

ordering of Words/ sentences

Pattern of Questions

In this section, some sentences are given in a random order. These sentences when placed in a specific sequence / order forms a meaningful passage. Student has to choose that correct sequence from the options as his answer. This sequence should be logical, coherent and sensible.

Pattern 1

In this type of questions, a starting sentence and a finishing sentence of the passage is given. This is the most common pattern on which questions are asked in CDS. Along with these two other four sentences are given in a random order. A student has to place them in proper sequence.

S1 : A devastating earthquake hit Mexico.

P : Center of earthquake was in north.

R : More than 1000 people were killed.

S6 : The condition of 100 others was reported unsafe.

Q : It was second earthquake in last decade to hit Mexico.

S : Reason of these frequent earthquakes is not discovered yet.

Pattern 2

A starting sentence is given along with four sentences which are given in random order. Question asks to arrange these disordered sentences in proper sequence.

All such students

P : get success

R : and recognition

Q : who are honest and hard working

S : in every walk of life

Pattern 3

A finishing sentence is given along with four sentences which are given in random order. Question asks students to arrange these disordered sentences in proper sequence.

P : Who is going to become chief minister of Delhi? Q : Election will be held in September 2012.

R : Name will be known to every one.

S : Upcoming elections hold the answer to this question

It will no longer remain a question.

• Sentences in the original paper are much more lengthy and complicated than given in these examples. But the pattern remains the same.

How to recognize the First Sentence of the passage? Which sentence can not be the First sentence of passage.

• A student should read all the sentences carefully and then judge the theme/topic/main point/purpose /main subject of the passage. First Sentence should introduce the topic of passage. Sentences with words - it, these, so, hence, but, therefore, subsequently, secondly, then- rarely comes at beginning of a passage. A sentence which takes reference of something and this something looks to be mentioned in other sentences can not start the passage. A starting sentence usually starts with a definition, an introductory statement of a policy/discovery/invention /method/procedure/ a concern etc. Following sentences elaborate on this introductory statement. These sentences are mostly generic in nature or style.

How to recognize the Last Sentence of the passage? Which sentence can not be the Last sentence of the passage.

passage in best way. Last sentence of passage usually does not have much information in it; these are just the reflection or an idea about content of the other sentences. Usually these sentences start with words or phrases like hence /so/therefore/to conclude/I think /for future/overall/consequently/in the end/as a result etc. If a sentence which looks to be incomplete and that incomplete part can be fit in from the other sentences then it is, in all probability; can not be the last sentence. If passage is about the sequence of events then the events should be placed in a sequence of logical occurrence based on some perceptible reason and then the last one should be chosen as the finishing statement of passage.

How can different sentences be linked to find small sequences.

To find small sequences is of utmost importance in exam. This section is all about searching these sub-sequences and then linking these sub-sequences to make a meaningful passage. Various links can be found -

- **Connectors** and, but, so, while, how, then, when are very important links
- **Cause effect relationship** can be a valid link.
- **Chronological** Sequence of events can be established - Past, Present, Future
- **Noun pronoun relation** can be established. In First sentence a name will be given then it, this, that, these, he, she, they, we, etc will be used to indicate that particular name.

What should be done when one does not find a lead into the question i.e. unable to find First, Last or In between sequences?

In this scenario Option Method should be used.

Case 1 When a sub-sequence can be established.

- Suppose you are successful to establish a subsequence like PQ, SP, RS etc then eliminate the options which do not have this sequence. And evaluate other options on basis of logic and flow of passage.

Case 2 When a sub-sequence can not be established.

- One by one read all the options and then decide on logic and flow of passage for the best option. There is no substitute for reading all the options in this case. This is a time consuming method but still can be mastered by preparing well in advance. A good reading habit of good materials will be helpful.

Other important things that should be kept in mind while attempting this section.

- Every passage is based on some logic.
- Every passage has a sensible flow of information.
- Every passage has a central point of discussion.
- Every passage is a coherent whole of small parts

Ordering of words/sentences is an indispensable part of the CDS examination. In this kind of test, you are given words, phrases or sentences in a jumbled manner. You have to rearrange them so that a meaningful result is obtained. Only sound knowledge of English language and constant practice enable a student to complete the test successfully.

Exercise I

Directions (Q.Nos. 1 to 20) In each question given below, there is a sentence of which some parts have been jumbled up. Rearrange these parts which are labelled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper option from given ones.

- Little
P : that he had been let down
Q : stood by all these years
R : did he realize
S : by a colleague whom he had
The proper sequence should be
(a) RPSQ (b) RSQP (c) QSRP (d) QSPR
- There was
P : needed for it in everyday life
Q : a time when each family
R : for itself most of the things it
S : actually produced
The proper sequence should be
(a) QRSP (b) RQPS (c) RSPQ (d) QSRP
- Then
P : it struck me
Q : of course
R : suitable it was
S : how eminently
The proper sequence should be
(a) SPQR (b) QSRP (c) PSRQ (d) QPSR
- The grocer
P : did not listen to the protests of customer
Q : who was in the habit of weighing less
R : whom he had cheated
S : with great audacity
The proper sequence should be
(a) PRSQ (b) QSPR (c) QPRS (d) PQSR

though he dialled frequently
P : on telephone

Q : my brother could not contact me

R : and had left no information

S : as I had gone out of office

The proper sequence should be

(a) QPRS (b) SQRP (c) QPSR (d) SPQR

Education is

P : of the proper sense of responsibilities

Q : the first need

R : in a citizen

S : for the development

The proper sequence should be

(a) SQPR (b) QSRP (c) OSRP (d) PQRS

It was

P : in keeping with my mood

Q : a soft summer evening

R : as I walked sedately

S : in the direction of new house

The proper sequence should be

(a) SRPQ (b) QPRS (c) QPRS (d) SQPR

With her body

P : dragging her unwilling feet

Q : weak and infirm

R : developed with age

S : she persisted in her mission

The proper sequence should be

(a) PQRS (b) QPRS (c) RQPS (d) SRPQ

When he

P : did not know

Q : he was nervous and

R : heard the hue and cry at midnight

S : what to do

The proper sequence should be

(a) RQPS (b) QSPR (c) SQPR (d) PQRS

A french woman

P : committed suicide

Q : where she had put up

R : who had come to Kolkata

S : by jumping from the first floor of the balcony of the hotel

The proper sequence should be

(a) PQRS (b) QSRP (c) RPSQ (d) SRQP

I saw that

P : but seeing my host in this mood

Q : I deemed it proper to take leave

R : as I had frequently done before

S : it had been my intention to pass the night there

The proper sequence should be

(a) QPSR (b) QPRS (c) SPQR (d) SRPQ

It was to be

P : before their school examination

Q : which was due to start

R : the last expedition

S : in a month's time

The proper sequence should be

(a) SRQP (b) RQSP (c) RQPS (d) SPQR

13. They felt safer

P : to watch the mountain

Q : of more than five miles

R : as they settled down

S : from a distance

The proper sequence should be

(a) RPSQ (b) RSQP (c) PQSR (d) PRSQ

14. If you need help

P : promptly and politely

Q : ask for attendants

R : to help our customers

S : who have instructions

The proper sequence should be

(a) SQPR (b) QPSR (c) QSRP (d) SQRP

15. He was so kind and generous that

P : he not only

Q : made others to do so

R : but also

S : helped them himself

The proper sequence should be

(a) PSRQ (b) SPQR (c) PRSQ (d) QPRS

16. Work is the one thing

P : and without it

Q : that is necessary

R : to keep the world going

S : we should all die

The proper sequence should be

(a) QPSR (b) RPOS (c) SRPQ (d) QPRS

17. I read an advertisement that said

P : posh, air-conditioned

Q : gentlemen of taste

R : are available for

S : fully furnished rooms

The proper sequence should be

(a) PQRS (b) PSRQ (c) PSQR (d) SRPQ

18. It has been established that

P : Einstein was

Q : although a great scientist

R : weak in arithmetic

S : right from his school days

The proper sequence should be

(a) SRPQ (b) QPRS (c) QPSR (d) RQPS

19. I was

P : and stay for few days in Delhi

Q : when my father told me

R : very excited

S : that I could go with him

The proper sequence should be

(a) PQRS (b) RQSP (c) QRSP (d) SPQR

20. All such students

P : get success

Q : who are honest and hard-working

R : and recognition

S : in every walk of life

The proper sequence should be

(a) SPRQ (b) PQRS (c) QPRS (d) PSRQ

21. P : Quite a few in the previous years
Q : to large chunks of territory that India said was its
R : over the Mc Mohan line with China laying claims
S : border incursions and clashes had taken place.
(a) SPRQ (b) PSQR (c) SPQR (d) PSQR
22. P : Cricketers fail to zero in on a reason
Q : well against a specific opposition
R : for their playing exceptionally
S : past or present.
(a) SPQR (b) PSQR (c) SPRQ (d) PSQR
23. P : The deluge in merely managing chaos ad little
Q : Mumbai showed that
R : no thought has gone into upgrading the city
S : successive state governments have been
(a) QSPR (b) PQRS (c) QRPQ (d) PSQR
24. P : It is giant strides in development
Q : so that we make
R : more and more rational like western Countries
S : high time we become
(a) SQRP (b) PQRS (c) SRQP (d) PQRS
25. P : Compared to was an occasion of stately pageantry
Q : the burth of the Republic
R : accompanied By partition riots
S : the dawn of independence.
(a) QRP (b) PQRS (c) SRQP (d) PQRS
26. P : The rebellion standing up for their rights
Q : may be slow and sporadic
R : youngsters become the unlikely heroes
S : but it is happening as
(a) QSRP (b) PRSQ (c) PSRQ (d) QRSR
27. P : The United States to sell Uranium, nuclear
Q : to India is now offering
R : Which denied even helicopter nuts and screws
S : and even Patriot missiles.
(a) RQSP (b) QRPQ (c) QRSR (d) RQPS
28. P : Drug abuse dies down soon after
Q : that follows every expose
R : but the hue and cry in
S : an increasing vice among party-hopping elites.
(a) QPSR (b) QRSR (c) SRQP (d) SPQR
29. P : But many and in escaping such misfortunes
Q : of our friends may be invaluable misfortunes
R : which threaten us are not inevitable
S : the advice and active assistance
(a) RQSP (b) SPRQ (c) RPSQ (d) SQRP
30. P : Far different beauties of nature and art to be
Q : their native country with minds prepared by
R : is the effect of travels upon who leave
S : culture feel
(a) RQSP (b) QSPR (c) RSQP (d) SPQR
31. P : For an making the great experiment of
Q : the party in power should have a majority
R : by consent rather than by coercion it
S : is not sufficient that Intelligent admiration for
the
(a) SQPR (b) PRSQ (c) PSRQ (d) SQRP
32. P : You are not to destroy or dictate to nations.
Q : born a king's son
R : or settle your differences amicably with them.
S : you can only expect to share their fate
(a) SRQP (b) QPSR (c) SPQR (d) QRSR
33. P : It is of poets have no practical value
Q : accurate to refer to poets as dreamers
R : beyond the realm of literary diversion
S : but it is no discerning to infer that the dreamers
(a) QRPQ (b) PSQR (c) PQRS (d) QSPR
34. P : One common mistake they have thought that
Q : whether they worked hard or lived quite idly
R : if everybody had exactly the same amount of
money
S : that many people have made is this
(a) SPRQ (b) QSRP (c) SPQR (d) QSPR
35. P : It is his native country after travelling in foreign
Q : difficult believe
R : that any man can be so
S : spiritually dead as to have no love for
(a) SPRQ (b) QSRP (c) SPQR (d) QSPR
36. P : We met this evening
Q : on our way home
R : Mr. and Mrs. Gupta
S : and asked them if they would be free
(a) QRPQ (b) PQRS (c) RQSP (d) RQPS
37. P : The man
Q : made a complaint
R : at the police station
S : whose cycle was stolen
(a) PQRS (b) PRSQ (c) PSQR (d) RQPS
38. P : Please equally
Q : share the prize money
R : that all are satisfied
S : among your friends to make
(a) QRSR (b) PQSR (c) QPRS (d) QPSR
39. P : In the middle of
Q : he stopped
R : his speech
S : to take a glass of water
(a) QRSR (b) QRPQ (c) QPRS (d) PQRS
40. P : She introduced me at the party
Q : I had met
R : to a man
S : the previous night
(a) RQPS (b) RQPS (c) SPRQ (d) PQRS
41. P : The nun who was the Principal
Q : called an assembly
R : of my grand daughter's school
S : to announce the result of a fund-raising drive
(a) PQRS (b) PQRS (c) PQSR (d) PSQR

P : This letter is addressed to Mr. Shah
Q : which is written in Gujarati
R : who is
S : my father's best friend
(a) PQRS (b) QPRS (c) QRSP (d) RSPQ

P : The clothes were sent by mistake
Q : to my father
R : who was very much surprised
S : that I ordered
(a) SQPR (b) PQSR (c) PQRS (d) SPQR

P : Nobody in the house was kept
Q : where the key
R : seemed to know
S : to the main door
(a) RQPS (b) QPRS (c) SQPR (d) RQSP

P : Self taught experts expected to go
Q : through which
R : the escapers
S : prepared maps of the country.
(a) PQRS (b) SQRP (c) SRQP (d) PRQS

P : She introduced me at the party
Q : I had met
R : to a man
S : the previous night
(a) RPOS (b) RQPS (c) SPRQ (d) PQRS

P : The president a brief vacation at Shimla
Q : is returning from
R : in order to attend a press conference
S : with his wife and children
(a) QSRP (b) QPRS (c) SQPR (d) RSQP

P : They forget
Q : between defeat and victory ,
R : that the conditions of welfare have so altered
S : that there is not much difference today
(a) SRPQ (b) PQSR (c) RSQP (d) PRSQ

P : Of the fingers and thumbs
Q : fingerprints are
R : the marks made by
S : the ridges on the ends
(a) PQRS (b) PQSR (c) QRSP (d) SPQR

P : The perfect
Q : is
R : an intuitive one
S : inspiration
(a) PQRS (b) PQSR (c) PSQR (d) SQRP

P : Poetry comes when
Q : the mind is still
R : the greatest motion of

S : and body is relaxed.
(a) PQRS (b) PQSR
(c) RPSQ (d) RPOS

52. P : Clinical trials were designed to
Q : test the efficiency of
R : the first phase of
S : the method.
(a) PQRS (b) RSQP (c) RPOS (d) SPQR

53. P : To perform
Q : brains are engineered
R : complicated tasks
S : simple as well as
(a) PQRS (b) SRQP (c) QPRS (d) QPSR

54. P : Companies reduce
Q : competition
R : by acquiring smaller or
S : rival companies.
(a) PQRS (b) SRQP (c) QPRS (d) QPSR

55. P : and ten kilometers away
Q : from Santorin lies
R : The Crete
S : One Hundred
(a) PQSR (b) SPQR (c) SPRQ (d) QSPR

56. P : Minoan World
Q : the artifacts unearthed
R : so far
S : do give us precious insights into
(a) PQSR (b) SPQR (c) QRSP (d) QSPR

57. P : Apart from this
Q : their work has
R : basic problem
S : a number of flaws as well
(a) PQSR (b) PRQS (c) RPOS (d) SRQP

58. P : But most men of great creative power
Q : are not interested in becoming rich
R : for them a modest subsistence
S : would suffice.
(a) RSPQ (b) PRSQ (c) PQRS (d) PSQR

59. P : Chief Justice
Q : Earl Wam was one of
R : the great activist judges
S : of supreme court
(a) PSRQ (b) QPSR (c) QRSP (d) PQRS

60. P : incorporated within himself knowledge
Q : he is fit for the role
R : if an individual has
S : and appropriate skills then
(a) QPSR (b) ROPS (c) RPSQ (d) QRSP

Exercise II

Directions (Q.Nos. 1 to 50) In questions below, each passage consists of six sentences. The first and the sixth sentence is given in the beginning and named S_1 and S_6 respectively. The middle four sentences in each have been removed and jumbled up. These are labelled as P, Q, R and S. Find out the proper order for the four sentences and mark the option accordingly.

1. S_1 : Since the sixties there has been an increasing interest in neurophysiology, which deals with the neural bases of mental activity and behaviour.
 S_6 : So far the journal has published the mixture of articles including reports and investigations.
 P : It has format which is very similar to that of Brain and Language, a sister journal.
 Q : Since then, in a number of journals devoted entirely to this area, many research articles have appeared.
 R : Before the 1860's when this was the concern of a small number of investigators, research articles were scattered in various neurological journals.
 S : 'Brain and cognition' is one such journal.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) RQSP (b) QRSP (c) QSPR (d) RSPQ
2. S_1 : She said on the phone that she would report for the duty next day.
 S_6 : Eventually we reported to the police.
 P : We waited for few days then we decided to go to her place.
 Q : But she did not.
 R : We found it locked.
 S : Even after that we waited for her quite a few days.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) PRSQ (b) QPSR (c) QPRS (d) SQPR
3. S_1 : A force exists between every body in the universe.
 S_6 : The greater the mass, the greater is the earth's force of attraction on it. We can call this force of attraction gravity.
 P : Normally it is very small but when one of the bodies is a planet, like earth, the force is considerable.
 Q : It has been investigated by many scientists including Galileo and Newton.
 R : Everything on or near the surface of the earth is attracted by the mass of earth.
 S : This gravitational force depends on the mass of the bodies involved.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) PRQS (b) PRSQ (c) QSPR (d) QSPR
4. S_1 : Metals are today being replaced by polymers in many applications.
 S_6 : Many Indian Institutes of science and Technology run special programmes on polymer science.
 P : Above all, they are cheaper and easier to process, making them a viable alternative to metals.
 Q : Polymers are essentially long chains of hydrocarbon molecules.
 R : Today polymers as strong as metals have been developed.
 S : These have replaced the traditional chromium-plated metallic bumpers in cars.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) QRSP (b) RSOP (c) RQSP (d) QRPS
5. S_1 : Biological evolution has not fitted man to any specific environment.
 S_6 : That brilliant sequence of cultural peaks can most appropriately be termed the ascent of man.
 P : It is by no means a biological evolution, but it is a cultural one.
 Q : His imagination, his reason, his emotional subtlety and toughness, makes it possible for him not to accept the environment but to change.
 R : And that series of inventions by which man, from age by age, has reshaped his environment is a different kind of evolution.
 S : Among the multitude of animals which scamper, burrow swim around us and he is the only one who is not locked into his environment.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) QPRS (b) SRQP (c) QRSP (d) SQRP
6. S_1 : Growing up means not only getting larger, but also using our sense and our brain to become more aware of things around us.
 S_6 : In other words, we must develop and use our ability to reason, because the destruction or the preservation of the places in which we live depends on us.
 P : Not only does he has a memory but he is able to think and reason.
 Q : In this, man differs from all other animals.
 R : Before we spray our roadside plants or turn sewage into our rivers, we should pause to think what the results of our actions are likely to do.
 S : This is to say, he is able to plan what he is going to do in the light of his experience before he does it.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) QRSP (b) SPQR (c) SPRQ (d) QPSR
7. S_1 : All the land was covered by the ocean.
 S_6 : The god moulded the first people out of clay according to his own image and mind.
 P : The leading god fought the monster, killed it and chopped its body into two halves.
 Q : A terrible monster prevented the god from separating the land from the water.
 R : The god made the sky out of the upper part of the body and ornamented it with stars.
 S : The god created the earth from the lower part, grew plants on it and populated it with animals.

The proper sequence should be
(a) PQRS (b) PSQR (c) QPSR (d) QPRS

8. S_1 : Payment for imports and exports is made through a system called foreign exchange.
 S_2 : Another time it may be worth eight pesos.
 P : The value of the money of one country in relation to the money of other countries is agreed upon.
 Q : These rates of exchange vary from time to time.
 R : For instance, an American dollar or a British pound sterling is worth certain amounts in the money of other countries.
 S : Sometimes a United States dollar is worth 12 pesos in Mexico.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) PQRS (b) QPRS (c) PQRS (d) RPOS

9. S_1 : Jawaharlal Nehru was the greatest plan-enthusiast.
 S_2 : Nehru himself became the chairman of the commission.
 P : Under Nehru's advice, the pre-Independent congress set up National Planning Commission in 1938.
 Q : But he forgot that what could be achieved by force under the communist dictatorship of Russia was not possible under the democratic set up of India.
 R : He took the idea from Russia where Five year plans transformed a very backward country into a top power of the world.
 S : No free government can call for compulsory sacrifice and suffering from the whole people.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) PSQR (b) SRQP
 (c) QPRS (d) RQSP

10. S_1 : What are the causes of our chronic food shortage?
 S_2 : This unprecedented growth can drag us to the doors of starvation very soon.
 P : To find food for these growing new millions is a desperate task.
 Q : Every year, we add more than a crore of persons to our population.
 R : Despite stupendous efforts by our government, the population is growing unabated.
 S : The chief cause is the population explosion.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) QRSP (b) SQPR (c) QPRS (d) PSQR

11. S_1 : There is a difference between Gandhiji's concept of secularism and that of Nehru's.
 S_2 : Instead of doing any good, such secularism can do harm.
 P : Nehru's idea of secularism was equal indifference to all religions and bothering about none of them.
 Q : According to Gandhiji, all religions are equally true and each scripture is worthy of respect.
 R : Such secularism which means the rejection of all religions is contrary and tradition.

S : In Gandhiji's view, secularism stands for equal respect for all religions.

The proper sequence should be
 (a) SQPR (b) PSQR
 (c) QSPR (d) PRSQ

12. S_1 : A ceiling on urban property.
 S_2 : Since their value would exceed the ceiling fixed by the government.
 P : No mill-owner could own factories or mills or plants.
 Q : And mass circulation papers
 R : Would mean that
 S : No press magnate could own printing presses.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) QSRP (b) RPSQ (c) SRPQ (d) QPSR

13. S_1 : This weather-vane often tops a church spire, tower or high building.
 S_2 : The weather-vane can, however give us some indication of other.
 P : They are only wind-vanes.
 Q : Neither alone can tell us what the weather will be.
 R : They are designed to point to direction from which the wind is coming.
 S : Just as the barometer only tells us the pressure of air, the weather-vane tells us the direction of wind.

The proper sequence should be
 (a) PQRS (b) PSRQ (c) PRSQ (d) SPQR

14. S_1 : Most of the universities in the country are now facing financial crisis.
 S_2 : The Government should realise this before it is too late.
 P : Cost benefit yardstick thus should not be applied in the case of universities.
 Q : The current state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue for long.
 R : Universities cannot be equated with commercial enterprises.
 S : Proper development of universities and colleges must be ensured.

The proper sequence should be
 (a) QRPS (b) QSPR (c) QRSP (d) QPRS

15. S_1 : I keep on flapping my big ears all day.
 S_2 : Am I not a smart, intelligent elephant?
 P : They also fear that I will flip them all away.
 Q : But children wonder why I flap them so.
 R : I flap them so to make sure they are safely there on either side of my head.
 S : But I know what I am doing.
 The proper sequence should be
 (a) SRQP (b) QSPR (c) QPRS (d) PSRQ

16. S_1 : A father having offered to take the baby out in a perambulator, was tempted by the sunny morning to slip into a pub for a glass of beer.

- S₆ : She waited for him, anticipating the white face and quivering lips which would soon appear with the news that the baby had been stolen.
P : Indignant at her husband's behaviour, she decided to teach him a lesson.
Q : She wheeled away the pram.
R : A little later, his wife came by, where to her horror, she discovered her sleeping baby.
S : Leaving the pram outside, he disappeared inside the bar.
The proper sequence should be
(a) SRPQ (b) RQPS (c) SPQR (d) PQSR
17. S₁ : A gentleman who lived alone always had two plates placed on the table at dinner time.
S₆ : In this way the cat showed her gratitude to her master.
P : One day just as he sat down to dine, the cat rushed into the room.
Q : One plate was for himself and other was for his cat.
R : She dropped a mouse into her own plate and another into her master plate.
S : He used to give the cat a piece of meat from his own plate.
The proper sequence should be
(a) QSPR (b) PSRQ (c) ORSP (d) RPOS
18. S₁ : The study of speech disorders due to brain injury suggests that patients can think without having adequate control over their language.
S₆ : How they manage to do this we do not know?
P : But they succeed in playing games of chess.
Q : Some patients, for example, fail to find the names of objects presented to them.
R : They can even use the concepts needed for chess playing, though they are unable to express many of the concepts in ordinary language.
S : They even find it difficult to interpret long written notices.
The proper sequence should be
(a) PSQR (b) RPSQ
(c) QSPR (d) SRPQ
19. S₁ : And then Gandhi came.
S₆ : Political freedom took new shape and then acquired a new content.
P : Get off the backs of these peasants and workers, he told us, all you who live by their exploitation.
Q : He was like a powerful current of fresh air, like a beam of light, like a whirlwind that upset many things.
R : He spoke their language and constantly drew their attention to their appalling conditions.
S : He didn't descend from the top, he seemed to emerge from the masses of India.
The proper sequence should be
(a) QSRP (b) SRQP
(c) RSQP (d) PRSQ
20. S₁ : Ants eat worms, centipedes and spiders.
S₆ : Some jump, and some give out a pungent repellent substance.
P : They are usually much quicker than the ant itself.
Q : Nevertheless, these animals do not make easy game for ants.
R : Besides, they have an extraordinary number of ways of escaping.
S : They also eat larvae and insect adults such as flies, moths and spring tails.
The proper sequence should be
(a) SQPR (b) SPRQ (c) SPRP (d) SRQP
21. S₁ : The future beckons to us
S₆ : There is no resting for any one of us till we redeem our pledge in full.
P : In fact, we have hard work ahead.
Q : Where do we go and what shall be our endeavour?
R : We shall also have to fight and end poverty, ignorance and disease.
S : It will be to bring freedom and opportunity to the common man.
The proper sequence should be
(a) PSRQ (b) QPSR (c) QSRP (d) SRPQ
22. S₁ : Once upon a time an ant lived on the bank of a river.
S₆ : She was touched.
P : The dove saw the ant struggling in water in a helpless condition.
Q : All its efforts to come up failed.
R : One day it suddenly slipped in to water.
S : A dove lived in the tree on the bank not far from the spot.
The proper sequence should be
(a) RQSP (b) QRPS (c) SRPQ (d) PQRS
23. S₁ : It is regrettable that there is a widespread corruption in the country at all levels.
S₆ : This is indeed a tragedy of great magnitude.
P : So there is hardly anything that the government can do about it now.
Q : And there are graft and other malpractices too.
R : The impression that corruption is an universal phenomenon persists and the people do not cooperate in checking this evil.
S : Recently several offenders were brought to book, but they were not given deterrent punishment.
The proper sequence should be
(a) QSRP (b) SQRP (c) RSQP (d) PQSR
24. S₁ : Smoke oozed up between the planks.
S₆ : Most people bore the shock bravely.
P : Passengers were told to be ready to quit the ship.
Q : The rising gale fanned the smouldering fire.
R : Everyone now knew there was fire on board.
S : Flames broke out here and there.
The proper sequence should be
(a) SRQP (b) QPSR (c) RSPQ (d) QSRP

25. S₁: It was a dark moonless night.
S₆: They all seemed to him to be poor and ordinary mere childish words.
P: He turned over the pages, reading passages here and there.
Q: He heard them on the floor.
R: The poet took down his books of poems from his shelves.
S: Some of them contained his earliest writings which he had almost forgotten.
The proper sequence should be
(a) RQPS (b) RQSP (c) RSPQ (d) RPSQ
26. S₁: A noise started above their heads.
S₆: Nearly 200 lives were lost on the fateful day.
P: But people did not take it seriously.
Q: That was to show everyone that there was something wrong
R: It was a dangerous thing to do.
S: For, within minutes the ship began to sink.
The proper sequence should be
(a) PQSR (b) PRQS (c) QPRS (d) QPSR
27. S₁: The cooperative system of doing business is a good way of encouraging ordinary workers to work hard.
S₆: The main object is to maintain the interest of every member of the society and to ensure that the members participate actively in the projects of society.
P: If the society is to be well run, it is necessary to prevent insincere officials being elected to the committee which is responsible for the running of business.
Q: They get this from experienced and professional workers who are not only familiar with the cooperative system, but also with efficient method of doing business.
R: To a large extent, many cooperative societies need advice and guidance.
S: The capital necessary to start a business venture is obtained by the worker's contributions.
The proper sequence should be
(a) SQPR (b) PQSR
(c) SRQP (d) PSRQ
28. S₁: American private lies may seem shallow.
S₆: This would not happen in China, he said.
P: Students would walk away with books they had not paid for.
Q: A Chinese journalist commented on a curious institution the library.
R: Their public morality, however, impressed visitors.
S: But in general they returned them.
The proper sequence should be
(a) PSQR (b) QPSR (c) RQPS (d) RPSQ
29. S₁: For some time in his youth Abraham Lincoln was a manager for a shop.
S₆: Never before had Lincoln had so much time for reading as had then.
P: Then a chance customer would come.
Q: Young Lincoln's way to keeping shop was entirely unlike anyone else's.
R: Lincoln would jump up and attend to his needs and then revert to his reading.
S: He used to lay full length on the counter of the shop eagerly reading a book.
The proper sequence should be
(a) SRQP (b) QSPR (c) SQRP (d) QPSR
30. S₁: Manisha went shopping one morning.
S₆: She drove home with an empty basket.
P: Disappointed she turned around and returned to the parking lot.
Q: She got out and walked to the nearest shop.
R: She drove her car into the parking lot and stopped.
S: It was there that she realised that she'd forgotten her purse at home.
The proper sequence should be
(a) RSQP (b) RQSP (c) PQRS (d) QPRS
31. S₁: Several sub-cities have been planned around capital.
S₆: Hopefully the housing problem will not be as acute as present after these sub-cities are built.
P: Dwarka is the first among them.
Q: They are expected to alleviate the problem of housing.
R: It is coming up in the south west of capital.
S: It will cater to over one million people when completed.
The proper sequence should be
(a) QPRS (b) PRSQ (c) PQRS (d) QRSP
32. S₁: Your letter was a big relief.
S₆: But don't forget to bring chocolate for Garima.
P: How did your exams go?
Q: After your result, you must come here for a week.
R: You had not written for over a month.
S: I am sure you will come out with flying colours.
The proper sequence should be
(a) PSRQ (b) QRPS (c) RPSQ (d) PSPQ
33. S₁: While crossing a busy road, we should obey the policeman on duty.
S₆: We should never run while crossing the road.
P: We should always cross the road at the zebra crossing.
Q: We must look to the signal lights and cross the road only when the road is clear.
R: If there are no signal lights at the crossing, we should look to the right, then to left and again the right before crossing the road.
S: If the road is not clear we should wait.
The proper sequence should be
(a) PSRQ (b) PQRS (c) RQSP (d) QRPS

34. S_1 : As a dramatist Rabindranath was not what might be called a success.
 S_6 : Therefore, drama forms the essential part of the traditional Indian Culture.
 P : His dramas were moulded on the lines of the traditional Indian village dramas than the dramas of modern world.
 Q : His plays were more a catalogue of ideas than a vehicle of the expression of action.
 R : Actually the drama has always been the life of Indian people, as it deals with legends of gods and goddesses.
 S : Although in his short stories and novels, he was able to create living and well defined characters, he did not seem to be able to do so in dramas

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SRQP (b) QPSR (c) QSPR (d) RSQP

35. S_1 : The Hound of Baskervilles was feared by the people of the area.
 S_6 : The Hound of Baskervilles remains an unsolved mystery.
 P : Some people spoke of seeing a huge, shadowy form of a Hound at midnight on the moor.
 Q : But they spoke of it in tones of horror.
 R : Nobody had actually seen the hound.
 S : This shadowy form did not reveal any details about the animal.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SPQR (b) SPRO (c) PSRQ (d) PQRS

36. S_1 : The art of growing old is one which the passage of time has forced upon my attention.
 S_6 : This is not always easy as one's own past is gradually increasing in weight.
 P : One of these is undue absorption in the past.
 Q : One's thought must be directed to the future and to things about which there is something to be done.
 R : Psychologically, there are two dangers to be guarded against in old age.
 S : It does not do to live in memories, in regrets for the good old days or in sadness about friend who are dead.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) QSRP (b) RPQS (c) RPSQ (d) QPRS

37. S_1 : We speak today of self-determination in politics.
 S_6 : Cultural subjection is ordinarily of an unconscious character and it implies slavery from the very start.
 P : So long as one is conscious of a restraint, it is possible to resist it or to near it as a necessary evil and to keep free in spirit.
 Q : Slavery begins when one ceases to feel that restraint and it depends on if the evil is accepted as good.
 R : There is, however, a subtler domination exercised in the sphere of ideas by one culture to another.
 S : Political subjection primarily means restraint on the outer life of people.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SPRQ (b) RSQP (c) SPQR (d) RSPQ

38. S_1 : The city is almost a slum and stinks most of time.
 S_6 : But some visitors came away with the unforgettable sight of young labours scantily clad.
 P : The slush on the road did not deter them.
 Q : The occasional slips, falls were considered a small price to pay for the trip.
 R : They were excited, fascinated by the sight of fresh snow on the roads.
 S : Even so, it looked beautiful to tourists of various categories.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) RQPS (b) QPRS (c) RSQP (d) SPQR

39. S_1 : Politeness is not a quality possessed by only one nation or race.
 S_6 : In any case, we should not mock at other's habits.
 P : One may observe that a man of one nation will remove his hat or fold his hands by way of greetings when he meets someone he knows.
 Q : A man of another country will not do so.
 R : It is a quality to be found among all people and nations in every corner of the earth.
 S : Obviously, each person follows the custom of his particular country.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) RPQS (b) RPSQ (c) PROS (d) QPRS

40. S_1 : Throughout the history man has used energy from the sun.
 S_6 : This energy comes from inside atoms.
 P : Today, when we burn wood or use electric current we are drawing energy.
 Q : However we now have a new supply of energy.
 R : All our ordinary life depends on sun.
 S : This has come from the sun.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SQPR (b) RQPS (c) QSRP (d) PSRQ

41. S_1 : In India marriages are usually arranged by parents
 S_6 : She felt she was a modern girl and not subject for bargaining.
 P : Sometimes boys and girls do not like the idea of arranged marriages.
 Q : Most young people accept the state of affairs.
 R : Sujata was like that.
 S : They assume their parents can make good choices.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SPRQ (b) PSRQ (c) QSPR (d) RQPS

42. S_1 : I had halted on the road.
 S_6 : I decided to watch him for a while and then go home.
 P : As soon as I saw the elephant I knew I should not shoot him.
 Q : It is a serious matter to shoot a working elephant.
 R : I knew that his 'must' was already passing off.
 S : The elephant was standing 8 yards from the road.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SPQR (b) PQSR (c) ROPS (d) SRPQ

S₁: A man can be physically confined within stone walls.

S₆: No tyranny can intimidate a lover of liberty.

P: But his mind and spirit will still be free.

Q: Thus his freedom of action may be restricted.

R: His hopes and aspiration still remain with him.

S: Hence, he will be free spiritually if not physically.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) SRQP (c) QPRS (d) QPSR

S₁: The dictionary is the best friend of your task.

S₆: Soon you will realize that this is an exciting task.

P: That may not be possible always.

Q: It is wise to look it up immediately.

R: Then it must be firmly written on the memory and traced at the first opportunity.

S: Never allow a strange word to pass unchallenged.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) SPQR (c) QRPS (d) SQPR

S₁: Far away in a little street, there is a poor house.

S₆: His mother has nothing to give but water, so he is crying.

P: Her face is thin and worn and her hands are coarse, pricked by a needle, for she is a seamstress.

Q: One of the windows is open and through it I can see a poor woman.

R: He has a fever and asking for oranges.

S: In a corner of a bed in the room her little boy is lying ill.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SRQP (b) PQSR (c) QPSR (d) RSPQ

S₁: Jawaharlal Nehru was born in Allahabad on 14 November 1889.

S₆: He died on 27 May 1964.

P: Nehru met Mahatma Gandhi in February 1920.

Q: In 1905 he was sent to London to study at a school called 'Harroow'.

R: He became the first Prime Minister of Independent India on 15 August 1947.

S: He married Kamla Kaul in 1915.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) QRPS (b) QSPR (c) RPOS (d) SQRP

S₁: An elderly lady suddenly became blind.

S₆: The lady said that she had not been properly cured because she could not see all his furniture.

P: The doctor called daily and every time he took away some of her furniture he liked.

Q: At last she was cured and the doctor demanded his fee.

R: She agreed to pay fee to the doctor who would cure her.

S: On being refused, the doctor wanted to know the reason.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) RPOS
(c) RSPQ (d) RQPS

48. S₁: The path of Venus lies inside the path of the Earth.

S₆: When at its brightest, it is easily seen with the naked eye in broad daylight.

P: When at its farthest from the Earth, Venus is 160 million away.

Q: With such a wide range between its greatest and least distances it is natural that at sometimes Venus appears much brighter than at others.

R: No other body ever comes so near the Earth, with the exception of the Moon and occasional comet or asteroid.

S: When Venus is at its nearest to the earth it is only 26 million miles away.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SRPQ (b) SORP
(c) PSQR (d) QPRS

49. S₁: In the middle of one side of the square sits the Chairman of the committee, the most important person in the room.

S₆: From the moment its members meet, it begins to have a sort nebulous life of its own.

P: For a committee is not just a mere collection of individuals.

Q: On him rests much of the responsibility for the success or failure of the committee.

R: While this is happening we have an opportunity to get the 'feel' of this committee.

S: As the meeting opens, he runs briskly through a number of formalities.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) RSQP (b) PQRS
(c) SQPR (d) QSRP

50. S₁: Religion is not a matter of mere dogmatic conformity.

S₆: A man of that character is free from fear, free from hatred.

P: It is not merely going through the ritual prescribed to us.

Q: It is not a question of ceremonial pity.

R: Unless that kind of transformation occurs, you are not an authentically religious man.

S: It is the remarking of your own self, the transformation of your nature.

The proper sequence should be

- (a) SPRQ (b) QPSR
(c) PSRQ (d) SPQR

Exercise III

Previous Years Exam Questions

Directions (Q.Nos. 1 to 125) In the following items, each passage consists of six sentences. The first and the sixth sentence are given in the beginning as S_1 and S_6 . The middle four sentences in each have been removed and jumbled up. These are labelled as P, Q, R and S. You are required to find out the proper sequence of the four sentences.

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- S_1 : I will not be able to see you tomorrow.
 S_6 : At any rate I'll see you later in the week.
 P : There is only a simple laboratory test to be done.
 Q : Once I know what the diagnosis is, I can contact the doctor.
 R : However, if you like, you can phone me.
 S : We will then follow his instructions.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) SPRQ (b) RQPS
 (c) SRPQ (d) RQSP
- S_1 : James Watt used the power of steam to drive machines.
 S_6 : The jet engine is relatively more recent.
 P : With petrol engines people were able to build motor cars and aeroplanes.
 Q : Then, many years later, the petrol engine was invented.
 R : These provided quicker means of travelling.
 S : His invention was used later by other clever men to give us the railway engine.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) SQPR (b) PQRS (c) PSRQ (d) QSRP
- S_1 : Stalin sent General Zhukov to assume command in Leningrad.
 S_6 : The battle for Leningrad was the fiercest ever fought.
 P : True, the city was prepared for street fighting.
 Q : At that time no one knew whether the city could be saved.
 R : No one knew the answer.
 S : But would the city's defences hold?
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) RSQP (b) QSPR
 (c) QPSR (d) RQPS
- S_1 : Bacteria in the mouth can cause bad odour and painful tooth decay.
 S_6 : Toothpaste advertisements are truthful when they advise us to brush regularly.
 P : Children's eating habits leave them prone to tooth decay.
 Q : They grow in food particles left between teeth.
 R : They often eat sweets and other items between meals.
 S : Therefore, regular brushing after every meal eaten at home is essential.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) PQSR (b) QPRS (c) RSPQ (d) QRP5
- S_1 : The five-year plans are meant for the nation's economic development.
 S_6 : The most important is, certainly, failure on the family planning front.
 P : What are the reasons for it?
 Q : One way of measuring a nation's development is by finding out how much progress there has been in the fight against poverty.
 R : The reasons are many.
 S : In India, every five-year plan ends with more people coming under the poverty line.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) RQPS (b) QSPR (c) PRSQ (d) SQRP
- S_1 : Man's growth from barbarism to civilization is supposed to be the theme of history.
 S_6 : In many ways, therefore, man has not made very great progress.
 P : Strong countries attack and oppress weaker ones.
 Q : But it is difficult to believe this ideal has been reached.
 R : There is ample evidence of barbarism even today.
 S : Individuals too exploit their fellows.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) QRP5 (b) RQSP (c) QRSR (d) RPSQ
- S_1 : The lion used to be very widely distributed in Africa and Asia.
 S_6 : No hunting is permitted in such reserved areas.
 P : There are special forest zones set aside for wildlife in various countries.
 Q : Indiscriminate killing by hunters has been the cause of this drastic fall in their numbers.
 R : Today they are a relatively rare species.
 S : If the species survives at all, it will be only in national parks.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) QSPR (b) RSPQ (c) SAPQ (d) RQSP
- S_1 : Though the Finance Minister claims that prices have become stable, facts do not support his stand.
 S_6 : This proves that the government is not properly informed.
 P : What is worse, in some places it is not available even at the exorbitant price.

- Q : Now it is above ₹ 10
 R : Sugar is a glaring example.
 S : A month back its open-market price was ₹ 7 per kg.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) PQRS (b) SRQP (c) PSRQ (d) RSQP

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9. S₁ : Einstein was very simple in his ways of life and indifferent to his astounding fame.
 S₂ : So they went back to the Queen and informed her that he had not come by the train.
 P : They could never imagine that this shabby man would be Einstein himself.
 Q : Once the queen of Belgium invited him to Brussels.
 R : The officials also expected to see somebody who would appear to be rich and aristocratic before them.
 S : When he got down from the train at Brussels, he could not think that there were actually many gorgeously dressed officials to receive him at the station.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PRSQ (b) RQPS (c) QSRP (d) SPRQ

10. S₁ : Jagdish was tired after the long walk through the thick jungle.
 S₂ : Here, to his satisfaction, he found that there were hardly any mosquitoes.
 P : As night fell he came to a swampy place near a lake, where he decided to camp.
 Q : At last, in despair, he sprang into the branches of a nearby tree and climbed to the top.
 R : But the place was so full of mosquitoes that he found it impossible to sleep.
 S : He spread a blanket on the ground and stretched himself out on it.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PSRQ (b) PRSQ (c) PSQR (d) PQRS

11. S₁ : What kind of India are we working for and what kind of world?
 S₂ : Some small part of that dream has come true, but not in the manner I had imagined, and so much still remains.
 P : Surely not, if there has been any truth in us and in our professions.
 Q : Here in this city of Allahabad my boyhood and youth were spent in dreaming dreams and seeing visions of India's future.
 R : Was there any real substance in those dreams or were they merely the fancies of a fevered brain?
 S : Are hatred and violence and fear and communalism and narrow provincialism to mould our future?

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) QRSP
 (c) SPQR (d) SQRP

12. S₁ : Pasteur began his fruitful scientific investigations when he was Professor of Chemistry at Strasburg.
 S₂ : The pasteurization process which he prescribed for wine and beer is used now at safeguard milk too.
 P : He also found how germs causing changes in materials could be controlled by heat.
 Q : He made a thorough study of the wine industry in France.
 R : He thus saved the wine industry from ruin by this work.
 S : After careful and extensive investigation he produced the germ theory of fermentation.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) PQRS (b) QPSR (c) SQPR (d) QSPR

13. S₁ : In democratic countries men are equal before law, and have a voice in deciding how and by whom they shall be governed.
 S₂ : And they live like this not for fun, but because they are too poor to afford another room.
 P : While some few people live in luxury, many have not even enough to drink and wear.
 Q : But with respect to the sharing of money—which means the sharing of food and clothing, and houses and books and so on the system is still very unfair.
 R : There are many families of five or six persons who live in a single room; they sleep and dress and wash and eat their meals; in this same room they are born; and in this same they die.
 S : Even in the finest of world's cities thousands of people live in dreadful surroundings.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QRSP (b) SRPQ (c) QPSR (d) PQRS

14. S₁ : Mental disability, whether mental retardation or any other development disability, is not the same as mental illness.
 S₂ : And the earlier the better.
 P : A person with mental disability can certainly be helped to improve, but mainly in childhood.
 Q : But mental disability has no cure.
 R : Mental illness has an identifiable cause and may be cured.
 S : Not the best doctors nor all the medicines in the world can cure mental disability.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PSQR (b) QPRS (c) RQSP (d) SRPQ

15. S₁ : A devastating earthquake had hit Mexico city.
 S₂ : The condition of 1000 others was reported unsafe.
 P : Fifty more were later judged dangerously close to falling.
 Q : The quake's force was measured at 7.8 on the Richter scale.
 R : In four chaotic minutes, an estimated 250 buildings collapsed in downtown Mexico city.
 S : It was the world's most severe quake since the quake in Chile last March.

The correct sequence should be
(a) SRPQ (b) QSRP (c) PQSR (d) RPOS

16. S_1 : Undoubtedly, science has done wonders.
 S_6 : Thus, Science, which was once considered a destructive power only in war, must be recognized as one also in its apparently constructive activities during peace.
 P : But in giving such an answer, our attention must not be taken up entirely by the danger from nuclear weapons and chemical warfare.
 Q : The honest answer has to be, "not always".
 R : But has it stopped with wonders which are beneficial to mankind?
 S : There is far greater real danger from the damage to the environment arising from the so-called peaceful uses of science.

The correct sequence should be
(a) RQPS (b) SPQR (c) SRPQ (d) PQRS

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17. S_1 : When he joined the college, he was an adolescent and immature.
 S_6 : But his sagacity helped him get a good job.
 P : He learnt a lot from his experiences at the college.
 Q : He had to get suitably employed.
 R : Four years of study in the college changed him completely.
 S : When he left it he was ready to face the problems of life.

The correct sequence should be
(a) PQRS (b) SRQP (c) RPSQ (d) QSRP

18. S_1 : There is still another important characteristic of living things.
 S_6 : And abrupt changes occur too, which are called mutations.
 P : One generation is not a perfect copy of the preceding generation.
 Q : Plants and animals are not exactly like their parents.
 R : That attribute is the capacity to evolve.
 S : There is a continual realignment of inherited characteristics.

The correct sequence should be
(a) PSQR (b) RQPS
(c) QSRP (d) RSPQ

19. S_1 : Your resources, like money are limited.
 S_6 : For that matter the need for a leader arises only in relation to other people.
 P : You must invest them wisely.
 Q : Everything cannot be directly attended to by yourself.
 R : Sooner or later you should learn to delegate your authority to others.
 S : You have to depend on others.
The correct sequence should be
(a) SRPQ (b) QRSP (c) PRQS (d) SQRP

20. S_1 : In ancient India the city of Ujjain was quite famous.
 S_6 : So one can see what a great love all who come for India must feel for this ancient city.
 P : Here lived at one time the poet Kalidas.
 Q : He was a famous learned astronomer.
 R : And here also came and worked Raja Jai Singh of Jaipur.
 S : It was always renowned as a seat of learning.
The correct sequence should be
(a) PSRQ (b) SPRQ (c) QSRP (d) SRPQ

21. S_1 : One of the odd-looking birds of the ocean is the penguin.
 S_6 : With the aid of flippers they can dive into the water.
 P : Penguins cannot fly.
 Q : It is found in the cold regions of the Antarctic circle.
 R : Their wings have been changed into swimming flippers.
 S : They use them like oars.
The correct sequence should be
(a) PQRS (b) QPRS (c) RSPQ (d) QRSP

22. S_1 : Clothes should fit well.
 S_6 : They absorb sweat from the body and pick up dust from the surroundings.
 P : Clothing that is too slack chafes the skin and is uncomfortable.
 Q : Tight garments can constrict the organs of the body, especially those of the abdomen.
 R : Clothes should be kept clean.
 S : If they are too tight they can constrict the blood vessels in the skin.

The correct sequence should be
(a) PQSR (b) QRPS (c) SRQP (d) SQPR

23. S_1 : Get hold of the catalogues of the colleges in the United States.
 S_6 : They all aim at the first rate.
 P : I think there is a common feature and that every course given has a similar aim.
 Q : Is there any common feature in these courses?
 R : You will find courses in innumerable subjects.
 S : Is there any aim which all of them have?
The correct sequence should be
(a) RQSP (b) PQRS
(c) RQPS (d) PRSQ

24. S_1 : If we dump sewage into a stream, on a small scale, the stream dissolves it and purifies it.
 S_6 : For this overwhelming kind of pollution we need to coin a new term which we call super-pollution.
 P : It can no longer deal even with the small quantity of sewage which it once accepted without difficulty.
 Q : Ten miles downstream the water is pure again.
 R : The system has broken down.

S : But if we dump large quantities of sewage, we end by killing the purifying bacteria and then the stream has lost its power to purify.
The correct sequence should be

- (a) QSPR (b) RSQP (c) PQRS (d) PQRS

S₁ : She was born into a poor family of labourers and died because poverty could not let her live.

S₆ : So, while the world was celebrating International Women's Day, Rita's mother, Mrs Veena, spent the day trying to get her daughter justice, which eluded her in life.

P : She died not because she was ill, but because she had been allegedly beaten by her husband and in-laws for not bringing in sufficient dowry.

Q : At the young age of twenty, Rita breathed her last at JP Hospital on February 20.

R : Ironically, however, no one paid heed to Rita's woes when she sed to cry for help.

S : The police have not taken any action either till date.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QPRS (b) SRPQ (c) PRSQ (d) RPQS

S₁ : We were so evenly matched that for a time the end was difficult to tell.

S₆ : Then, his comrade's knife, thrown at me, struck him on the back and piercing it, quite finished him.

P : Already I was counting him a dead man and myself victorious.

Q : I had only to wear him out to have him at my mercy.

R : Presently, however, there came a change.

S : My opponent's wild living made him incapable of coping with a prolonged bout and his strength seemed to start ebbing away.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SRQP (b) QRSP (c) RQSP (d) RSQP

S₁ : William Cowper was born in 1731 at the rectory of Berkhamstead.

S₆ : He left Westminster in 1748.

P : From both sides (mother and father) he was well-connected.

Q : He was the son of a country rector.

R : Cowper was sent to a boarding house at the nearby village where the bullying brought on a nervous inflammation of the eyes.

S : He then moved to Westminster School, where he was reasonably happy.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) PQRS (c) RSQP (d) QPRS

S₁ : John Young, the astronaut, piloted the 75-ton space-shuttle, Columbia.

S₆ : And it moved smoothly to a stop as the crew rushed to greet it.

P : The Columbia, however, landed safely at the Edwards Air Force base in the Mojave desert.

Q : The space-shuttle circled the Earth 36 times.

R : It was dangerous because a re-usable craft was being used now.

S : This flight was fraught with dangers.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQSR (b) SQRP (c) PRSQ (d) QSRP

29. S₁ : Rutherford was the son of a Scot emigrant to New Zealand.

S₆ : Life was hard, but it was adventurous.

P : They had 12 children, of whom Rutherford was the fourth.

Q : His father established the first flax mill in South Island.

R : He was brought up in a real frontier atmosphere and it entered into the nature of the man.

S : His mother was the first woman school teacher in New Zealand.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) QSRP (c) QRSP (d) QSPR

30. S₁ : Isaac possessed a wonderful faculty of acquiring knowledge by the simplest means.

S₆ : Thus, even in his boyish sports, he was continually searching out the secrets of philosophy.

P : Yet nothing could be more simple.

Q : You will never guess how the boy could compel that unseen wonder, the wind to tell him the measure of its strength.

R : For instance, what methods do you suppose he took to find out the strength of the wind?

S : He jumped against the wind and by the length of the jump he could calculate the force of the wind.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) QRSP (c) RQPS (d) PSQR

31. S₁ : Life is a gift of God to man.

S₆ : Oh Lord! What fools we mortals are?

P : What an invaluable gift!

Q : Every morning he fills 24 hours in wallets of each of us and never asks questions.

R : The other is time.

S : Irrespective of these gifts, we grumble.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) PQRS (c) QRPS (d) RSPQ

32. S₁ : The common man has a vote in Parliament.

S₆ : For that, his sole resource is his 'native wit and will.

P : If he likes to make use of the machinery of a democracy, he can have questions asked in the house.

Q : But there is no machinery by which he can control the organs which mould opinion.

R : In the last resort he can destroy one government and make another.

S : He has a parliamentary representative whom he can badger and heckle.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QPSR (b) SQPR (c) PQRS (d) SPRQ

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33. S₁ : Unity in diversity is a unique feature of India.
 S₆ : Have you read this book? If not, you should do so now.
 P : They should, therefore, first try to know the mind and spirit of India-the Indian-ethos, so to say.
 Q : Nehru has referred to this unity very feelingly in 'The Discovery of India.'
 R : Those who do not see this underlying unity in apparent diversity fail to understand this country properly.
 S : Then, they will discern strands of common heritage running all through the differences of language, dress, food, method or worship etc.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QRSP (b) PSRQ (c) SQPR (d) RPSQ

34. S₁ : There was a legend among our people that the island had once been covered with tall trees.
 S₆ : Tumai angrily went down, down to another world; so people die today because he did.
 P : This was a long time ago, at the beginning of the world when Tumai and Mukat ruled.
 Q : Tumai wished people to die.
 R : The two gods quarrelled about many things.
 S : Mukat did not.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) PSRQ (c) SPRQ (d) SQPR

35. S₁ : To a foreign learner, English pronunciation presents the greatest difficulty.
 S₆ : But a knowledge of Phonetics will help a great deal in learning correct English pronunciation.
 P : Words are spelt in one way and pronounced in another.
 Q : For instance 'u' has different pronunciations in 'but', 'put', 'build' and 'bury'.
 R : The English language is notoriously un-phonetic.
 S : The same letters give different sounds in different words.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PRSQ (b) QSPR (c) SPQR (d) RPSQ

36. S₁ : There was something about the smile of Mr Acton, when he came over to Sharma's table, which betokened disaster.
 S₆ : Specially, since Mr Acton was not known to smile too much, being a morose, old Sahib, hard-working and conscientious.
 P : The fact that Mr Acton should come over to his table at all, fawn upon him and say what he had said was, of course, most flattering.
 Q : For, very rarely did the head of the firm condescend to move down the corridor, where the Indian staff of Henry King and Company, worked.
 R : But that smile on Mr Acton's face!

- S : But as the Sahib had only said, "Mr Sharma, I have brought something for you specially from London, you must come into my office on Monday and take it...". Sharma could not surmise the real meaning of the General Manger's remark.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SPQR (b) PQRS (c) SQRP (d) QRSP

37. S₁ : Arun suddenly found himself in the streets.
 S₆ : When he applied for the refund of his security, there was hardly anyone at the other end to receive his application.
 P : There was a little money in the bank and he had some stock on hand.
 Q : The prices were going down, and he could hardly realize a few hundred rupees.
 R : At first he could hardly understand the full significance of this collapse.
 S : But the stock moved out slowly.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PSQR (b) SQRP (c) RPSQ (d) POSR

38. S₁ : Science has given up powers fit for the gods.
 S₆ : And we should remember that they are very stern masters.
 P : For example, we do not know how to manage our machines.
 Q : Yet we use them like small children.
 R : But in practice, they have become man's masters.
 S : Machines were made to be man's servants.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) RQPS (b) PQRS (c) QPSR (d) QPRS

39. S₁ : It follows that we should enable all individuals to live a full, free, rich life.
 S₆ : This does not mean the regimentation of the individual.
 P : We talk often of a socialistic pattern of society.
 Q : We must help to bring up the buried treasure in each individual without breaking any of it.
 R : That is why we have universal education as a target in our Constitution.
 S : For this, certain minimum cultural and economic conditions must be provided.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QSRP (b) PRSQ
 (c) RQPS (d) SQRP

40. S₁ : The advancement of science is not a secret or a mysterious process.
 S₆ : What is he to think but to marvel at the skill of science, and to fear its power?
 P : No one tells the layman about the years of experiment and failure.
 Q : If it sometimes seems so, that is just because the day-to-day work of science is so unspectacular.

- R : How is he to know what has not been done, or to guess the labour of what has?
 S : You hear nothing from the research worker for years, and then, suddenly, there is the result in the headlines; penicillin or the jet engine or nuclear fusion.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QSPR (b) PQRS (c) QPSR (d) SOPR

41. S₁ : I am the manager of a travel agency in the city.
 S₂ : I spend those twenty-five minutes doing crosswords.
 P : I usually catch the 8 o'clock train for my journey to the office.
 Q : I live fifteen kilometres out of the city where I have a small room.
 R : I go to work on the electric train everyday.
 S : The train takes about twenty-five minutes to get to the city.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PRSQ (b) RQPS (c) QSPR (d) SPRQ

42. S₁ : Until the first atomic energy bombs fell on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the atom and its behaviour had been remote from everyday affairs.
 S₂ : So the idea grew up that the product of long years at atomic research had led only to a fresh weapon of destruction more powerful than any known before.
 P : There was something queer and incomprehensible about them.
 Q : And secondly, that something new and devastating had been added to the list of man's victories over nature.
 R : But it, in the first place, made us realize that the atom and its ways were no longer something apart from everyday life.
 S : The atomic bombing of Japan did not resolve that incomprehensibility.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PSRQ (b) PQSR (c) RSQP (d) SOPR

43. S₁ : Jagdish Chandra Bose was born on 30 November, 1853 at Parikhal, now in Bangladesh.
 S₂ : He himself founded some technical and industrial schools.
 P : But he also knew that without technical education India could not become a great nation.
 Q : His father Babu Bhagwandas was a remarkable man.
 R : He had a high regard for India's ancient culture.
 S : Though he was an important government official, yet he did not give up his independence of thought.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QPRS (b) RSQP
 (c) QSRP (d) RPSQ

44. S₁ : A gentleman trying to get a fly out of the milk or a piece of cork out of his glass of wine often imagines himself to be irritated.
 S₂ : But I pointed out to him that this sense of wrong was really subjective and relative; it rested entirely upon the assumption that the drawer could, should and would come out easily.
 P : Again, I have known some people of very modern views driven by their distress to the use of theological terms to which they attached no doctrinal significance, merely because a drawer was jammed tight and they could not pull it out.
 Q : Everyday his drawer was jammed, and everyday in consequence it was something else that rhymes to it.
 R : A friend of mine was particularly afflicted in this way.
 S : Let him think for a moment of the patience of anglers sitting by dark pools, and let his soul be immediately irradiated with gratification and repose.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SPRQ (b) PSRQ (c) QPRS (d) SPQR

45. S₁ : Even in his earliest days, man had government.
 S₂ : As the number of men multiplied, hunting bands grew larger, divided and formed independent groups.
 P : When he grew old and dull, another leader took his place.
 Q : As he stepped outside, he joined with other men to form a hunting tribe that learned to work together.
 R : Its simplest form was the family, where man had authority over his wife and children.
 S : Probably the hunter with the right combination of strength and cleverness became the leader of the tribe.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QPRS (b) RQSP (c) SRPQ (d) RQPS

46. S₁ : The oil found in natural state is called crude oil.
 S₂ : Last of all, the lubricating oils of various grades are produced.
 P : It is used as a fuel in heaters and lamps.
 Q : It is treated in refineries, the most common form of treatment is heating.
 R : Gas that comes off the oil later is condensed into paraffin.
 S : When crude oil is heated, the first vapours to rise are cooled and become the finest petrol.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QSPR (b) SPQR (c) SQRP (d) QSRP

47. S₁ : As a first step we have made the tribals celebrate the Itu Kula festival on the same day.

- S₆ : Village-wise environmental status reports were prepared to help people in assessing the remaining natural resources such as drinking water, extent of grazing land, and number of fruit-bearing trees, bird, animals etc.
- P : For the first time in the history of this region, during this festival, an Adivasa darbar was conducted.
- Q : Tribes from Madhya Pradesh and Odisha were also invited to participate in this darbar.
- R : We could achieve emotional integrity amongst tribals which resulted in this success.
- S : For centuries they were celebrating it on different days and in different ways.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SRPQ (b) PRSQ (c) QSPR (d) RSQP

48. S₁ : Happiness, after all, is an inner state of mind.
- S₆ : My point is that it is not wealth but co-ordination of one's thought and action which removes inner conflicts.
- P : Some of the most miserable persons I have come across in my life are rich.
- Q : It is little dependent on outside environment.
- R : Happiness has very little to do, for instance, with whether you are rich or not rich.
- S : It is true that poverty makes one miserable in a very acute way.

The correct sequence should be,

- (a) SPQR (b) QPSR
(c) RSPQ (d) QRSP

49. S₁ : It was in 264 BC that the great struggle between Rome and Carthage, the Punic Wars began.
- S₆ : But the Romans, with extraordinary energy, set themselves to outbuild the Carthagians.
- P : It gradually developed into a struggle for the possession of Sicily.
- Q : The advantage of the sea was at first with the Carthagians.
- R : The First Punic War began in that year about the pirates of Messina.
- S : They had great fighting ships of what was hitherto an unheard-of size.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) RQSP (b) RPQS
(c) PRSQ (d) QSPR

50. S₁ : Over-eating is one of the most wasteful practices among those who can afford it.
- S₆ : The evening meal should be light and should be taken three or four hours before going to bed.
- P : It is largely wasted.
- Q : A heavy meal at night before retiring is the fashion with many.
- R : While sleeping, this food is converted into excess fat and thus makes a person fat and ungainly.
- S : Three to five hours are needed to digest the food.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQSR (b) QPSR (c) QSRP (d) SRQP

51. S₁ : I passed all the other courses that I took at my university.
- S₆ : This used to enrage my instructor.
- P : I never once saw a cell through a microscope.
- Q : This was because all botany students had to spend several hours a week looking through microscopes at plant cells.
- R : But I could never pass botany.
- S : I could never see through a microscope.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) RQSP (b) QPSR (c) RSPQ (d) PQSR

52. S₁ : It is very warm and sticky today.
- S₆ : A good rain would cool things off a little.
- P : That is a good idea.
- Q : I wonder what the weather is going to be like tomorrow.
- R : Let's listen to the weather report for tomorrow on the radio.
- S : The paper here says its going to be fair and sunny.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QSRP (b) RQSP (c) QRPS (d) RSPQ

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53. S₁ : Long long ago there lived a king who was crude and very much like a savage.
- S₆ : Or at least he tried to.
- P : He was a man of great fancies and even greater enthusiasm.
- Q : Because he had so much authority as a king, he was able to force some of these fancies into reality.
- R : He had none of the grace and polish of his neighbours.
- S : He had learned some manners from his Latin neighbours, but mostly he was barbaric, loud and gruff.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) RSPQ (b) SQPR (c) RFQS (d) PQRS

54. S₁ : Our age is the age of the specialist.
- S₆ : We have to reckon with the spirit of science, understand its limitations and an outlook which is consistent with its findings.
- P : Modern specialization had led to the fragmentation of knowledge.
- Q : Each one knows more and more about less and less.
- R : We should not only be specialists but also have a sense of the meaning of life and of social responsibility.
- S : We concentrate on some narrow field and forget the larger context in which we can see the meaning of our own specialization.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQSR (b) QPRS (c) SPQR (d) QSPR

55. S₁: He went to his friends, but none of them was ready to help him now.
 S₂: Now the Youngman understood that he had made a mistake.
 P: He had to look after the farmer's pigs.
 Q: And when he was hungry he ate the food which was given to the pigs.
 R: He went away from the city and wandered round the countryside looking for food to eat.
 S: In the end he went to the house of a farmer and became his servant.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PSRQ (b) RSPQ (c) SOPR (d) QPSR

56. S₁: Man, when first came, must have been surrounded by great animals and he must have lived in fear of them.
 S₂: Gradually, however, man raised himself and became more and more powerful till he became stronger than any animal.
 P: He makes the animals do what he likes.
 Q: But in those days he was not the master but a poor hunted creature himself trying to keep away from the great animals.
 R: Today man is the master of the world.
 S: Same he tames, same he eats and same he shoots for pleasure.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) RQPS (b) RSPQ (c) RPSQ (d) PQSR

57. S₁: Convention has a necessary part to play in the life of everyone.
 S₂: Their purpose, however, is always the same.
 P: It is necessary and useful for this reason.
 Q: Of course, there is nothing absolute about conventions.
 R: They vary from country to country, from age to age.
 S: In all social affairs it prescribes more or less generally accepted rules of behaviour.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SORP (b) PQSR (c) RPSQ (d) SPOR

58. S₁: No one can seriously pretend to remain unaffected by advertisement.
 S₂: Though they seem so varied all these advertisements have one thing in common they make strong appeals to our emotions.
 P: Even in the sanctity of our living rooms advertisers pounce upon their helpless victims as they tune in to their favourite radio or television programmes.
 Q: It is impossible to turn a blind eye to the solicitous overtures to buy this or that article that fill our streets, newspapers and magazines.
 R: Most often they bank upon our sense of fear for not doing or possessing this or that for our youth, beauty, health and security.
 S: No matter how hard we resist, clever little tunes and catch-phrases seep into our subconscious mind and stay there.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQSR (b) QRPQ (c) RPSQ (d) SOPR

59. S₁: A great part of Arabia is desert.
 S₂: Such place is called an oasis.
 P: The sand is so hot that you cannot walk over it with your bare feet in the day time.
 Q: These springs are few and far apart, but wherever there is one, green grass very soon covers the ground all around it.
 R: Here there is nothing but sand and rock.
 S: Here and there in the desert are springs of water that come from deep down under the ground.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PSRQ (b) RSQP (c) RPSQ (d) PQSR

60. S₁: Many things about Konark seem shrouded in mystery.
 S₂: King Narasimha probably had it built as much as a memorial to himself as he did in honour of the Sun-God.
 P: It is, of course, a religious shrine.
 Q: But here there also seems to be a great emphasis on purely human grandeur.
 R: Why was it built?
 S: Long before the temple was built, sometime in the 13th century, Konark was one of the five holiest places in Odisha.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) RQPS (b) RPSQ (c) SRPQ (d) SPQR

61. S₁: Most of you probably did not see Gandhiji at close quarters.
 S₂: The result was that the poor man had to try to be good.
 P: One of these qualities was that he managed to draw out the good in another person.
 Q: But he somehow spotted the good and laid emphasis on that good.
 R: He had amazing qualities.
 S: The other person may have had plenty of evil in him.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QPSR (b) RPSQ (c) PQRS (d) QSPR

62. S₁: Everybody thinks that this is the Age of Reason.
 S₂: Obviously we must reexamine the view that this is the age of Reason.
 P: Reason takes a backseat at such times.
 Q: The ordinary events of life seem to support this view.
 R: We must therefore avoid the development of such situation.
 S: But the behaviour of people in crises makes us doubt this.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) RQPS (b) SRQP (c) PSRQ (d) QSRP

63. S₁: Our villages are not now as serene and peaceful as they had been twenty five years ago.

- S_6 : This often vitiates the traditional tranquility of the rural way of living.
 P : The village people now seldom live under the overall command of any single powerful headman.
 Q : Local political leaders mostly control and command them.
 R : Party politics had entered into the peaceful villages forcing the villagers to live polarized political lives.
 S : One dangerous consequence of this is that they are often dragged into clashes even with their own relations of different political belief.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) PRSQ (b) RPQS (c) QPRS (d) PSRQ
64. S_1 : People think that poverty is a great curse and wealth is a source of happiness in life.
 S_6 : All great men were born poor.
 P : A life of poverty gives more genuine satisfaction than a life passed in affluence which encourages dependence on others.
 Q : This is untrue.
 R : Poor people are free from the evils which surround the rich.
 S : They have sympathy for one another and are more self-reliant.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) PSQR (b) QPRS (c) SRQP (d) RSQP
65. S_1 : Before man settled down, his life was not governed by the seasons.
 S_6 : However, we do not know when man first began to divide the day into twenty-four hours, and the hour into sixty minutes.
 P : So man began to measure time, and first he looked for convenient unit of measurement, one of which was the day.
 Q : This was done by making a mark for each day on a tree trunk.
 R : Once he settled down to the agricultural way of life, he had to be able to calculate the change of seasons on which agriculture depended.
 S : In order to calculate the passing of time, it was necessary for man to record the number of days in each season.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) PQRS (b) RPSQ (c) QPSR (d) RSQP
66. S_1 : Imitation is not civilization.
 S_6 : When a man has begun to be ashamed of his ancestors, the end has come.
 P : As ass in a lion's skin never makes a lion.
 Q : It is verily the sign of awful degradation in a man.
 R : Cowardly imitation never makes for progress.
 S : When a man has begun to hate himself, then the last blow has come.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) PQRS (b) SPRQ
 (c) PQRS (d) QSRP
67. S_1 : Democracy, more than any other form of government, needs good citizenship.
 S_6 : That is not the instinct of the natural man; yet somehow that habit, has to be acquired.
 P : But it has to be freedom of service self-chosen and sometimes of sacrifice self-imposed.
 Q : Under absolutism or dictatorship, men are forced into line.
 R : Freedom is the essence of democracy : the more complete the democracy, the more complete the freedom.
 S : But in a democracy things are not so simple.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) SQPR (b) RSQP (c) PQRS (d) QSRP
68. S_1 : In 1668 an important discovery was made.
 S_6 : That was the beginning of the end of the theory of spontaneous generation of higher plants and animals.
 P : He put some rotting meat and fish in open jars and watched them.
 Q : When he covered the jars with muslin, he found that flies came and laid their eggs on the muslin, but not maggots developed on the meat.
 R : In time, he noticed that flies came and laid their eggs in the meat and the maggots hatched from the eggs.
 S : An Italian physician named Redi decided to test the idea that worms were generated spontaneously in rotting meat.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) PQSR (b) SPRQ (c) SRPQ (d) RPQS
69. S_1 : There is not sound more familiar in Calcutta than the clanking of its tramcars.
 S_6 : Their progress is regarded with the mixture of dread and embarrassment reserved for the approach of a cantankerous old aunt.
 P : For a growing body of opinion in the city, trams are a symbol of urban blight.
 Q : It is also an irritant.
 R : All day and late into the night the trundling roll of a tram has become a symbol, a portent.
 S : Slow, overcrowded and unwieldy, they are thought of as obstructionist and outmoded.
 The correct sequence should be
 (a) RQPS (b) RQSP (c) QSPR (d) PSRQ
70. S_1 : In England, yesterday, villagers were amazed to see a number of youths floating over a field.
 S_6 : The others, however, returned safely to earth by puncturing their umbrellas before they had risen very far.
 P : One boy let go his umbrella and landed on a cow from a height of about ten feet.
 Q : Luckily, there were not as many casualties as there might have been.
 R : Another ended up in a pond.
 S : The youths, it appeared, had inflated their fathers' umbrellas with hydrogen and as a result were borne skywards.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QSPR (b) PQSR (c) SQPR (d) PQRS

S₁ : A recent survey reveals that Indian Engineers play an immensely significant role in the American software industry.

S₆ : It is high time the leaders addressed themselves to this issue seriously.

P : Not only this, the Indian Americans own almost 25% of the small information technology firms in the US.

Q : And then, 28% of these hold a PhD—the highest percentage among all ethnic groups involved in the software industry.

R : Some dollars might be flowing back but the best of brains are surely being lost to the nation.

S : What catches the attention at the very outset is the number—over a million Indians work in the American software industry.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQSR (b) SQPR (c) SQRQ (d) SPQR

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72. S₁ : Having visited the Taj Mahal many tourists think that Agra has little else to offer.

S₆ : There are few other buildings to match the delicacy of this tomb.

P : One of these is surely the tomb of Itimad-ud-daulah.

Q : The design of the whole tomb was given by his daughter Nur Jahan.

R : After seeing the Taj one could profitably visit half a dozen other Mughal buildings.

S : This tomb has the delicacy of a baroque jewel case.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) RSQP (b) QSRP (c) SPQR (d) RPSQ

73. S₁ : For years the old chair stood is one of the empty antics.

S₆ : I saw my parents madly in love again.

P : So when I saw it for the last time, it stood there.

Q : When my mother died, I wanted to sell it but could not.

R : It was there for many years after my father died.

S : I peeped in the past.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) SRQP (c) RPOS (d) ROPS

74. S₁ : Illness may start with almost any sign, but some of them are much commoner than others.

S₆ : As soon as this happens he must become alert about the signs.

P : It is important to note these signs.

Q : Often the first sign of something wrong is that the patient just does not feel fit.

R : They may help a doctor to decide what is wrong.

S : He usually relies on these signs for the diagnosis of the illness.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PRSQ (b) RSQP (c) PQSR (d) QRSP

75. S₁ : Newton was perhaps the greatest scientist that ever lived.

S₆ : Newton went home and worked quietly by himself for about 18 months.

P : But when he was only 22, a terrible plague epidemic swept over England.

Q : He was the son of a Lincolnshire farmer, and was born in 1642.

R : Therefore the universities were closed.

S : He went to Cambridge to study mathematics when he was 19.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SPRQ (b) QPSR (c) SQPR (d) QSPR

76. S₁ : Poverty is a God's curse.

S₆ : Is not poverty a God's boon!

P : These persons get themselves enrolled as poor persons and get all the benefits of poverty.

Q : It is not necessary for a person to be actually poor for getting enrolled because it can be easily managed.

R : It may be true for a few but to many it is just its opposite.

S₆ : Such persons consider it to be a source of enjoying life without earning enjoyment.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) ROPS (b) QRSP (c) RSPO (d) SRQP

77. S₁ : Belur is 35 km from Hassan.

S₆ : They depict young women musicians and dancers in various poses.

P : Seen from afar, the star-shaped temple, characteristically Hoysala, is not very impressive.

Q : It stands in a courtyard surrounded by a rectangular wall.

R : But closer it is dazzling and marvellous; and the entire exterior is decorated with sculptures, the loveliest being the panels right and left of the main door.

S : Chennakesava Temple is dedicated to Vishnu.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) QRSP (b) SRPQ
(c) SPQR (d) SQPR

78. S₁ : When his business failed, he began to look for a job in an office.

S₆ : Unable to bear misfortunes any further, he started toying with the idea of ending his life of burdens and strains.

P : To overcome depression he took to drinking and became addicted to it.

Q : He soon realised that nothing was more difficult than to find a job.

R : Without job he failed to meet the daily requirements of his family which made him highly depressed.

S : Quarrel ensued invariably between husband and wife when he returned home in a state of drunkenness.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) SRQP
(c) QSRP (d) QRPS

79. S₁ : Unlike many modern thinkers, Tagore had no blueprint for the world's salvation.
S₆ : As a poet he will always delight, as a singer he will always enchant, as a teacher he will always enlighten.
P : His thought will therefore never be out of date.
Q : He merely emphasised certain basic truths which may ignore only at their peril.
R : He believed in no particular 'ism'.
S : He was what Gandhiji rightly termed the Great Sentinel.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SRPQ (b) PQRS (c) RSPQ (d) RQPS

80. S₁ : Louis Pasteur had a very busy and interesting life.
S₆ : He was always very proud of being able to help his country in this way.
P : Among the people whom Pasteur was able to help were brewers, breeders of silk worms, and cow keepers, all of whom were trying to carry on important industries.
Q : He worked hard in his laboratory with test tubes and all kinds of experiments.
R : He was working to help people who were suffering in some special way from disease.
S : He not only made some exciting discoveries about germs but he was able to use his discoveries in very practical ways.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SQRP (b) PQRS (c) QRSP (d) RSQP

81. S₁ : Tom Walker and his wife were always at loggerheads.
S₆ : Tom silently thanked God for this relief.
P : She never tired of reproaching him on this score.
Q : Tom was incurably lazy and talkative.
R : One day Mrs Walker caught a deadly cold and shortly afterwards, died.
S : This was a constant source of irritation to his wife.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PQRS (b) QSPR
(c) SQRP (d) PSQR

82. S₁ : So we went on in the quiet, and the twilight deepened into night.
S₆ : Then as the darkness grew deeper, she put her arms round my neck, and closing her eyes tightly pressed her face against my shoulder.
P : The ground grew dim and the trees black.
Q : The clear blue of the distance faded, and one star after another came out.

R : Neena's fears and her fatigue grew upon her.

S : I took her in my arms and talked to her and caressed her.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PRQS (b) QPRS (c) QPSR (d) RSPQ

83. S₁ : Kennedy kicked moodily at the leg of the chair which he was holding.
S₆ : It was a depressing beginning.
P : Now his chief desire seemed to be to score off the human race in general, his best friend included.
Q : If he had asked Fenn to help him in a tight place, then he knew he could have relied on him.
R : Last term he and Fenn had been as close friends as you could wish to see.
S : The feeling that his whole world had fallen about his ears was increasing with every hour he spend at Kay's.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PRSQ (b) RSPQ (c) SRQP (d) RQPS

84. S₁ : I sat at the table and ate.
S₆ : I was just the normal Ramaswamy, husband of Madeleine.
P : My breathing became suddenly difficult.
Q : I concentrated on my food and I was convinced I had to eat.
R : I stooped, however, any exhibition of the extraordinary.
S : But lungs have temperament.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PRSQ (b) QSPR (c) QSRP (d) SPRQ

85. S₁ : Todd borrowed this dollar last year on the 8th of April.
S₆ : And I said, 'certainly'.
P : He needed a dollar to pay his taxi and I lent it to him.
Q : He merely said, 'Let me have a dollar, will you!'
R : It happened quite simply and naturally.
S : I hardly realised it till it was all over.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) PRSQ (b) RSPQ (c) QRPS (d) PQRS

86. S₁ : People have always been fascinated by dreams.
S₆ : But a small number, perhaps less than 5% have them regularly.
P : In fact, only recently have there been serious studies to find out how many of us actually have nightmares.
Q : Now that is changing.
R : But the study of nightmares has been curiously neglected.
S : While results so far are inconclusive, it seems fair to say that at least half the population has occasional nightmares.

The correct sequence should be

- (a) SRPQ (b) RQPS (c) PQRS (d) SORP

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- S₁: It was Saturday.
 S₂: The children had already bought roasted gram and peanuts to get into a picnic mood.
 P: A taxi carried us all to the zoo.
 Q: They wanted to be taken out and we decided to take them to the local zoo.
 R: My sister's two young children were at our house.

S₃: We bought the tickets and entered the zoo.
 Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) RQSP (b) RPOS (c) ROPS (d) PQRS

- S₁: The officer rose to his feet, trembling.
 S₂: A half-hour later he returned to camp.
 P: He failed to find him there.
 Q: Pulling himself together, he ran rapidly away from the cliff to a point a half-mile from its foot.
 R: He was disappointed.
 S₃: He expected to find the horseman somewhere there.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) RPOS (b) QPSR (c) QSPR (d) SQPR

- S₁: It was a bitterly cold night and even at the far end of the bus the wind cut like a knife.
 S₂: I saw trouble brewing.
 P: The conductor came in and took the fares.
 Q: The younger of the two women was dressed in sealskin and carried one of those little Pekinese dogs that women like to carry in their laps.
 R: The bus stopped, and two women and a man got in together and filled the vacant places.
 S₃: Then his eyes tested with cold malice on the beady-eyed little dog.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) RQPS (b) RSQP (c) RPOS (d) PSRQ

- S₁: Dinner had been served—his daughter laid out the plates.
 S₂: Then, silently she left the table to retire for the night—it was as if she had never been there.
 P: She was just a child, only 14—too young, too simple to know to understand.
 Q: He sat down groundly, not saying a word to her.
 R: She had already had her meal and was standing by his side, not quite knowing what to do.
 S₃: Bread and cheese—a simple subsistence at the end of a not-so-simple life.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) QPSR (b) RPSQ (c) QRPS (d) SQPR

- S₁: When my car broke down, I took it to the only mechanic available in our town.
 S₂: They pushed the car down one street and up another and soon we had gone through most of the streets in the town but the car wouldn't start.

- P: But it just refused to start.
 Q: I went there at the appointed time to collect it.
 R: So I sat at the wheel and the mechanic and his helper started to push it.

S₃: He said it required some minor repairs and asked me to collect it in the evening.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) SQPR (b) QSRP (c) RPOS (d) PQRS

92. S₁: Some people prefer country life to city life.

S₂: For these reasons more and more people are leaving the country to live in the city.

P: Life in the country is quieter, cleaner and less hectic.

Q: The city also offers more privacy since neighbours are too busy to be interfering in the affairs of others.

R: However, the city offers more excitement, a wide variety of activities and a chance to meet more people.

S₃: Country people live longer and generally seem to be healthier and happier.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) PSRQ (b) SRQP (c) RQPS (d) QPSR

93. S₁: The clerk read the statement loudly and clearly

S₂: They returned in five minutes.

P: The judge brought down the gavel sharply and roared.

Q: He told the jury to return a lawful verdict.

R: We, the jury, find the defendant not guilty, provided he returns the mule.

S₃: There is not such verdict in the law, the defendant is either guilty or not guilty.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) RPSQ (b) RSPQ (c) QRPS (d) PSRQ

94. S₁: One day I went into the water off the coast of Africa.

S₂: I hurtled at him the rubber fins.

P: I sighted a shark at short distance from me.

Q: He launched towards me as hard and swift as a missile.

R: I was floating at a shallow depth, without making a movement.

S₃: Every muscle of my body tensed.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) PSQR (b) SQRP
(c) RPSQ (d) PQSR

95. S₁: There is no reason for the terror which the sight of a snake causes in most people.

S₂: Being aggressive by nature, they can attack human beings for no reason at all, taking a fisherman or swimmer by surprise in the water, where the man is somewhat helpless.

P: Of the poisonous snakes, only those found in the sea are always dangerous.

Q: They are only too anxious to avoid human beings.

R : Many more people are killed, much more frequently by motor-cycles and cigarettes than by snakes.

S : The majority of snakes are harmless.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) SQRP (b) RSQP (c) RQPS (d) PQRS

96. S₁ : I had not seen my father for several years.

S₆ : His words sank deep into my heart.

P : I met him late one evening in his flat.

Q : I wrote him a note suggesting a very early meeting.

R : He listened to my story in silence.

S : When he spoke, his voice was soft but without warmth.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) QSRP (b) PQRS (c) QPRS (d) QPSR

97. S₁ : Gopal worked as a labourer at the building site.

S₆ : He unscrewed the lid and found a valuable collection of old silver in it.

P : But Gopal made a bid and he got the box.

Q : There was no key to it and it seemed useless but Gopal took it home.

R : Once while returning from his work Gopal stopped at an auction sale.

S : No one seemed to want a rough old box when it was put up for sale.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) SPRQ (b) SRPQ (c) RSQP (d) RPOS

98. S₁ : The ancestors of whales, it is said, lived on land, for they still have slight traces of hind-legs.

S₆ : He has flippers on his sides to keep him balanced and layers of fat or oil under the skin which furnish heat and make the huge body light and buoyant.

P : But ages ago, whales changed their home-moving from the land to the sea.

Q : He is shaped like a submarine boat, with a tail turned into a power paddle.

R : The whale is suited to live in water.

S : They are warm-blooded animals, and feed their babies as land mammals do.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) PRSQ (b) SPRQ (c) RQPS (d) QPRS

99. S₁ : There was a check-post for passing vehicles at a village called Gobindapur, a short distance from where the road to Dhanbad branched off from the Grand Trunk Road.

S₆ : He asked me more than once if I was sure that the man had noted the number down.

P : When I came sufficiently near, he moved back and the barrier was lifted.

Q : I slowed down and found a man coming forward with pencil and book in hand.

R : I told uncle that the man had taken down the number of the car, adding that it was a routine practice.

S : As I approached it, I saw the barrier coming down slowly.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) ROPS (b) QRPS (c) SQPR (d) RSPQ

100. S₁ : My journey was to last for thirty-six hours.

S₆ : In the steel trunk under the seat there was a bag containing two hundred rupees that did not belong to me.

P : Every mile of the country through which the train was running, was interesting.

Q : Yet I was not happy.

R : I had the carriage for myself.

S : The train would stop for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) RSPQ (b) SQPR (c) PQSR (d) RPOS

101. S₁ : The life of early men had advantages and disadvantages.

S₆ : On the whole, there was friendship and amity within the tribes.

P : Then, they had enough physical exercise which made them healthy and active.

Q : They could roam for months without fear of meeting a stranger.

R : One of the advantages was that they were not overcrowded.

S : They lived in small tribes where everybody knew everybody else.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) QSRP (b) ROPS (c) SPRQ (d) PQRS

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102. S₁ : Did anything happen?

S₆ : He did not download or tamper with any of the code to which he gained access.

P : But the intruder did little more than peek and poke around.

Q : Not much, according to Microsoft.

R : He may have been some of its "Source code" the secret recipe for its software.

S : Yes, somebody invaded the firm's corporate network.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) RPQS (b) QSRP (c) RSQP (d) QPRS

103. S₁ : Another significant change in the past five years have been the global resurgence of ethnic and religious aspirations.

S₆ : This phenomenon is evident not only in Africa and Asia but also in Europe, notably in Italy and Spain.

P : No less than 15 new States have emerged in that region since 1990.

Q : This manifests itself in many different ways.

R : Another manifestation is the growth of ethnicity or regionalism as catalyst for new political parties.

S : One is the 'new' nationalism that is thriving in the wake of the break up of the Soviet Empire.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) QSPR (b) PROS (c) PSQR (d) QPRS

4. S₁ : Eighteen years ago, Germany became whole and free again after forty years of cruel partition.
 S₂ : On October 3, 1990, reunification was ceremoniously enacted.
 P : But on November 9, 1989, the Berlin Wall was miraculously breached.
 Q : Within ten months after the Wall came down, Germany had regained its national unity.
 R : Not many contemporaries had expected this to happen, or to happen within the span of their lifetime.
 S : The Cold War was suddenly over, the Iron Curtain collapsed, communism melted away.
 Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) PRSQ (b) RPQS (c) RPSQ (d) PQRS

5. S₁ : There are a number of bad habits which poor readers adopt.
 S₂ : Young children and very poor readers often point with a finger at each word in turn.
 P : Of course, there must be vigorous mental activity.
 Q : But extra body movements, such as pointing with the fingers or moving the lips, do not help reading.
 R : In efficient reading, the muscles of the eye should make the only external movement.
 S : Most of these involve using extra body movement in the reading process.
 Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) SRPQ (b) PQSR (c) PRSQ (d) SQPR

6. S₁ : Materially advertisements do us no good.
 S₂ : They have but one requirement that their intrusion should be conspicuous.
 P : The advertisements tread closely on their heels and destroy its effect.
 Q : Spiritually they are one of the worst avoidable evils.
 R : Our buildings are covered with prints and pictures that distract and wear us.
 S : Architects might give their designs dignity or the beauty of pattern.
 Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) RQPS (b) QRPQ (c) RQSP (d) QRSQ

7. S₁ : Both Ratan and his son Moti were idlers and did not like to do any work.
 S₂ : In fact, they prided themselves on their inactivity and idleness.
 P : The result was that their idleness increased all the more.
 Q : His wife had introduced order and industry in the house.
 R : Ratan's wife had died long ago, Moti had married in the preceding year.
 S : She would work herself to death and earn the daily feed for both of them.
 Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) SPRQ (b) SQPR (c) RQSP (d) RPSQ

108. S₁ : A hundred metres further along the trail Mahesh and Rohini stopped short.
 S₂ : But now mother bear-perhaps the same grizzly bear could be just over the ridge obscured by the bushes.
 P : They had shouted and waved and watched through binoculars as the mother bear reared up and roared at them.
 Q : Two bear cubs were playing in the creek gully about 20 metres to their right.
 R : They had enjoyed the roaring of the mother bear as a distance of a kilometre and a half separated them.
 S : The day before, they had seen a mother bear and two cubs.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) RPSQ (b) QSPR (c) RSPQ (d) QPSR

109. S₁ : In an ordinary power station we burn fuel to get heat.
 S₂ : However, instead of getting heat by burning fuel, we get it from the nuclear reactor.
 P : In a nuclear power station we burn water into steam and then use the steam in the same way.
 Q : It is from the generator that we get electricity.
 R : The steam is then made to turn a turbine and through the turbine a generator.
 S : This heat turns water into steam.
 Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) PRQS (b) SQRP (c) SRQP (d) PQRS

110. S₁ : One morning, a few days before Rahman, the Cabuliwallah, was due to return to his country, Tagore was working in his study.
 S₂ : They had quarrelled, and Rahman had struck the man with his knife.
 P : There were blood stains on his cloth, and one of the policemen carried a knife stained with blood.
 Q : Suddenly he heard shouting in the street, and he saw Rahman being led away between two policemen, followed by a crowd of curious boys.
 R : He learned that a certain neighbour had owed the Cabuliwallah some money, but had denied it.
 S : He hurried out and stopped them to inquire what it all meant.
 Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
 (a) RSPQ (b) QPSR (c) RPSQ (d) QSPR

111. S₁ : An experiment was conducted in England to study what happens to the bodies and minds of people travelling at high speeds.
 S₂ : Psychological tests showed that their ability to make decisions decreased quickly.
 P : Then they were flown to America.
 Q : Travelling also had an effect on the minds of these people.
 R : They were first kept under observation in London.

S : It was found that as they travelled from one time zone to another, their blood pressure moved away from the normal.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) RQSP (b) SPRQ (c) RPSQ (d) SQRP

112. S₁ : All the fossil fuel that we use today came from green plants.

S₂ : The income that Dr Calvin is talking about is the sun's energy which living green plants capture and store up every day.

P : "And now we are burning it all up in just 100 or 200 years!" says Dr Calvin.

Q : We have nearly used up all our savings.

R : It took hundreds of millions of years for those plants to change into coal, oil and gas.

S : "It is time for us now to begin living on our income", says Calvin.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) QSRP (b) RPOS (c) QPAS (d) RSQP

113. S₁ : The 'touch-me-not' plant folds up its leaves when touched.

S₂ : The folding up of the leaves is controlled by the pulvinus.

P : How is the plant able to do this?

Q : At the lower end of each leaf is a tiny swelling, called the pulvinus.

R : The pulvinus acts as the 'brain' or control centre of the leaf.

S : It is only in recent years that a possible answer has been found.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) RSQP (b) PQSR (c) RQSP (d) PSQR

114. S₁ : A lower division clerk who has been working in CPWD for the past 15 years, won ₹ 1 crore in the recently launched programme 'Kaun Banega Crorepati'.

S₂ : Because the publicity that he received was really disturbing him.

P : His fellow clerks in the department approached him with proposals to launch some joint projects.

Q : But he shied away from both his friends and relatives.

R : His relatives advised him to leave service and start his own business.

S : He listened to all patiently.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) PQSR (b) SRPQ (c) PRSQ (d) SQPR

115. S₁ : What is freedom?

S₂ : Some people feel that we actually suffer from what may be called choice fatigue.

P : There is so much choice that we find it difficult to choose.

Q : Fortunately, we are now living in a world full of choice.

R : Without the possibility of choice and the exercise of choice, we are not human beings but only inanimate objects.

S : Freedom is the right to choose.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) PQRS (b) SRQP (c) PRQS (d) SQRP

116. S₁ : I did not know Nehru at all intimately.

S₂ : It is more correct to use the word captivation than impression.

P : But his personality made an immediate impression at my very first meeting with him.

Q : Nor was the effect he made just an impression.

R : This impression did not change over the years.

S : In fact, I had not even met him many times.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) SQRP (b) RPSQ (c) SPRQ (d) RQSP

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117. S₁ : I first came to Poland in the autumn of 1986.

S₂ : Was I still interested?

P : I had been keeping an eye on the notice board of the English Department for a prospective job.

Q : It was my last month as a student at the University of York.

R : It was at the University of Łódź, which I had never heard of.

S : One day I spotted a little note concerning a lectureship.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) SRQP (b) OPSR (c) SPQR (d) QRSP

118. S₁ : Avintech is an export oriented unit and an established business group which is seeking expansion.

S₂ : Dynamic and hard-working graduates alone can join.

P : It is one of the largest Medical Transcription Companies in Western India.

Q : It is in the city of Ahmedabad itself.

R : It offers the hottest job opportunities of the 21st century.

S : It has entered into a technical collaboration with Heartland Information Services, USA.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) SQRP (b) RPSQ
(c) SPQR (d) RQSP

119. S₁ : It is perhaps coincidental that the final Booker Prize of the twentieth century should go to South African writer.

S₂ : The formal structures of a modern democracy have been put in place.

P : In political terms, there has been, if not a revolution, but a partial overturning of the old order.

Q : Apartheid, the dominant reality of South Africa's twentieth century, has been dismantled.

R : It is not so much that South Africa is poised to enter the new millennium weighed down by its grim oppressed past.

S : But as you read "Disgrace", JM Coetzee's eighth novel, you become aware of a certain bleak appropriateness.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) SPRQ (b) QRPS (c) SRPQ (d) QPRS

120. S₁ : For the first time in the last 30 years, the retail prices of essential goods have shown a declining trend.
S₆ : But they seem to have made an about turn.
P : The retail prices of essential articles have always been going up.
Q : This is evident from a comparison between prices in December 1998 and December 1999.
R : This indicates the inability of inflationary tendencies to move upwards in 1999.
S : This is a unique phenomenon.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) PSQR (b) QRPS (c) PROS (d) QSPR

121. S₁ : There were two poignant farewell last week to two great sports personalities.
S₆ : This showed how a great player should be recognized by sports authorities.
P : The great West Indian fast bowler Malcolm Marshall passed away prematurely.
Q : This was Steffi Grafs farewell in New York.
R : The other was a player who dominated her sport like no one else had done before.
S : This is an age when most sportspersons enjoy the rewards and recognition of their efforts over the years.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) QSRP (b) PRSQ
(c) QRSP (d) PSRQ

122. S₁ : The North-East of the Caliph's dominions comprised a number of Turkish tribes.
S₆ : In 1071, the Byzantine army was utterly smashed in the Battle of Melasgird.
P : In the tenth century, these Turks grew strong and vigorous.
Q : They had been converted to Islam but they held their faith much more fiercely than the Arabs and the Persians to the South.
R : They conquered Armenia and struck at the remnants of the Byzantine power.
S : In the next century a group of Turkish tribes came down to Mesopotamia and made the Caliph their nominal ruler.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) QPSR (b) PQSR (c) QPRS (d) PQRS

123. S₁ : When there is a disaster, its impact depends on how close you are to the people and the place where it happened.
S₆ : If I were to make one request to God it would be that I shouldn't die trapped under water.
P : The train accident that happened in Quilon some days ago is the kind of nightmare I have often imagined.
Q : It gave me restless sleep for several nights afterwards.
R : Though I lived in Delhi, I was quite familiar to Quilon.
S : It is where I spent the first seventeen years of my life.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) SRPQ (b) RSQP (c) RSPQ (d) SRQP

124. S₁ : All attempts to discover oxygen in the atmosphere of Mars have been unsuccessful.
S₆ : The present scanty supply of oxygen does not seem to be adequate to maintain life on Mars.
P : The red colour is suggestive of rock that have been completely oxidized.
Q : It appears probable that Mars may be a planet where weathering of rock followed by their oxidation has resulted in almost complete depletion of oxygen from the atmosphere.
R : Indirect evidence of its existence is provided by the red colour of Mars.
S : It is believed that the amount of oxygen is not more than one-thousandth part of the amount in the Earth's atmosphere.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) PRSQ (b) SRPQ (c) SQRP (d) RSPQ

125. S₁ : The cultural programme consisted of different tastes.
S₆ : Finally the National Anthem was sung.
P : After the prayer, there was a dance item.
Q : It began with an invocation.
R : When the skit ended there was a group dance.
S : The dance was followed by a skit.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) QRSP (b) SPQR (c) QPSR (d) SRQP

Answers

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| 1. (a) | 2. (d) | 3. (c) | 4. (c) | 5. (c) | 6. (c) | 7. (c) | 8. (c) | 9. (a) | 10. (c) |
| 11. (d) | 12. (c) | 13. (a) | 14. (c) | 15. (a) | 16. (d) | 17. (b) | 18. (b) | 19. (b) | 20. (c) |
| 21. (d) | 22. (c) | 23. (a) | 24. (c) | 25. (c) | 26. (b) | 27. (d) | 28. (c) | 29. (b) | 30. (c) |
| 31. (d) | 32. (b) | 33. (c) | 34. (a) | 35. (d) | 36. (a) | 37. (c) | 38. (d) | 39. (b) | 40. (b) |
| 41. (b) | 42. (b) | 43. (d) | 44. (d) | 45. (b) | 46. (b) | 47. (c) | 48. (b) | 49. (c) | 50. (c) |
| 51. (d) | 52. (c) | 53. (d) | 54. (a) | 55. (b) | 56. (c) | 57. (b) | 58. (c) | 59. (d) | 60. (c) |

Exercise II

1. (a)	2. (c)	3. (d)	4. (a)	5. (c)	6. (d)	7. (d)	8. (c)	9. (d)	10. (b)
11. (a)	12. (b)	13. (d)	14. (a)	15. (b)	16. (a)	17. (a)	18. (c)	19. (b)	20. (d)
21. (c)	22. (a)	23. (a)	24. (a)	25. (d)	26. (c)	27. (a)	28. (b)	29. (b)	30. (b)
31. (a)	32. (c)	33. (d)	34. (c)	35. (d)	36. (c)	37. (c)	38. (d)	39. (b)	40. (d)
41. (c)	42. (b)	43. (a)	44. (d)	45. (c)	46. (b)	47. (b)	48. (a)	49. (d)	50. (b)

Exercise III

1. (b)	2. (a)	3. (c)	4. (b)	5. (b)	6. (a)	7. (d)	8. (d)	9. (c)	10. (a)
11. (c)	12. (d)	13. (c)	14. (c)	15. (b)	16. (a)	17. (c)	18. (b)	19. (c)	20. (b)
21. (b)	22. (a)	23. (a)	24. (a)	25. (a)	26. (d)	27. (d)	28. (d)	29. (d)	30. (c)
31. (b)	32. (d)	33. (d)	34. (a)	35. (d)	36. (a)	37. (c)	38. (c)	39. (c)	40. (a)
41. (b)	42. (a)	43. (c)	44. (a)	45. (b)	46. (d)	47. (a)	48. (d)	49. (b)	50. (b)
51. (a)	52. (a)	53. (a)	54. (a)	55. (b)	56. (c)	57. (d)	58. (b)	59. (c)	60. (d)
61. (b)	62. (d)	63. (b)	64. (b)	65. (b)	66. (c)	67. (d)	68. (b)	69. (b)	70. (a)
71. (b)	72. (d)	73. (d)	74. (a)	75. (d)	76. (c)	77. (d)	78. (d)	79. (a)	80. (c)
81. (b)	82. (b)	83. (d)	84. (d)	85. (a)	86. (b)	87. (c)	88. (c)	89. (c)	90. (d)
91. (a)	92. (a)	93. (a)	94. (c)	95. (b)	96. (c)	97. (c)	98. (b)	99. (c)	100. (c)
101. (b)	102. (d)	103. (a)	104. (c)	105. (d)	106. (d)	107. (c)	108. (b)	109. (c)	110. (b)
111. (c)	112. (b)	113. (d)	114. (c)	115. (b)	116. (c)	117. (b)	118. (c)	119. (c)	120. (b)
121. (d)	122. (a)	123. (c)	124. (b)	125. (c)					