : If our doctors could have started learning medicine at an earlier age, they would not make such a poor show as they do.
 Q : I have seen hundreds of homes. I cannot say that I have found any evidence in them of knowledge of hygiene.
 R : I consider it a very serious blot on the state of our education that our doctors have not found it possible to eradicate these diseases.
 S : I have the greatest doubt whether our graduates know what one should do in case one is bitten by a snake.
 The correct sequence should be
- A. R Q S P
 - B. P R Q S
 - C. Q R P S
 - D. P Q S R

18. S1 : The weak have no place here, in this life or in any other life. Weakness leads to slavery.
 S6 : This is the great fact : strength is life, weakness is death. Strength is felicity, life eternal, immortal; weakness is constant strain and misery : weakness is death.
 P : They dare not approach us, they have no power to get a hold on us, until the mind is weakened.
 Q : Weakness leads to all kinds of misery, physical and mental. Weakness is death.
 R : But they cannot harm us unless we become weak, until the body is ready and predisposed to receive them.
 S : There are hundreds of thousands of microbes surrounding us.
 The correct sequence should be
 A. P Q R S
 B. P R Q S
 C. Q R S P
 D. Q S R P
19. S1 : The Nobel Prize for Economics in 2018 was awarded to Paul Romer and William Nordhaus for their work in two separate areas : economic growth and environmental economics respectively.
 S6 : Among recent winners of Nobel Prize in Economics, it's hard to think of one issue which is more topical and relevant to India.
 P : But there is a common thread in their work.
 Q : In economic jargon it's termed as externality.
 R : Productive activity often has spillovers, meaning that it can impact an unrelated party.
 S : Romer and Nordhaus both studied the impact of externalities and came up with profound insights and economic models.
 The correct sequence should be
 A. P Q R S
 B. P R Q S
 C. Q S P R
 D. Q S R P
20. S1 : India's museums tend to be dreary experiences.
 S6 : Because it's better to attract crowds than dust.
 P : Even the Louvre that attracted an eye-popping 8.1 million visitors last year compared to India's 10.18 million foreign tourists, has hooked up with Beyonce and Jay-Z for promotion, where they take a selfie with Mona Lisa.
 Q : Our museums need to get cool too.
 R : A change of approach is clearly called for.
 S : Troops of restless schoolchildren are often the most frequent visitors, endlessly being told to lower their voices and not touch the art.
 The correct sequence should be
 A. P Q R S
 B. P R S Q
 C. S R P Q
 D. Q S R P

21. S1 : A decade ago UN recognized that rape can constitute a war crime and a constitutive act of genocide.
 S6 : The fact that these two peace laureates come from two different nations underlines that this problem has been widespread, from Rwanda to Myanmar.
 P : This year's Nobel peace prize has been awarded to two exceptional individuals for their fight to end the use of sexual violence as a weapon of war.
 Q : Denis Mukwege is a doctor who has spent decades treating rape survivors in the Democratic Republic of Congo, where a long civil war has repeatedly witnessed the horror of mass rapes.
 R : Nadia Murad is herself a survivor of sexual war crimes, perpetuated by IS against the Yazidis.
 S : Today she campaigns tirelessly to put those IS leaders in the dock in international courts.

The correct sequence should be

- A. P Q R S
- B. P R Q S
- C. S R Q P
- D. Q R S P

23. S1 : The climate question presents a leapfrog era for India's development paradigm.
 S6 : This presents a good template for India, building on its existing plans to introduce electric mobility through buses first, and cars by 2030.
 P : It is aimed at achieving a shift to sustainable fuels, getting cities to commit to eco-friendly mobility and delivering more walkable communities, all of which will improve the quality of urban life.
 Q : At the Bonn conference, a new Transport Decarbonisation Alliance has been declared.
 R : This has to be resolutely pursued, breaking down the barriers to wider adoption of rooftop solar energy at every level and implementing net metering systems for all categories of consumers.
 S : Already, the country has chalked out an ambitious policy on renewable energy, hoping to generate 175 gigawatts of power from green sources by 2022.

The correct sequence should be

- A. S R Q P
- B. S P R Q
- C. P R S Q
- D. Q R S P

24. S1 : The dawn of the information age opened up great opportunities for the beneficial use of data.
 S6 : To some, in this era of Big Data analytics and automated, algorithm-based processing of zettabytes of information, the fear that their personal data may be unprotected may conjure up visions of a dystopian world in which individual liberties are compromised.
 P : But it is the conflict between the massive scope for progress provided by digital era and the fear of loss of individual autonomy that is foregrounded in any debates about data protection laws.
 Q : It also enhanced the perils of unregulated and arbitrary use of personal data.
 R : It is against this backdrop that the White Paper made public to elicit views from the public on the shape and substance of a comprehensive data protection law assumes significances.
 S : Unauthorised leaks, hacking and other cyber crimes have rendered databases vulnerable.

The correct sequence should be

- A. S Q R P
- B. Q P R S
- C. S R P Q
- D. Q S P R

25. S1 : In a globalized world, no country can hope to impose tariffs without affecting its own economic interests.
 S6 : The ongoing trade war also threatens the rules-based global trade order which has managed to amicably handle trade disputes between countries for decades.
 P : So both the U.S. and China, which have blamed each other for the ongoing trade war, are doing no good to their own economic fortunes by engaging in this tit-for-tat tariff battle.
 Q : Apart from disadvantaging its consumers, who will have to pay higher prices for certain goods, tariffs will also disrupt the supply chain of producers who rely on foreign imports.
 R : China, which is fighting an economic slowdown, will be equally affected.
 S : The minutes of the U.S. Federal Reserve June policy meeting show that economic uncertainty due to the trade war is already affecting private investment in the U.S., with many investors deciding to scale back or delay their investment plans.
- The correct sequence should be
- S Q P R
 - Q P S R
 - Q R P S
 - P S R Q

COMPREHENSION

Directions :

In this section you have few short passages. After each passage, you will find some items based on the passage. First, read a passage and answer the items based on it. You are required to select your answers based on the contents of the passage and opinion of the author only.

Passage — I

From 1600 to 1757 the East India Company's role in India was that of a trading corporation which brought goods or precious metals into India and exchanged them for Indian goods like textiles and spices, which it sold abroad. Its profits came primarily from the sale of Indian goods abroad. Naturally, it tried constantly to open new markets for Indian goods in Britain and other countries. Thereby, it increased the export of Indian manufacturers, and thus encouraged their production. This is the reason why Indian rulers tolerated and even encouraged the establishment of the Company's factories in India. But, from the very beginning, the British manufacturers were jealous of the popularity that India textiles enjoyed in Britain. All of a sudden, dress fashions changed and light cotton textiles began to replace the coarse woollens of the English. Before, the author of the famous novel, Robinson Crusoe, complained that Indian cloth had "crept into our houses, our closets and bed chambers; curtains, cushions, chairs, and at last beds themselves were nothing but calicos or India stuffs". The British manufacturers put pressure on their government to restrict and prohibit the sale of Indian goods in England. By 1720, laws had been passed forbidding the wear or use of printed or dyed cotton cloth, in 1760 a lady had to pay a fine of 200 for possessing an imported handkerchief! Moreover, heavy duties were imposed on the import of plain cloth. Other European countries, except Holland, also either prohibited the import of Indian cloth or imposed heavy import duties. In spite of these laws, however, Indian silk and cotton textiles still held their own in foreign markets, until the middle of the eighteenth century when the English textile industry began to develop on the basis of new and advanced technology.

26. The East India Company was encouraging the export of Indian manufacturers because
- it was a philanthropic trading corporation
 - it wanted Indian manufacturers to prosper in trade and commerce
 - it profited from the sale of Indian goods in foreign markets
 - it feared Indian Kings who would not permit them trade in India

27. The people of England used Indian clothes because
 - A. they loved foreign and imported clothes
 - B. the Indian textile was light cotton
 - C. the Indian clothes were cheaper
 - D. the Indian cloths could be easily transported
28. What did the British manufacturer do to compete with the Indian manufacturers?
 - A. They pressurized the government to levy heavy duties on export of Indian clothes
 - B. They pressurized the government to levy heavy duties on import of Indian clothes
 - C. They requested people to change their fashion preferences.
 - D. They lowered the prices of the Britain made textile
29. Which source is cited by the author to argue that Indian textile was in huge demand in 18th century England?
 - A. The archival source
 - B. The scientific source
 - C. The journalistic source
 - D. The literary source
30. "New and advanced technology" in the paragraph refers to
 - A. the French Revolution
 - B. the Glorious Revolution of England
 - C. the Industrial Revolution
 - D. the beginning of colonialism

Passage — II

Zimbabwe's prolonged political crisis reached the boiling point earlier this month when President Robert Mugabe dismissed the Vice-President, Emmerson Mnangagwa. A battle to succeed the 93-year-old liberation hero-turned President had already been brewing within the ruling Zimbabwe African National Union-Patriotic Front (Zanu-PF), with the old guard backing Mr. Mnangagwa, himself a freedom fighter, and 'Generation 40', a grouping of younger leaders supporting Mr. Mugabe's 52-year-old wife, Grace. Ms. Mugabe, known, for her extravagant lifestyle and interfering ways, has been vocal in recent months about her political ambitions. Mr. Mugabe was seen to have endorsed her when on November 6 he dismissed Mr. Mnangagwa. But Mr. Mugabe who has ruled Zimbabwe since its independence in 1980, erred on two counts: he underestimated the deep connections Mr. Mnangagwa has within the establishment and overestimated his own power in a system he has helped shape. In the good old days, Mr. Mugabe was able to rule with an iron grip. But those days are gone. Age and health problems have weakened his hold on power, while there is a groundswell of anger among the public over economic mismanagement. So when he turned against a man long seen by the establishment as his successor, Mr. Mugabe left little doubt that he was acting from a position of political weakness. This gave the security forces the confidence to turn against him and make it clear they didn't want a Mugabe dynasty. The military doesn't want to call its action a coup d'état, for obvious reasons. A coup would attract international condemnation, even sanctions. But it is certain that the army chief, General. Constantine Chiwenga, is in charge. His plan as it emerges, is to force Mr. Mugabe to resign and install a transitional government, perhaps under Mr. Mnangagwa, until elections are held.

31. In the paragraph, who has been called liberation hero?
 - A. Constantino Chiwenga
 - B. Emmerson Mnangagwa
 - C. Robert Mugabe
 - D. Army Chief

32. Mrs. Mugabe is supported by
 - A. Mr. Mnangagwa
 - B. Mr. Mugabe
 - C. Generation 40
 - D. Zanu –PF
33. Mr. Mugabe's political weakness became apparent when
 - A. he endorsed his wife
 - B. he turned against the army
 - C. he suffered from health issues
 - D. he dismissed Mr. Mnangagwa
34. The security forces of Zimbabwe staged a coup against the President because
 - A. they wanted Mrs. Mugabe as the President
 - B. they were aware of Mugabe's failing wealth
 - C. they disliked Mugabe's extravagant lifestyle
 - D. they did not want a Mugabe dynasty
35. Why does the military not want to call it a coup d'état?
 - A. Because coup is immoral
 - B. Because coup is illegal
 - C. Because coup would lead to inter-national censure and sanctions
 - D. Because it would make the public revolt

Passage – III

Over-eating is one of the most wonderful practices among those who think that they can afford it. In fact, authorities say that nearly all who can get as much as they desire, over-eat to their disadvantage. This class of people could save a great more food than they can save by missing one meal per week and at the same time they could improve their health. A heavy meal at night, the so-called "dinner", is the fashion with many and often is taken shortly before retiring. It is unnecessary and could be forgone, not only once a week but daily without loss of strength. From three to five hours are needed to digest food. While sleeping, this food not being required to give energy for work, is in many cases converted into excess fat, giving rise to overweight. The evening meal should be light, taken three or four hours before retiring. This prevents overeating, conserves energy and reduces the cost of food.

36. Why should those who over-eat refrain from doing so?
 - A. Because overeating leads to loss of wealth
 - B. Because overeating is bad for health
 - C. Because overeating conserves food
 - D. Because overeating is immoral and unhealthy
37. Over-eating is more prevalent among
 - A. the rich
 - B. the poor
 - C. everybody
 - D. the bourgeoisie
38. The writer is asking the readers
 - A. to skip the heavy dinner and take light evening meal instead
 - B. to stop eating anything at night
 - C. to take food only during the day
 - D. to eat food before the sunset
39. What is the most appropriate time for having evening meal?
 - A. An hour after the sunset
 - B. Three or four hours before sleeping
 - C. Before the sunset
 - D. Just before sleeping

40. According to the passage, how many times a day should we have food?
A. Three times
B. Two times
C. Once
D. Has not been specified
41. According to the passage, people overeat
A. because they can afford to
B. because they are hungry
C. because they have to work more
D. because they have to conserve energy

Passage - IV

Much has been said of the common ground of religious unity. I am not going just now to venture own theory. But if anyone here hopes that this unity will come by the triumph of any one of the religions and the destruction of the others, to him I say, "Bother, yours is an impossible hope." Do I wish that the Christian would become Hindu? God forbid. Do I wish that the Hindu or Buddhist would become Christian? God forbid.

The seed is put in the ground, and earth and air and water are placed around it. Does the seed become the earth, or the air, or the water? No. It becomes a plant. it develops after the law of its own growth, assimilates the air, the earth, and the water, converts them into plant substance, and grows into a plant.

Similar is the case with religion. The Christian is not to become a Hindu or a Buddhist, nor a Hindu or a Buddhist to become a Christian. But each must assimilate the spirit of the others and yet preserve his individuality and grow according to his own law of growth.

If the Parliament of Religions has shown anything to the world, it is this: it has proved to the world that holiness, purity and charity are not the exclusive possessions of any church in the world, and that every system has produced men and women of the most exalted character. In the face of this evidence, if anybody dreams of the exclusive survival of his own religion and the destruction of the others, I pity him from the bottom of my heart, and point out to him that upon the banner of every religion will soon be written in spite of resistance: "Help and not fight," "Assimilation and not Destruction," "Harmony and Peace and not Dissension."

42. According to the author of the passage, people should
A. change their religions
B. follow their religions and persuade others to follow it
C. follow their own religions and respect other religions
D. disrespect other religions
43. The Parliament of Religions is
A. a Christian organization
B. a Buddhist organization
C. a Hindu organization
D. a platform for discussion about every religion of the world
44. What does the author think about those who dream about the exclusive survival of their own religions and the destruction of the others?
A. He hates them
B. He desires to imprison them
C. He pities them
D. He praises them
45. According to the passage, what is "impossible hope"?
A. One day, all the people of the world will follow only one religion
B. One day, there will be no religion
C. Purity and charity are the exclusive possessions
D. Banner of every religion will soon be written

FILL IN THE BLANK

Directions :

Each of the following sentences in this section has a blank space and four words or group of words are given after the sentence. Select the word or group of words you consider the **most appropriate** for the blank space and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet accordingly.

46. How we _____ to ageing is a choice we must make wisely.
A. respond B. absolve
C. discharge D. overlook
47. Complementary medicine _____ fewer risks, since it is used along with standard remedies, often to lessen side-effects and enhance feelings of well-being.
A. reacts B. releases
C. ejects D. carries
48. Stress may _____ fertility in men and women.
A. engage B. reduce
C. inject D. deduce
49. The football match had to be _____ because of the weather.
A. called on B. called off
C. called out D. called over
50. Nobody believed Ram at first but he _____ to be right.
A. came out B. carried out
C. worked out D. turned out
51. How are you _____ in your new job? Are you enjoying it?
A. keeping on B. going on
C. getting on D. carrying on
52. We live _____ a tower block. Our apartment is on the fifteenth floor.
A. at B. in
C. over D. above
53. You were going to apply for the job, and then you decided not to. So what _____?
A. put you off B. put you out
C. turned you off D. turned you away
54. _____ it was raining, he went out without a raincoat.
A. Even B. Since
C. Unless D. Although
55. I parked my car in a no-parking zone, but I _____ it.
A. came up with B. got away with
C. made off with D. got on with

SYNONYMS

Directions :

Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word followed by four words/group of words. Select the option that is the **nearest in meaning** to the underlined word and mark your response on your Answer Sheet accordingly.

56. A provocative message had been doing rounds on social media to instigate the mob against migrants.
A. dexterous B. inflammatory
C. valiant D. prudent
57. The differences include increase in mean temperature and heavy precipitation in several regions.
A. drought B. oasis
C. rainfall D. snowing

58. The portal will help victims and complainants to anonymously report cyber crime.
 A. incognito B. directly
 C. unfailingly D. in situ
59. He is suffering from a terminal disease.
 A. sublunary B. terrific
 C. chronic D. incurable
60. Doctors are reluctant to take rural postings despite big salary offers.
 A. disinclined B. eager
 C. fervent D. unrepentant
61. The authorities have reprimanded the subordinate officer for violating the protocol.
 A. extolled B. purported
 C. admonished D. required an apology
62. For Gandhiji, India's religious and linguistic diversity was an asset, not a liability.
 A. obligation B. advantage
 C. attribute D. reinforcement
63. How hysterical he is !
 A. berserk B. inconsistent
 C. duplicitous D. insincere
64. Mahesh is mostly prejudiced in his political opinion.
 A. objectionable B. predatory
 C. jaundiced D. intimate
65. Do not indulge in tautology
 A. truth telling B. prolixity
 C. foretelling D. telepathic conversation

ANTONYMS

Directions: Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word followed by four words. Select the option that is opposite in meaning to the underlined word and mark your response on your answer sheet accordingly.

66. His religious views are rather fanatical.
 A. bigoted B. rabid
 C. moderate D. militant
67. Religious fundamentalists often consider the followers of other religions to be heretics.
 A. dissenter B. believer
 C. renegade D. apostate
68. According to G B shaw, men have become inert. Therefore, life force has chosen women to perform its functions.
 A. lively B. quiescent
 C. dormant D. apathetic
69. Some of the men are highly misanthropic.
 A. anti-social B. philosophic
 C. atrophic D. philanthropic
70. The teacher was a very profound man.
 A. sincere B. erudite
 C. scholarly D. superficial
71. His handwriting is readable.
 A. well-written B. decipherable
 C. illegible D. comprehensible
72. Mohan is his steadfast friend
 A. committed B. unwavering
 C. unfaltering D. unreliable

73. Radha often goes **tempestuous** while debating.
 A. calm B. violent
 C. fierce D. vehement
74. The thief had very **vital** information to pass on to the police.
 A. crucial B. inessential
 C. indispensable D. fundamental
75. His lectures are often **wordy** and pointless.
 A. diffuse B. concise
 C. garrulous D. voluble

ORDERING OF WORD IN A SENTENCE

Directions: Each of the following items in this section consists of a sentence, the parts of which have been jumbled. These parts have been labelled as P, Q, R and S. Given below each sentence are four sequences namely (a), (b), (c) and (d). You are required to rearrange the jumbled parts of the sentence and mark your response accordingly.

76. the prize money (P) for refusing her (Q) Pepsico was ordered (R) to compensate the woman(S)
 A. R S Q P B. S P Q R
 C. R P S Q D. Q R S P
77. trade operating from a colony (P) held a meeting (Q) demanding a probe into the illegal drug (R) The residents of the city (S)
 A. Q R S P B. S P Q R
 C. S Q R P D. R S Q P
78. the university authorities cancelled the ongoing students' union election and (P) Following students' unrest on campus (Q) closed till further orders (R) declared the institution (S)
 A. Q R S P B. Q P S R
 C. S Q R P D. R S Q P
79. brushed past the latter's pet dog (P) stabbed to death by a man (Q) after his vehicle accidentally (R) a cargo van driver was allegedly (S)
 A. Q R S P B. Q P S R
 C. S Q R P D. S Q P R
80. an earthquake and tsunami (P) the disaster mitigation agency (Q) said that the death toll from (R) In Indonesia has crossed 1500 (S)
 A. P Q S R B. R P S Q
 C. S Q R P D. Q R P S
81. Scientists say they have developed a new (P) illnesses such as heart disease and cancer (Q) DNA tool that uses machine learning to accurately (R) Predict people's height and assess their risk for serious (S)
 A. P R S Q B. R P S Q
 C. P S R Q D. Q R P S
82. a rare evergreen tree in the Southern Western Ghats (P) researchers have found that (Q) Common white-footed ants are the best pollinators of (R) Bees might be the best known pollinators but (S)
 A. P R S Q B. S Q R P
 C. Q S R P D. P Q R S
83. say from their forties onwards (P) it is thus a good idea (Q) And continue to exercise early enough (R) For senior citizens to start (S)
 A. P R S Q B. Q R S P
 C. Q S R P D. P Q R S

84. scientists have determined (P) injury in animals and humans (Q) That is linked to the severity of spinal cord (R) a gene signature (S)
 A. P S R Q B. Q R P S
 C. Q S P R D. P Q R S
85. like a muscle and repeating the process (P) and stable reading circuit (Q) Helps the child build a strong (R) the brain works (S)
 A. Q S R P B. S P R Q
 C. Q S P R D. R Q P S

IDIOMS AND PHRASES

Directions: Given below are some idioms/phrases followed by four alternative meanings to each. Choose the response (a), (b), (c) or (d) which is the most appropriate expression.

86. A match made in heaven
 A. a marriage that is solemnized formally
 B. a marriage that is unsuccessful
 C. a marriage that is likely to be happy and successful
 D. a marriage of convenience
87. A culture vulture
 A. someone who is very keen to experience art and literature
 B. someone who wants to defend ancient culture
 C. someone who is ashamed of one's own culture
 D. someone who looks at her/his culture critically
88. A death blow
 A. to be nearly dead
 B. to be deeply afraid of death
 C. to beat someone to death
 D. an action or event which causes something to end or fail
89. The jewel in the crown
 A. someone who has many skills
 B. something that one wants
 C. the most valuable thing in a group of things
 D. the jewel in the crown of the king
90. To live in a fool's paradise
 A. to live a life that is dishonest
 B. to be happy because you will not accept how bad a situation really is
 C. to believe that things you want will happen
 D. to enjoy yourself by spending a lot of money
91. A rotten apple
 A. to remove something which is rotten
 B. one bad person in a group of good people
 C. a loving and kind person
 D. a disorganized person with bad habits
92. To vote with your feet
 A. to show that you do not support something
 B. to replace something important
 C. to change something you must do
 D. to express a particular opinion

93. Verbal diarrhoea

- A. to be sick
- B. to talk too much
- C. to be in a difficult situation
- D. to be a good orator

94. To sail close to the wind

- A. to pretend to be something that you are not
- B. to be in some unpleasant situation
- C. to be destroyed by a belief
- D. to do something that is dangerous

95. A double entendre

- A. to look at someone or something twice
- B. a situation in which you cannot succeed
- C. a word which has two meanings
- D. something that causes both advantages and problems.

96. To cut your own throat

- A. to stop doing something
- B. to do something because you are angry
- C. to behave in a relaxed manner
- D. to allow someone to do something

97. Cook the books

- A. to record false information in the accounts of an organization
- B. to do something that spoils someone's plan
- C. to tell a false story
- D. to be very angry

98. Change your tune

- A. to listen to good music
- B. to do things that you are not willing to
- C. to change your opinion completely because it will bring you an advantage
- D. to pretend to be very friendly

99. Blue blood

- A. to swallow poison
- B. to be overly interested in someone
- C. to suddenly become jealous
- D. to belong to a family of the highest social class

100. Cut the crap

- A. an impolite way of telling someone to stop saying things that are not true
- B. to stop needing someone else to look after you
- C. to talk about something important
- D. to upset someone by criticizing them

SPOTTING ERRORS

Directions: Each item in this section has a sentence with three underlined parts labelled as (a), (b) and (c). Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in any underlined part and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet against the corresponding letter i.e., (a) or (b) or (c). If you find no error, your response should be indicate as (d).

101. Except for few days (a) in a year during the monsoon (b) the river cannot flow on its own (c) No error (d)
102. Being apprised with our approach, (a) the whole neighbourhood (b) came out to meet the minister (c) No error (d)
103. The celebrate grammarian Patanjali (a) was (b) a contemporary to Pushyamitra Sunga (c) No error (d)
104. His appeal for funds (a) met (b) a poor response (c) No error (d)
105. Buddhism teaches that (a) freedom from desires (b) will lead to escape suffering (c) No error (d)
106. This hardly won liberty (a) was not to be (b) lightly abandoned (c) No error (d)
107. My friend said (a) he never remembered (b) having read a more enjoyable book (c) No error (d)
108. With a population of over one billion, (a) India is second most populous country (b) In the world after China (c) No error (d)
109. There are hundred of superstitions (a) which survive (b) In the various parts of the country (c) No error (d)
110. It is (a) in the temperate countries of northern Europe (b) that the beneficial effects of cold is most manifest (c) No error (d)
111. The effect of female employment (a) on gender equality (b) Now appear to be trickling at the next generation (c) No error (d)
112. Since the 15 minutes that she drives (a) she confesses that she feels like (b) A woman with wings (c) No error (d)
113. India won (a) by an innings (b) and three runs (c) No error (d)
114. Each one (a) of these chairs (b) are broken (c) No error (d)
115. Few creature (a) outwit (b) the fox in Aesop's Fables (c) No error (d)
116. Anywhere in the world (a) when there is conflict (b) the fox in Aesop's Fables (c) No error (d)
117. The man is (a) the foundational director (b) of this company (c) No error (d)
118. Parents of LGBT community members (a) are coming in (b) with a little help from NGOs (c) No error (d)
119. To love one art form is great (a) but to be able to appreciate another (b) And find lateral connections are priceless (c) No error (d)
120. Female literacy rate has gone up by 11% (a) in the past decade as opposed to (b) A 3% increase in male literacy (c) No error (d)

SOLUTIONS

1.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

Out of the given options only "Upon and On" are grammatically correct options but the difference is that 'upon' is far more formal. So, "upon" will be used in the sentence.

2.

Answer : (b)

Solution:

Option (b) "painful" is the correct word in context of the passage as war is being discussed and be its outcome or reason, the word that fits the blank should have a negative context. Thus, the other options including delightful, pleasant and lovely are incorrect.

3.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

Option (d) "crime" is the correct option. As war can never be a duty, responsibility or moral obligation.

4.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

A feeling is an emotion and it is related to thought which is already mentioned in the sentence. Sentiment is the outcome of feelings. So 'feeling' is more contextually correct.

5.

Answer: (c)

Solution: 'and' and 'both' are used in pair as a conjunction. This gives us a hint that "both" is the correct answer. Thus, other options are eliminated.

6.

Answer : (b)

Solution:

"intimated" is the most appropriate option. It means to hint or imply. Thus it is most appropriate in context of the passage.

Thought takes "of/about" after it, and suggested takes "to" after it thus these two are eliminated and "held" is out of context.

7.

Answer : (a)

Solution:

"questions" is the correct option contextually. It is because when one judging a situation ethically, it is moreover seen as a question of right or wrong.

8.

Answer: (c)

Solution:

"attempt" is the correct option contextually. The author here is admitting his feeling and calls this process as "attempt".

9.

Answer : (a)

Solution:

"considered" is the correct option contextually. Here, the context is of bringing the question of right or wrongs into consideration. Rest of the options do not suit the context.

10.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

"standpoint" is the correct option contextually. It means a set of beliefs from which opinions are formed.

11.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

"evolution" is the correct option contextually. As in latter part of the passage evolution has been discussed.

12.

Answer : (d)

Solution:

"Laboratory" is the correct option contextually. As in the passage chemical enzymes have been discussed. Thus, laboratory is the most appropriate option.

13.

Answer : (b)

Solution:

"synthesize" is the correct option contextually. It means to produce a substance by a chemical reaction in plants or animals or other micro-organism. The context here is regarding the evolution of enzymes, 'synthesize' is the correct answer.

14.

Answer: (c)

Solution:

"manufacture" is the correct option contextually. It is because the context here is creating biofuels and pharmaceuticals from enzymes. So, "manufacture" is the correct answer.

15.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

The work of antibodies is to fight with the diseases like cancer. The word "combat" is a synonym of fight and thus, it is the correct option contextually.

16.

Answer : (c)

Solution:

QSPR is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged. When arranged in the correct sequence, they read as "He no longer dreamed of storms, nor of women, nor of great occurrences, nor of great fish, nor fights, nor contests of strength, nor of his wife. He simply woke, looked out through the open door at the moon and unrolled his trousers and put them on. He only dreamed of places now and of the lions on the beach. They played like young cats in the dusk and he loved them as he loved the boy. He never dreamed about the boy. He urinated outside the shack and then went up the road to wake the boy."

17.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

RQSP is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

18.

Answer : (d)

Solution:

QSRP is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

19.

Answer : (b)

Solution:

PRQS is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

20.

Answer : (d)

Solution:

QSRP is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

21.

Answer : (a)

Solution:

PQRS is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

22.

Answer : (d)

Solution:

PRSQ is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

23.

Answer : (b)

Solution:

SPRQ is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

24.

Answer : (d)

Solution:

QSPR is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

25.

Answer : (b)

Solution:

QPSR is the correct order in which sentences should be arranged.

26.

Answer : (c)

Solution:

"it profited from the sale of Indian goods in foreign market" is the correct reason as per the passage.

27.

Answer : (b)

Solution:

"the Indian textile was light cotton" is the correct reason as per the passage.

28.

Answer : (b)

Solution:

"they pressurized the government...." is the correct option as per the passage.

29.

Answer : (d)

Solution:

"literary source" has been cited by the author.

30.

Answer : (c)

Solution:

"revolution" is referred in the paragraph.

31.

Answer: (c)

Solution:

"Robert Mugabe" is the correct option as per the passage.

32.

Answer : (c)

Solution:

"generation forty" is the correct option as per the passage.

33.

Answer : (a)

Solution:

"he endorsed his wife" is the correct option as per the passage.

34.

Answer : (d)

Solution:

"they did not want..." is the correct option as per the passage.

35.

Answer: (c)

Solution:

"because coup..... sanction" is the correct option as per the passage.

36.

Answer: (b)

Solution:

"because over eating is bad for health" is the correct option as per the passage.

37.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

"the bourgeoisie" is the correct answer. Bourgeoise refers to the middle-class people.

38.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

"to escape the heavy.... instead" is the correct option.

39.

Answer: (b)

Solution:

"Three or four sleeping" is the correct option.

40.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

It has not been specified in the passage. So, option D is the correct answer.

41.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

"because they can afford to" is the correct option.

42.

Answer: (c)

Solution:

"follow their..... religion" is the correct option.

43.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

"A platform..... world" is the correct option.

44.

Answer: (c)

Solution:

"he pities them" is the correct option.

45.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

"one day..... religion" is the correct option.

46.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

"respond" is the correct option. It is because only "respond" takes the preposition "to" after it in the given options.

47.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

"carries" is the correct option. It is because the context here is of having fewer risk and the verb "carry" is also used in context of having something with you all the time.

48.

Answer: (b)

Solution:

"reduce" is the correct option. Reduce means make smaller or less in amount, degree, or size and the context here is reducing fertility in men and women.

49.

Answer: (b)

Solution:

The sentence gives us a sense that the football match was cancelled due to bad weather. So, the phrasal verb which means to cancel, will be used in the given context. "Call off" means to cancel something such a sports event, or to end an activity because it is no longer useful or possible.

50.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

"turned out" is the correct option it means to be disclosed. The context here is believing something final when no one was doing it earlier. In this context, "turn out" is the correct answer as it means to be known or discovered finally and surprisingly.

51.

Answer: (b)

Solution:

"going on" is the correct option as it denotes the progressive state of anything. The sentence also talks about enjoying something in a progressive state.

52.

Answer: (b)

Solution:

"in" is the correct option. Preposition "in" is used to denote a location within a larger area.

53.

Answer: (c)

Solution:

The sentence shows two state of mind. The person was going to apply for job initially but later he did not. So, "turned you off" is the correct option. It means to lose interest in something after mind changes its opinion.

54.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

"Although" is the correct option. Although is a conjunction which is used to join two clauses denoting "despite the fact that". In the sentence, the person went out without wearing a raincoat despite the fact that it was raining.

55.

Answer: (b)

Solution:

"got away with" is the correct option as it means to escape a situation. In the sentence, the person parked his car in an un-authorized area but escape the situation without getting into any trouble.

56.

Answer: (b)

Solution:

"Inflammatory" is the correct option.

Provocative: Causing anger deliberately.

Inflammatory: Causing anger deliberately.

Dexterous: showing or having skill, especially with the hands

Valiant = possessing or showing courage or determination.

Prudent = acting with or showing care and thought for the future.

57.

Answer: (c)

Solution:

Precipitation: water that falls from the clouds towards the ground, especially as rain or snow

Drought = a long period when there is little or no rain

Oasis = a region in desert area where there is greenery due to the presence of water

"rainfall" is the correct option.

58.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

Anonymously: Not defined by name; made or done by someone whose name is not known or not made public

Incognito = having one's true identity concealed

In situ = in the original place

So, option A is the correct answer.

59.

Answer: (d)

Solution:

Terminal = (of a disease) predicted to lead to death, especially slowly; incurable.

Sublunary = situated beneath the moon or between the earth and the moon

Chronic = persisting for a long time or constantly recurring.

"incurable" is the correct option as terminal diseases are the end stage incurable diseases.

60.

Answer: (a)

Solution:

Reluctant = unwilling and hesitant; disinclined.

Disinclined: unwilling; reluctant.

"disinclined" is the correct option.

Eager = strongly wanting to do or have something.

Fervent = used to describe beliefs that are strongly and sincerely felt or people who have strong and sincere beliefs

Unrepentant = showing no regret for one's wrongdoings.

61

Answer: (C)

Solution:

Reprimand means to express to someone your strong official disapproval of them.

Extol means praise enthusiastically.

Purported means appearing or stated to be true, though not necessarily so; alleged.

Admonish means warn or reprimand someone firmly.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "admonished" is a synonym of "reprimanded". Hence option C is correct.

62

Answer: B

Solution:

Asset means a useful or valuable thing or person.

Obligation means an act or course of action to which a person is morally or legally bound; a duty or commitment.

Advantage means a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favourable or superior position.

Attribute means a quality or feature regarded as a characteristic or inherent part of someone or something.

Reinforcement means the action or process of reinforcing or strengthening.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "advantage" is a synonym of "asset".

Hence option B is correct.

63

Answer:

Solution:

Hysterical means affected by or deriving from wildly uncontrolled emotion.

Berserk means out of control with anger or excitement; wild or frenzied.

Inconsistent means not staying the same throughout.

Duplicitous means deceitful.

Insincere means not expressing genuine feelings.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "berserk" is a synonym of "hysterical".

Hence option B is correct.

64

Answer: C

Solution:

Prejudiced means having or showing a dislike or distrust that is derived from prejudice; bigoted.

Objectionable means arousing distaste or opposition; unpleasant or offensive.

Predatory means seeking to exploit others.

Jaundiced means affected by bitterness, resentment, or cynicism.

Intimate means closely acquainted; familiar.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "jaundiced" is a synonym of "prejudiced".

Hence option C is correct.

65

Answer: B

Solution:

Tautology means the saying of the same thing twice over in different words, generally considered to be a fault of style.

Prolixity means extended to great, unnecessary, or tedious length; long and wordy.

Foretelling means predict (the future or a future event).

Telepathic means supposedly capable of transmitting thoughts to other people and of knowing their thoughts; psychic.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "prolixity" is a synonym of "tautology". Hence option C is correct.

66

Answer: C

Solution:

Fanatical means filled with excessive and single-minded zeal.

Bigoted means obstinately or unreasonably attached to a belief, opinion, or faction, and intolerant towards other people's beliefs and practices.

Rabid means having or proceeding from an extreme or fanatical support of or belief in something.

Moderate means average in amount, intensity, quality, or degree.

Militant means favoring confrontational or violent methods in support of a political or social cause.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "moderate" is an antonym of "fanatical". Hence option C is correct.

67

Answer: B

Solution:

Heretics means a person holding an opinion at odds with what is generally accepted.

Dissenter means a person who dissents.

Believer means a person who believes in the truth or existence of something.

Renegade means a person who deserts and betrays an organization, country, or set of principles.

Apostate means a person who renounces a religious or political belief or principle.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "believer" is an antonym of "heretics". Hence option C is correct.

68

Answer: A

Solution:

Inert means lacking the ability or strength to move.

Lively means full of life and energy; active and outgoing.

Quiescent means in a state or period of inactivity or dormancy.

Dormant means (of an animal) having normal physical functions suspended or slowed down for a period of time; in or as if in a deep sleep.

Apathetic means showing or feeling no interest, enthusiasm, or concern.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "lively" is an antonym of "inert". Hence option A is correct.

69

Answer: D

Solution:

Misanthropic means having or showing a dislike of other people; unsociable.

Antisocial means not sociable or wanting the company of others.

Philosophic means relating or devoted to the study of the fundamental nature of knowledge, reality, and existence.

Atrophic means (of body tissue or an organ) having atrophied.

Philanthropic means (of a person or organization) seeking to promote the welfare of others; generous and benevolent.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "philanthropic" is an antonym of "misanthropic". Hence option D is correct.

70

Answer: D

Solution:

Profound means (of a person or statement) having or showing great knowledge or insight.

Sincere means free from deceit; proceeding from genuine feelings.

Erudite means having or showing great knowledge or learning.

Scholarly means involving or relating to serious academic study.

Superficial means appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely.

It is clear from the meanings of the options that "superficial" is an antonym of "profound".

Hence option A is correct.

71.

Answer: C

Solution:

Well-written means written properly in a clear and concise manner.

Decipherable means something that can be read, decoded and interpreted.

Illegible refers to something that is clear enough to be read.

Comprehensible means something that can be understood.

It is therefore clear from the meaning of these words that meaning of Illegible is the opposite of 'readable'. Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

72.

Answer: D

Solution:

Steadfast means dutifully firm towards something.

Committed means dedicated to or loyal to something wholeheartedly.

Unwavering means steady and firm.

Unfaltering also means firm, steady and resolute.

Unreliable means something/someone who can be trusted or relied upon.

From the meanings of these words, it is clear that 'Unreliable' has the meaning opposite to 'steadfast'. Therefore, D is the correct option.

73.

Answer: A

Solution:

Tempestuous means characterized by strong or conflicting emotion.

Calm means not showing strong, aggressive or angry emotions.

Violent means involving physical force intended to hurt or damage someone or something.

Fierce means having or displaying an intense or ferocious aggressiveness.

Vehement means showing strong feeling.

It is therefore clear from the meaning of these words that meaning of Tempestuous is the opposite of Calm. So, the correct answer is A.

74.

Answer: B

Solution:

Vital means something that is important.

Crucial also refers to something/ someone that is critical and of great importance.

Inessential means not-essential, not absolutely necessary.
Indispensable means absolutely necessary.
Fundamental means something that is central, primary and important.
It is clear from the meanings of these words that Inessential is the antonym of Vital.
Therefore, B is the correct answer.

75.

Answer: B

Solution:

Wordy means expressed in too many words.

Diffuse means spread out or not concentrated.

Concise means expressing in a clear, comprehensive and brief manner.

Garrulous means very talkative or pointless talking.

Voluble is something characterized by ready or rapid speech.

The meaning of the word 'concise' is the opposite of 'wordy'. So, B is the correct option.

76

Answer: A

Solution:

The verb "ordered" is generally followed by an infinitive and "to compensate" is an infinitive. So, RS is a pair here. Out of Q and P, only Q makes sense after S. Therefore, we need an option with a sequence of RSQ and it is only present in option A. Hence option A is correct.

77

Answer: A

Solution:

The word "drug" from part R can only be connected to "trade" from part P out of the given options as "drug trade" is a commonly used phrase and nothing else from the options goes with "drug". So, it can be concluded that PR is a pair and it is only present in option A. Hence option A is correct.

78

Answer: B

Solution:

Among the given parts, only "the institution" can be the subject of the verb "closed". So, it can be concluded that SR is a pair and it is only present in option B. Hence option B is correct.

79

Answer: C

Solution:

Among the given parts, only "brushed past" can be the verb of the subject "his vehicle accidentally". So, it can be concluded that RP is a pair and it is only present in option C. Hence option C is correct.

80

Answer: D

Solution:

"Death toll" can be only be caused "earthquake or tsunami" out of the given options. So, RP is a pair here and out of S and Q, only "said" can be the verb for "agency" which is in Q. Therefore, we need an option with a sequence of QRP and it is only present in option D. Hence option D is correct.

81

Answer: A

Solution:

The adjective "serious" goes with only "illness" so SQ is pair and it leaves "new" goes with "DNA" so PR is a pair. These are only present in option A. Hence option A is correct.

82

Answer: C

Solution:

We use "but" to link items which are the same grammatical type (coordinating conjunction). "But" is used to connect ideas that contrast. S and R have the same grammatical type and also, they are contradictory. So, it can be concluded that SR is a pair and it is only present in option C. Hence option C is correct.

83

Answer: C

Solution:

"And" is a coordinating conjunction. We use and to connect two words, phrases, clauses or prefixes together (similar grammatical items). R begins with "and" followed by a verb and S ends with a verb so "and" can connect the end verb of S and the initial verb of R. therefore it can be concluded that SR is a pair and it is only present in option C. Hence option C is correct.

84

Answer: A

Solution:

In the given sentence, Q seems to be the ending of the sentence as the words "animals and humans" can't make further connections with any of the given options. Only option A ends with Q. Hence option A is correct.

85

Answer: B

Solution:

In the given sentence, Q seems to be the ending of the sentence as the words "reading circuit" can't make further connections with any of the given options. Only option B ends with Q. Hence option B is correct.

86

Answer: C

Solution:

The phrase "a match made in heaven meaning" means "a relationship or pairing where each member perfectly complements the other." It matches option C. Hence option C is correct.

87

Answer: A

Solution:

The phrase "a culture vulture" means "a person who is very interested in the arts." It matches option A. Hence option A is correct.

88

Answer: D

Solution:

The phrase "a death blow" means "an action or event that causes the sudden and complete end of something important." It matches option D. Hence option D is correct.

89

Answer: C

Solution:

The phrase "the jewel in the crown" means "the most valuable or successful part of something." It matches option C. Hence option C is correct.

90

Answer: C

Solution:

The phrase "to live in a fool's paradise" means "State of delusive contentment or false hope." It matches option C. Hence option C is correct.

91

Answer: B

Solution:

The phrase "a rotten apple" means "a bad or corrupt person in a group, especially one whose behavior is likely to have a detrimental influence on the others." It matches option B. Hence option B is correct.

92

Answer: A

Solution:

The phrase "to vote with your feet" means "to show your opinion by leaving an organization or by no longer supporting, using, or buying something." It matches option A. Hence option A is correct.

93

Answer: B

Solution:

The phrase "verbal diarrhoea" means "the quality or habit of talking too much." It matches option B. Hence option B is correct.

94

Answer: D

Solution:

The phrase "to sail close to the wind" means "To behave in a manner that is on the verge of being dangerous, improper or illegal." It matches option D. Hence option D is correct.

95

Answer: C

Solution:

The phrase "a double entendre" means "a word or phrase open to two interpretations, one of which is usually risqué or indecent." It matches option C. Hence option C is correct.

96

Answer: B

Solution:

The phrase "to cut your own throat" means "bring about one's own downfall by one's actions." It matches option B. Hence option B is correct.

97

Answer: A

Solution:

The phrase "cook the books" means "alter facts or figures dishonestly or illegally." It matches option A. Hence option A is correct.

98

Answer: C

Solution:

The phrase "change your tune" means "express a very different opinion or behave in a very different way." It matches option C. Hence option C is correct.

99

Answer: D

Solution:

The phrase "blue blood" means "noble birth." It matches option D. Hence option D is correct.

100

Answer: D

Solution:

The phrase "cut the crap" means "get to the point; state the real situation." It matches option A. Hence option A is correct.

101

Answer: A

Solution:

Few, when used without a preceding 'a', means "very few" or "none at all". On the other hand, a few is used to indicate "not a large number". The question talks about the days of monsoon which are not many in number. So there should be an "a" before few in the question. Hence option A is correct.

102

Answer: A

Solution:

The verb "apprised" does not take "with" as a preposition. It should be replaced with "apprised of". So, the error is in part A. Hence option A is correct.

103

Answer: C

Solution:

The correct phrase is "contemporary of someone" but the part C "to" is used which is wrong. So, the error is in part C. Hence option C is correct.

104

Answer: B

Solution:

In order to express "to unexpectedly experience trouble, danger, difficulty etc" we use the verb "meet with" but in part B, only "met" is used which is incorrect. It should be replaced with "met with". So, the error is in part B. Hence option B is correct.

105

Answer: D

Solution:

The given sentence is totally grammatical and has no error. Hence option D is correct.

106

Answer: A

Solution:

The correct phrase is "hard won something" but the part A "hardly" is used which is wrong. So, the error is in part A. Hence option A is correct.

107

Answer: B

Solution:

We can't replace "no" with "never" as it means "at no time in past". In part C the sentence demands "did not" instead of "never". So, the error is in part B. Hence option B is correct.

108

Answer: B

Solution:

We use "the" before superlatives and ordinal numbers. In part B, second is an ordinal number but there is no "the" before it which is incorrect. So, the error is in part B.

109

Answer: A

Solution:

"Hundreds" is used not for a specific number but just to show a large quantity and it is used with "of". In part A, the singular form is used instead of correct "hundreds". So, the error is in part A. Hence option A is correct.

110

Answer: C

Solution:

In part C the subject of clause "beneficial effects" is a plural and the verb used with it is a singular "is" which is incorrect. It should be replaced with "are". So the error is in part C. Hence option C is correct.

111

Answer: C

Solution:

In the context of the sentence, the verb "trickling" does not take "out" as a preposition. It should be replaced with "tricking with". So, the error is in part C. Hence option C is correct.

112

Answer: A

Solution:

"Since" is used to refer to a specific point in time but in part A it is used for period of time which is incorrect. It should be replaced with "for". So, the error is in part A. Hence option A is correct.

113

Answer: D

Solution:

The given sentence is totally grammatical and has no error. Hence option D is correct.

114

Answer: C

Solution:

"Each" takes a singular verb but in part C a plural verb "are" is used. It should be replaced with "is". So, the error is in part C. Hence option C is correct.

115

Answer: A

Solution:

We always use a plural noun after the word "few" but in part A, singular noun "creature" is used which is incorrect. So, the error is in part A. Hence option A is correct.

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Answer: B

Solution:

"When" as a conjunction means "at or during the time that" whereas "where" refers to a place. The context of the sentence suggests a word that refers to the place. So, the conjunction in part B is incorrect. Hence option B is correct.

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Answer: B

Solution:

The correct phrase is "foundation director" but the part B "foundational director" is used which is wrong. So, the error is in part B. Hence option B is correct.

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Answer: B

Solution:

The phrasal work "come in" means "to enter" or "to go to work" which is incorrect according to the context. The context suggests a phrase like "come out" that could mean "to say something in an open, honest, or public way that often makes someone feel surprised, embarrassed, or offended". So, the error is in part B. Hence option B is correct.

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Answer: D

Solution:

The given sentence is totally grammatical and has no error. Hence option D is correct.

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Answer: B

Solution:

"As opposed to" is used to express two contradictory statements but part A and part C are similar statement. So, the use of "as opposed to" in part B is incorrect. Hence option B is correct.
