

SBI Clerk 2014 Previous Year Solved Question Paper: Section wise Questions

GENERAL AWARENESS

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1. The Caparo Group has won the International Business of the Year award 2014 at the Asian Business Awards Midlands in Birmingham. The group is founded by leading NRI industrialist.

- 1) SP Singh Oberoi
- 2) Sri Chand Hinduja
- 3) Gopichand Hinduja
- 4) Lord Swaraj Paul
- 5) Lakshmi Mittal

2. Which of the following is a part of the core sector?

- 1) Textiles
- 2) Chemicals
- 3) Real Estate
- 4) Machine Manufacturing
- 5) Food Processing

3. National Institute of Bank Management is the institute meant for

- 1) Providing Management personnel to the Banks
- 2) Training of bank employees in Banking
- 3) Providing consultancy on best practices in Bank Management
- 4) Recruitment of Bank Employees at all levels
- 5) All those given as options

4. Recently India has decided to introduce plastic currency notes a number of other countries are already using plastic notes, but the pioneer in this field is

- 1) Sweden
- 2) England
- 3) France
- 4) United States of America
- 5) Australia

5. What is the present Loksabha Constituency of Sushma Swaraj?

- 1) Ambala
- 2) Delhi
- 3) Bellary
- 4) Vidisha
- 5) Bhopal

6. As per the ranking released by the UNCTAD in its World Investment Report 2014 in respect of most favoured destinations for investment by transnational corporations, India stands at the ...

- 1) Fifth Position
- 2) Third Position
- 3) Seventh Position
- 4) Fourth Position
- 5) Sixth Position

7. Accounts are allowed to be operated by cheques in respect of

- 1) Both saving bank accounts and fixed bank accounts
- 2) Saving bank accounts and current accounts only
- 3) Both saving bank account and cash accounts only
- 4) Both current accounts and fixed deposits accounts
- 5) None of the above

8. The Lokayukta of which of the following state had submitted a report on illegal mining of iron ore in the state?

- 1) Andhra Pradesh
- 2) Tamil Nadu
- 3) Karnataka
- 4) Odisha
- 5) None of the above

9. Fixed deposits and recurring deposits are

- 1) repayable after an agreed period
- 2) repayable on demand

- 3) not repayable
- 4) repayable after death of depositors
- 5) repayable on demand or after an agreed period as per banker's choice

10. As per a notification recently published in the gazette by the Union Water Resources Ministry, the new Chairman of the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal is

- 1) Justice B Rajendran
- 2) Justice B S Chauhan
- 3) Justice B R Sarangi
- 4) Justice B N Kripal
- 5) Justice B N Srivatsava

11. The minister for Health and Family Welfare in the Union Cabinet is...

- 1) Smt. Menka Gandhi
- 2) Ms. Uma Bharati
- 3) Smt. Sushma Swaraj
- 4) Dr. Harsh Vardhan
- 5) Dr. Najma Heptulla

12. A bond issued at a price less than its face value and payable on its due date at its face value bearing no ROI (Rate of Interest) is called

- 1) Preference Bond
- 2) Zero Coupon Bond
- 3) Convertible Bond
- 4) Perpetual Bond
- 5) Sovereign Bond

13. 3000 MW Dibang hydro power project which has recently been rejected by the statutory green panel on the grounds that it involves diversion of biodiversity rich forest land and felling of trees is proposed in the state of

- 1) Assam
- 2) Sikkim
- 3) Arunachal Pradesh
- 4) Manipur
- 5) West Bengal

14. In which of the following States there is no Regional Rural Bank?

- 1) Karnataka
- 2) Goa
- 3) Uttarakhand
- 4) Himachal Pradesh
- 5) Punjab

15. The Company Associated Journals Ltd., (AJL) is the publisher of now-defunct daily newspaper....

- 1) Young India
- 2) The Independent
- 3) Amrit Bazaar Patrika
- 4) National Herald
- 5) Bombay Chronicle

16. One rupee note bears the signature of

- 1) President of India
- 2) Vice President of India
- 3) Finance Secretary
- 4) Finance Minister
- 5) Commerce Minister

17. As per census 2011, the total Urban Population of India is 377.1 million. The State having the highest urban population of 50.8 million (13.5% of country's urban population) is

- 1) Uttarakhand
- 2) Tamil Nadu
- 3) Uttar Pradesh
- 4) Maharashtra
- 5) Gujarat

18. A cheque bearing the date earlier than the date of submission to the banks is known as

- 1) Bearer Cheque
- 2) State Cheque

- 3) Crossed Cheque
- 4) Post Dated Cheque
- 5) End Dated Cheque

19. The world's highest "Rail Bridge" is being constructed in the state of Jammu & Kashmir. This bridge will be on which of the following rivers:

- 1) Jhelum
- 2) Chenab
- 3) Indus
- 4) Raavi
- 5) None of the above

20. At which one of the following places, the River Cauvery flows at its widest?

- 1) Hogenakkal
- 2) Srirangapatnam
- 3) Erode
- 4) Kulithalai
- 5) None of the above

21. Liquidity is injected by the RBI in the economy through which of the following mechanisms

- 1) Change in Bank Rate
- 2) REPO
- 3) Increase in SLR
- 4) Through Liquidity Adjustment Facility
- 5) Increase in CRR

22. Distribution of Insurance Products and Insurance Policies by banks as corporate agents is known as:

- 1) General Insurance
- 2) Non-Life Insurance
- 3) Bancassurance
- 4) Insurance
- 5) Deposit Insurance

23. A Credit Guarantee Trust Fund has been set up for guaranteeing Collateral Free Facilities by lending institutions to Small Scale Industries. This fund is being managed by which of the following institutions?

- 1) IDBI
- 2) NABARD
- 3) SBI
- 4) SIDBI
- 5) RBI

24. Japan has recently amended its pacifist Constitution giving more powers to the military. As a reason for amending the Constitution Japan has cited its disputes over Diaoyu Islands with....

- 1) China
- 2) Vietnam
- 3) Singapore
- 4) Philippines
- 5) New Zealand

25. Upper Limit prescribed for RTGS transaction is

- 1) INR 1 Lacs
- 2) INR 2 Lacs
- 3) INR 5 Lacs
- 4) INR 50 Lacs
- 5) No upper limit is prescribed

26. The full form of NEFT is:

- 1) National Electronic Funds Transfer System
- 2) Negotiated Efficient Fund Transfer System
- 3) National Efficient Fund Transfer Solution
- 4) Non Effective Funds Transfer Solution
- 5) Negotiated Electronic Funds Transfer Solution

27. The national capital of Sweden is

- 1) Belfast
- 2) Rome
- 3) Berne

4) Stockholm

5) Kingstown

28. When a bank returns a cheque unpaid, it is called as

1) Payment of the cheque

2) Drawing the cheque

3) Cancelling the cheque

4) Dishonouring of the cheque

5) Taking of the cheque

29. Which of the following is one of the main functions of the Reserve Bank of India?

1) Regulation of the Stock Markets

2) Regulation of Life Insurance

3) Regulation of General Insurance

4) Regulation of Mutual Funds in India

5) Banker's Bank

30. Which state made Camel as its state animal?

1) Rajasthan

2) Madhya Pradesh

3) Maharashtra

4) Gujarat

5) Odisha

31. Nilgiris is a mountain range in which of the India States

1) Kerala

2) Tamilnadu

3) Karnataka

4) Andhra Pradesh

5) Telangana

32. Who inaugurated the Bhartiya Mahilla Bank?

1) Sonia Gandhi

- 2) P. Chidambaram
- 3) Manmohan Singh
- 4) Both (1) and (3)
- 5) None of these

33. Which of the following is a 2,000 year old UNESCO recognised classical dance dramaform from Kerala which is feared to face extinction soon?

- 1) Koodiyattam
- 2) Kuchipudi
- 3) Kotattam
- 4) Kathak
- 5) Kathakali

34. The International Day of Older Person's is observed every year on:

- 1) 31st October
- 2) 21st October
- 3) 1st October
- 4) 11th October
- 5) 19th September

35. Which of the following authorities is responsible for maintaining accounts, deposits and cash management of the Government through issue Bonds and Treasury Bills?

- 1) SEBI
- 2) IBA
- 3) IRDA
- 4) SBI
- 5) RBI

36. The Oscar – winning music composer AR Rahman has a street named after him in

- 1) Spain
- 2) Canada
- 3) United States of America
- 4) France
- 5) Germany

37. Who is the Winner of Australian grand prix?

- 1) Kevin Magnussen
- 2) Sergio Perez
- 3) Fernando Alonso
- 4) Nico Rosberg
- 5) Felipe Massa

38. President Shri Pranab Mukharjee while addressing the joint session of Parliament on 14th June, 2014 spoke about five T's, three D's and three S's. In this context the three Ss represent ...

- 1) Society, Secularism and Soundness
- 2) Size, Safety and Security
- 3) Simplicity, Sincerity and Seriousness
- 4) Skill, Speed and Scale
- 5) Shelter, Sanctity and Straight forwardness

39. What is the name of the longest free way bridge of Mumbai?

- 1) Taj express way
- 2) Eastern freeway
- 3) South freeway
- 4) Both (1) and (2)
- 5) None of these

40. The first Indian bank to open a french out-side India in London in 1946

- 1) State Bank of India
- 2) State Bank of Patiala
- 3) Allahabad Bank
- 4) Bank of India
- 5) None of these

COMPUTER KNOWLEDGE AND MARKETING APTITUDE

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41. is referred to as primary storage

- 1) ROM
- 2) RAM
- 3) CPU
- 4) System Unit
- 5) None of the above

42. What is the aim of successful marketing?

- 1) To increase the profit
- 2) To increase the sale
- 3) To increase the output of sellers
- 4) To increase customer base
- 5) All of the given options

43. What does the acronym BIOS stand for?

- 1) Basic Input/Output System
- 2) Basic Internal Output System
- 3) Basic Inner/Output System
- 4) Basic Input/Output Systemisation
- 5) Basic Input/Output System

44. a reducing the number of organizational levels to get closer to the customer

- 1) Globalizing
- 2) Empowering
- 3) Draft the report
- 4) Flattening
- 5) Accelerating

45. "Qtr 1, Qtr 2, Qtr 3" is an example of a

- 1) Series
- 2) Function
- 3) Formula
- 4) Syntax

5) None of the above

46. Which of the following is a primary number?

1) 34

2) 11

3) 45

4) 35

5) 12

47. The process of making changes to an existing document is referred to as it

1) editing

2) changing

3) modifying

4) creating

5) adjusting

48. Which of the following refers to containers used to store related documents located on the computer?

1) labels

2) modems

3) programs

4) folder

5) sections

49. This type of software contains rows and columns:

1) Drawing

2) Spreadsheet

3) Database

4) Word Processing

5) None of the above

50. SWOT analysis refers to an analysis of a company's

1) System; weakness; operations; threats

2) Strengths; weaknesses, opportunities, threats

- 3) Systems, weakness, operations, technology
- 4) Strategic units; workers; opportunities, technology
- 5) Strengths; weaknesses; opportunities, technology

51. The format reduces an audio file about one tenth of its original size, while preserving much of the original quality of the sound

- 1) DOC
- 2) PNG
- 3) GIF
- 4) MP3
- 5) VMEG

52. The which contains billions of documents; called Web pages, is one of the more popular services on the internet.

- 1) Web server
- 2) Telnet
- 3) Web
- 4) Collection
- 5) Newsnet

53. When customers fall into user groups with distinct buying preferences and practices, a is desirable

- 1) Flattened Organization
- 2) Product Management Organization
- 3) BAMT Organization
- 4) Brand-Management Organization
- 5) Market Management Organizational

54. Customization in marketing means

- 1) Test
- 2) Making Few change according to client requirement to an already existing product
- 3) Coasting
- 4) Production
- 5) All of the given options

55. Which of the following terms is associated with Internet/Email?

- 1) Plotter
- 2) Side Presentation
- 3) Bookmark
- 4) File Chart
- 5) Microsoft Excel

56. Flash Drives are plugged into a (n):

- 1) Expansion Slot
- 2) Serial Port
- 3) USB Port
- 4) Drive Bay
- 5) All of the above

57. Increasing the effort to "think global" and "act local" is

- 1) empowering
- 2) globalizing
- 3) flattening
- 4) focussing
- 5) benchmarking

58. Product and brand management is sometime scharacterized as a system

- 1) hub-and-spoke
- 2) regional system
- 3) layerred organization
- 4) flattening organization
- 5) wheel

59. What is Linux?

- 1) Input Device
- 2) Storage Device
- 3) Operating System
- 4) Output Device

5) Processor

60. A company selling in a national market often organizes its sales force along lines

- 1) product lines
- 2) territory
- 3) psychographic profiles
- 4) geographic
- 5) convenience

61. Which of the following is a small microprocessor based computer designed to be used by one person at a time....

- 1) netbook
- 2) super computer
- 3) all-in-one
- 4) notebook
- 5) personal computer

62. encourages and empowers personnel to produce more ideas and take more initiative.

- 1) Benchmarking
- 2) Accelerating
- 3) Empowering
- 4) Merging
- 5) Flattening

63. To open the format cells dialogue box, one should press

- 1) Alt + 1
- 2) Ctrl + Shift + 1
- 3) Ctrl + 1
- 4) F1
- 5) F5

64. Hard disk drives are considered storage.

- 1) flash
- 2) temporary

- 3) worthless
- 4) nonvolatile
- 5) none of the above

65. What is window vista?

- 1) Processor
- 2) Operating System
- 3) Input device
- 4) Memory
- 5) None of the above

66. Which of the following terms is associated with Networks?

- 1) MS Excel
- 2) Mouse
- 3) MS Word
- 4) Connectivity
- 5) Plotter

67. Which concept holds that consumers will favor those products that offer the most quality, performance, or innovative features?

- 1) Product
- 2) Selling
- 3) Holistic marketing
- 4) Production
- 5) Marketing

68. The objectives of price can be:

- 1) Profit
- 2) Market share
- 3) Cash flow
- 4) All of the above
- 5) None of the above

69. What type of device is a computer monitor?

- 1) Software
- 2) Processing
- 3) Storage
- 4) Input
- 5) Output

70. Which of the following markets require developing a superior product and packaging along with continuous advertising?

- 1) Profit market
- 2) Non profit government
- 3) Global markets
- 4) Consumer markets
- 5) Business markets

71. Delivery Channel means

- 1) Service centres
- 2) Other than those given as options
- 3) Handing over the products to the buyers
- 4) Product manufacturing
- 5) Places where products are made available to the buyers

72. device is any hardware component that allows you to enter data and instructions into a computer.

- 1) Interaction
- 2) Input
- 3) Communication
- 4) Output
- 5) Terminal

73. Which of the following alternatives is done by a non-profit or government organization to further a cause

- 1) Brand marketing
- 2) Social Marketing
- 3) Casual Marketing
- 4) Issue Marketing

5) Non-Profit Marketing

74. Father of 'C' Programming language –

- 1) Prof. John Keenly
- 2) Bill Gates
- 3) Thomas Kurtz
- 4) Dennis Ritchie
- 5) None of the above

75. What is the other name for Programmed Clip?

- 1) RAM
- 2) PROM
- 3) LSIC
- 4) ROM
- 5) 1 and 2 both

76. A DVD is an example of a(n) –

- 1) Output Device
- 2) Hard Disk
- 3) Optical Disc
- 4) Solid-State Storage Device
- 5) None of the above

77. Sales Targets are fixed on the basis of

- 1) Brand Positioning
- 2) Time Period
- 3) Past Experience
- 4) All of the above
- 5) None of the above

78. Marketing is

- 1) Consumer Oriented
- 2) Competitors Oriented

3) Investment Oriented

4) Both 1 and 2

5) None of the above

79. Marketing in Banks is required for

1) Lending

2) Accepting the Deposits

3) Getting New Customers

4) Retaining Existing Customers

5) All of the above

80. SBU Means:

1) Strategic Business Utility

2) Strategic Business Users

3) Strategic Business Unit

4) Secondary Business Unit

5) All of the above

QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

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Directions (81 – 95): What will come in place of the question mark (?) in the following questions?

81. $5544 + 6767 - 3443 = ?$

1) 8860

2) 8888

3) 8866

4) 8868

5) None of these

82. $21/25 \times 75/56 \times 32/33 = ?$

1) 34/11

2) 14/11

3) 12/11

4) 23/11

5) None of these

83. $5/7 + 2/3 - 2/7 = ?$

1) 22/21

2) 23/21

3) 43/21

4) 44/21

5) None of these

84. $3\sqrt{1728} = ? - 7$

1) 17

2) 18

3) 21

4) 22

5) None of these

85. 42% of 12% of 1/4 th of 15000 = ?

1) 188

2) 182

3) 185

4) 187

5) None of these

86. 12% of 150 + 62% of 800 = ?

1) 516

2) 518

3) 515

4) 514

5) None of these

87. 4/5 th of 38% of 600 – 15.4 = ?

1) 169

2) 163

3) 165

4) 168

5) None of these

88. $60 \times (8/15) = ?$

1) 34

2) 36

3) 38

4) 33

5) None of these

89. $72 \times 4.3 \times 0.8 = ?$

1) 245.34

2) 247.88

3) 249.24

4) 243.56

5) None of these

90. $7.14 + 3.29 + 9.43 + 8.19 = ?$

1) 27.03

2) 28.05

3) 25.05

4) 29.03

5) None of these

91. $56835 - 12683 + 38934 = ?$

1) 83085

2) 83083

3) 83088

4) 83086

5) None of these

92. $4244 \div 4 + 4554 \div 9 = ?$

- 1) 1567
- 2) 1569
- 3) 1563
- 4) 1568
- 5) None of these

93. $\sqrt{20164} = ?$

- 1) 143
- 2) 145
- 3) 142
- 4) 144
- 5) None of these

94. $15 \times 28 \times ? = 5040$

- 1) 12
- 2) 18
- 3) 14
- 4) 16
- 5) None of these

95. $(18)^2 + (14)^2 - (21)^2 = ?$

- 1) 78
- 2) 75
- 3) 77
- 4) 73
- 5) None of these

96. What is the least number that can be added to 5300 to make it a perfect square?

- 1) 25
- 2) 33
- 3) 29

4) 36

5) None of these

97. 46% of a number is 115. What is 150% of that number?

1) 370

2) 385

3) 365

4) 360

5) None of these

98. Meera had a certain amount, she gave 15% of that amount to Anish, 32% to rubina and 2% to Sana. $\frac{3}{4}$ th of the remaining amount is Rs. 8,400. How much did she give Anish?

1) Rs.6,000

2) Rs.6,200

3) Rs.6,400

4) Rs.7,000

5) None of these

99. In how many different ways can the letters of the word "TRENDS" be arranged?

1) 720

2) 120

3) 740

4) 5040

5) None of these

100. If the following fractions are arranged in an ascending order (from left to right), which of them will be the second from the left end? $\frac{2}{7}$, $\frac{3}{13}$, $\frac{5}{11}$, $\frac{7}{15}$, $\frac{4}{9}$

1) $\frac{3}{13}$

2) $\frac{2}{7}$

3) $\frac{5}{11}$

4) $\frac{4}{9}$

5) $\frac{7}{15}$

101. Four years ago the ratio between the ages of Taani and Ananya was 4 : 5 respectively. The ratio between their present ages is 14 : 17 respectively. What will be Ananya's age 5 years hence?

- 1) 34 years
- 2) 33 years
- 3) 38 years
- 4) 28 years
- 5) None of these

102. Find the average of the following set of scores 495, 321, 673, 553, 235, 723

- 1) 530
- 2) 550
- 3) 500
- 4) 520
- 5) None of these

103. The average of five numbers is 56.4. The average of the first and the second number is 53. The average of the fourth and the fifth number is 56. What is the third number?

- 1) 63
- 2) 62
- 3) 67
- 4) 68
- 5) None of these

104. What will be the compound interest accrued on a principal amount of Rs. 32,000 at the rate of 11 p.c.p.a. after a period of 2 years?

- 1) Rs. 7429.5
- 2) Rs. 7423.8
- 3) Rs. 7426.7
- 4) Rs. 7427.2
- 5) None of these

105. The side of a square is 2 cms less than the length of a rectangle and the breadth of the rectangle is 5 cms less than the side of the square. The area of the square is 324 sq. cms. What is the area of the rectangle?

- 1) 250 sq. cms
- 2) 260 sq. cms

- 3) 254 sq. cms
- 4) 258 sq. cms
- 5) None of these

106. A car covers 232 kms in 4 hours. The average speed of a bike is 50% more than the average speed of the car. How much distance will the bike cover in 6 hours?

- 1) 524 kms
- 2) 528 kms
- 3) 522 kms
- 4) 526 kms
- 5) None of these

Directions (107 – 109): The following questions are based on the given information.

Aman sold 8500 articles in a span of four days. He sold 26% articles on day one. 25% articles on day 2 and 32% articles on day 3. The remaining articles were sold on day 4.

107. How many articles were sold on day 2 and day 3 together?

- 1) 4845
- 2) 4844
- 3) 4843
- 4) 4848
- 5) None of these

108. How many articles were sold on day 4?

- 1) 1448
- 2) 1454
- 3) 1452
- 4) 1444
- 5) None of these

109. What is the difference between the number of articles sold on day 1 and day 3?

- 1) 512
- 2) 515
- 3) 520

4) 518

5) None of these

110. Keol scored 49 marks in English. 37 marks in Science. 45 marks in Mathematics. 53 marks in Hindi and 55 marks in Social Studies. The maximum marks a student can score in each subject is 70. How much approximate percentage did Keol get in this exam?

1) 53

2) 79

3) 68

4) 73

5) 88

Directions (111 – 115): What approximate value should come in place of the question mark(?) in the following questions? (Note: You are not expected to calculate the exact value).

111. $1.992 \times 24.998 \times 49.987 = ?$

1) 2000

2) 1500

3) 1000

4) 2500

5) 3000

112. $20.002 \times 39.996 \times 0.499 = ?$

1) 300

2) 450

3) 550

4) 400

5) 500

113. $\sqrt{5623} = ?$

1) 95

2) 75

3) 55

4) 35

5) None of these

114. $2001.14 + 54.89 \times 9.899 = ?$

1) 420

2) 300

3) 330

4) 390

5) 360

115. $3569 \div 19 = ?$

1) 185

2) 155

3) 205

4) 255

5) 115

Directions (116 – 120): What should come in place of the question mark (?) in the following number series?

116. 17 19 23 29 37

1) 46

2) 49

3) 47

4) 48

5) 45

117. 900 899 891 864 800 ?

1) 695

2) 685

3) 665

4) 675

5) 655

118. 4 32 224 1344 6720 ?

- 1) 26885
- 2) 26880
- 3) 26882
- 4) 26888
- 5) 26883

119. 56 54 58 50 66 ?

- 1) 34
- 2) 98
- 3) 38
- 4) 94
- 5) 44

120. 655 637 622 610 601 ?

- 1) 598
- 2) 593
- 3) 595
- 4) 597
- 5) 594

REASONING

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121. In a certain code language CROWNED is written as PSDVEFO. How will STREAMS be written in the same code?

- 1) SITDBNT
- 2) TUSDTNB
- 3) SUTFTNB
- 4) QSRDTNB
- 5) None of these

122. The positions of how many alphabets will remain the same if each of the alphabets in the word DETRIMENT is rearranged in the alphabetical order from left to right?

- 1) None

- 2) One
- 3) Two
- 4) Three
- 5) More than three

123. Which of the following will come in the place of the question mark? ZXW USR PNM ? FDC

- 1) LJI
- 2) MKJ
- 3) LKI
- 4) KIH
- 5) MLJ

124. '3' is subtracted from each odd digit and '1' is added to each even digit in the number 4972863 and all the numbers thus formed are arranged in ascending order from left to right. Which of the following digits will be exactly in the middle of the new number thus formed?

- 1) 5
- 2) 4
- 3) 3
- 4) 7
- 5) 9

125. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and so form a group. Which is the one that does not belong to that group?

- 1) Silk
- 2) Nylon
- 3) Jute
- 4) Cotton
- 5) Wool

126. If all the letters of the word PURCHASE are arranged in alphabetical order from left to right and then each vowel in the word is changed to the next letter in the English alphabetical series and each consonant is changed to the previous letter in the English alphabetical series. Which of the following will be third from the right '7'?

- 1) V
- 2) B
- 3) Q

4) N

5) R

127. Bhuvan correctly remembers that last year Animesh's birthday was after 17th but before 28th of May, Dhanush correctly remembers that last year Animesh's birthday was after 9th but before 19th of May. On which of the following days was Animesh's birthday last year?

1) 29th

2) 16th

3) 15th

4) 18th

5) None of these

128. Manoj started from Point A and walked 18 m towards North. He then took two consecutive left turns and walked 5 m after taking each turn. He again took a left turn, walked 5 m and reached point B, How far is point A from point B?

1) 15 m

2) 5 m

3) 13 m

4) 23 m

5) Cannot be determined

129. Among H, J, K and L, each having different heights. K is taller than L and H, J is not the shortest. Who amongst them is the tallest?

1) J

2) K

3) H

4) Cannot be determined

5) None of these

130. How many meaningful English words can be formed with the letters CFAE using each letter only once in each word?

1) None

2) One

3) Two

4) Three

5) More than three

Directions (131 – 135): Study the following information carefully and answer the given questions. H, J, K, L, M and P are sitting in a straight line, (not necessarily in the same order) facing North.

- (a) H sits third to the left of P.
- (b) P does not sit at an extreme end of the line
- (c) Only one person sits between M and K.
- (d) K is not an immediate neighbour of H
- (e) J is not an immediate neighbour of H or M.

131. If all the persons are made to sit in alphabetical order from left to right, the positions of how many will remain unchanged as compared to the original seating positions?

- 1) None
- 2) One
- 3) Two
- 4) Three
- 5) Four

132. How many persons sit to the right of H?

- 1) None
- 2) One
- 3) Two
- 4) Three
- 5) Five

133. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way based on their seating positions in the above arrangement and so form a group, Which is the one that does not belong to that group?

- 1) PL
- 2) MP
- 3) JP
- 4) KM
- 5) MH

134. Who sits at the extreme left hand corner of the line?

- 1) L
- 2) H

- 3) J
- 4) K
- 5) None of these

135. What is the position of J with respect to M?

- 1) Third to the right
- 2) Second to the left
- 3) Immediately to the right
- 4) Third to the left
- 5) Second to the right

Directions (136 – 140): In each question below is given a group of letters followed by five combinations of number/ symbol codes numbered (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5). You have to find out which of the combinations correctly represents the group of letters based on the following coding system and the conditions and mark the number of that combination as your answer.

Letter F D H U T K A C W R M E Q B P

Number/ % 6 # 5 @ 7 3 ★ β 8 \$ 2 * 9 4

Symbol Code

Conditions:

- i) If both the second and the fourth elements are vowels, both these are to be coded as the code for the fourth vowel
- ii) If the group of letters contains only one vowel, the codes for the first and the last letters are to be interchanged.
- iii) If first element is a vowel and the last a consonant, then that vowel is to be coded as the code for the letter following it.

136. MFQBEK

- 1) 7%92@\$
- 2) 7%*92\$
- 3) \$%*927
- 4) 7%*29\$
- 5) 7%*927

137. HEQAFK

- 1) #3@3%7
- 2) #2@2%7
- 3) #2@37%

4) 72@3%7

5) #3@2%7

138. UTDARM

1) @@638@

2) @@6\$83

3) \$@638@

4) @@638\$

5) \$\$638\$

139. RPCUDH

1) 44★568

2) #4★568

3) #46★58

4) #4★56#

5) 84★56#

140. AUWDBE

1) 95β992

2) 25β693

3) 3596β32

4) 35β629

5) 35β692

Directions (141 – 145): Study the following arrangement carefully and answer the questions given below:

C U A B D B C E D E D U A B U A C D E D A D B C A B C E B A B

141. If all the Bs are dropped from the above arrangement which of the following will be eighth from the right end of the above arrangement?

1) E

2) U

3) A

4) D

5) None of these

142. How many such pairs of alphabets are there in the series of alphabets given In BOLD In the above arrangement each of which has as many letters between them (in both forward and backward directions) as they have between them In the English alphabetical series?

1) None

2) One

3) Two

4) Three

5) More than three

143. How many meaningful words can be formed with the alphabets which are second, fifth, and eighth from the left end of the above arrangement?

1) None

2) One

3) Two

4) Three

5) More than three

144. How many such vowels are there in the above arrangement each of which is immediately followed by a vowel?

1) None

2) Three

3) Four

4) Five

5) More than five

145. Which of the following is the seventh to the right of the eighteenth from the right end of the above arrangement?

1) C

2) U

3) B

4) E

5) A

Directions (146-150): Following questions are based on the five three digit numbers given below: 591 462 318 675 924

146. If all the numbers are arranged in descending order from left to right, which of the following will be the difference between the numbers which are second from the left and third from the right?

- 1) 144
- 2) 462
- 3) 129
- 4) 357
- 5) 84

147. If the positions of the first and the third digits of each of the numbers are interchanged, how many even numbers will be formed?

- 1) None
- 2) One
- 3) Two
- 4) Three
- 5) Four

148. If one is added to the third digit of each of the numbers, how many numbers thus formed will be divisible by three?

- 1) None
- 2) One
- 3) Two
- 4) Three
- 5) Four

149. If all the digits in each of the numbers are arranged in ascending order within the number, which of the following will form the highest number in the new arrangement of numbers?

- 1) 591
- 2) 462
- 3) 318
- 4) 675
- 5) 924

150. What will be the resultant if the first digit of the lowest number is multiplied with the third digit of the second highest number?

- 1) 15

2) 27

3) 20

4) 56

5) 24

Directions (151 – 155): In each question below are three statements followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. You have to take the three given statements to be true even if they seem to be at from commonly known facts and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the three statements disregarding commonly known facts. Give answer (1) if only conclusion I follows. Give answer (2) if only conclusion II follows. Give answer (3) if either conclusion I or conclusion II follows. Give answer (4) if neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows. Give answer (5) if both conclusions I and II follow.

151. Statements: No post is a mail.

All mails are letters.

Some posts are offices.

Conclusions: I. Some offices are letters.

II. No letter is a post.

152. Statements: All numbers are digits.

Some digits are letters.

All letters are alphabets.

Conclusions: I. All numbers are alphabets.

II. Atleast some alphabets are digits.

153. Statements: Some cells are tissues.

All tissues are bones.

No bone is a ligament.

Conclusions: I. No ligament is a cell.

II. Atleast some bones are cells.

154. Statements: Some schools are colleges.

No school is a nursery.

All nurseries are playgrounds.

Conclusions: I. No playground is a school.

II. Atleast some colleges are playgrounds.

155. Statements: All metals are plastics.

All plastics are cloth.

All cloth are threads.

Conclusions: I. All metals are threads

II. All plastics are threads...

Directions (156 – 160): Read the information/ statement given in each question carefully and answer the questions.

156. In which of the following expressions will the expression ' $H < J$ ' be definitely true?

1) $G < H \geq I = J$

2) $H > G \geq I = J$

3) $J = I \geq G > H$

4) $H \geq G > I < J$

5) None of these.

157. Which of the following expressions will be true if the expression ' $K \geq L > M \geq N$ ' is definitely true?

1) $N \leq K$

2) $K = M$

3) $K < N$

4) $L \geq N$

5) None is true

158. Which of the following expressions will be true if the expression ' $M \geq K < T = Q$ ' is definitely true?

1) $Q < K$

2) $M \geq T$

3) $M < Q$

4) $T = M$

5) None is true.

159. Which of the following expressions may not be true if the expression ' $Z \geq Y = W \leq X$ ' is definitely true?

1) $W \leq Z$

2) $X \leq Z$

3) $Y \leq X$

4) Only (2) and (3)

5) All are true.

160. In which of the following expressions does the expression ' $A > D$ ' hold true?

1) $A = B < C \leq D$

2) $D \geq B > C > A$

3) $B = D > C \geq A$

4) $A \geq C > B = D$

5) $D \leq B > A > C$

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Directions (161 – 169): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. Certain words are printed in bold to help you to locate them while answering some of the questions. Long ago, the country of Gandhara was ruled by a just and good king Vidyadhara. His subjects were very happy, but as the king grew older, everyone grew more and more worried because the king did not have any children who could take over the kingdom after him. The king was an avid gardener. He spent a lot of time tending to his garden, planting the finest flowers, fruit trees and vegetables. One day, after he finished working in his garden, he proclaimed, 'I will distribute some seeds to all the children in the kingdom. The one who grows the biggest healthiest plant within three months will become the prince or the princess.' The next day there was a long queue of anxious parents and children outside the palace. Everyone was eager to get a seed and grow the best plant. Pingala, a poor farmer's son, was among the children. Like the king, he too was fond of gardening and grew beautiful plants in his backyard. He took the seed from the king and planted it in a pot with great care. Some weeks passed and he plied it with water and manure, but the plant did not appear. Pingala tried changing the soil and transferred the seed to another pot, but even by the end of three months, nothing appeared.

At last the day came when all the children had to go to the king to show the plant they had grown. They went walking to the palace dressed in their best, holding beautiful plants in their hands. Only Pingala stood sadly, watching them go by. Pingala's father had watched his son working "hard with the seed and felt sorry for him, 'Why don't you go to the king with your empty pot?' he suggested. 'At least he will know you tried your best.' So Pingala too wore his best suit and joined the others outside the palace, holding his empty pot in his hand and ignoring the laughter around him. Soon the king arrived and began his inspection. The pots held flowers of different shades, beautiful and healthy. But the king did not look happy. At the end of the queue stood Pingala, and when the king reached him, he stopped in surprise. 'My son, why have you come with an empty pot? Could you not grow anything?' Pingala looked down and said, 'Forgive me, your highness. I tried my best. I gave it the best soil and manure I had, but the plant would not grow.' Now the king's face broke into a smile. He enveloped Pingala in his arms and announced, this boy truly deserves to be crowned the prince! I had given everyone roasted seeds, which would never grow. I wanted to see which child was the most honest one, and would admit he or she would not be able to grow anything. Only this young boy told the truth. I am sure he will rule this kingdom one day with truth and honesty.' And indeed that was what happened. When the king grew old and died, Pingala, who had learnt everything from him, came to the throne and ruled Gandhara justly for many years.

161. Why did the king distribute seeds to all the children in his kingdom?

- 1) It was part of one of the rituals of the kingdom.
- 2) He wanted to see who could grow the tallest plant.
- 3) He finished all his work in the garden and had extra seeds left.
- 4) He wanted to inculcate the hobby of gardening among the children or his kingdom.
- 5) None of these.

162. Why was Pingala holding an empty pot in his hands?

- A) He could not grow the seed the king gave him.
 - B) His plant did not survive after the second month.
 - C) He wanted to be different from the other children.
- 1) Only (A)
 - 2) Only (B)
 - 3) Only (C)
 - 4) Only (A) and (B)
 - 5) Only (A) and (C)

163. Why did Pingala's father encourage him to go to the king with an empty pot?

- A) He wanted the king to know, that his son tried his best to grow the plant.
 - B) He wanted his son to be noticed by the king.
 - C) He wanted the king to realise that he had cheated his son.
- 1) Only (A)
 - 2) Only (B)
 - 3) Only (C)
 - 4) Only (A) and (B)
 - 5) None of these.

164. Which of the following word is most opposite to the word Admit printed in bold in the above story?

- 1) Reject
- 2) Deny
- 3) Dismiss
- 4) Disclose
- 5) Confess

165. Which of the following sentence/s is true of Pingala's father?

A) He was a farmer by profession.

B) He was very encouraging towards his son.

C) He was a poor man.

1) Only (A)

2) Only (B) and (C)

3) Only (B)

4) Only (C)

5) All (A), (B) and (C)

166. The king crowned Pingala heir to the kingdom because

1) he enjoyed gardening.

2) he was taken a back by his plant.

3) he was the only child to have admitted the truth.

4) he had the most beautiful and healthy plant.

5) he was in awe of his upbringing.

167. What kind of seeds did the king give to the children?

A) The finest seeds he had.

B) Roasted seeds that would never sprout.

C) Vegetable and fruit seeds.

1) Only (A)

2) Only (B)

3) Only (C)

4) Only (A) and (C)

5) None of these.

168. Which of the following statements is false according to the passage?

1) Pingala was fond of gardening just like the king.

2) The king did not have any children who could take over the kingdom.

3) Pingala took great care of the seed the king gave him.

4) The seeds that the king gave to the children grew into beautiful and healthy plants.

5) The children were given three months to complete their assignment.

169. Why did the king call for all inspection of the plants after three months?

1) He wanted to see which plant had the most beautiful flower.

2) He wanted to witness the joy on the children's faces.

3) He wanted to see which plant would be the most useful to him.

4) He wanted to check the children's gardening skills.

5) He wanted to see which child was honest and would admit the truth.

Directions (170 – 172): Choose the word which is most nearly the SAME in meaning as the word printed in bold as used in the passage.

170. Avid

1) Bright

2) Intelligent

3) Enthusiastic

4) Lazy

5) Amateur

171. Anxious

1) Depressed

2) Hopeless

3) Carefree

4) Doubtful

5) Nervous

172. Finest

1) Best

2) Thinnest

3) Ordinary

4) Common

5) Cheapest

Directions (173 – 177): Which of the phrases (1), (2), (3) and (4) given below each sentence should replace the phrase printed in bold in the sentence to make it grammatically correct? If the sentence is correct as it is given and 'no correction is required', mark (5) as the answer.

173. I am very keen to **learned** about the town's history.

- 1) to learns
- 2) to learn
- 3) at learning
- 4) to have learn
- 5) no correction required

174. For the last three weeks the shop **have** been closed.

- 1) is being closed
- 2) has been closed
- 3) are closed
- 4) to have closed
- 5) no correction required

175. If you had spoken to the receptionist, she **would** tell you where I was.

- 1) would told you
- 2) will tell you
- 3) would have told you
- 4) would be telling you
- 5) no correction required

176. Many forests are facing the danger **to be** destroyed

- 1) of being
- 2) to have been
- 3) to being
- 4) having being
- 5) no correction required

177. The Science teacher **seem** to think that all the students in her class were lazy.

- 1) to seem to think

- 2) seem to be thinking
- 3) seem to have thought
- 4) seemed to think
- 5) no correction required

Directions (178 – 182): Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is 'no error'. (5)

178. We had to (1)/ hurry to the airport (2)/ as the flight departures (3)/ from Mumbai at 6 : 30 pm. (4)/ No Error (5).

179. If you had (1)/ watered the plant regularly, (2)/ it would not (3)/ have dried (4)/ No Error (5).

180. I wonder if (1)/ my colleague would (2)/ like it go to (3)/ the conference with me. (4)/ No Error (5).

181. We should focus (1)/ our attention at (2)/ the roads where accidents (3)/ have already occurred. (4)/ No Error (5).

182. My friends are (1)/ not allowed to (2)/ go out without (3)/ their parents consenting. (4)/ No Error (5).

Directions (183 – 187): In each question below, four words printed in bold are given. These are numbered (1), (2), (3) and (4). One of these words printed in bold may either be wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word that is inappropriate or wrongly spelt, if any. The number of that word is your answer.

183. The tape (1)/ recordings contained (2) / prove (3)/ of his involvement (4)/ in the crime. All Correct (5).

184. Despite (1)/ all the research (2)/ there is still no cure (3)/ for the disease (4)/ All Correct (5).

185. Just because something (1)/ is expansive (2)/ it is not necessarily (3)/ superior (4)/ All Correct (5).

186. Although (1)/ Goa is a small State, (2)/ it is very populer (3)/ with tourists (4)/ All Correct (5).

187. One does not appreciate (1)/ the impotence (2)/ of good health (3)/ until (4)/ one is ill All Correct (5).

Directions (188 – 192): Rearrange the following five sentences/ group of sentences (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then answer the questions given below them.

A) "My horns are my weapons." said the deer. "I'm sharpening them."

- B) Frightened by the deer's sharpened horns, he turned to the fox instead and shot him dead.
- C) The fox wondered why the deer was wasting time sharpening his weapons when there was no danger in sight.
- D) A wild deer was rubbing his horns against a tree. A fox passing by asked him what he was doing.
- E) Just then a hunter appeared at the scene.

188. Which of the following should be the FIRST sentence after the rearrangement?

- 1) E
- 2) D
- 3) C
- 4) B
- 5) A

189. Which of the following should be the FOURTH sentence after the rearrangement?

- 1) E
- 2) D
- 3) C
- 4) B
- 5) A

190. Which of the following should be the FIFTH sentence after the rearrangement?

- 1) E
- 2) D
- 3) C
- 4) B
- 5) A

191. Which of the following should be the SECOND sentence after the rearrangement?

- 1) A
- 2) B
- 3) C
- 4) D
- 5) E

192. Which of the following should be the THIRD sentence after the rearrangement?

- 1) A
- 2) B
- 3) C
- 4) D
- 5) E

Directions (193 – 200): Cloze test One day, it so happened that Emperor Akbar ...(193)... on a rock in his garden. He was in a foul mood that day and the accident made him so ...(194)... that he ordered the gardener's arrest and execution. The next day, when the gardener was ...(195)... what his last wish would be before he was hanged, he ...(196)... an audience with the emperor. His wish was ...(197)..., but when the man neared the throne he loudly cleared his throat and spat at the emperor's feet. The emperor was taken a back and ...(198)... to know why he had done such a thing. The gardener had acted on Birbal's advice and now Birbal stepped forward in the man's defence. "Your Majesty," he said, "there could be no person more loyal to you than this unfortunate man. Fearing that people would say you hanged him for a trifle, he has gone out of his way to give you a ...(199)... reason for hanging him." The emperor ...(200)... that he was about to do great injustice to an innocent man, set the man free.

193. 1) fall 2) faltered 3) bruised 4) trip 5) stumbled

194. 1) Imaginative 2) troubled 3) disturb 4) angry 5) unfortunate

195. 1) understanding 2) question 3) told 4) requested 5) asked

196. 1) willing 2) requested 3) said 4) demand 5) proposal

197. 1) granted 2) presented 3) privileged 4) judged 5) weighed

198. 1) claimed 2) ask 3) demand 4) wanting 5) seemed

199. 1) genuine 2) some 3) prized 4) justly 5) more

200. 1) understands 2) realising 3) foresee 4) announced 5) thinks

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