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#### **Reasoning Ability**

Direction(1-3): In the following questions assuming the given statement to be true, find which of the conclusion(s) among given conclusions is/are definitely true and then give your answers accordingly.

1). Statement:

 $F \ge G \ge Y$ ; Q > A > S; Y = U > I;  $S = D \le F$ 

Conclusion:

I. F > I

II. Q > U

- (a) Only I follows (b) Only II follows
- (c) Either I or II follows (d) Neither I nor II follows
- (e) Both I and II follow
- 2). Statement:

 $H \ge G \ge V$ ;  $M \le L < K$ ; N = B > H;  $K = J \ge N$ 

Conclusion:

I. V < K

II. J ≤ M

- (a) Only I follows (b) Only II follows
- (c) Either I or II follows (d) Neither I nor II follows
- (e) Both I and II follow
- 3). Statement:

 $H = J \ge M$ ;  $D \le C = V$ ;  $G < B = N \le H$ ; V > F = G

Conclusion:

I. C > N

II. J > F

- (a) Only I follows (b) Only II follows
- (c) Either I or II follows (d) Neither I nor II follows
- (e) Both I and II follow

Direction(4-8): Study the following data carefully and answer the questions accordingly. Six people are born in six different years i. 1941, 1948, 1956, 1970, 1984, and 2001 but not necessarily in the same order. The age is calculated according to the present year i. 2021. At least two people are older than T. L is older than

M but not the oldest. K is born near H. The age of G is a multiple of 5. At least two people are younger than L. Two people are born between K and M, who are not the oldest. Two people are born between H and G.

- **4).** Who among the following is the youngest?
- (a) L (b) T (c) M (d) H (e) None of these
- **5).** Who among the following is born in 1956?
- (a) H (b) G (c) K (d) T (e) None of these
- 6). What is the sum of the ages of H and G?
- (a) 57 years (b) 153 years (c) 88 years
- (d) 131 years (e) None of these
- 7). How many letters are there in the English alphabetical series between the youngest and the oldest one?
- (a) Three (b) Eight (c) Nine (d) Five
- (e) None of these
- 8). Four from the following are similar in a certain way and forms a group. Find out the one, which does not belong to that group.
- (a) M (b) H (c) G (d) K (e) L

Direction(9-13): Study the digit-letter sequence carefully and answer the questions given below:

M1NQ3W4A8ZX7REP5LO9GF0US 2TK6BC

- 9). How many consonants are there which are immediately followed by a number and immediately preceded by a letter?
- (a) Four (b) Six (c) Five (d) Seven
- (e) None of these
- **10).** If all the vowels are removed from the given series then which amongst the following element is twelfth from the left end?
- (a) 7 (b) X (c) R (d) P (e) None of these
- 11). Which amongst the following element is ninth to the left of the seventeenth element from the left end?
- (a) Q (b) A (c) W (d) 4 (e) None of these

- **12).** How many numbers are there which are immediately followed by a vowel?
- (a) Three (b) None (c) One (d) Two
- (e) None of these
- 13). If all the even numbers are removed from the given series then which amongst the following element is fifteenth from the right end? (0 is considered as an even number)
- (a) E (b) P (c) R (d) 5 (e) None of these

Direction(14-15): Study the digit-letter sequence carefully and answer the questions given below:

T1YVA9BN2LPO5KW4ZDFC6GU3 H7JE8M

- **14).** If all the odd numbers are removed from the given series then which amongst the following element is seventeenth element from the left end?
- (a) F (b) 6 (c) C (d) G (e) None of these
- **15).** If last ten elements are removed from the given series then which amongst the following letter is eleventh from the right end?
- (a) 2 (b) P (c) L (d) O (e) None of these

Direction (16-18): Study the following information and answer the given questions.

A is walking towards the south and stops after covering 5m. Then he turns to his left and walks 10m and again turns to his right. After walking for 5m he turns to his left and walks for 7m and reaches his destination. B is standing a few meters away from the final position of A. B starts walking to his East and turns to his left after covering 5m. He walks for 2m and then turns to his right and walks for 4m. He then turns to his left and walks for 2m to reach his destination.

- **16).** In which direction is A's final position with respect to B's final position?
- (a) North-West (b) South-West (c) South
- (d) West (e) North-East
- 17). If the distance between A's final position and B's starting position is 3m, what is the total distance between A's fourth position and B's second position (note: First position is the starting position)?
- (a) 12m (b) 10m (c) 8m (d) 15m (e) 17m
- **18).** In which direction is A's second position with respect to B's fourth position?
- (a) North (b) West (c) East (d) South
- (e) None of the above

Direction(19-20): Study the following information and answer the given questions. In a family of seven members and three generations only person is unmarried It is known that either both or none of the parents of each member is alive A is married to J, who is the father of two children of different gender. Z is the daughter of D, who is the sister of X. H is the wife of X. A is the grandmother of Z. O is married male person and does not belong to the third generation.

- 19). How is X related to Z?
- (a) Uncle (b) Aunt (c) Brother (d) Father
- (e) None of the above
- 20). How is O related to A?
- (a) Father (b) Brother (c) Son in law
- (d) Daughter (e) Mother

Direction (21-25): Study the following information carefully and answer the following question.

Eight people i. , A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H born on 12th and 17th of four different months i. , February, April, June, July. All the information is not necessarily in the same order. B was born on 17th in the month having 30 days. Three people were born between B and H. Number of people were born before H is one more than the number of people born after G. Two people were born between G and A. C was born on an even numbered datThree people sit between C and D was born in the month having 30 days. E was born before after A.

- 21). Who was born on 12th February?
- (a) D (b) F (c) G (d) A (e) None of these
- **22).** How many people were born between G and D?
- (a) One (b) Three (c) None (d) Two (e) Four
- 23). E was born on which of the following dates?
- (a) 12th April (b) 12th June (c) 17th June
- (d) 17th February (e) None of these
- **24).** Number of people born after B is same as before .
- (a) H (b) C (c) E (d) A (e) None of these
- 25). Fine the odd one.
- (a) D (b) A (c) F (d) H (e) C

Direction (26-30): Study the following information and answer the given questions.

Twelve people are sitting in two parallel rows. A, B,

C, D, E and F are sitting in row - 1 and facing south and T, U, V, W, X, and Y are sitting in row - 2 and facing north such that the people sitting in row - 1 are sitting opposite to the people sitting in row - 2. All the information is not necessarily in the same order.

Three people sit between C and the one who sits opposite to W. Y sits to the immediate right of W. Two people sit between A and the one who sits opposite to W. T sits second to the right of the one who sits opposite to A. Only one person sits between D and the one who sits opposite to U. One person sits between U and V. Two people sit between X and the one who sits opposite Two people sit between E and E does not sit opposite to U. F does not sit opposite to T.

- **26).** Who sits to the immediate left of the one who sits opposite to F?
- (a) X (b) U (c) V (d) W (e) T
- **27).** How many people sit between T and the one who sits opposite to F?
- (a) One (b) None (c) Three (d) Two (e) Four
- 28). What is the position of W with respect to V?
- (a) Immediate right (b) Immediate left
- (c) Fourth to the left (d) Third to the right
- (e) None of these
- 29). Who sits opposite to A?
- (a) V (b) X (c) U (d) T (e) None of these
- **30).** Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and hence form a group. Which of the following does not belong to that group?
- (a) W (b) D (c) V (d) E (e) T

Direction(31-35): Study the following data carefully and answer the questions accordingly. Eleven people live in an eleven-story building. The ground floor is numbered 1 and the top floor is numbered 11. Five people live between R and G, where G lives above R. Seven people live between R and H. N lives near H. W lives near N. Five people live between W and S. Three people live between R and S. Two people live between R and K. Q lives immediately below F. P lives above O.

- 31). Who among the following lives at the top?
- (a) N (b) W (c) H (d) U (e) None of these
- 32). Who lives on the sixth floor?
- (a) S (b) P (c) G (d) O (e) None of these
- 33). How many people live below K?

- (a) One (b) Two (c) Three (d) Four
- (e) None of these
- 34). Who lives immediately above O?
- (a) S (b) H (c) P (d) G (e) None of these
- 35). Find the odd one.
- (a) Q (b) K (c) N (d) P (e) G

#### **Numerical Ability**

Direction (1-9): What will come in the place of the question mark (?) in the following question?

1). 
$$\sqrt{34225} \times \sqrt{3721} - 862 = ?2 + 492 - 1321$$

- (a) 74 (b) 63 (c) 43 (d) 62 (e) 53
- **2).**  $(-253) \times 22 \times (-13) \div ? = 144.716$
- (a) 5000 (b) 500 (c) 2500 (d) 600
- (e) None of these
- **3).** (0. 0686 ÷ 0. 2)4 ÷ (0. 0049 × 100)8 × (0. 07 × 7)7 = (0. 49)? –2
- (a) 3 (b) 5 (c) 9 (d) 7 (e) None of these
- 4).  $108\frac{1}{2}\%$  of 224 +  $91\frac{2}{2}\%$  of 284 = ?
- (a) 503 (b) 509 (c) 620 (d) 600 (e) 524

5). 
$$(\sqrt{5} + 13)2 = ?1/3 + 2\sqrt{845} + 170$$

- (a) 74 (b) 27 (c) 64 (d) 125 (e) 216
- **6).**  $(0.001)3 \div (0.01)2 \times (0.1)2 = (0.1)? -3$
- (a) 12 (b) 20 (c) 15 (d) 30 (e) 10
- 7).  $1088 \div (32\% 680) = 30 \times 2\frac{1}{12}$  of 10% of (? ÷ 40)
- (a) 36 (b) 24 (c) 64 (d) 32 (e) 42
- 8).  $\sqrt{17^2 + 48 \div 4 7^2 + 109}$
- (a) 361 (b) 441 (c) 29 (d) 23 (e) None of these

9). 
$$\frac{15}{2}$$
 of  $\frac{5}{32}$  of 40% of 680 = ?

- (a) 320. 5 (b) 250. 75 (c) 318 . 75 (d) 225. 75
- (e) None of these
- 10). Sandeep deposited two same amounts in two different banks ICICI and HDFC, one at compound interest, compounded semi-annually and the other at simple interest, both at 20% per annum. If after one year, the compound interest obtained from ICICI is Rs. 400 more than the simple interest obtained from HDFC bank, then what is the amount Sandeep deposited in each bank?
- (a) Rs. 80,000 (b) Rs. 60,000 (c) Rs. 40,000
- (d) Rs. 20,000 (e) None of these
- 11). Abhishek distributed his total wealth of Rs 65,250 between his two sons, aged 14 years and 16 years respectively. The amount of elder son was invested at compound interest at the rate of 10% p. a. compounded annually and that of younger son was invested at simple interest at the same ratThey got equal sum of money at the age of 18 years. Find share of younger son in the wealth.
- (a) Rs. 30,250 (b) Rs. 35,000 (c) Rs. 31,250
- (d) Rs. 32,250 (e) None of these

Direction(12-13): In the following question two lead equations are given in variables x and y. You have to solve these equations and determine the relation between x and y.

**12).** I. 
$$2x^2 + 7x - 4 = 0$$

II. 
$$2y^2 - 25y + 12 = 0$$

(a) 
$$x > y$$
 (b)  $x \le y$  (c)  $x < y$  (d)  $x \ge y$ 

(e) x = y or relationship between x and y can't be established

**13).** I. 
$$12x^2 - 19x + 4 = 0$$

II. 
$$5y^2 + 11y - 12 = 0$$

(a) 
$$x > y$$
 (b)  $x \le y$  (c)  $x < y$  (d)  $x \ge y$ 

- (e) x = y or relationship between x and y can't be established
- **14).** Arjun and Prashant together started a business with investment of Rs. X and Rs. Y, respectively. 2 years after starting the business, Jagdish also joined them with investment of Rs. (x + y + 2000). After completion of three years of business, Arjun increased his investment by 20% and Prashant decreased his investment by 30%. After completion of 4 years, the respective ratio of profit shares of Arjun, Prashant and Jagdish became 35:37:50. Find the difference between the initial investments made by Arjun and Prashant.

- (a) Rs. 800 (b) Rs. 400 (c) Rs. 500 (d) Rs. 1000
- (e) Rs. 200
- **15).** The speed of two trains A and B are 54 km/h and 36 km/h respectively. Train A can cross a pole in 16 seconds and train B can cross a pole in 30 seconds. Find the time taken by train and train B to cross each other when they are running in opposite direction.
- (a) 18. 4 seconds (b) 20. 5 seconds
- (c) 24 seconds (d) 21. 6 seconds
- (e) None of these
- **16).** A, B and C together can complete a piece of work in 12 days and the ratio of the efficiency of A, B and C is 1:2:3 respectively. If A and B started the work and worked for 12 days after that B left the work and the remaining work is done by A and C, for how many days did C work?
- (a) 12 days (b) 9 days (c) 8 days (d) 10 days
- (e) 15 days
- 17). A boat travelled along the stream a distance of 144 km at speed of (s 6) km/hour and then come back at speed of (s + 6) km/hour. The time taken to travel upstream took 2 hours more than the time taken to travel downstream. Find the time taken by boat for a round trip of same distance if speed of boat in still water is reduced by 40%.
- (a) 18 hours (b) 15 hours (c) 21 hours
  - (d) 12 hours (e) 14. 4 hours
  - **18).** A mixture of milk and water contains 120 litres milk and the quantity of the water is 40% less than the quantity of milk. If some quantity of milk is added in the mixture, the ratio of milk to water becomes 7:3. Find the quantity of the milk in the resultant mixture.
  - (a) 150 litres (b) 168 litres (c) 144 litres
  - (d) 160 litres (e) None of these
  - 19). Rahul's employer increases his salary every year by 8% in month of July. If there is no increase and reduction in the salary in 2019 and his salary in July 2019 was Rs. 18,225. What was his salary in June 2017?
  - (a) Rs. 19525 (b) Rs. 18875 (c) Rs. 15625
  - (d) Rs. 20625 (e) None of these
  - 20). Ten years ago, Rahul's age was equal to the Manisha's present aglf the sum of Rahul's age 12 years from now and Manisha's age eight years ago is 78. What was the Abhishek's age eight years ago, if Abhishek is ten years younger to Manisha?
  - (a) 22 years (b) 14 years (c) 32 years
  - (d) 18 years (e) 20 years

- **21).** Sophie divided 29 by 6, 63 by 12, 57 by 15 and 91 by 18. She got some fractional parts in each division, what is the LCM of the fractional parts?
- (a) 60 (b) 120 (c) 20 (d) 15 (e) None of these
- 22). The ratio of number of apples to number of oranges sold by a shopkeeper is 24:19, while the ratio of number of oranges to number of guavas sold by the same shopkeeper is 6:17. If the selling price of each apple, each orange and each guava is Rs. 20, Rs. 10, and Rs. 5, respectively, then the revenue generated by the shopkeeper is Rs. 11270. Find the number of oranges sold by the shopkeeper.
- (a) 228 (b) 234 (c) 232 (d) 240 (e) 210
- 23). The cost price of an article is 67. 5% of the marked price and shopkeeper earns Rs. 270 after given 19% discount. If the shopkeeper wants to earn 32% profit, how much discount should be given by the shopkeeper?
- (a) 9. 9% (b) 11. 5% (c) 10. 9% (d) 12. 4%
- (e) None of these
- 24). A tank can be filled individually by two pipes A and B in 100 minutes and 50 minutes respectively.

  Another pipe C, can fill the tank in 90 minutes. The two pipes A and B are opened and after 21 minutes pipe C is also opened, then after what time from the opening of pipe C the tank becomes guru Individually.
- (a) 8th minute (b) 7th minute (c) 9th minute
- (d) 10th minute (e) Can't be determined

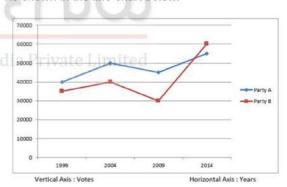
Direction (25-29): In the following questions 3 series are given. You have to find the value of a, b and c by identifying the pattern of the series and then you have to establish the relation among a, b and c?

- 25). (i) 4, 8, 32, a, 1536, 15360
  - (ii) 850, 650, 550, b, 475, 462. 5
  - (iii) 187, 188, c, 201, 217, 242
- (a) b > a > c (b) a = c < b (c) a < b > c
- (d) b > c < a (e) c > a < b
- 26). (i). 13, 25, 40, a, 79, 103
  - (ii), 6, 7, 9, 13, 21, 37, b
  - (iii). 100, c, 28, 16, 10, 7
- (a) a < c = b (b) c < a < b (c) a = b < c
- (d) a > c > b (e) c > a < b
- **27).** (i). 606, 201, a, 21, 6, 1

- (ii). 9, 14. 5, 25, 40. 5, b, 86. 5
- (iii). 8, 9, 20, c, 256, 1285
- (a) a > b = c (b) c < a < b (c) a > c > b
- (d) a = b > c (e) a > b > c
- **28).** (i). 220, 108, 52, a, 10, 3
  - (ii). b, 43, 26, 41, 28, 39
  - (iii). 2, 3, 7, c, 89, 446
- (a) a > b = c (b) c < a > b (c) b > a > c
- (d) a = b > c (e) a > b > c
- **29).** (i). 7, 7, 21, a, 735, 6615
  - (ii). 9, 10, 18, 27, b, 116
  - (iii), 40000, 8000, 2000, 400, c, 20, 5
- (a) c > a > b (b) a > c > b (c) a = b > c
- (d) a = b < c (e) a = c < b

Direction(30-35): Study the line graph carefully and answer the given questions.

Number of valid votes the recent elections in city X is shown in the line chart below.



Note: The valid votes are considered in winning or losing. Invalid votes are discard

- **30).** In 1999's election there were 20% invalid votes and 50% of the eligible voters didn't votHow many eligible voters were there in the city X?
- (a) 187500 (b) 93750 (c) 150000 (d) 287000
- (e) 98000
- **31).** Find the ratio of the total valid votes of 2004 to 2009.
- (a) 11:10 (b) 5:6 (c) 8:7 (d) 6:5
- (e) None of the above
- **32).** In 2004 there were total 100000 votes counteDue to some reason at first 50% of the invalid votes were counted in favour of party B though later on it was corrected by the officials. Find the increase in number of valid votes for party B due to miscalculation.

- (a) 6500 (b) 7000 (c) 8000 (d) 4500
- (e) None of the above
- **33).** What was the highest winning margin in the four elections?
- (a) 2004 Party A by 15000 votes
- (b) 1999 party B by 10000 votes
- (c) 2009 party A by 15000 votes
- (d) 2014 party A by 5000 votes
- (e) 2014 party B by 10000 votes
- **34).** Difference between the average number of valid votes the two parties got in the four elections.
- (a) 6250 (b) 5250 (c) 7500 (d) 8000 (e) 4590
- **35).** In 2016 due to some unfortunate reason the leader of the ruling party passed away. So, due to that reason the election held once again. This time the number of eligible voters was 50% of the total voters in 1999. This time the ruling party won the vote by 6250 votes. If party A got 23750 votes then how many people did not vote?
- (a) 42000 (b) 32000 (c) 35000 (d) 40000
- (e) Cannot be determined

### English Language

Direction(1-4): Read the sentence to find out whether there is an error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence The number corresponding to that part will be your answer. If the given sentence is correct as given, mark option E, i. "No error" as the answer. Ignore the errors of punctuation.

- It is a national shame that even several (1)/ decades after independence, the country (2)/ has not been able to free itself of (3)/ the problem of hunger and malnutrition. (4)
- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) No error
- A current account is a deposit account (1)/ that is offered by banks mainly (2)/ to firms and companies who (3)/ need banking facilities very frequently. (4)/ No error (5)
- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) 5
- The Reserve Bank of India has (1)/ printed sixteen million banknotes (2)/ this year but this is (3)/ less the total number require(4) /No error (5)
- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) No error
- **4).** The committee has (1)/ asked for more information and (2)/ will again consider (3)/ the entries on the next meeting. (4)

(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) No error

Direction(5-6): In the given statement some words have been highlight These words may not be at the correct place making the sentence grammatically and contextually incorrect. Choose the option which represents the correct sequence of words, which will make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. If the sentence is correct as it is, choose E i. 'No change required' as your answer.

- There is no clear determinant (A) for determining when (B) a person becomes an adult (C).
- (a) CAB (b) BCA (c) ACB (d) CBA
- (e) No change required
- **6).** New technology disturbed (A) new resources for which the requires (B) balance is ecological (C).
- (a) BCA (b) CBA (c) ACB (d) BCA
- (e) No change required

Direction(7-9): In the given question, four words are printed in bold and are numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4. Of these, the positions of two of these words may be incorrect and need to be exchanged to make the sentence correct. Find the two words which need to be exchange In case the given sentence is correct, your answer is (E), i. 'No exchange required'.

- The heavy resulted (1) have Monsoons (2) in one of the most (3) fulfilling harvests (4) of the decade.
- (a) 1-2 (b) 2-3 (c) 3-4 (d) 1-4
- (e) No exchange required
- 8). The roses destroyed (1) beautifully (2), only to be bloomed (3) by the heavy (4) rain that same evening.
- (a) 1-2 (b) 2-3 (c) 1-3 (d) 1-4
- (e) No exchange required
- Irrespective (1) of what was capable (2) said about him, his friends refused (3) to believe that he was being (4) of committing the crime.
- (a) 1-4 (b) 2-4 (c) 1-3 (d) 3-4
- (e) No exchange required
- 10). In the given question, a part of the sentence is printed in bolBelow the sentence, alternatives to the emboldened part are given as (A), (B), (C) and (D), which may help improve the sentencChoose the correct alternative out of the given options. In view of the prevalent pandemic across the globe, the UN chief exclaimed that none of us are safe until all of us are safe!

- (a) Neither of us are safe (b) Either of us is safe
- (c) None of us is safe (d) Neither of we is safe

Direction(11-14): In the given question, a part of the sentence is printed in bold Below the sentence, alternatives to the emboldened part are given as (A. , (, (and (, which may help improve the sentence Choose the correct alternative out of the given five options. In case the given sentence is correct, your answer will be option (, i. , "No correction required".

- **11).** Harry warned his wife not to jabber away at the wedding because it would shut him off.
- (a) Set out off (b) Set him off (c) Set his off
- (d) Make him off (e) No correction required
- **12).** By the time the group reached its destination, four people died during the grueling expedition.
- (a) Had been dying during the grueling expedition
- (b) Have died during the grueling expedition
- (c) Had died during the grueling expedition
- (d) Were dying during the grueling expedition
- (e) No correction required
- Individuals which are serious about becoming doctors should be prepared to traverse a demanding educational journey.
- (a) Individuals those are serious about
- (b) Individuals who are serious about
- (c) Individual who are serious about
- (d) Individuals that are serious about
- (e) No correction required
- **14).** I have not visited the area for my childhood days and I noticed last summer how everything had changed.
- (a) I have not visited the area since
- (b) I had not visited the area since
- (c) I will not visit the area since
- (d) I had not visited the area from
- (e) No correction required

Direction (15-22) Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow. Certain words are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of these.

According to the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, four million Americans quit their jobs in July 2021. Resignations peaked in April and have remained abnormally high for the last several months, with a record-breaking 10. 9 million open jobs at the end of July. How can employers retain people in the face of this tidal wave of resignations?

Addressing the \_\_\_\_\_ causes of these staggering statistics start with better understanding them. To explore exactly who has been driving this recent shift, a team conducted an in-depth analysis of more than nine million employee records from more than 4,000 companies. This global dataset included employees from a wide variety of industries, functions, and levels of experience, and it revealed key trends.

Employees between 30 and 45 years old have had the greatest increase in resignation rates, with an average increase of more than 20% between 2020 and 2021. While turnover is typically highest among younger employees, our study found that over the last year, resignations actually decreased for workers in the 20 to 25 age range (likely due to a combination of their greater financial uncertainty and reduced demand for entry-level workers). Interestingly, resignation rates also fell for those in the 60 to 70 age group, while employees in the 25 to 30 and 45+ age groups experienced slightly higher resignation rates than in 2020 (but not as significant an increase as that of the 30-45 group).

There are a few factors that can help to explain why the increase in resignations has been largely driven by these mid-level employees. First, it's possible that the shift to remote work has led employers to feel that hiring people with little experience would be riskier than usual since new employees won't have the benefit of in-person training and guidancThis would create greater demand for mid-career employees, thus giving them greater leverage in securing new positions.

It's also possible that many of these mid-level employees may have delayed transitioning out of their roles due to the uncertainty caused by the pandemic, meaning that the boost we've seen over the last several months could be the result of more than a year's worth of pent-up resignations.

And of course, many of these workers may have simply reached a breaking point after months and months of high workloads, hiring freezes, and other silent pressures, causing them to rethink their work and life goals.

- **15).** Which of the following is true as per the passage?
  - I. Employees between the age 30-45 resigned the most.
  - II. The said group's resignation increased by 10 percent between 2020 and 2021
  - III. The rate of resignations decreased for workers aged 20-25
- (a) Only I (b) Only II (c) Both I and II
- (d) Both I and III (e) All I, II and III
- **16).** Which of the following is false as per the passage?
  - I. As per the passage, 6 million workers quit their jobs in the month of July 2021
  - II. The study included employee records from more than 6,000 companies.

III. The rate of resignation was highest during the month of April.	<b>22).</b> Which of the following words will fill in the blank in the passage?
(a) Only I (b) Only II (c) Only III (d) Both I and II (e) All I, II and III	Addressing the causes of these staggering statistics start with better understanding them.
	(a) Abnormally (b) Jolly (c) Spiteful (d) Astutely
<b>17).</b> Which of the following words has a similar meaning to the word highlighted in the passage?	(e) Root
Key	Direction(23-26): In the following question, a
<ul><li>(a) Useless</li><li>(b) Important</li><li>(c) Defective</li><li>(d) Puzzling</li><li>(e) Helpless</li></ul>	sentence with four words printed in bold is given. These words are numbered as (1), (2), (3) and (4). One of these four words may either be misspelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence Find
<b>18).</b> Which of the following words has an opposite meaning to the word highlighted in the passage?	out the word(s) that is wrongly spelt or inappropriate and mark the relevant option as your answer. If all the words printed in bold are correct, mark option (E), i. 'No error', as the answer.
Silent	<b>23).</b> Rueben saw a mamoth (1) dog lying (2) in front (3) of Mr Joshi's mansion (4).
<ul><li>(a) Loud (b) Feigned (c) Weak (d) Joyous</li><li>(e) Mature</li></ul>	(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) No error
	<b>24).</b> If there is a big earthquake (1), we
<b>19).</b> Why did the rate of resignation decrease between the age group of 20-25?	will spreent (2) to the open field (3) behind our building (4)
(a) Due to a situation of financial uncertainty and less amount of entry-level work.	(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) No error
(b) The company treated the young employees with respect.	<b>25).</b> He complained (1) a list (2) of everybody who was willing (3) to help during this crisis (4).
(c) The company gave incentives so that they do not resign from their posts.	(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) No error
(d) This age group has college debt to repay and thus	nula i i ivate billitet
needs the jo (e) None of above	<b>26).</b> Anticipating (1) a long winter (2), Mr Takeshi bought (3) a bigger heater (4) for his room
	(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) All are correct
<b>20).</b> Which of the following reasons led to a rise in resignation among mid-level employees (30-45 age group)?	Direction(27-30): In the given question, a statement has been divided into five segments,
(a) The increase in demand due to the pandemic gave them greater bargaining power.	each of which is denoted by (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E).
(b) This is a result of pent-up resignation wave which was delayed due to uncertainty.	<b>27).</b> Rearrange all the segments to form a coherent statement.
(c) Many workers have reached their breaking point.	A) of web applications
(d) Extreme amount workload led them to rethink their work and life goals.	B) Rena wants to pursue
(e) All of the abov	C) a career in Computer Science,
	D) while continuing independent
21). Why due to remote work, were companies sceptical about hiring people with little experience?	E) research on security
(a) They will ask for more money due to the pandemi	(a) ABCDE (b) BADCE (c) ACDEB (d) DACEB
<b>(b)</b> They will be untrustworthy and can resign at any moment.	(e) BCDEA
(c) They won't be able to complete the paperwork due to the 'working in remote' situation.	28). A) as many as 2 lakh students
(d) They will lack the in-person training and guidance from the company.	B) seek admission to various undergraduate

(e) None of the abov

C) courses in Calicut University,

- D) which has a jurisdiction over
- E) six of the 14 districts in the State
- (a) ACBDE (b) ADBCE (c) ABCDE (d) BDCEA
- (e) DCBEA
- 29). A) to the worsening impacts of climate change
  - B) the committee will hear pleas to make
  - C) deeper cuts of emissions of heat-trapping
  - D) gases and give poorer countries more
  - E) money to develop cleaner energy and adapt

- (a) BCDEA (b) ACBDE (c) ABCDE (d) DECAB (e) ABDEC
- 30). A) Ruskin Bond, Hindi writer
  - B) the Sahitya Akademi Fellowship
  - C) Vinod Kumar Shukla and six others
  - D) eminent English author
  - E) were on Saturday selected for
- (a) ABCDE (b) BADCE (c) ACDEB (d) DACEB
- (e) BCDEA

