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1. Synonym of “Mendacity” is
 - (a) Arrogance
 - (b) Falsehood
 - (c) Alacrity
 - (d) Impertinence

2. Synonym of “Priority” is
 - (a) Rank
 - (b) First
 - (c) Post
 - (d) Fast

3. Antonym of “Courteous”
 - (a) Illegal
 - (b) Royal
 - (c) Punctual
 - (d) Brusque

4. Antonym of “Asperity”
 - (a) Travesty
 - (b) Mildness
 - (c) Angularity
 - (d) Temerity

Choose the appropriate answer for the following **Idioms** and **Phrases** :

5. To call a spade
 - (a) To utter politely
 - (b) To be circumspect
 - (c) To speak plainly
 - (d) To answer in anger

6. Queer Fish
 - (a) Sea fish
 - (b) Strange person
 - (c) Fashionable Man
 - (d) Cooked fish

7. Wrangle over an ass’ shadow :
 - (a) Draw the picture of an ass
 - (b) To be alert
 - (c) To quarrel over trifles
 - (d) To watch a light and shadow play

8. When the Church comes :
 - (a) When the moment of decision arrives
 - (b) At the point of religious awakening
 - (c) When desperate
 - (d) When the Church is built

Fill in the appropriate word in the **cloze** questions from the options/ choices given below (three questions) :

9. The person who serves your food in a restaurant is called a _____.
 - (a) Butler
 - (b) Croupier
 - (c) Waiter
 - (d) Bellboy

10. The person who cooks your food is called a _____.
 - (a) Cook
 - (b) Chef
 - (c) Concierge
 - (d) Housekeep

11. If it is an expensive restaurant, the meal between breakfast and lunch is called _____.
 - (a) Soup
 - (b) Dinner
 - (c) Supper
 - (d) Brunch

12. Which one of the following words is the antonym of INSULAR ?

- (a) Secular
- (b) Cosmopolitan
- (c) Metropolitan
- (d) Partisan

13. Which one of the following sentences is grammatically correct ?

- (a) Girish was a man who we all expected would succeed.
- (b) Girish was a man whom we all expected would succeed.
- (c) Girish was a man that we all expected would succeed.
- (d) Girish was a man which we all expected would succeed.

14. Which one of the following statements is grammatically correct ?

- (a) I bought an apple, an banana and a orange. I ate the orange and gave an banana to my friend.
- (b) I bought an apple, a banana and an orange. I ate the orange and gave the banana to my friend.
- (c) I bought an apple, a banana and an orange. I ate an orange and gave a banana to my friend.
- (d) I bought an apple, a banana and an orange. I ate the orange and gave a banana to my friend.

15. Mournful

- 1. Unhappy
- 2. Distressed
- 3. Anxious
- 4. Sorrowful

Which two of the above words are the synonyms of Mournful ?

- (a) 2 & 3
- (b) 1 & 3
- (c) 3 & 4
- (d) 1 & 4

16. Consider the following sentences :

- 1. Satish and his wife were there at the party.
- 2. Satish and his wife was there at the party.
- 3. The king, with the whole of his bodyguard, was killed.
- 4. The king, with the whole of his body guard, were killed.

Which two of the above sentences are grammatically correct ?

- (a) 1 & 3
- (b) 1 & 4
- (c) 2 & 3
- (d) 2 & 4

17. The synonym of "Sycophant" is

- (a) Liar
- (b) Exaggerator
- (c) Traitor
- (d) Flatterer

18. "To be beside the point." Which one of the following sentences gives the meaning of this idiomatic usage ?

- (a) Stick to the matter being discussed.
- (b) Change the matter being discussed.
- (c) Not be relevant to the matter being discussed.
- (d) Be relevant to the matter being discussed.

19. The men worked very hard _____ the contract ____ be completed by the promised date. Choose the correct set of words to fill in the blanks.

- (a) in order that, may
- (b) in order that, shall
- (c) in order that, might
- (d) in order that, will

20. The antonym of Epilogue is

- (a) Dialogue
- (b) Prologue
- (c) Analogue
- (d) Catalogue

21. Which one of the following words does not have the suffix 'ly' ?

- (a) Naturally
- (b) Typically
- (c) Silly
- (d) Politically

22. "No laughing matter." Which one of the following sentences gives the meaning of this idiomatic usage ?

- (a) Something frightening
- (b) Something sad
- (c) Something serious
- (d) Something worrying

23. Benign

- 1. Harmless
- 2. Innocuous
- 3. Generous
- 4. Noble

The synonyms of Benign are

- (a) 1 & 4
- (b) 3 & 4
- (c) 2 & 3
- (d) 1 & 2

24. _____ the banks _____ the post offices are open today. Choose the correct set of words to fill in the blanks.

- (a) Neither, nor
- (b) Neither, or
- (c) Either, nor
- (d) Neither, and

25. Abundant

- 1. Redundant
- 2. Small
- 3. Few
- 4. Sparse

The antonyms of Abundant are

- (a) 1 & 2
- (b) 3 & 4
- (c) 1 & 4
- (d) 2 & 3

Directions : Read the following passage and answer the **five** questions given below :

I did not feel at all sea-sick. But as the days passed, I became fidgety. I felt shy even in speaking to the steward. I was quite unaccustomed to talking English and except for Sjt. Mazmudar all the other passengers in the second saloon were English. I could not speak to them. For I could rarely follow their remarks when they came up to speak to me and even when I understood I could not reply. I had to frame every sentence in my mind, before I could bring it out. I was innocent of the use of knives and forks and had not the boldness to inquire what dishes on the *menu* were free of meat. I therefore never took meals at table but always had them in my cabin and they consisted principally of sweets and fruits which I had brought with me. Sjt. Mazmudar had no difficulty and he mixed with everybody. He would move about freely on deck, while I hid myself in the cabin the whole day, only venturing up on deck when there were but few people. Sjt. Mazmudar kept pleading with me to associate with the passengers and to talk with them freely. He told me that lawyers should have a long tongue and related to me his legal experiences. He advised me to take every possible opportunity of talking English and not to mind making mistakes which were

obviously unavoidable with a foreign tongue. But nothing could make me conquer my shyness.

26. The speaker in the above passage hid himself in the cabin the whole day because

1. he was shy.
2. he was unaccustomed to speaking in English.
3. he was sea sick.
4. he was fidgety.

The correct reasons are

- (a) 1 & 4
- (b) 1 & 2
- (c) 2 & 3
- (d) 3 & 4

27. In the above passage “I was innocent of the use of knives and forks” means

- (a) The speaker had never used knives and forks.
- (b) The speaker innocently used knives and forks.
- (c) The speaker had never seen knives and forks.
- (d) The speaker was not skilled in the use of knives and forks.

28. In the above passage **PRINCIPALLY** means

- (a) Merely
- (b) Only
- (c) Solely
- (d) Primarily

29. If the speaker in the above passage is travelling to a foreign country for the purpose of learning, it would be to learn
- (a) English
 - (b) Law
 - (c) To mix freely with people
 - (d) To conquer his shyness
30. Which one of the following statements does not specifically indicate that the speaker was travelling by ship ?
- (a) I did not feel at all sea-sick.
 - (b) I therefore never took meals at table but always had them in my cabin.
 - (c) He would move about freely on deck.
 - (d) Sjt. Mazmudar kept pleading with me to associate with the passengers.
31. We _____ a lovely three weeks in the Karwar coast last year.
- (a) took
 - (b) did
 - (c) spend
 - (d) passed
32. Great ! The washing machine _____ working. Did you have it fixed ?
- (a) won't be
 - (b) can't have been
 - (c) seems to be
 - (d) isn't
33. Students obey their _____.
- (a) teacher
 - (b) teachers
 - (c) teachability
 - (d) teaching
34. The woman was bitten _____ a snake.
- (a) by
 - (b) for
 - (c) from
 - (d) with
35. Vijay _____ late. He's stuck in traffic.
- (a) will arriving
 - (b) will be arriving
 - (c) will be arrive
 - (d) will arrive
36. The synonym of 'Endeavour' is
- (a) entertain
 - (b) effort
 - (c) energy
 - (d) envious
37. As in pen / pen / is the phonetic transcription, find den / /
- (a) /dan/
 - (b) /den/
 - (c) /deIn/
 - (d) /dun/

38. Which sentence is not correct ?
(a) She got home late on Friday.
(b) She was born on 6th December.
(c) I've got to go to work on Monday.
(d) We're going to the theatre on tomorrow night.
39. The correct pronunciation of the word 'CUT' is _____.
(a) /k^t/
(b) /c^t/
(c) Kat/
(d) /kut/
40. I really didn't think there _____ any gateau left.
(a) has been
(b) will have been
(c) would be
(d) is
41. Let's try to get home quickly before the rain really _____.
(a) sets down
(b) sets off
(c) sets on
(d) sets in
42. The findings of the survey _____ contrary to what was expected.
(a) made
(b) turned
(c) ran
(d) went
43. The correct indirect speech of "The movie is good" she said.
(a) She said that the movie was good.
(b) She told that the movie is good.
(c) She responded that the movie will be good.
(d) She said that the movie is going to be good.
44. Choose the option that presents the most appropriate way of writing them in the indirect speech. "How long have you been studying here" ? Jaya asked Suma.
(a) Suma was asked by Jaya whether she was studying there.
(b) Jaya asked Suma as to how long she had been studying there.
(c) Jaya asked Suma when she was studying there.
(d) Jaya asked Suma about how long she had studied there.
45. A group of words which makes sense but not complete sense is called _____.
(a) sentence
(b) clause
(c) phrase
(d) command

Directions : Read each sentence carefully and find out if there is any grammatical or usage error in any of the underlined parts. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. Shade the appropriate box. Please note that (a), (b), (c), (d) indicates the four options / choices separated by “/” symbol. If there is no error, encode (d) option.

46. Suresh asked his friend /
(a)
what was he doing /
(b)
when the accident took place. /
(c)
No error
(d)

47. I shouldn't have shouted at my
(a)
secretary / who is generally very
(b)
efficient / for the silly mistake
(c)
she committed yesterday. /
No error
(d)

48. My two sister-in-laws have come
(a)
down to Delhi / to shop for my
(b)
niece's wedding / which will take
(c)
place in Chandigarh. /
No error
(d)

49. If Sunita had completed her
(a)
graduation / she would get a job
(b)
in reputed firm / and could have
(c)
helped her family. / No error
(d)

50. In our circle of friends, /
(a)
it is customary for each of the
(b)
members / to buy their own tickets. /
(c)
No error
(d)

Directions : Choose the word / phrase closest in meaning to the underlined words and shade/blacken the corresponding box in your answer sheet.

51. The good work that he has done as an artist will be remembered by posterity.
(a) art experts
(b) poor people
(c) past generations
(d) future generations
52. Behind his apparently innocuous words was the intention of inciting communal tension.
(a) sincere
(b) harmless
(c) inspirational
(d) eager
53. He displayed his magnanimity by ignoring such remarks.
(a) weakness
(b) judgement
(c) generosity
(d) foolishness
54. Suresh is always looking for a chance to run down his associates.
(a) beat
(b) praise
(c) speak ill of
(d) avoid
55. If you want to be forgiven, it is advisable to make a clean breast of everything.
(a) confess
(b) deny
(c) justify
(d) clarify

Directions : Identify the wrongly spelt word and shade/blacken the appropriate box.

56. (a) Accomodation
(b) Unnecessary
(c) Illegible
(d) Unscrupulous
57. (a) Deterioration
(b) Recepeint
(c) Meticulous
(d) Colossal
58. (a) Decieve
(b) Receive
(c) Relieve
(d) Belief placate
59. (a) Elicit
(b) Illicit
(c) Eligible
(d) Illegitimete
60. (a) Successful
(b) Fulfiled
(c) Forgetful
(d) Incapable

Directions : Identify the most suitable option to complete the following sentences and shade/ blacken the appropriate box :

61. The spokesman's _____ handling of the media has created much trouble for the party.

- (a) inspired
- (b) inept
- (c) inattentive
- (d) intelligent

62. A new clause has been incorporated _____ the agreement with the company.

- (a) into
- (b) by
- (c) for
- (d) in

63. He is unpopular with his colleagues because he looks for every chance to _____.

- (a) eat humble pie
- (b) blow his own trumpet
- (c) break the ice
- (d) make both ends meet

64. I advise you to confine your explanation_____ the essential points.

- (a) for
- (b) on
- (c) to
- (d) about

65. He suddenly remembered that he _____ the gate in the morning.

- (a) has locked
- (b) locked
- (c) locking
- (d) had locked

66. Match LIST – I with LIST – II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

Authors	Books
A. Rabindranath Tagore	1. Julius Caesar
B. U.R. Ananthmurthy	2. Paradise Lost
C. William Shakespeare	3. Sanskara
D. John Milton	4. Gitanjali

Codes :

	A	B	C	D
(a)	4	3	1	2
(b)	3	1	2	4
(c)	1	2	3	4
(d)	4	1	2	3

Directions : In the following **five** questions, each passage consist of six sentences. The first sentence (S_1) and the sixth sentence (S_6) of the passage are given. The four sentences in the middle in each have been removed and jumbled up. These are labelled P, Q, R and S. You are required to find out the correct sequence of the four sentences using the codes given below :

67. S_1 : When I reached my office

P : to get home early

Q : I phoned my mother

R : that I wouldn't be able

S : to tell her

S_6 : as I had promised

Codes :

(a) PQRS

(b) QSRP

(c) RPQS

(d) SQPR

68. S_1 : At the end of the assignment

P : the field worker

Q : submitted his papers

R : for the work done by him

S : and also bills

S_6 : to the office superintendent

Codes :

(a) PQSR

(b) QPRS

(c) QSRP

(d) RSQP

69. S_1 : If all the nations

P : for the common good of mankind

Q : then they will never fight with each other

R : work together

S : and agree to obey these laws

S_6 : and there will be no war.

Codes :

(a) PRQS

(b) RPSQ

(c) RPQS

(d) SQRP

70. S_1 : The main purpose

P : how much

Q : is to find out

R : of this test

S : of English

S_6 : he knows

Codes :

(a) PQSR

(b) PRQS

(c) RQPS

(d) SPQR

71. S_1 : Almost every country in the world

P : that it is of the chosen people

Q : it has some special dispensation from providence

R : and that others are somewhat

S : believes that

S_6 : inferior creatures

Codes :

(a) RPQS

(b) RQPS

(c) SQPR

(d) SQRP

Directions : A, B, C and D are the four parts of the following sentences. Select the right sequence to make them meaningful sentences using the codes given below :

72. a nationwide debate / on the issue /
(A) (B)
of capital punishment /
(C)
there has to be
(D)

Codes :

- (a) B C D A
- (b) C A B D
- (c) D A B C
- (d) A B C D

73. become an established part /
(A)
bringing together money and fame /
(B)
sports has rapidly /
(C)
of the entertainment industry
(D)

Codes :

- (a) B C D A
- (b) C A D B
- (c) A C D B
- (d) A B C D

74. express himself in a /
(A)
was not able to / the speaker /
(B) (C)
clear and lucid manner
(D)

Codes :

- (a) B D C A
- (b) C B A D
- (c) D A C B
- (d) B A C D

75. to move out of the metros /
(A)
has forced many residents /
(B)
and settle in smaller towns /
(C)
the intolerable levels of traffic
(D)

Codes :

- (a) D B A C
- (b) C A B D
- (c) A B C D
- (d) B C D A

76. is the day we stop living /
(A)
the day we stop learning /
(B)
is crucial for everyone /
(C)
because continuous learning
(D)

Codes :

- (a) D B C A
- (b) A B D C
- (c) B C D A
- (d) B A D C

77. Doctors' _____ should be taken seriously.
- (a) advise
 - (b) teaching
 - (c) advice
 - (d) habits

Directions : Pick out the word which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

78. Knowledge

- (a) Intelligence
- (b) Brilliance
- (c) Learning
- (d) Sensible

79. Transparency

- (a) Light
- (b) Opacity
- (c) Clear
- (d) Openness

80. Defy

- (a) Cunning
- (b) Agree
- (c) Challenge
- (d) Rebel

81. Paradise

- (a) Place of worship
- (b) A place of great beauty or happiness
- (c) Beach house
- (d) A Christian holy place

82. Semblance

- (a) Colour
- (b) Acceptance
- (c) Resemblance
- (d) Appearance

83. Neither India nor Pakistan _____ afford to go to war.

- (a) will
- (b) can
- (c) are
- (d) is

84. Ebola has reached _____ proportions in Africa.

- (a) epidemic
- (b) endemic
- (c) massive
- (d) multiple

85. We were not bored because the plot of the film was

- (a) excruciating
- (b) exhilarating
- (c) muddling
- (d) fast paced

Directions : Choose the most effective word for the given sentences :

86. He cannot live in a closed apartment as he is

- (a) acrophobic
- (b) claustrophobic
- (c) nyctophobic
- (d) kleptomaniac

87. God is present everywhere. He is

- (a) omniscient
- (b) omnibus
- (c) omnipotent
- (d) omnipresent

88. Something which cannot be avoided, is

- (a) inimitable
- (b) inevitable
- (c) acceptable
- (d) unavoidable

89. To learn the ropes, means to

- (a) create a pattern
- (b) understand how to tie a knot
- (c) find out how to do something
- (d) try a new method

90. Match the following :

LIST – I

LIST – II

- A. To bite off more than one can chew
B. To cut the ground from under one's feet
C. Keep your fingers on the pulse
D. Not let grass grow under feet
1. Act of weakening-ones' opponent
2. To do things immediately
3. To take on more than one can handle
4. To be aware of recent developments

	A	B	C	D
(a)	1	2	3	4
(b)	4	2	1	3
(c)	3	1	4	2
(d)	2	1	4	3

91. Under the Minority Directorate which of the following students are provided admissions in the Pre-Metric and Post-Metric hostels ?

1. Students from 1 to 4th class in the Pre-Metric hostels. PUC students in the Post-Metric hostels.
2. Students from 5th to 8th class – Pre-Metric hostels. From PUC to Degree – Post-Metric hostels.
3. From 9th to 10th class Pre-Metric hostels. Post-Graduate and for all the courses – Post-Metric hostels.

Select the correct statements :

- (a) (1) only
- (b) (1) and (2) only
- (c) (2) and (3) only
- (d) All of the above

92. Under the Minority Directorate, how many pairs of uniform will be distributed in a year for the students of Pre-Metric Hostels ?

- (a) 3 pairs
- (b) 2 pairs
- (c) 1 pair
- (d) None of the above

93. Under the Minority Directorate, what is the income limit prescribed for the admission in the Pre-Metric and Post-Metric hostels and minority hostels ?

- (a) ₹ 1.50 lakh
- (b) ₹ 2.00 lakh
- (c) ₹ 2.50 lakh
- (d) None of the above

94. Totally how many Morarji Desai Residential Schools are functioning in the State of Karnataka ?

- (a) 43
- (b) 48
- (c) 50
- (d) None of the above

95. Under the Minority Directorate, which of the following students will be given Merit-cum-Means scholarship ?

1. For the students of Pre-Metric and Post-Metric.
2. For the students of all the technical-courses.
3. For the students of all Morarji Desai Residential Schools.
4. For the students of different professional courses.

Select the correct statements :

- (a) 1 and 3
- (b) 1 and 4
- (c) 2 and 4
- (d) 2 and 3

96. The year in which Jain Pre-Metric and Post-Metric scholarships were introduced by the State Government ?

- (a) 2009-10
- (b) 2012-13
- (c) 2010-11
- (d) 2013-14

97. Under the Minority Directorate, the scholarship given to the students who are obtaining higher education in abroad is

- (a) From ₹ 2.00 lakh to 5.00 lakh.
- (b) From ₹ 5.00 lakh to 10.00 lakh
- (c) From ₹ 8.00 lakh to 15.00 lakh
- (d) From ₹ 10.00 lakh to 15.00 lakh

98. Under the Minority Directorate, the students who are willing to pursue higher education in abroad shall attained _____ years of age before commencement of training.

- (a) 28 years
- (b) 32 years
- (c) 36 years
- (d) 38 years

99. Under the Minority Directorate, which of the following subject teacher can be selected on priority basis for remedial teaching ?

- (a) Kannada – English – Hindi
- (b) English – Mathematics – Science
- (c) Science – Urdu – Social Science
- (d) English – Urdu – Hindi

100. Under the Minority Directorate, what is the minimum percentage of marks required for obtaining facilities under promotional scheme for the minority students ?

- (a) 45 %
- (b) 50 %
- (c) 55 %
- (d) 60 %

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