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SOLVED PAPER**

**PAPER-II  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMPREHENSION**

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Directions: In questions no 1 to 20 some parts of the sentences have errors and some are correct. Find out which part of a sentence has an error and blacken the oval (●) corresponding to the appropriate letter (A, B, C) If a sentence is free from error, blacken the oval (●) corresponding to (D) in the Answer sheet.

1. He said (A) / that he wanted a room (B) / and that his luggage would follow. C) / No error (D).
2. Our country (A) / does not lack (B) / in scientists of quality. C) / No error (D).
3. What really matters (A) / in the struggle for life (B) / is to overcome one's fear. C) / No error (D).
4. It is believed (A) / that smoking is (B) / one of the causes of cancer. (C) / No error (D).
5. This watches superior (A) / and more expensive (B) / than that one. C) / No error (D).
6. It is feared that (A) / hundreds of people (B) / have lost lives. (C) No error (D).
7. He is (A) / one of those students (B) / who comes late regularly. (C) / No error (D).
8. No other newspaper (A) / has so large a circulation (B) / like this newspaper in India (C) / No error (D).
9. It was (A) / me who telephoned (B) / the fire service. (C) / No error (D).
10. Though she appears to be very tall (A) / she is just an inch (B) / taller than me. (C) / No error (D).
11. These meteorological disturbance disturbances in the atmosphere of art criticism (A) / have crossed over to our own shores (B) / bringing mist and clouds in its wake. (C) / No error (D).
12. This Child (A) / was run over (B) / with a private bus. (C) No error (D).
13. Kambli is one of the players (A) / who has been selected (B) / for the test match. (C) / No error (D).
14. We can decide it (A) / only after (B) / farther investigation. (C) / No error (D).
15. On every Sunday (A) / I play cricket (B) / in the afternoon. (C) / No error. / No error (D).

16. Please arrange (A) / for my boarding and lodging (B) / in Tirupathi. (C) / No error (D).
17. Each boy and girl (A) / in the class (B) / bring a text book each day. (C) / No error (D). he would pass
18. Two millions people (A) / attend the meting (B) / held in parade grounds. (C) / No error (D).
19. Had millions people (A) / the examination (B) / in first class. (C) / No error (D).
20. He not only play (A) / tennis regular (B) / but also cricket. (C) / No error (D).

Directions: In questions no. 21 to 25, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word (S). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the Four and indicate it by blackening the appropriate oval ( ) in the Answer Sheet.

21. After the treatment, he was relieved ----- the pain  
(A) for (B) Of  
(C) from (D) With
22. Several items have been left \_\_\_\_\_ from  
(A) Out (B) Within  
(C) Behind1 (D) Off
23. I have not paid my school fees \_\_\_\_\_+  
(A) Alread (B) Now  
(C) Then (D) Yet
24. She has seen this movie twice.  
(A) Yet (B) Often  
(C) Already (D) Quite

25. My father has \_\_\_\_\_ returned home from work.  
(A) Now (B) Never  
(C) Defense (D) Just

Directions: In questions no. 26 to 28, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word and mark it in the Answer Sheet.

26. Onslaught  
(A) Counterattack (B) Resistance  
(C) Defense (D) Invasion
27. Grotesque  
(A) Exposure (B) Stupidity  
(C) Absurd (D) Trial
28. Ignominy  
(A) Exposure (B) Stupidity  
(C) Disgrace (D) Trial

Directions: In Questions no. 29 t 31, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word and mark it in the Answer Sheet.

29. Fervent  
(A) Partial (B) Dispassionate  
(C) Ardent (D) Decent
30. Garrulous  
(A) Verbose (B) Serious reticent  
(C) Gaunt (D) Gaunt
31. Scrupulous  
(A) Scrupulous(B) Wise  
(C) Caring (D) Careful

Directions: In questions no. 32 to 34, there are four different words out of which one is wrongly spelt find the wrongly spelt word and indicate it by

blackening the appropriate oval ( ) in the Answer

32. (A) fervent (B) Favour  
(C) Fervou (D) Decision
33. (A) Decision  
(B) Position  
(C) Incision  
(D) Collusion
34. (A) Heterogeneous  
(B) Virtuous  
(C) Ingenious  
(D) Ingenuous

Directions: In questions no. 35 to 44, four alternatives are given for the given idiom / phrase of as underlined in the sentence. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/ phrase and mark it the Answer Sheet.

35. The mother-in law expected her daughter-in law to be always at her beck and call.  
(A) Ready to withdraw  
(B) Ready to serve  
(C) Ready to call  
(D) Ready to play
36. When I opened the door, my books were lying at sixes and sevens.  
(A) In neat order  
(B) In disorder  
(C) Under the table  
(D) In piles on the floor
37. His behavior indicates that he has blue blood  
(A) feels depressed often  
(B) Suffers anemia  
(C) Belongs to a royal family  
(D) Has diseased blood

38. I am trying to figure out the hidden agenda in yesterday's meeting.  
(A) Wicked motive  
(B) False Idea  
(C) Indirect tax  
(D) Secret reason
39. He always seems to get the lion's share of the projects  
(A) An insignificant part  
(B) The minimum share  
(C) An equal share  
(D) A major share
40. Oliver Twist was between black and blue and blue when he asked for more food  
(A) Remonstrated  
(B) Whipped badly  
(C) Thrashed severely  
(D) Given a scolding
41. To pull wool over someone's eyes  
(A) To investigate  
(B) To reprimand someone  
(C) To deceive another  
(D) To keep a secret
42. I find myself in a position where I have to choose between the devil and the deep blue sea.  
(A) Near the horrid sea  
(B) In a state of confusion  
(C) Out of one's proper place  
(D) Between two equal evils
43. Even a small toy can become an apple of discord between two Children.  
(A) Cause of happiness  
(B) Cause of meeting

- (C) Tasty like an apple  
(D) Cause of dispute
44. Do you think this examination is a hard nut to crack?  
(A) Similar to planting a nut tree  
(B) A difficult job  
(C) A Boring job  
(D) Similar to cracking a nut

Directions: no. 45 to 64 the 1<sup>st</sup> and the last parts of the sentence paragraph are numbered 1 and 6. The rest of the sentence / paragraph is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S, These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence / paragraph and find out which of the four combinations is correct and mark it in the Answer sheet.

45. The role of modern youth  
P. As they have to not only  
Q. Then that of their forefathers  
R. Keep the torch of freedom aloft  
S. Is far more challenging  
6. But also keep it always lit.  
(A) SQPR (B) QSPR  
(C) SRPQ (D) RSPQ
46. Modern education is bookish  
P. The harsh realities of life  
Q. Imparted in schools and colleges  
R. And divorced from  
S. The so called liberal education  
6. Dose not helps students earn their livelihood.  
(A) RPQS (B) QSPR  
(C) RPSQ (D) PRSQ

47. The Great Lakes are a group of Superior is so called not because it is the largest,  
P. Superior is so called not because it is the largest,  
Q. On the border between the USA and Canada  
R. Five freshwater lakes on North America  
S. Bur because it is higher upstream than the others.
6. Huron takes its name from the name French settlers gave it.  
(A) PQRS (B) RQPS  
(C) SPRQ (D) QPSR
48. Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport is the only one in the country to have runways equipped with a CAT IIB Instrument Landing System.  
P. This technology guides pilots to land even when visibility is cut to 50 meters.  
Q. This is because  
R. Finding an explanation for such failure wont't be easy.  
S. However, it falls to operate often.
6. The issue involves multiple stake holders and a web of unclear briefs.  
(A) PQRS (B) PQSR  
(C) PQRS (D) PRSQ
49. The Australians were very proud and felt privileged  
P. In their country  
Q. To host the Olympic  
R. As it elevated their stature  
S. In the eyes of the world

6. At the threshold of the new millennium
- (A) SPQR      (B) RQSR  
(C) QPRS      (D) PRQS
50. Ram has an important examination to sit for in a few weeks time.
- P. But he could not concentrate.  
R. What He saw was not very nice- he was very plae.  
R. He sat to down to prepare for it.  
S. After a while he looked ate himself in the mirror.  
6. He said to himself," What I need is Fresh air."
- (A) QSPR      (B) SQRP  
(C) PQRS      (D) RPSP

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51. Youths are the assets and hope of a nation.
- P. In making India a great
  - Q. Steeped in old cultural valuesR. They can play a vital role
  - R. They can play a vital role
  - S. democratic, progressive and prosperous country
  - 6. But equipped with modern scientific
- (A) SPRQ (B) PRSQ  
(C) RPSQ (D) QPRS
52. Porcelain became popular at the beginning of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.
- P. In a kin at more than 2372 degree Fahrenheit.
  - Q. Refers to both China and Bisque dolls.
  - R. porcelain is made by firing special clays
  - S. porcelain is used generically, to
  - 6. Only a few types of clays can withstand such high temperatures.
- (A) PSQR (B) QRSP  
(C) PRQS (D) SQRP
53. Human behaviors are regulated by their
- P. A person's working pattern as well as living style.
  - Q. Between these selves has an adverse effect upon
  - R. Work done is the self portrait
  - S. Real self and and social self Conflict
6. Of the person who did it
- (A) RPQS (B) SQPR  
(C) QRSP (D) PQRS
54. India is democratic country
- P. At the hands of our representatives
  - Q. But frequent elections
  - R. Who play political games
  - S. Makes it a mockery
  - 6. At the cost of the nation.
- (A) PSRQ (B) QSPR  
(C) PRSQ (D) SRQP
55. Plato's 'Repubhc' has exercised tremendous influence
- P. He states that statesmen should
  - Q. On human thought and intelligence.
  - R. Integrity because he felt that, only such men

- S. Be men of supreme intelligence and impeccable
6. Could enlighten the darker side of human nature into a positive.
- (A) PRSP (B) SQPR  
(C) RSQP (D) QPSR
56. India has a vibrant space science program
- P. The Indian space science programmer has been working formulating a
- Q. formulating an industrial participation policy to
- R. Covering astronomy. Astrophysics and space science
- S. With cooperative Indian Industries and has been
6. Aid the growth of space industry in India.
- (A) QPRS (B) RPSQ  
(C) SQPR (D) PQRS
57. Shaw read the first few lines of the
- P. And was at once convinced
- Q. He sent a few copies of the book to well know
- R. That he was reading good poetry, so
- S. poem
6. Critics, and awaited their reaction.
- (A) SPRQ (B) QPRS  
(C) PQSR (D) SRQP
58. New Industries
- P. Interests, usually
- Q. Supported by foreign
- R. To their employees at all
- S. Offer better salaries
6. Levels of responsibility
- (A) PQRS (B) QPSR  
(C) PSRQ (D) SRQP
59. Both plants and animals
- P. Changes in form, structure growth habits
- Q. In becoming adapted to different climatic
- R. Of many sorts show remarkable
- S. And even mode of reproduction
6. Environment, types of food supply or mode of living
- (A) PRSQ (B) RPSQ  
(C) SRPQ (D) QPRS
60. As heart disease continues
- P. Increasingly interested in identifying the
- Q. To be the number one killer
- R. Researchers have become
- S. In the United States,
6. Potential risk factors that trigger heart attack.
- (A) PRSP (B) RQSP  
(C) SPRQ (D) QSRP
61. Those clouds promise rain;
- P. Before we get caught in a flash flood
- Q. Or else we will never be able to find our way home
- R. We should hurry
- S. And would be stuck here
6. for a considerable period of time.
- (A) QRPS  
(B) PRSQ

- (C) SQPR  
(D) QSRP
62. Ronan steered the jeep  
P. The path to which muddy and bumpy,  
Q. Making it a difficult drive, and  
R. Down the muddy road to the camp site.  
S. He discovered after a few miles  
6. That it was the wrong road.  
(A) QRPS (B) PRSQ  
(C) RPSQ (D) SQPR
63. If he changes his mind  
P. And he will not commit  
Q. Joe has learned his lesson,  
R. The same mistake again.  
S. We shall know for sure that.  
6. but only time will tell.  
(A) QRPS (B) PRSQ  
(C) RPQS (D) SQPR
64. A number of linguists  
P. Of languages spoken by  
Q. The world's five billion people  
R. Contend that all of the thousands  
S. Can be traced back to common root language  
6. And have a common origin.  
(A) QRPS (B) PRSQ  
(C) RPSQ (D) SQPR
- Directions: In questions no. 65 to 76, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given / sentence,
65. One who is indifferent to pleasure of pain  
(A) Stoic (B) Anarchist  
(C) Mystic (D) Hysteric
66. Animals that feed on plants  
(A) Insectivorous  
(B) Graminivorous  
(C) Carnivorous  
(D) Herbivorous
67. Short remaining end of a cigarette.  
(A) Filament (B) Stub  
(C) Filling (D) Pinch
68. A person concerned with practical results and values  
(A) pragmatist  
(B) Ambidextrous  
(C) Fundamentalist  
(D) Optimist
69. A person who can use both hands equally  
(A) Dexterous  
(B) Ambidextrous  
(C) Adroit (D) Skilful
70. The firing of a Number of guns together as a salute of otherwise  
(A) Receptio (B) Salutation  
(C) Salvo (D) Gun- salute
71. Study of the problems of legal punishment and prison management  
(A) Neurology(B) Astrology  
(C) penology  
(D) Criminology
72. Bring about an easy and painless death for someone suffering from an incurable disease?  
(A) Euthanasia



- (B) Strangulation  
(C) Suicide  
(D) Uxoricide
73. One who can not be defeated?  
(A) Indecipherable  
(B) Invidious  
(C) Insolvent  
(D) Invincible
74. One who is between 80 and 89 years old?  
(A) Sexagenarian  
(B) Nonagenarian  
(C) Septuagenarian  
(D) Octogenarian
75. One who hates makes mankind?  
(A) Hedonist (B) Fatalist  
(C) Misanthrope (D) Misogynist
76. A person who makes love without serious intention  
(A) Consort (B) Philanderer  
(C) Romeo (D) Goon
- Directions: In questions no. 77 to 96, a sentence has been given in Active / Passive Voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in passive \ Active Voice and mark your answer in the Answer sheet.
77. The author wrote the book in one month.  
(A) The book in the author in one month  
(B) The book had wrote in one month  
(C) The book had been written in one month.  
(D) The book was written in one month
78. Somebody built this house in 2001.  
(A) This house was built by somebody  
(B) This house was built in 2001.  
(C) This house had been built in 2001  
(D) This house was built in 2001.
79. Some body should have cleaned the windows yesterday  
(A) The wind were not cleaned yesterday  
(B) The windows had to be cleaned yesterday  
(C) The windows should have been cleaned yesterday  
(D) The windows should be cleaned yesterday
80. Have you ever been bitten by a dog?  
(A) Has a dog ever bitten you?  
(B) Had a dog ever bitten you?  
(C) Did a dog ever bite you?  
(D) Has a dog ever you?
81. Can we solve this problem?  
(A) Can this problem solved?  
(B) Can this problem not be solved?  
(C) Can this problem be solved?  
(D) Can this problem be solved by us?
82. They had to scrap all the rules to accommodate a particular person.  
(A) All the rules had to be scrapped accommodate a particular person.  
(B) All the ruras has been scrapped to accommodate a particular person.

- (C) All the rules had to be scrapped by them to accommodate a particular person.
- (D) All the rules were scrapped accommodate a particular person.
83. The parents' love should not be taken for granted.
- (A) One can not take parents love for granted.
- (B) Can one take parents' love for granted?
- (C) I should not take parent's love for granted
- (D) One should not take parents' love for granted.
84. My sister played a major role in shaping my car
- (A) A major role is played by my sister in shaping my career,
- (B) A major role was played by my sister in shaping my career
- (C) A major role has been played by my sister, in shaping my career.
- (D) A major role had been played by my sister is shaping my career.
85. Did anyone invite Rachna to the party?
- (A) Is Rachna invited to the party?
- (B) Had Rachna been invited to the party by anyone?
- (C) Was Rachna invited to the party?
- (D) Was Rachna going to be invited to the party?
86. The poet read his long poem himself
- (A) The long poem was read by the poet himself
- (B) The long poem read by the poet himself
- (C) The long poem had been read by the poet himself
- (D) The long poem is read by the poet himself
87. People should send their complaints to the head office.
- (A) The complaints ought to be sent to the head office
- (B) The complaints were sent to the head office by the people
- (C) The complaints should be sent to the head office.
- (D) The complaints had to be sent to the head office.
88. An electrical fault could have caused the fire
- (A) The fire had could caused by an electrical fault
- (B) The fire could have been caused by an electrical fault
- (C) The fire was caused by an electrical by an electrical
- (D) The fire could be caused by an electrical fault
89. Raksha Bandhan is celebrated all over the country.
- (A) All over the country people are celebrating Raksha Bandhan
- (B) People celebrating Raksha Bandhan all over the country
- (C) People were celebrated Raksha Bandhan all over the country
- (D) All over the country people celebrate Raksha Bandhan.
90. Who built the Mahal?

- (B) By whom had, the Taj Mahal been built?  
(C) By whom the Taj Mahal built?  
(D) By whom the Taj Mahal was built?
91. Five explosions rocked Pune today.  
(A) Pune has been rocked by five explosions  
(B) Pune had been rocked by five explosions  
(C) Pune is rocked by five explosions today.  
(D) Pune was rocked by five explosions
92. Did every body appreciate the anti-corruption movement?  
(A) Is the anti-corruption movement appreciated by every body?  
(B) Was the anti corruption movement been appreciated by every body?  
(C) Is the anti corruption movement appreciated by every body?  
(D) Has the anti corruption movement been appreciated by every body?
93. Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles?  
(A) Are grapes of thorns or figs of thistles being gathered by men?  
(B) Are grapes of thorns or figs of thistles gathered by Men?  
(C) Were grapes of thorn or figs of thistles be gathered by men?  
(D) Are gathered by men?
94. I have always endorsed your decisions.  
(A) Your decisions have always been endorsed by me.  
(B) Your decision has always been endorsed by me.  
(C) Your decisions are always endorsed by me.  
(D) Your decisions are always endorsed by me.
95. Have you ever felt the responsibility of looking after your parents?  
(A) Was the responsibility of looking after your parents  
(B) Is the responsibility of looking after your parents being felt by you?  
(C) Has the responsibility of looking after your parents felt by you?  
(D) Has the responsibility of looking after your parents felt by you?
96. Did all the candidates complete the paper on time?  
(A) Had the paper been completed by all the candidates on time?  
(B) Was the paper completed by all the candidates on time?  
(C) Was the paper completed by all the candidates on time?  
(D) Could the paper be completed by all the candidates on time

Directions: In questions no. 97 to 118 a part of the sentence is underlined below are given alternatives to the underling part at (A) (B) and (C) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative In case no Improvement is needed, your answer is (D).

97. After several days' tour we became convinced that the climate of this place was like Srinagar in winter.
- (A) Was like that of Srinagar in winter
  - (B) Was like Stringer's in winter
  - (C) In winter was like Srinagar
  - (D) No Improvement
98. Our team has not yet arrived I wonder When it will arrive.
- (A) It arrives
  - (B) It can arrive
  - (C) It will be arriving
  - (D) No improvement
99. I shall stand near you in weal and wore
- (A) Stand with
  - (B) Stand close to
  - (C) Stand by
  - (D) No improvement
100. In international and national affairs, it is tolerance and not love that is of supreme importance.
- (A) Issues
  - (B) Perspective
  - (C) Matters
  - (D) No improvement

101. He has seen many ups and downs in life but he has never been as much dejected as he is today.  
(A) So much in dejection  
(B) So dejection  
(C) That much dejected  
(D) No Improvement
102. Socrates had many disciples and most great of them Plato.  
(A) The greatest  
(B) Greatest  
(C) The greater  
(D) No improvement
103. Neither the judge nor I am ready to announce who is the winner.  
(A) Are ready to announce who the winner is.  
(B) Is ready to announce who is the winner  
(C) Am ready to announce who the winner is.  
(D) No Improvement
104. The crowd was anomalous but orderly.  
(A) Indiscipline  
(B) Uncontrollable  
(C) Clamorous  
(D) No improvement
105. No sooner had I entered the house when the lights went out  
(A) Then  
(B) Started  
(C) Solved  
(D) No improvement
106. The lawyer often instigated arguments  
(A) Lost (B) started  
(C) solved  
(D) No improvement
107. After adequate deliberations, the council can see scarcely any valid reason for its reviewing  
(A) can see scarcely any valid reason for its

- (B) Can scarcely see any valid reason for its  
(C) cant not see scarcely see valid reason for its  
(D) No improvement
108. The vice principal decided to resign when  
(A) Passed of  
(B) passed out  
(C) passed by  
(D) No Improvement
109. I always proper staying indoors to go out on a summer day.  
(A) than going out  
(B) to going out  
(C) than to go out  
(D) No improvement
110. Were the politicians to assess themselves they would find that they have lost their credibility long back?  
(A) have been losing their  
(B) had lost their credibility  
(C) have lost their credentials  
(A) No improvement
111. The opposition is very weak to pose any serious challenge in Uttar Pradesh,  
(A) very  
(B) rather too much weak  
(C) too weak  
(D) No improvement
112. The government has no choice than to curtail the subsidies in order to contain the increasing fiscal deficit  
(A) but to curtail  
(B) only to curtail  
(C) other than to curtailing  
(D) No improvement
113. There is no place in the bus, it is already over crowded  
(A) vacancy (B) room  
(C) berth  
(D) No improvement
114. If only I had known about your arrival I might have come to the station to receive might have come to the station to receive you.  
(A) Should have  
(B) would have  
(C) could have  
(D) No improvement
115. If he does not succeed this year, he would give examination again next year,  
(A) would be giving  
(B) will be taking  
(C) would take  
(D) No improvement
116. Unless the Pakistani government does not demolish the terrorists training camp there can be peace in the region  
(A) demolishes  
(B) Will not demolish  
(C) do not demolish  
(D) No improvement
117. A new and stronger Indian society is growing at top of the deep trenches left by centuries of colonial repression  
(A) on top of the deep trenches  
(B) at to the top of the deep trench  
(C) at to the top of the deep trench

- (D) No improvement
118. Germany has more neighbors than all European states.
- (A) rather than other European states
- (B) rather than all European states
- (C) than any other European state
- (D) No improvement

Directions: In questions No 119 to 145, a sentence has been given in direct / Indirect Speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/ Direct speech and mark your answer sheet.

119. The Swami ordered the villager please bring me a glass of water”
- (A) The swami ordered the villager to bring him a glass of water.
- (B) The swami requested to the villager to bring him a glass of water.
- (C) The swami requested told the villager to bring me a glass of water.
- (D) The swami requested the villager to bring him a glass of water
120. He said. Will you listen to such a man?”
- (A) He asked them would they listen to such a man.
- (B) He asked them whether they would listen to such a man
- (C) He asked them whether they would listen to such a man.
- (D) He asked them if they would listen to such a man
121. He said, be quiet and listen to my words”
- (A) He urged them to be quiet and listen
- (B) He asked them to be quiet and listen to my words.
- (C) He asked urged them to be quiet and listen to my words
- (D) He requests them to be quiet and listen to his words.
122. Do You Know the way home”? Asked I
- (A) I asked him did he know the way home
- (B) I asked him whether he knew the way home
- (C) I asked him if he new the way home
- (D) I asked him if he knows the way home
123. How should I answer this question? Father how I should answer this question
- (A) The boy asked his father how I should answer this questioning.
- (B) The boy asked his father that how I should answer this question
- (C) The boy asked his father how he should answer that question.
- (D) The boy answer that question.
124. Do you suppose you know better than your own father? Jeered and his mother angrily.
- (A) His angry mother jeered and asked him if he supposes he knows better than his own

- father.
- (B) His angry mother jeered and asked him did he suppose he knew better than his own father.
- (C) His angry mother jeered and asked if he supposed he knows better than his own father,
- (D) His angry mother jeered and asked if he supposed he knew better than his own father
125. Aladin said to the magician, "What have I done to deserve so severe a blow?"
- (A) Aladin asked the magician what I had done to deserve so severe a blow.
- (B) Aladin asked the magician that what he had done to deserve sp severe a blow.
- (C) Aladin asked the magician what he had done to deserve so severe a blow.
- (D) Aladin asked the magician what had he done to deserve so severe a blow.
126. Renu said to him, please wait here till I return.
- (A) Renu ordered him to wait there till she returned.
- (B) Renu requested him to wait there till she returned.
- (C) Renu told him to wait there till she returned
- (D) Renu requested him to wait there till she returned.
127. He said, Suresh slipped when he was trying he was trying to board a bus.
- (A) He told that Suresh had slipped when he was trying to board a bus.
- (B) He informed that Suresh had slipped when he was trying to board a bus
- (C) He said that Suresh had slipped when he was trying to board a bus
- (D) He said that Suresh has slipped when he was trying to board a bus.
128. She said, "Whatever Saraj dose displeases her mother- in law"
- (A) She said that whatever saraj did displeased her mother- in-law.
- (B) She said that whatever Saraj does displeased her mother-in-law
- (C) She says that whatever Saraj has been doing displeases her mother-in-law
- (D) She told that whatever saraj did displeased her mother-in-law
129. The teacher said." the earth revolves round the sun."
- (A) The teacher asked if the earth revolves round the sun.
- (B) The teacher asked if the earth revolved round the sun.
- (C) The teacher said that the earth revolved round the sun.
- D) The teacher said that the earth resolves round the sun.
130. The teacher said to me," You have not done your homework well.
- (A) The teacher told to me that I had not done my home work well.



- (B) The teacher told that you have not done your homework well.
- (C) The teacher told that you have not done your homework well.
- (D) The teacher told that I had not done homework well
131. You said, my parents never liked my accepting any job but I had always wanted to stand on my own feet”
- (A) You said that your parents never liked your accepting any job but you had always wanted to stand on your own feet.
- (B) You said my parents never liked my accepting any job but I always wanted to stand on my feet.
- (C) You said that my parents never liked my accepting any job but I always wanted to stand on my own feet.
- (D) You told that your parents never liked you accepting any job but you always wanted to stand on your own feet.
132. The prime Minister said that we should be united to fight the enemy tooth and nail.
- (A) The prime Minister requested that we should be united to fight the enemy tooth and nail.
- (B) The prime Minister said that we should be united to fight the enemy tooth and nail.
- (C) The prime Minister said that they shall be united to fight the enemy tooth and nail.
- (D) The prime Minister informed that they shall be united to fight the enemy tooth and nail.
133. He said to his beloved. “We we will never desert each other”
- (A) He told to his beloved that they shall desert each other.
- (B) He reminded his beloved that they will never desert each other.
- (C) He said to his beloved that they wouldworkers said that they will not resume work till their salaries are increased.
- (B) The representative of the workers said that they have decided not to resume work till their salaries are increased.
134. The representative of the workers said, "We have decided not to resume work till our salaries are increased."
- (A) The representatives of the workers said that they will not resume work till their salaries are increased.
- (B) The representative of the workers said that they have decided not to resume work till their salaries are increased.
- (C) The representative of the workers told that they had decided not to resume work till their salaries are increased
- (D) The representatives of the workers said that they had decided not to resume work till their salaries were increased.
135. The speaker said, we have assembled to pay homage to our departed

- leader.”
- (A) The speaker declared they had assembled to pay homage to their departed leader.
- (B) The speaker said they assembled to pay homage to their departed leader.
- (C) The speaker said that they had assembled to pay homage to their departed leader.
- (D) The speaker told that they had assembled to pay homage to their departed leader
- 136 . A student came to me and said, “Sir I shall be obliged to you if you grant me three days’ leave. I have to go to my village to see my father.”
- (A) A student came to me and told me that if he will obliged if I grant him three days’ leave to go to his father in the village.
- (B) A student came to me and told me and told to respectfully grant him three days’ leave as he had to see his father in the village
- (C) A student came to me and respectfully said that he would be obliged to me if I granted him three day's leave as he had to go to his village to see his father.
- (D) She asked whether she will have a happy married life
144. She said to me, “What can I do for you, dear? “
- (A) She asked me what could she do for me.
- (B) She requested me to tell her what she could do.
- (C) She said to me what she could do for me.
- (D) She asked me affectionately what she could do for me.
145. He said to the lady, “Why are you weeping so bitterly?”
- (A) He asked the lady why she had been weeping so bitterly.
- (B) He asked the lady why she weeping so bitterly.
- (C) He asked the lady why was she weeping so bitterly.
- (D) He said to the lady why she was weeping so bitterly.
- Directions: In questions no. 146 to 170, you have the following three brief passages with 5 questions in passages I and 10 questions in passages II and III. Read the passages carefully and fill in the blanks.
- PASSAGE I (Questions no. 146-150)
- In most of the world’s major religions today only one god is worshipped. But in many ancient religions followers worshipped a 146 of gods. God had special 147 and responsibilities, and some could appear in a variety of forms. The myths and 148 of ancient cultures and the ranks of gods worshipped often changed over thousands of years as different gods and goddesses rose and fell in importance. Those listed 149 a selection of the most 150 and long standing gods of the world’s ancient culture.
- 146 (A) group (B) Posse  
(C) Cartel (D) Team
147. (A) Contours (B) Qualities  
(C) Characteristics  
(D) Features
148. (A) Legends (B) folktales

- (C) stories (D) fables  
149. (A) are (B) was  
(C) were (D) have been  
150. (A) applauded  
(B) honored  
(C) revered  
(D) rebuked

PASSAGE II (Questions no. 151-160)

The captain waited till sunset but no ship approached. His own ship approached. His own ship was wrecked. He was wondering how to 151 the mighty was wondering how to 151 the mighty ocean. As the shades of evening were steeling 152 the sky, he once more 153 towards the horizon, but no sail was 154 in despair, he addressed a mute 155 to the skies and 156 himself for death. He thought of his 157 wife and infant boy with infinite 158 in his wistful eyes. Just at this moment, as if God had been 159 the faith of the crew to the utmost, a distant sail was 160 near the horizon.

151. (A) Scale  
(B) Cover  
(C) Swim  
(D) Cross
152. (A) Across (B) below  
(C) on (D) above
153. (A) Winked (B) gazed  
(C) moved (D) jumped
154. (A) Coming (B) approaching  
(C) seen visible (D) visible
155. (A) prayer (B) Offering  
(C) thanks (D) curse
156. (A) Geared (B) cleared  
(C) thanks (D) prepared
157. (A) Missing (B) Discarded  
(C) absent (D) distant
158. (A) Urge (B) attraction  
(C) longing (D) love
159. (A) Trying (B) instilling  
(C) measuring (D) inspiring
160. (A) Found (B) shining  
(C) approaching  
(D) sighted

Passage III (Questions no.161-170)

Yesterday there was a serious accident on the Mall Road. a drunken driver was driving a motor car at forty miles an hour. As the car Swept round a 161 corner, It ran 162 a Tonga occupied by a woman with an infant in her arms, The Tonga was overturned. Happily no one was killed but woman and child received 163 Injuries. The hostile crowd was so 164 with the driver that all his explanations did not 165 him from being roughed up it was with great difficulty that he 166 Soon a boy scout 167 on the spot. And provided first aid to the 168 mother and child a policeman also reached 169 and took down the number of the 170.

161. (A) Distant (B) disheveled  
(C) sharp (D) twisted
162. (A) behind (B) With  
(C) against (D) into
163. (A) insignificant  
(B) trivial  
(C) minor  
(D) slight
164. (A) enraged (B) irritated  
(C) mad (D) infuriated
165. (A) stop (B) escaped  
(C) spare (D) save
166. (A) escaped (B) ran  
(C) left (D) fled
167. (A) Approached  
(B) appeared (C) reached  
(D) arrived
168. (A) Injured (B) aggrieved  
(C) affected (D) afflicted
169. (A) Thereafter (B) Thence  
(C) There (D) Then

170. (A) Inured (B) people  
(C) car (D) driver

Directions: In questions no 171 to 200, you have three passages with 10 questions following each passage Read the passages Read the passages carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives and mark it in the Answer Sheet.

PASSAGE I (QUESTIONS NO. 171-180)

I notice nowadays a little girl at home always playing the school-game in a corner of the verandah but never without a flat, wooden foot-rule in hand which she flourishes menacingly at the pupils assembled in her phantasmagoric class- room on investigation I found that the cane being discredited, has yielded place to the foot-rule, especially in, Convent' schools the flat-rule has the advantage over the primitive birch of mauling without marking which could count as an achievement in torturing technique and it also possesses the innocent appearance<sup>3</sup> of a non-violent pedagogic equipment A modern educate naturally, has to adapt his ways to modern circumstances, and put away obsolete weapons The flat-rule is employed only at education, torments to a young soul are devised in subtler forms progressively: admissions, textbooks and examinations are the triple weapons in the hands of an educator today.

171. What are the subtler forms of torture at higher level used progressively?  
(A) Getting admission into collage is a torture  
(B) Getting into colleges getting textbooks and facing exams  
(C) Putting away the obsolete weapons like canes

- (D) Using examinations as a means of torture
172. What must have prompted the little girl to flourish the rule menacingly at the pupils?  
(A) Her teacher must have told her to do that  
(B) Her teacher must have flourished the foot-rule in her classroom  
(C) The pupils assembled there must be noisy  
(D) The girl wants to frighten the pupils
173. What could be the investigation taken up by the writer?  
(A) Why she used a flat-rule instead of a cane  
(B) Why was she having her class in the corner  
(C) Why she was threatening the pupils assembled  
(D) Why she was always playing the school game
174. The cane is discredited because  
(A) the primitive birch can maul without marking  
(B) It is an achievement in torturing techniques  
(C) It has a menacing appearance and it cannot maul without marking  
(D) It is a non violent pedagogic equipment
175. What is the advanced torturing technique at the primitive stage?  
(A) The flat foot-rule  
(B) Admissions and textbooks

- (C) Examinations  
(D) The primitive birch
176. Select the best title:  
(A) Flat rule: the instrument of torture  
(B) Modern Education The Little Girl  
(C) The Little Girl  
(D) The Imaginary world of Children
177. Select the meaning of the Word phantasmagoric:  
(A) Parting to ghosts  
(B) fantastic (C) Shan  
(D) imaginary
178. Select the statement which is false in the context of the passage:  
(A) Physical torture has been completely done away with  
(B) In some Convent schools, beating is still done  
(C) Flat-rule is a modern instrument of torture  
(D) Seeking admission in schools/ college is ad torture
179. Select the statement which is true in the context of the passage:  
(A) Caning is an essential element of education  
(B) Flat-rule has some advantages over the cane  
(C) The little girl has never been to school  
(D) The objective of examinations is only to torture children
180. Pedagogic'  
(A) Methodical  
(B) Per taming to punishment

- (C) pertaining to the science of teaching  
D) instrumental

PASSAGE II (Questions no. 181-190)

Antigone was one of the daughters of Oedipus, that tragic figure of male power who had been cursed by Gods for mistakenly killing his father and subsequently mistakenly his mother and assuming the throne of Thebes. After the death of Oedipus, Civil war broke out and a battle was waged in front of the seventh gate of Thebes-his two sons led opposing factions and at the height of the battle fought and killed each other. Oedipus brother, Creon, uncle on Antigone, was now undisputed master of the City. Creon resolved to make an example of the brother who had fought against him, Polynices, by refusing the right of honorable burial, the penalty of death was promulgated against any who should defy this order. Antigone was distraught. Polynices had been left unburied, unwept, a feast of flesh for keen eyed carrion birds. Antigone asks her sister Ismene for it was a challenge to her royal blood." Now it is time to show whether or not you are worthy of your royal blood is he not my brother and yours? Whether you like it or not? I shall never desert him-never!" But Ismene responds, "How could you dare- When Creon has expressly forbidden it is not for us to fight against men" With a touch of bitterness, Antigone releases her, but sister from the obligation to help her, but argues she cannot shrug off the burden." if you I die for it, what happiness! Live, if you will live and defy the holiest of laws of heaven"

181. Why did Antigone decide to defy the orders of Creon?  
(A) She felt she was bound by her heavenly obligation  
(B) To teach Creon a lesson  
(C) she loved her brother  
(D) She was to give an honorable

- burial to her brother
182. What in your opinion would have been the logical end the story?
- (A) Antigone might have defied the order of Creon but forgiven by him
  - (B) Antigone might have been executed for defying the order of the king
  - (C) Antigone might have agreed with her sister and refrained from giving a burial to polynices
  - (D) Antigone might have been allowed by Creon to give a decent burial to her brother.
183. What was the status of women in the contemporary society?
- (A) Considered themselves inferior and subordinate to men claimed equality with men
  - (B) claimed equality with men
  - (C) were liberated
  - (D) Could have taken their own decisions
184. The civil war in Thebes broke out because.
- (A) there was a fight among the sons of Oedipus for the inheritance of the kingdom
  - (B) there was a conflict between the sons of Oedipus and Creon
  - (C) of the curse of the Gods
  - (D) the brothers of Antigone were greedy
185. A carrion bird is a bird
- (A) Which eats only grain
  - (B) of prey
  - (C) Which eats human flesh
  - (D) Which eats dead bodies
186. What is the main theme of the story of Antigone?
- (A) One must be true to one's Kin
  - (B) Wares an evil
  - (C) One must be truthful and honest
  - (D) There is a conflict between the laws of men and heavenly laws
187. Does the story approve the principle of vicarious liability? If so, How?
- (A) Yes, it does, because his father was killed by Oedipus
  - (B) Yes because he married his mother
  - (C) No, it does, not
  - (D) Yes it does, because of the acts of Oedipus his children suffered
188. Why did Creon deny a decent burial to Polynices?
- (A) Polynices was disobedient to Creon
  - (B) Polynices did not show bravery
  - (C) He did not love polynices
  - (D) Polynices fought against Creon
189. Why did Ismene not support Antigone?
- (A) She did not think it fit to defy her uncle especially after the death of her father
  - (B) She did not believe that polynices deserved a better treatment
  - (C) she was weak did not have the courage to defy the orders of the powerful king

- (D) She did not consider it right to defy the king
190. Why did the Gods curse Oedipus?  
Because Oedipus
- (A) Married his mother
- (B) Committed an unknown sin killed his father
- (C) killed his father and married His father killed
- (D) Killed his father

PASSAGE III

(QUESTIONS NO. 191-200)

The years passed too quickly. In 1940 Nani finished his B.A with honors in English, and in 1942 his M.A with honors in the same subject, in these exams he could not complete his papers because the writer's cramp that was to haunt him for the rest of his life had begun to appear for the first LLB. Examination he was given a writer The person sent for the morning paper was so incompetent that Nani refused to continue with him and came out of the examination hall exasperated Nargesh immediately contacted the Vice-Chancellor of the University, who directed the supervisor at the examination centre to allow Nargesh herself to substitute Another writer was sent for the afternoon paper and those to follow. He continued to be with Nani during all the subsequent examinations- second LLB, Advocates AS and Advocate OS.

An interesting anecdote is recounted by jayasheela Badami, Who was told about it by her cousin by Kishore Nanavaty. Justice P.S examiners for law exams. Once, While he was correcting papers, he asked Kishore to have a look at one paper, and commented focused, accurate and in proper order, He said he thought the student deserved to be ranked number one and that he would give him full marks for the paper since the answer book did not bear the

name of the examinee, Kishore, a curious youngster, memorized the seat number to check it up at a letter date when the results were published, Kishore looked for the name matching the seat number he found the name Nani palkhivala. On completing his B.A, Nani's desire was to be a college lecturer, It went well with his taste for literature, and his professors had given him all the encouragement he needed He even applied for a lecturer's post, but another lady candidate was equally well-qualified and had the teaching experience too, which Nani did not have so he did not get selected.

After his M.A Nani wanted to join the Indian Civil Service (ICS) this was around 1942, when the war was on and written examinations were being held in Delhi In the 1940s, the ICS held a fascination for bright young students for whom it was the ultimate career Though Nani seldom spoke about it in his later years, he apparently treated the civil service examination as something of a challenge. Nargesh, too was very keen that he takes his ICS papers Accustomed to standing first in whatever studies he undertook and winning prizes, medals and scholarships almost as a habit, Nani no doubt felt that he could top the list of successful candidates even in the civil service examination, If only he had a chance to appear for it Nani made two attempts, says Behram The first time, He was disqualified in the preliminary physical test Thereupon he regularly did a lot of exercise to build upon his body Next time, he was declared physically fit but an epidemic broke out in Delhi and considering the anxiety of his dear ones he did not send his application form for the written examination, for which a time limit had been set, It did indeed seem that limit expired the venue for the examination was moved from Delhi to Bombay on account of the epidemic

The net result was that Nani could not make it to the ICS. It did not bother Nani's father,



Ardeshir, who wanted his son to be a lawyer  
Ardeshir, Who wanted his son to be a lawyer  
Ardeshir used to say: become a Layer, my son,  
you are cut out for law' The father saw that Nani  
Had a sharp, analytical, incisive mind that put  
him a cut above ordinary mortals. he could see  
that as a lawyer Nani would grow in status and  
reputation. Nani was later to say: My father was  
of the view that I would not enjoy being  
anybody's servant- Not even the government's-  
and the thought that I would do well in the legal  
profession' The father Knew his son's mind better  
than the son himself In the end what the civil  
service lost, the legal profession gained

191. Kishore got off the seat Number by  
heart because

- (A) Jayasheela Badami was told about it  
by Kishore Nanavaty
- (B) the answer book was well written,  
well focused, accurate and in proper  
order
- (C) Kishore was interested to know who  
the candidate was who deserved to  
be ranked number one
- (D) Justice P.S Badami commented that  
it was an extremely well written  
paper

192. Nargesh had to write Nani's  
remaining paper because

- (A) Nani's writer's cramp started to  
appear in the exams
- (B) The writer given to Nani was not  
efficient enough to meet his  
requirement
- (C) for the first LLB.Examination  
Nani was given a writer
- (D) Nani refused the writer's help  
as per the instructions of the vice  
Chancellor of the University.

193. Ardeshir wanted his son to be a

lawyer because

- (A) the legal profession, according to  
him was better than the civil  
service
- (B) Nani was entirely comfortable  
with the opportunities in the  
field of law
- (C) Nani had failed in the ICS  
examination
- (D) He knew his son would be able  
to get eminence as a lawyer

194. In the passage the phrase writer's  
cramp means

- (A) Sudden inability to write
- (B) a sudden inability to think
- (C) a trophy given to somebody
- (D) a habit

195. Find a word in the passage which  
means greatly irritated:

- (A) Subsequent
- (B) Fascination
- (C) Exasperated
- (D) None of the above

196. Find a word in the passage which  
means's sudden widespread  
occurrence of something undesirable'

- (A) Mortals (B) Incisive
- (C) Epidemic (D) Anecdote

197. Nani could not get into the field of  
teaching because

- (A) he had applied for the post of  
lecturer with another lady  
candidate
- (B) he did not have any experience  
of teaching that the lady had
- (C) Nani's desire went well with his  
taste for literature

- (D) His professors had given him all the encouragement
198. Nani did not become a civil servant because
- (A) A time limit was set for the writing of exams
  - (B) Nani appeared for the exam m twice
  - (C) He always found Civil –service challenging
  - (D) None of the above
199. How many times did Nani give a physical test?
- (A) Five times (B) Many times
  - (C) Once (D) Twice
200. The passage gives an account of Nani's
- (A) Establishment of career
  - (B) Personality and character
  - (C) Experience of appearing for examination
  - (D) Non of the above