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## Reasoning Aptitude

1. In the question given below, four statements are given followed by two conclusions. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read the conclusions and decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding the commonly known facts.

**Statements:** All bulbs are lights

Some lights are tubelights

No fuse is bulb

Some bright is light

**Conclusions:** I. Some tubelights are bright

II. Some lights are fuse

(A) Only I follows

(B) Both I and II follow

(C) Neither I nor II follows

(D) Only II follows

(E) Either I or II follows

2. In the question given below, three statements are given followed by conclusions: I, II and III. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read the conclusions and decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

**Statements:** Only a few guitars are strings.

All clouds are strings.

Some clouds are white.

**Conclusions:** I. Some strings are white.

II. No guitars are white.

III. Some white are guitars.

(A) Only I follows

(B) I and either II or III follow

(C) Only I and III follow

(D) Either II or III follows

(E) Only I and II follow

3. In the following question, four statements are given and conclusions are given in the options. Choose the option which shows the conclusion that logically follows from the given statements, disregarding commonly known facts.

**Statements:** Only a few flasks are bottles.

No flask is a glass.

Some bottles are jars.

All flasks are cups.

(A) Some cups are jars

(B) All flasks are bottles

(C) Some glasses are bottles

(D) Some cups are not glasses

(E) All cups are glasses

- Directions [04-08]:** Nine persons- M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T and U live in a three storeyed building. The bottommost floor is numbered as 1, the floor above it as 2, and the topmost floor as 3. Each floor has three flats viz., A, B and C. Flat B is towards the east of Flat A and the west of Flat C. T lives between N and P. N, P and T live in flat C. M and U live in flat A of the adjacent floors. R lives on an odd numbered floor but above P. S and U live on the same floor as T. M lives above O but not in the same flat.

4. Which of the following statement is true?  
(A) Q lives below O  
(B) Q lives in flat B

(C) Three persons live between the Q's floor and P's floor

(D) All are true

(E) Q lives in flat A

5. Which of the following combination is odd from the rest?

(A) M-R

(B) O-P

(C) R-S

(D) Q-O

(E) U-S

6. If M and O interchange their flats, then who among the following live adjacent to M?

(A) R and N

(B) R and S

(C) N and U

(D) Q and P

(E) None of these

7. R lives on \_\_\_\_\_.

(A) Floor 1 in flat B

(B) Floor 3 in flat A

(C) Floor 1 in flat A

(D) Floor 3 in flat B

(E) Cannot be determined

8. Who among the following lives below T?

(A) M and U

(B) R

(C) Q and O

(D) N

(E) None of these

9. How many such pairs of letters are there in the word "EQUALIZER" which has as many letters between them as in the English alphabetical series when counted in both forward and backward directions?

(A) Two

(B) Three

(C) One

(D) None

(E) More than three

- Directions [10-14]:** Study the given information and answer the following questions based on it.

Six members - U, V, W, X, Y and Z of a club are on different designations like - President, Vice-President, Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer and Spokesperson but not in the same order. The designations are in an order such that the President is the senior-most while the Spokesperson is the junior-most. Each of them has different hobby - Singing, Dancing, Cycling, Cooking, Reading and Travelling but not in the same order.

Y is the Treasurer and he likes Cycling. U is immediate senior to Y and likes either Reading or Cooking. One person is designated between U and W who is not a spokesperson. The person who likes Singing is senior to W. V is senior to Z and none of them is the President. W likes Dancing and Z likes neither Cooking nor travelling.

10. What is the hobby of V?

(A) Singing

(B) Dancing

(C) Travelling

(D) Reading

(E) Cooking

11. What is the hobby of the spokesperson?

(A) Cooking

(B) Reading

(C) Dancing

(D) Cycling

(E) Singing

12. Who likes Singing?

(A) Joint Secretary

(B) Spokesperson

(C) Treasurer

(D) President

(E) Vice-President

13. How many persons are designated below U?  
 (A) One (B) Two  
 (C) Three (D) Four  
 (E) Five
14. X is related to W, U is related to Y in the same way who is related to Z?  
 (A) X (B) W  
 (C) V (D) U  
 (E) Y

**Directions [15-17]:** Certain number of persons sits in a linear row facing the south direction. Nine persons sit between Y and I. W sits fourth to the right of A and immediate left of Y. Only two persons sit to the left of A. The number of persons sitting to the left of A is one more than the number of persons sitting to the right of M, who sits adjacent to P. P sits second to the left of I.

15. How many persons are sitting in a linear row?  
 (A) 18 (B) 23  
 (C) 20 (D) 16  
 (E) More than 25
16. The number of persons sitting to the left of A is two more than the number of persons sitting to the right of \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) W (B) Y  
 (C) I (D) M  
 (E) P
17. If M is related to I in the same way Y is related to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) A (B) W  
 (C) I (D) M  
 (E) P
18. Consider the alphanumeric string given below consisting of letters, numbers and symbols and answer the questions that follow based on the given steps:  
 $\yen \infty 1 8 Q \text{ ₹ } D J \Omega 3 P 2 \# K G \beta 7 R 4 \leq I 5 B Z A 6 E 9 U$   
 How many symbols are there which are immediately preceded by a digit?  
 (A) Two (B) None  
 (C) More than three (D) Three  
 (E) One

19. Which of the following symbols should fill the respective blanks in the statement given below in order to make the conclusions  $P > F$  and  $M < T$  definitely false?  
 $P > B \text{ ___ } F = M; N = S \text{ ___ } T; M \leq N$   
 (A) None of the given (B)  $\geq, <$   
 (C)  $<, \geq$  (D)  $>, <$   
 (E)  $=, <$
20. Choose the correct option which contains the signs of inequality that can replace 5 and 7 respectively in the statement  $P \leq Q 5 R \leq S; S 7 T = U$ , so that  $P < U$  holds true?  
 (A)  $\geq, <$  (B)  $=, >$   
 (C)  $<, \geq$  (D)  $\leq, <$   
 (E) All of the above
21. In the following question, assuming the given statements to be true, find which of the conclusion (s) among given three conclusions is /are definitely true and then give your answers accordingly.  
**Statements:**  $C < M < T \leq Q; M > H > L > V$

**Conclusions:** I.  $Q > H$  II.  $L < Q$   
 III.  $C < H$   
 (A) Only I is true (B) Only II is true  
 (C) Only III is true (D) Both I and III are true  
 (E) Both I and II are true

22. In a family across two generations, K is the only brother of D. D is the daughter of U. H is the sister-in-law of U. A is the son of S. T is the only brother of H. U does not have any siblings. Which of the following is the father of A?  
 (A) H (B) S  
 (C) K (D) T  
 (E) None of the above

**Directions [23-27]:** Six people sit around a triangular table. Three people sit at the corner of the table facing outside and three people sit at the middle of the edge of the table facing inside. S sits second to the left of B. X sits immediate right of B. Two people are sitting between Z and B. P is not the immediate neighbour of B. M does not sit in the middle of the edge of the table.

23. Find the odd pair out.  
 (A) Z is related to P (B) S is related to Z  
 (C) M is related to S (D) B is related to M  
 (E) X is related to Z
24. As Z is related to B in the same way P is related to \_\_\_\_\_?  
 (A) S (B) M  
 (C) Z (D) X  
 (E) B
25. What is the position of P with respect to B?  
 (A) Immediate right (B) Immediate left  
 (C) Second to the right (D) Third to the right  
 (E) Third to the left
26. How many people are sitting between Z and X when counted to the right of Z?  
 (A) None (B) One  
 (C) Two (D) Three  
 (E) More than three
27. Who among the following sits immediate right of M?  
 (A) P (B) Z  
 (C) X (D) S  
 (E) B

**Directions [28-32]:** Eight people in a class got different ranks in a class test. The test was conducted for four subjects i.e. Physics, polity, History and Maths such that exactly two people gave test for each subject. The rank was given to each of these people from 1-8 based on the marks obtained by these people. The rank decreases from 1-8 with 1 being the highest and 8 being the lowest rank. It is also known that any two people who gave test for the same subject, both did not got even or odd ranks. (For e.g if A and B gave physics test, then one of them got even rank and other got odd rank, in any order.) Taru got an odd rank in Maths. The person who is ranked immediately higher than Taru gave Physics test. Four people were ranked between the two people who appeared for Physics test. Raj gave History test and got an odd rank. Only one person was ranked between Raj and Gary. Gary did not gave Polity test. Three people were ranked between Mini and Gary. Eshu is ranked immediately lower than the person who

gave history test. Jatin is ranked higher than Chirag but lower than Nisha. Nisha did not gave polity or maths test. Mini and Chirag appear for the same subject test.

28. What is the rank of Jatin?  
 (A) 7 (B) 4  
 (C) 2 (D) 6  
 (E) 5
29. How many people are ranked higher than Eshu?  
 (A) 4 (B) 2  
 (C) 5 (D) 3  
 (E) 1
30. Which of the following appeared for the same subject test?  
 I. Eshu II. Raj  
 III. Taru IV. Chirag  
 (A) I and IV (B) II and III  
 (C) I and III (D) II and IV  
 (E) III and IV
31. The difference in ranks of the people who appeared for history test is:  
 (A) 3 (B) 1  
 (C) 2 (D) 4  
 (E) More than 4
32. Mini appeared in the \_\_\_\_\_ test and got \_\_\_\_\_ rank.  
 (A) Physics, 4<sup>th</sup> (B) Polity, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 (C) Maths, 3<sup>rd</sup> (D) Polity, 5<sup>th</sup>  
 (E) History, 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Directions [33-35]:** Eight people had their performances in a sequence, but not necessarily in the same order. Four people had their performances between D and E. D had the performance before E. Three people had their performance between F and G. G had the performance after D. B had the performance immediately before H. One person had the performance between A and C. A had the performance after E. F had the performance before B.

33. How many people had a performance between H and A?  
 (A) Three (B) One  
 (C) Two (D) Four  
 (E) More than four
34. As F is related to H in the same way A is related to \_\_\_\_\_?  
 (A) H (B) G  
 (C) E (D) C  
 (E) B
35. Find the odd pair out.  
 (A) D is related to B (B) H is related to G  
 (C) E is related to A (D) G is related to C  
 (E) F is related to G

**Quantitative Aptitude**

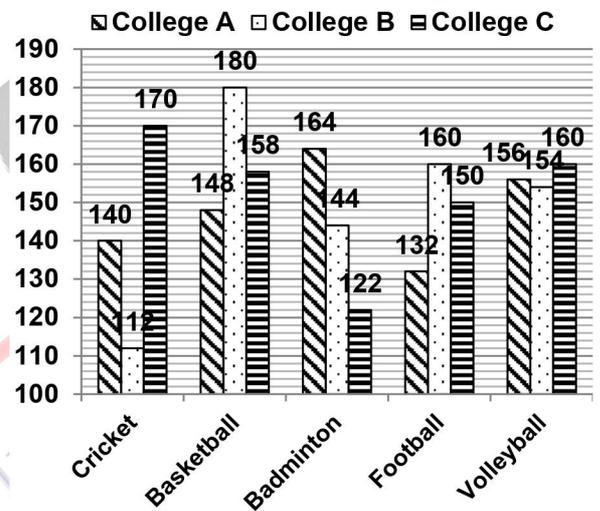
36. Find the wrong term in the series given below.  
 21, 24, 30, 33, 43, 51  
 (A) 24 (B) 33  
 (C) 43 (D) 21  
 (E) 30
37. Find the wrong term in the series given below.  
 30, 240, 1680, 10080, 2020, 504, 168

- (A) 30 (B) 240  
 (C) 504 (D) 2020  
 (E) 1680

38. Find the wrong term in the series given below.  
 125, 144, 161, 178, 189, 200  
 (A) 189 (B) 178  
 (C) 125 (D) 161  
 (E) 144
39. Find the missing term (?) in the series.  
 24, ?, 108, 486, 2916, 21870  
 (A) 24 (B) 36  
 (C) 12 (D) 30  
 (E) 48

**Directions [40-44]:** Study the following data carefully and answer the questions:

The bar graph shows the number of students who play different sports from three colleges A, B and C.



**Note:** one student is playing only one sport.

40. What is the average number of students from college B who play sports?  
 (A) 130 (B) 140  
 (C) 120 (D) 150  
 (E) None of these
41. The number of students who play Cricket and Football from college A is what percentage more or less than the number of students who play Basketball and volleyball from college C?  
 (A) 14.46% (B) 11.11%  
 (C) 15.64% (D) 12.45%  
 (E) None of these
42. If 10% students who play cricket and Football together from college C are selected for state level game and 20% students from who play Badminton and Volleyball together from college A, then how many students who play for state level game from college A and C together?  
 (A) 94 (B) 86  
 (C) 96 (D) 64  
 (E) None of these
43. If the ratio of male to female students who play Badminton from college A and B is 3:1 and 4:5, then how many female students who play Badminton from college A and B together?

- (A) 121 (B) 133  
(C) 111 (D) 101  
(E) None of these

44. What is the difference between the number of students who play Cricket and Basket ball from college B and C?  
(A) 46 (B) 36  
(C) 26 (D) 38  
(E) None of these

**Directions [45-49]:** Study the following information carefully and answer the related questions.

A company produces only three types of items i.e., P, Q and R. Following table represents the production of P, Q and R type items in the company in the period 2001-2004.

Year	Production of P type items	Production of Q type items	Production of R type items
2001	24%	36%	160
2002	100	30%	50%
2003	40%	25%	147
2004	128	112	25%

45. Average production of P type items from 2001 to 2004 is \_\_\_\_.  
(A) 117 (B) 123  
(C) 119 (D) 121  
(E) 133
46. Total production of items in 2003 is increased or decreased by what percentage as compared to that in 2001?  
(A) 5% (B) 7.5%  
(C) 12.5% (D) 8%  
(E) 10%
47. What is the difference between the production of Q type items in 2002 and 2003 together and the production of P type and R type items together in 2004?  
(A) 57 (B) 41  
(C) 53 (D) 59  
(E) 47
48. In 2002, if three-fourth of P type items, two-third of Q type items and half of R type items were sold from the company, then how many items remained unsold in the company in same year?  
(A) 200 (B) 240  
(C) 180 (D) 220  
(E) 160
49. What is the ratio of production of P type items in 2003 and the production of Q type items in 2001 respectively?  
(A) 5: 4 (B) 10: 9  
(C) 5: 6 (D) 7: 6  
(E) 3: 4
50. Four cows at each corner of a square field are tied to the poles at each corner with rope which is  $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of the side of the square, then find the area which all four cows can graze when ties with the rope if the side of the square field is 126 cm?  
(A) 5454 cm<sup>2</sup> (B) 4545 cm<sup>2</sup>  
(C) 5544 cm<sup>2</sup> (D) 4455 cm<sup>2</sup>  
(E) 5445 cm<sup>2</sup>

**Directions [51-55]:** Study the following information carefully and answer the related questions.

Following information gives the data regarding number of singers and dancers in three different states.

Number of singers in state A are 90% of number of singers in state B and 40 more than the number of male dancers in state B. There are total 800 female dancers in all three states taken together out of which 35% are in state C. Respective ratio of male to female dancers in state A is 5: 6 and their difference is 60. In state C, number of male dancers are 10 less than the female dancers. Total number of dancers in state B and total number of singers in state C are in the ratio 3: 4. There are 275 female singers in state C which are 90 less than the male singers in same state and 100 more than the number of female singers in state B. Sum of male singers and male dancers in state A is 420.

51. What is the difference between total number of singers and dancers in state B and total number of singers and dancers in state C?  
(A) 270 (B) 330  
(C) 250 (D) 310  
(E) 350
52. Number of male singers from state A and C taken together are approximately what percent of the total number of singers in both states taken together?  
(A) 44.5% (B) 42.5%  
(C) 50.5% (D) 46.5%  
(E) 48.5%
53. What is the average of number of female singers in all given states taken together?  
(A) 200 (B) 210  
(C) 220 (D) 230  
(E) 240
54. What is the respective ratio of number of female singers and dancers from state A to the total number of dancers in state A?  
(A) 10: 11 (B) 9: 10  
(C) 6: 7 (D) 12: 13  
(E) 5: 6
55. Number of male singers in state B and C together are how much more/less than the number of male dancers in same states?  
(A) 30 (B) 10  
(C) 20 (D) 40  
(E) None of these
56. A and B entered into a partnership with investments in the ratio 3:4. The ratio of the time period of their investments was 5:P. If A received Rs.2250 as his share in the total annual profit of Rs.3450, find the value of P.  
(A) 1 (B) 3  
(C) 4 (D) 2  
(E) 6
57. Aradhana marked up 40% above the cost price of a purse while selling she offers 20% discount and earned a profit of Rs. 72. If she marked 80% above the cost price and offers 25% discount, then how much profit percentage earned?  
(A) 30% (B) 20%  
(C) 25% (D) 35%  
(E) 40%

58. Two swimmers' A and B started a race of certain distance in upstream with speeds 14 km/h and 8 km/h respectively. Swimmer A beats swimmer B by 240 m in the race. Find that by what distance swimmer A will beat swimmer B if both are swimming the same distance in downstream with same speed and speed of stream is 2 km/h which remains constant throughout the race.  
 (A) 180 m (B) 240 m  
 (C) 150 m (D) 200 m  
 (E) None of these
59. In the following question, two equations I and II are given. Solve both the equations carefully and choose the correct option.  
 I.  $x^2 + 3.5x - 36 = 0$  II.  $y^2 + 17.5y + 76 = 0$   
 (A)  $x \geq y$  (B)  $x < y$   
 (C)  $x = y$  or no relation can be established between  $x$  and  $y$   
 (D)  $x > y$  (E)  $x \leq y$
60. Two equations (I) and (II) are given below. You have to solve both the equations and give answer.  
 I.  $x^2 - 12x - 589 = 0$  II.  $y^2 - 73y + 1320 = 0$   
 (A)  $x > y$  (B)  $y > x$   
 (C)  $x \geq y$   
 (D)  $x = y$  or relationship cannot be established  
 (E)  $x \leq y$
61. In the following question, two equations I and II are given which contain variables 'x' and 'y'. You have to solve both the equations and find the correct relation between 'x' and 'y'.  
 I.  $3x^2 - 4x - 7 = 0$  II.  $2y^2 - 11y + 15 = 0$   
 (A)  $x < y$   
 (B)  $x = y$  or relationship between 'x' and 'y' cannot be determined.  
 (C)  $x > y$   
 (D)  $x \geq y$   
 (E)  $x \leq y$
62. What approximate value will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?  
 $21.94 \times 16.94 - 14.03 = ? \times 20.06$   
 (A) 3 (B) 0  
 (C) 18 (D) 23  
 (E) 15
63. What approximate value should come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?  
 $(13.96)^2 - (15.03)^2 + (18.09)^2 - \sqrt{1100} = ?$   
 (A) 223 (B) 264  
 (C) 285 (D) 304  
 (E) 241
64. What approximate value will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?  
 $9.96\% \text{ of } 879.99 + ?\% \text{ of } 559.99 = 1096$   
 (A) 165 (B) 155  
 (C) 180 (D) 220  
 (E) 195
65. In winter, sale of caps increased by 40% and sale of scarves increased by 55% and sum of sale of caps and scarves becomes 1180. If initially, sale of caps and scarves are equal, then what is the sale of scarves?  
 (A) 400 (B) 500  
 (C) 600 (D) 300  
 (E) 200
66. The ratio of zinc, copper, aluminium in metal A and metal B is 2:3:5 and 10:7:3 respectively. Total quantity of metal A is 100 gm and total quantity of metal B is 100 gm more than that of A. Find sum of the quantity of zinc in metal A and quantity of copper in metal B.  
 (A) 70 gm (B) 80 gm  
 (C) 120 gm (D) 90 gm  
 (E) 100 gm
67. A person has ₹40000 with him. He invested some amount at 20% rate of interest compounded half-yearly for 2 years in scheme A and remaining amount at 15% rate of interest at simple interest for 3 years in scheme B. Total interest received by the person is ₹18423, then find the amount invested in scheme B.  
 (A) ₹30000 (B) ₹10000  
 (C) ₹25000 (D) ₹20000  
 (E) ₹15000
68. A can do a piece of work in 20/3 days Efficiency of A is two times more than B and half of C. Then, time taken by C alone to complete the work is how much more or less than the time taken by B alone to complete the same work?  
 (A) 50/3 days (B) 20 days  
 (C) 30 days (D) 25/3 days  
 (E) 30 days
69. Ratio of present age of L and A be 5:4. After 10 years ratio of their ages will be 6:5. At the time of their marriage, ratio of their ages was 3:2. Find the age of U when L and A got married if present age of U is 50% of the present age of L.  
 (A) 30 years (B) 25 years  
 (C) 15 years (D) 5 years  
 (E) 10 years
70. The question given below is followed by two statements numbered I and II. You need to determine which statement(s) is/are sufficient to answer the question and choose the option accordingly.  
 The average salary of A and B is Rs.19500. Find the salary of C.  
**Statement I:** The difference between the salary of B and C is half of that between the salary of A and C. Difference is taken in any order.  
**Statement II:** The average salary of A, B and C is Rs.19000.  
 (A) Only statement I alone is sufficient.  
 (B) Only statement II alone is sufficient.  
 (C) Both statements I and II together are sufficient.  
 (D) Either statement I alone or statement II alone is sufficient.  
 (E) Both the statements together are not sufficient.

### English Language

71. In the following question, the sentence is divided into five parts and the parts are jumbled randomly. Read the following parts of the sentence and choose the correct order of the parts of the sentence as your answer. If the sequence is correct as it is mark 'No rearrangement needed' as the answer.  
 A. emotional, and  
 B. recent research  
 C. cognitive health  
 D. documents the benefits  
 E. of dancing for physical  
 (A) EDBCA (B) CADEB  
 (C) ADCBE (D) BDEAC  
 (E) No rearrangement required

72. In the following question, a sentence is given with four words marked as (A), (B), (C) and (D). Among the options, choose the correct order of words, that is required to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. If no rearrangement is required, mark (e) 'No rearrangement required' as your answer.  
Baker saw the rainbow **from (A)** a natural flag **as (B)** the sky, so he adopted eight **own (C)** for the stripes, each colour with its **colours (D)** meaning.  
(A) ACBD (B) BADC  
(C) DCBA (D) DACB  
(E) No rearrangement required
73. In the given sentence, a blank is given indicating that a word is missing. Among the four given options, a combination of words would fit the blank thereby making it grammatically and contextually correct. Choose that option as your response.  
As a career woman and mother, she was constantly busy with the \_\_\_\_\_ activities of her daily life.  
A. homogenous  
B. multifarious  
C. variegated  
D. variety  
(A) AB (B) CA  
(C) None of these (D) CD  
(E) BC
74. In the following question, a sentence is given with a phrase highlighted in bold. Select the option given below that can replace the phrase in bold to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct and mark that as your answer. If the sentence is correct as it is, mark 'No correction required' as the answer.  
**However hard he tried** losing fat, he still has the same body-to-fat ratio.  
(A) however hard he trying  
(B) however hard he try  
(C) however hard him try  
(D) however hard his try  
(E) No correction required
75. In the question given below, four statements are given which may or may not contain an error. Choose the one that is grammatically and meaningfully incorrect.  
(A) All are correct.  
(B) Foreign travel is still an expensive luxury that many cannot afford.  
(C) She manifestly failed to last the mile and a half of the race.  
(D) The code was difficult to crack.  
(E) One of the principal ground for an absolute divorce is malicious desertion.
76. In the given question, a word has been given and there are three ways in which the word has been used, **in similar or different forms**. You need to see which of the sentences has/have correctly used the highlighted word, and mark that as your answer.  
**Advice**  
I. The accountant has asked for **advice**.  
II. Das **advices** us not to smoke.  
III. Youngsters do not heed the **advice**.  
(A) Only I and II (B) Only I and III  
(C) All I, II and III (D) Only I  
(E) Only III
77. The following question consists of four sentences labelled A, B, C, and D which when logically arranged form a coherent paragraph. Choose the option that represents the most logical order.  
A. Wildlife populations naturally go up and down.  
B. For example, Caribou reindeers in the Arctic have dramatic population oscillations.  
C. Oscillation is the term used for this pattern of highs and lows.  
D. Long-lasting weather oscillations in the Arctic are one reason for this pattern.  
(A) BCAD (B) DABC  
(C) ACBD (D) AD BC  
(E) DCBA
78. In the given question, a sentence has been broken into five parts, and the parts are jumbled. Choose the option that provides the correct way to rearrange the parts to form a grammatically and contextually meaningful sentence.  
the smell of freshly baked bread (A) / me of my grandmother's kitchen (B) / wafted through the air, making (C) / my mouth water, and reminding (D) / where she used to bake bread every Sunday (E)  
(A) BCAED (B) CDAEB  
(C) BDCEA (D) DCEAB  
(E) ACDBE
- Directions [79-85]:** Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.
- \_\_\_\_\_ According to another source, Dictionary.com, stoic means "of or relating to the school of philosophy founded by Zeno [Greek philosopher] who taught that people should be free from passion, unmoved by joy or grief and submit without complaint to unavoidable necessity." Other philosophers noted as leaders in the area of stoicism include Epictetus, Marcus Aurelius, and Seneca. Supposedly, Epictetus founded a philosophical school that taught Stoicism. One of his students was Marcus Aurelius, who was known to frequently write in his journal. His scribbles later became the book of Meditations that served as stoic principles such as self-awareness and humility. Aurelius said, "Not to live as if you had endless years ahead of you. Death overshadows you. While you're alive and able - be good." Seneca was another Roman philosopher who wrote about self-awareness and humility, as well as education and friendship. Education is important because it internalises knowledge that helps us make wiser decisions, which can result in a type of self-awareness leading to stoicism. In his book **The Black Swan**, Nassim Nicolas Taleb says that a stoic sage is one who is able to "transform fear into prudence, pain into information, mistakes into initiation, and desire into undertaking." In view of this, stoic individuals learn from their mistakes and practice mindfulness and tranquillity during times of chaos.  
The way I see it is that we need more stoic people in our lives - those who remain calm and carry on, those who hold the space for others. Being stoic seems to also involve having a certain degree of self-control and maintaining a sense of conscious self-awareness.  
Stoicism might be a genetic trait, but it might also be something that can be learned with practice. There are many techniques that can encourage a sense of stoicism. Here are a few: Remind yourself that time is your most precious gift. Treasure each moment and ensure that you're doing what you

want to be accomplishing and learning, and always strive to improve and move forward in your life in some way. Figure out what your priorities are. For example, sometimes answering e-mails can simply wait. Be mindful. Be both still and self-aware during various moments of the day. As author and teacher Jack Kornfield says, "Just sit." Try focusing completely on what you're doing, and yes, this sometimes means putting the cell phone away in order to avoid distractions. Be reflective and contemplative. Think about what's truly important in your life.

79. What did Aurelius mean when he said, "Not to live as if you had endless years ahead of you. Death overshadows you. While you're alive and able - be good"?
- (A) Humans live very long lives and should make the most of this opportunity.  
 (B) We are mortal beings and should indulge in good deeds only while we are alive.  
 (C) Being calm and composed helps people face challenges with ease.  
 (D) We should remain in constant fear of death.  
 (E) None of the above
80. Which of the following can be the first sentence of the first paragraph?
- (A) The physician referred to me as "stoic," something I'd never been called before.  
 (B) Being courageous and wise might also be partners of stoicism, all tools for survival.  
 (C) Not bothering others with your problems could be a form of stoicism but may also indicate that you're a guarded person.  
 (D) According to Webster's Dictionary, a person who is stoic "accepts what happens without complaining or showing."  
 (E) My research brought forth various definitions of the term "stoicism".
81. What could be the main intention of the author behind writing this passage?
- (A) Introducing readers to the philosophy of stoicism  
 (B) Teaching readers about all the stoic practices they can adopt in life  
 (C) Criticising schools of thought other than stoicism  
 (D) Praising the stoic philosophers of the past  
 (E) Publicising the book 'Meditations' written by Marcus Aurelius
82. Which of the following practices, if adopted by the reader, would be in line with stoicism?
- I. Educating themselves through reading, listening to podcasts, or watching informative television  
 II. Minimising their emotional responses  
 III. Complaining and throwing fits  
 IV. Nurturing loved ones and establishing mentors
- (A) Only I (B) Only I and II  
 (C) Only II (D) All except III  
 (E) Only II and IV
83. Whether true or not, which of the following statements would weaken the argument of the author for stoicism the most?
- (A) Stoicism leads to apathy and results in people living dull meaningless lives.  
 (B) Stoicism fails to explain whether the universe has a natural order or not.  
 (C) Stoicism does not solve the everyday problems of one's life.  
 (D) Stoicism does not talk about the existence of an almighty being.  
 (E) Stoicism is not an easy philosophy to follow and needs to be practised for many years to master it.
84. Which of the following statements is the author most likely to agree with?
- (A) There are no miracles in life.  
 (B) Followers of stoicism are usually lonely and lack basic social skills.  
 (C) Being stoic can help us survive and endure many of our life experiences.  
 (D) Feeling pity or compassion for others is against the stoic philosophy.  
 (E) Letting go of all emotions should be the ultimate goal of stoic followers.
85. In which of the following ways is the author least likely to act?
- (A) Visualising positive events and scenarios  
 (B) Letting anger come in the way of rational thoughts and actions  
 (C) Practising mindfulness throughout the day  
 (D) Not complaining about problems or pain of any kind  
 (E) Giving speeches about various schools of philosophy
86. In the given question, a sentence has been broken into five parts, and the parts are jumbled. Choose the option that provides the correct way to rearrange the parts to form a grammatically and contextually meaningful sentence.
- she was fascinated by (A) / the ancient ruins of Machu Picchu (B) / as much as she could (C) / and decided to explore them (D) / before the tour group left (E)
- (A) EDCBA (B) BDCAE  
 (C) ABDCE (D) DBECA  
 (E) BDECA
87. In the question given below, a sentence is given with two blanks, followed by five options, each having two words that may or may not fit in the blanks. Choose the one that gives the correct words that fit in the blanks.
- The government has been \_\_\_\_\_ for arranging such a big \_\_\_\_\_ in such a short time.
- (A) criticise, function (B) lauded, event  
 (C) appreciated, build (D) exalt, eventual  
 (E) successfully, event
88. In the question given below, a sentence is given with two blanks, followed by five options, each having two words that may or may not fit in the blanks. Choose the one that gives the correct words that fit in the blanks.
- Agriculturists burn agricultural waste \_\_\_\_\_ they find the alternate means of disposal \_\_\_\_\_ expensive.
- (A) better, relatively (B) relatively, as  
 (C) because, too (D) bright, precious  
 (E) management, pretty
89. In the question below, a sentence is given with four words highlighted in bold. One of these four words may be either wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word, which is wrongly spelt or inappropriate, if any. If all the words are correctly spelt and appropriate in the context of the sentence, mark 'All are correct' as your answer.

It's **inevitable (A)** that two people **living (B)** in the same house are going to be at **odds (C)** sometimes, but from now on I'll never **feel (D)** completely safe.

- (A) B (B) A  
(C) D (D) All are correct  
(E) C

90. In the question below, a sentence is given with four words highlighted in bold. One of these four words may be either wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word, which is wrongly spelt or inappropriate, if any. If all the words are correctly spelt and appropriate in the context of the sentence, mark 'All are correct' as your answer.

They did not **smile (A)**, nor did they **frowne (B)**, or show either **fear (C)** or surprise or **curiosity (D)** or friendliness.

- (A) A (B) C  
(C) D (D) All are correct  
(E) B

91. In the following question, a sentence is given with a phrase highlighted in bold. Select the option given below that can replace the phrase in bold to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct and mark that as your answer. If the sentence is correct as it is, mark 'No correction required', as the answer.

Amy was looking for the place where the sorority camp was held **that were attended by** her roommates.

- (A) that is attending by  
(B) those are attended as  
(C) those were attended by  
(D) that was attended by  
(E) No correction required

92. In the question given below, a sentence is given with four words marked in bold as A, B, C and D. One of the words in bold is to be replaced by choosing the correct option such that the sentence becomes grammatically and contextually correct, but the meaning of the sentence becomes opposite to its initial meaning.

The phenomenological **study (A)** of dreams, however, which dates back millennia, has **yielded (B)** a vast and **intriguing (C)** literature of psychological, cultural and mythological **observations(D)**.

- (A) B- defied (B) C- enthralling  
(C) D- results (D) A- rumour  
(E) None of the above

93. In the question given below, a sentence is given with four words marked in bold as A, B, C and D. One of the words in bold is to be replaced by choosing the correct option such that the sentence becomes grammatically and contextually correct, but the meaning of the sentence becomes opposite to its initial meaning.

**Irrespective (A)** of the result, the match had been a diplomatic **triumph (B)** and the occasion was still **fresh (C)** in the minds of Masoudi and Steinbrecher when they met, **albeit (D)** for contrasting reasons.

- (A) C- dull (B) D- and  
(C) B- failure (D) A- considering  
(E) None of the above

94. In the following question, a sentence is given with a phrase highlighted in bold. Select the option given

below that can replace the phrase in bold to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct and mark that as your answer. If the sentence is correct as it is, mark 'No correction required', as the answer.

The congregation **approved the proposal plan** of renewing the old and damaged chapel.

- (A) approve to the proposal  
(B) approved the proposal  
(C) approve the proposal plan  
(D) approved the proposed  
(E) No correction required

95. In the question given below, a sentence is divided into six parts, where the bold parts are grammatically correct. Out of the other four parts, one of the parts may contain an error. Identify the part that contains the error and mark it as the answer. Ignore errors of punctuation. In case the sentence is correct as it is, mark 'No error' as your answer.

It is more interesting (A)/ to classified strategies (B)/ according to certain categories, (C)/ and **examine/** the success of these (D)/ **broader divisions.**

- (A) A (B) B  
(C) C (D) D  
(E) No error

96. In the following question, two sentences are given with one blank each. Choose the option that provides the correct word that fits in both the blanks.

I. Health and physical energy are good, but you need to take frequent breaks and \_\_\_\_\_ your diet and fitness routines.

II. My dad and I used to \_\_\_\_\_ the sunrise every day.

- (A) Experience (B) Fix  
(C) Miss (D) Watch  
(E) Improve

97. In the following question, two sentences are given with one blank each. Choose the option that provides the correct word that fits in both the blanks.

I. She watched a white \_\_\_\_\_ swoop down into the river next to her.

II. The company has bought the machinery from a nearby town and will install it using a giant \_\_\_\_\_.

- (A) Crane (B) Pulley  
(C) Deny (D) Fish  
(E) Recognize

98. In the following question, two sentences are given with one blank each. Choose the option that provides the correct word that fits in both the blanks.

I. He is so \_\_\_\_\_ that he endures all the beatings of his child and yet does not counteract.

II. The \_\_\_\_\_ who had sudden seizures was taken to the ICU.

- (A) Calm (B) Proactive  
(C) Patient (D) Tender  
(E) Demeanour

99. Which of the following phrases can replace the phrase in bold so as to make the statement correct? If the statement does not need any correction, mark 'No correction required' as your answer.

Keeping his eyes straining, he soon saw the glare now of one eye, then two eyes, as the beast with swaying head crept along the great roof.

- (A) Keep his eyes straining
- (B) Drooping her eyes straining
- (C) Opening his eyes strained
- (D) Closed his eyes straining
- (E) No correction required.

100. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the phrase in bold in the given sentence. If no

substitution is required, select 'No replacement required' as your answer.

Further, land acknowledgments **could diminishing** indigenous sovereignty in ways that are both insidious and often incomprehensible to non-indigenous people.

- (A) Can invades
- (B) Will be mundane
- (C) Can thrive their
- (D) Can undermine
- (E) No replacement required

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