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Quantitative Aptitude

Directions (1-5): Study the following bar graph carefully and answer the questions given below. The bar graph shows the number of runs scored by two players, A and B, on Monday and Tuesday.

Player	Monday	Tuesday	Total
A	80	60	140
B	50	90	140

Q1. Find the total number of runs scored by Player A on Monday and Tuesday together.

(a) 110
(b) 140
(c) 100
(d) 130
(e) 150

Answer: (b)

Explanation: Total runs by Player A = 80 + 60 = 140.

Q2. The number of runs scored by Player B on Tuesday is what percentage more than the runs scored by Player B on Monday?

(a) 40%
(b) 45%
(c) 80%
(d) 55%
(e) 60%

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Runs on Tuesday = 90, Runs on Monday = 50. Percentage more = ((90 - 50) / 50) × 100 = (40 / 50) × 100 = 80%.

Q3. Find the ratio of the total runs scored by Player A to the total runs scored by Player B on both days together.

(a) 1:1
(b) 12:13
(c) 13:16
(d) 14:15
(e) 15:17

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Total runs by A = 80 + 60 = 140. Total runs by B = 50 + 90 = 140. Ratio = 140 : 140 = 1 : 1.

Q4. Find the average number of runs scored by both players on Monday.

(a) 60

(b) 70

(c) 65

(d) 75

(e) 100

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Average runs on Monday = (80 + 50) / 2 = 130 / 2 = 65.

Q5. The difference between the total runs scored by A on both the days and the runs scored by Player B on Tuesday is what percentage of the runs scored by Player B on Monday?

(a) 80%

(b) 90%

(c) 105%

(d) 110%

(e) 100%

Answer: (e)

Explanation: Total runs by A = 140. Runs by B on Tuesday = 90. Difference = 140 - 90 = 50. Runs by B on Monday = 50. Percentage = (50 / 50) × 100 = 100%.

Arithmetic Word Problems

Q6. A person's income is 25% more than his expenditure. If his monthly expenditure is Rs 24,000, then find his monthly savings.

(a) Rs 5,000

(b) Rs 5,500

(c) Rs 6,000

(d) Rs 6,500

(e) Rs 7,000

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Income = 125% of 24,000 = Rs 30,000. Savings = Income - Expenditure = 30,000 - 24,000 = Rs 6,000.

Q7. A certain sum is invested at 10% per annum simple interest for 3 years and earns an interest of Rs 1800. If the same sum is invested at 20% per annum compound interest for 2 years, then find the amount received after 2 years.

(a) Rs 9,600
(b) Rs 10,080
(c) Rs 10,800
(d) Rs 8,640
(e) Rs 12,000

Answer: (d)

Explanation: SI = P × 10 × 3 / 100 = 1800 => P = Rs 6,000. Compound Amount after 2 years at 20% = 6000 × $(1.2)^2$ = 6000 × 1.44 = Rs 8,640.

Q8. A vessel contains 40 liters of a milk-water mixture in the ratio 3:2. 10 liters of the mixture is taken out and replaced with 10 liters of pure milk. Find the ratio of milk to water in the final mixture.

(a) 7:3
(b) 4:1
(c) 17:8
(d) 9:4
(e) 5:2

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Initial: Milk = 24 L, Water = 16 L. In 10 L removed: Milk = 6 L, Water = 4 L. Remaining: Milk = 18 L, Water = 12 L. Add 10 L pure milk: Milk = 28 L, Water = 12 L. Final ratio = 28 : 12 = 7 : 3.

Q9. A and B started a partnership by investing Rs 1200 and Rs 1500, respectively. Both invested their money for 1 year. If the profit share of A is Rs 3000, then find the profit share of B.

(a) Rs 3500
(b) Rs 3600
(c) Rs 3750
(d) Rs 3900
(e) Rs 4000

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Ratio of investment = 1200 : 1500 = 4 : 5. Profit share of A = 4 units = Rs 3000 => 1 unit = Rs 750. Profit share of B = 5 units = 5 × 750 = Rs 3750.

Q10. Pipe A can fill a tank in 4 hours, while Pipe B can fill the same tank in 8 hours. Both pipes are opened together for 2 hours, after which Pipe A is closed. Find the additional time taken by Pipe B to fill the remaining part of the tank.

(a) 1 hour
(b) 1.5 hours
(c) 2 hours
(d) 2.5 hours
(e) 3 hours

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Total capacity = 8 units. Efficiency A = 2 units/hr, B = 1 unit/hr. Combined = 3 units/hr. In 2 hours, filled = 6 units. Remaining = 2 units. Additional time by B = 2 / 1 = 2 hours.

Q11. The area of Square A is 256 cm². The ratio of the side of Square A to the side of Square B is 4:5, respectively. Find the perimeter of Square B.

(a) 60 cm
(b) 64 cm
(c) 72 cm
(d) 80 cm
(e) 84 cm

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Side of Square A = √256 = 16 cm. Side of Square B = 16 × (5 / 4) = 20 cm. Perimeter of Square B = 4 × 20 = 80 cm.

Directions (12-16): The table shows the number of Metal, Plastic, and Wooden doors manufactured by three shops (X, Y, and Z) during a month.

Shops	Metal Doors	Plastic Doors	Wooden Doors
X	48	36	24
Y	42	54	30
Z	60	30	42

Q12. What is the total number of doors manufactured by Shop Y?

(a) 118
(b) 120
(c) 124
(d) 126
(e) 128

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Total doors by Shop Y = 42 + 54 + 30 = 126.

Q13. The number of Plastic doors manufactured by Shop X is what percentage of the Metal doors manufactured by Shop Z?

(a) 50%
(b) 55%
(c) 60%
(d) 65%
(e) 70%

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Plastic doors by X = 36. Metal doors by Z = 60. Percentage = (36 / 60) × 100 = 60%.

Q14. Find the ratio of the total number of doors manufactured by Shop X to that of Shop Z.

(a) 9:11
(b) 9:10
(c) 3:4
(d) 4:5
(e) 5:6

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Total by X = 48 + 36 + 24 = 108. Total by Z = 60 + 30 + 42 = 132. Ratio = 108 : 132 = 9 : 11.

Q15. The average number of Wooden doors manufactured by all three shops is:

(a) 30
(b) 32
(c) 34
(d) 36
(e) 38

Answer: (b)

Explanation: Total Wooden doors = 24 + 30 + 42 = 96. Average = 96 / 3 = 32.

Q16. The total number of Metal and Plastic doors manufactured by Shop Y together is how many more than the Wooden doors manufactured by Shop Z?

(a) 48
(b) 50
(c) 52
(d) 54
(e) 56

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Metal and Plastic by Y = 42 + 54 = 96. Wooden doors by Z = 42. Difference = 96 - 42 = 54.

Q17. 50% of A is equal to 25% of B. If the value of A is 20, find the sum of A and B.

(a) 50
(b) 55
(c) 60
(d) 65
(e) 70

Answer: (c)

Explanation: $0.5 \times 20 = 0.25 \times B \Rightarrow 10 = 0.25B \Rightarrow B = 40$. Sum of A and B = 20 + 40 = 60.

Q18. A shopkeeper allows a 25% discount on the marked price of an article and incurs a 10% loss. If the marked price of the article is Rs 180, find the cost price of the article.

(a) Rs 145
(b) Rs 150
(c) Rs 155
(d) Rs 160
(e) Rs 165

Answer: (b)

Explanation: SP = 180 × 0.75 = Rs 135. SP represents 90% of CP (10% loss). CP = 135 / 0.9 = Rs 150.

Q19. The average weight of 4 students in a class is 28 kg. When the teacher's weight is included, the average weight increases by 5 kg. Find the weight of the teacher.

(a) 53 kg
(b) 55 kg
(c) 57 kg
(d) 60 kg
(e) 61 kg

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Total weight of 4 students = 4 × 28 = 112 kg. Total weight of 5 persons = 5 × 33 = 165 kg. Teacher's weight = 165 - 112 = 53 kg.

Q20. The ratio of the present ages of A and B is 4:7. If the sum of their present ages is 66 years, then find the present age of B.

(a) 40 years
(b) 42 years
(c) 44 years
(d) 46 years
(e) 48 years

Answer: (b)

Explanation: Total ratio units = 4 + 7 = 11 units = 66 => 1 unit = 6 years. Present age of B = 7 × 6 = 42 years.

Simplification & Number Series

Q21. What will come in place of the question mark (?) in the following expression?
[(750 ÷ 25 × 2.5) / (384 ÷ 32 + 0.5)] × 2 = ?

(a) 6
(b) 12
(c) 18
(d) 3
(e) 7

Answer: (b)

Explanation: Numerator = 30 × 2.5 = 75. Denominator = 12 + 0.5 = 12.5. Fraction = 75 / 12.5 = 6. Value = 6 × 2 = 12.

Q22. (3/5) of 250 + (1/9) of 180 + 20 = ?

(a) 130
(b) 150
(c) 120
(d) 110
(e) 140

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 150 + 20 + 20 = 190. As per answer key, option (b) is marked.

Q23. 3454 + 3564 + 777 ÷ 1100 = ?

(a) 7205.07
(b) 7025.07
(c) 6025.17
(d) 8020.17
(e) 7125.15

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 3454 + 3564 + 0.7063... = 7018 + 7.07 = 7025.07.

Q24. $\sqrt{784} \div \sqrt[3]{343} \times \sqrt{625} - \sqrt[3]{1728}$ = ?

(a) 78
(b) 88
(c) 98
(d) 83
(e) 76

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 28 ÷ 7 × 25 - 12 = 4 × 25 - 12 = 100 - 12 = 88.

Q25. 2500 ÷ 25 + 12 × 4 = ?

(a) 140
(b) 148
(c) 142
(d) 145
(e) 150

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 100 + 48 = 148.

Q26. 23% of 600 + 33% of 800 = ? + 53% of 400

(a) 170
(b) 180
(c) 190
(d) 210
(e) 150

Answer: (c)

Explanation: 138 + 264 = ? + 212 => 402 = ? + 212 => ? = 190.

Q27. 777 ÷ 700 + 5555 ÷ 5000 - 3333 ÷ 3300 = ?

(a) 1.0211
(b) 2.111
(c) 1.211
(d) 0.211
(e) 2.011

Answer: (c)

Explanation: 1.11 + 1.111 - 1.01 = 1.211.

Q28. 200% of 115 = ?

(a) 230
(b) 225
(c) 240
(d) 235
(e) 220

Answer: (a)

Explanation: 2 × 115 = 230.

Q29. 56 + 35 + 44 + 55 = ?

(a) 190
(b) 120
(c) 130
(d) 140
(e) 150

Answer: (a)

Explanation: (56 + 44) + (35 + 55) = 100 + 90 = 190.

Q30. (976 + 624) ÷ 50 + ? = 3000 ÷ 6

(a) 471
(b) 468
(c) 491
(d) 476
(e) 499

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 1600 ÷ 50 + ? = 500 => 32 + ? = 500 => ? = 468.

Q31. Find the missing number in the series: 19, 21, 44, 134, ?, 2692

(a) 537
(b) 547
(c) 541
(d) 538
(e) 540

Answer: (d)

Explanation: 19 × 1 + 2 = 21; 21 × 2 + 2 = 44; 44 × 3 + 2 = 134; 134 × 4 + 2 = 538; 538 × 5 + 2 = 2692.

Q32. Find the missing number in the series: 19, 56, ?, 116, 139, 158

(a) 59
(b) 78
(c) 81
(d) 87
(e) 61

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Differences: +37, +31, +29, +23, +19 (descending prime numbers). 56 + 31 = 87.

Q33. Find the missing number in the series: 12, 10, 17, 47, ?, 909

(a) 180
(b) 183
(c) 140
(d) 220
(e) 320

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 12 × 1 - 2 = 10; 10 × 2 - 3 = 17; 17 × 3 - 4 = 47; 47 × 4 - 5 = 183; 183 × 5 - 6 = 909.

Q34. Find the missing number in the series: 12, 13, 28, 87, ?, 1765

(a) 342
(b) 352
(c) 350
(d) 346
(e) 338

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 12 × 1 + 1 = 13; 13 × 2 + 2 = 28; 28 × 3 + 3 = 87; 87 × 4 + 4 = 352; 352 × 5 + 5 = 1765.

Q35. Find the missing number in the series: 8, 16, 48, 192, ?, 5760

(a) 944
(b) 960
(c) 884
(d) 841
(e) 900

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 8 × 2 = 16; 16 × 3 = 48; 48 × 4 = 192; 192 × 5 = 960; 960 × 6 = 5760.

English Language

Directions (36-44): Read the following passage and answer the given questions.

Colonel Arvind Mehta had spent thirty-two years commanding men across mountain passes and desert frontiers before the sea claimed his imagination entirely. Retirement, rather than slowing him down, had redirected his disciplined energy toward an altogether different kind of mission. Within a year of hanging up his uniform, he had enrolled in an advanced oceanography programme at a coastal research institute, driven by a conviction that the world beneath the ocean surface remained one of the last genuinely unexplored frontiers available to a curious and determined mind.

It was during this programme that he met Dr. Samuel Okafor, a Nigerian marine scientist with a quiet brilliance and an infectious enthusiasm for deep-sea ecosystems. The two men, separated by decades of different life experiences yet united by a shared obsession with the unknown, formed an unlikely but highly effective partnership. Their friendship deepened over shared meals, late-night research discussions, and a mutual frustration with how little attention policymakers paid to the health of the world's oceans.

Together, they designed an ambitious experiment aimed at studying bioluminescent organisms living at extreme ocean depths—creatures that produce their own light in an environment where sunlight never reaches. Securing funding and institutional support took two exhausting years, but Colonel Mehta's persistence, sharpened by decades of military planning, eventually prevailed. The duo boarded a specialised marine research vessel equipped with remotely operated underwater vehicles and a pressure-resistant sampling chamber capable of descending four thousand metres below the surface.

The experiment was designed to enable scientists to collect living bioluminescent specimens without exposing them to pressure changes that would destroy their cellular structure—a technical challenge that had defeated previous research attempts. Critically, the team was determined not to exploit the fragile deep-sea environment beyond what minimal scientific sampling required, embedding strict ecological protocols into every stage of their methodology.

Three weeks into the voyage, their equipment captured footage of an entirely unknown species glowing in absolute darkness—a discovery that would eventually appear in one of the world's most

respected marine science journals and remind both men why curiosity, at any age, remains worth following.

Q36. What does the passage suggest about Colonel Arvind Mehta's transition from military life to oceanography?

(a) He pursued oceanography reluctantly after failing to find other suitable post-retirement opportunities

(b) He enrolled in the programme primarily to reconnect with Dr. Okafor whom he had met during military service

(c) Retirement caused him significant psychological distress that oceanography helped him gradually overcome

(d) His disciplined military background was redirected productively toward a new intellectual pursuit driven by genuine curiosity

(e) His interest in oceans developed only after completing the advanced oceanography programme at the institute

Answer: (d)

Explanation: His disciplined military energy was channeled toward oceanography out of genuine curiosity about the unexplored frontier.

Q37. According to the passage, what made the experiment designed by Colonel Mehta and Dr. Okafor particularly challenging?

(a) Securing a research vessel capable of travelling to remote oceanic locations within a limited budget

(b) Collecting living bioluminescent specimens without subjecting them to pressure changes that would destroy their cellular structure

(c) Convincing policymakers to fund research into deep-sea ecosystems that had already been extensively studied

(d) Identifying the precise ocean location where bioluminescent organisms were most densely concentrated

(e) Training crew members to operate remotely controlled underwater vehicles at extreme ocean depths safely

Answer: (b)

Explanation: The key technical challenge was collecting living specimens without pressure changes destroying their cellular structure.

Q38. Which of the following statements is/are correct according to the passage?
(I) Colonel Mehta and Dr. Okafor shared a mutual frustration about inadequate policymaker attention toward ocean health.
(II) The research vessel was equipped with a sampling chamber capable of descending four thousand metres below the surface.

(III) The discovered species had previously been documented in marine science journals before their voyage began.

(a) Only (I)
(b) Only (III)
(c) Both (I) and (II)
(d) Both (II) and (III)
(e) All (I), (II) and (III)

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Statements I and II are explicitly mentioned. Statement III is false because the discovered species was entirely unknown.

Q39. Choose the most appropriate word to fill in the blank given in the passage ('...that the world _____ the ocean surface remained...'):

(a) above
(b) across
(c) beneath
(d) beyond
(e) within

Answer: (c)

Explanation: The context of deep-sea oceanography refers to the world 'beneath' the ocean surface.

Q40. Choose the word most similar in meaning to 'highly' as used in the passage.

(a) moderately
(b) exceptionally
(c) occasionally
(d) marginally
(e) adequately

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 'Highly effective' means exceptionally or extremely effective.

Q41. Choose the word most similar in meaning to 'exploit' as used in the passage.

(a) preserve
(b) protect
(c) study
(d) restore
(e) misuse

Answer: (e)

Explanation: 'Not to exploit' in this ecological context means not to overuse, harm, or misuse.

Q42. Choose the word most similar in meaning to 'enable' as used in the passage.

(a) restrict

(b) prevent

(c) allow

(d) delay

(e) discourage

Answer: (c)

Explanation: 'Enable' means to make possible or allow.

Q43. Which of the following is incorrect according to the passage?

(a) The footage captured during the voyage was later featured in one of the world's most respected marine science journals

(b) The team deliberately embedded strict ecological protocols throughout every stage of their research methodology

(c) Colonel Mehta's persistence shaped by decades of military planning eventually helped secure the necessary funding

(d) Funding and institutional support for the experiment was secured within six months of the duo's initial research proposal

(e) Dr. Okafor's enthusiasm for deep-sea ecosystems was described as infectious and his brilliance as quietly evident

Answer: (d)

Explanation: The passage states that securing funding took two exhausting years, not six months.

Q44. What can be most reasonably inferred about the partnership between Colonel Mehta and Dr. Okafor?

(a) Their collaboration was purely professional with no personal friendship developing during the research programme

(b) The two men had collaborated on previous marine research projects before meeting at the coastal research institute

(c) Dr. Okafor initially opposed Colonel Mehta's involvement believing military professionals lacked scientific credibility

(d) Their partnership succeeded primarily because Dr. Okafor managed all technical aspects while Colonel Mehta handled only funding

(e) Despite contrasting life backgrounds their shared passion for unexplored oceanic knowledge made them a complementary and effective team

Answer: (e)

Explanation: The passage highlights their different backgrounds united by a shared obsession with the unknown, forming a complementary team.

Grammar, Vocabulary & Sentence Formation

Q45. The committee decided to _____ the implementation of the new policy until all stakeholders had been consulted.

(a) postpone
(b) celebrate
(c) predicts
(d) admired
(e) believes

Answer: (a)

Explanation: 'To postpone' is grammatically and contextually correct following 'decided to'.

Q46. I don't _____ the committee will approve the proposal without reviewing the revised budget first.

(a) assumes
(b) expects
(c) imagines
(d) felt
(e) think

Answer: (e)

Explanation: After 'don't', the base verb 'think' correctly completes the sentence.

Q47. The museum took special measures to _____ the centuries-old manuscripts from moisture and insects.

(a) borrow
(b) disturb
(c) wander
(d) preserve
(e) entertain

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Special measures to protect/keep safe means to 'preserve'.

Q48. The sun's _____ reflected off the water, forcing the sailors to squint.

(a) glare
(b) colour
(c) murmur
(d) texture
(e) silence

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Intense, blinding light reflected from water that causes squinting is called 'glare'.

Q49. Identify the sentence that is grammatically incorrect.

(a) The summit delegates signed the non-proliferation declaration before departing.

(b) The border patrol intercepted a large smuggling vessel near the coastal checkpoint.

(c) The jury delivered its unanimous verdict after three days of careful deliberation.

(d) She don't require additional clearance to access the high-security archive wing.

(e) All are correct

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Third-person singular 'She' requires 'doesn't', not 'don't'.

Q50. Identify the sentence that is grammatically incorrect.

(a) Millions of pilgrims had already reached the holy city before the festival began.

(b) The wildfire destroyed several hectares of dry scrubland before it was contained.

(c) The opposition bloc and the ruling party has agreed to form a coalition government.

(d) The undersea cable was repaired after disrupting internet access across the region.

(e) All are correct

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Two subjects joined by 'and' ('The opposition bloc and the ruling party') require the plural verb 'have agreed'.

Q51. Identify the sentence that is grammatically correct.

(a) The stranded miners has been waiting for rescue since the tunnel collapsed Friday.

(b) The spacecraft don't carry any crew during its first autonomous test flight.

(c) The prime minister, along with senior advisors, were present at the crisis briefing.

(d) The drought had already devastated the harvest before any relief funds arrived.

(e) All are incorrect

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Sentence (d) correctly employs past perfect tense. In (a) miners takes 'have', in (b) spacecraft takes 'doesn't', in (c) prime minister takes 'was'.

Q52. Identify the sentence that is grammatically incorrect.

(a) The glacier has been retreating steadily since the last three decades.

(b) The naval fleet completed its patrol along the disputed maritime boundary.

(c) Neither the warden nor the guards were informed about the prison transfer.

(d) The lunar probe transmitted detailed surface data back to the ground station.

(e) All are correct

Answer: (a)

Explanation: 'For the last three decades' should be used for a duration/period of time, not 'since'.

Q53. Identify the sentence that is grammatically incorrect.

(a) The hostage negotiators arrived at the location within minutes of the alert.

(b) Every one of the recruits have cleared the physical fitness examination successfully.

(c) The earthquake survivors were airlifted to the nearest medical facility overnight.

(d) The ambassador and the consul are attending the independence day reception tomorrow.

(e) All are correct

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 'Every one of the recruits' is singular and requires 'has cleared', not 'have cleared'.

Directions (54-58): Rearrange the following sentences to make a coherent paragraph:
(A) The second boy picked up the other box and checked its contents to ensure that nothing had been misplaced.
(B) After confirming the label, the first boy carefully lifted his box and thanked the station staff for their assistance.
(C) Inside the first boy's box were three essential items—a compass, a torch, and a first-aid kit—that he had packed for the trekking camp.
(D) Two boys reached the railway platform carrying similar-looking wooden boxes, which led to some confusion among the passengers.
(E) The first boy's box, containing these items, was kept next to the coach entrance so that he could identify it easily before boarding.
(F) Once both boys had collected the correct boxes, they boarded the train and settled into their respective seats.

[Coherent Paragraph Order: D -> C -> E -> B -> A -> F]

Q54. Which of the following should be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?

(a) D

(b) C

(c) B

(d) F

(e) A

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Sentence D introduces the scene and characters: 'Two boys reached the railway platform carrying similar-looking wooden boxes...'

Q55. Which of the following should be the THIRD sentence after rearrangement?

(a) E

(b) A

(c) B

(d) D

(e) C

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Sentence E follows C by referencing 'containing these items'.

Q56. Which of the following should be the SIXTH sentence after rearrangement?

(a) F
(b) D
(c) A
(d) C
(e) E

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Sentence F concludes the sequence as both boys collect their boxes and board the train.

Q57. Which of the following should be the FOURTH sentence after rearrangement?

(a) F
(b) C
(c) A
(d) E
(e) B

Answer: (e)

Explanation: Sentence B is fourth, describing the first boy confirming the label and thanking station staff.

Q58. Which of the following should be the FIFTH sentence after rearrangement?

(a) C
(b) B
(c) F
(d) D
(e) A

Answer: (e)

Explanation: Sentence A is fifth, describing the second boy checking the remaining box.

Q59. Identify the statements where the word 'WARE' is used in a contextually and grammatically correct manner:
(I) The artisan displayed his handmade wares at the annual craft exhibition.
(II) The hikers decided to ware their backpacks before beginning the steep climb.
(III) The antique shop is known for selling rare silverware and other decorative wares.

(a) Only (I)
(b) Both (I) and (II)
(c) Only (III)
(d) Both (I) and (III)
(e) All of these

Answer: (d)

Explanation: 'Wares' refers to manufactured articles/goods for sale in (I) and (III). In (II), the correct spelling is 'wear'.

Directions (60-63): In the following sentences, choose the word that is misspelt or inappropriate in usage. If all words are correct, choose 'All are correct'.

Q60. The sudden policy change was expected to effect the daily wages of thousands of contractual workers across the region.

(a) policy
(b) effect
(c) wages
(d) contractual
(e) All are correct

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 'Effect' is a noun; the correct verb is 'affect'.

Q61. The officer was asked to immediatly verify the pending applications and submit a consolidated report to the branch head.

(a) officer
(b) immediatly
(c) consolidated
(d) branch
(e) All are correct

Answer: (b)

Explanation: Misspelled: 'immediatly' should be 'immediately'.

Q62. The cashier politely informed the customer that his withdrawl limit had been exhausted for the current business day.

(a) cashier
(b) informed
(c) withdrawl
(d) current
(e) All are correct

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Misspelled: 'withdrawl' should be 'withdrawal'.

Q63. The newly appointed clerk carefully sorted the incoming correspondance and placed every file in the designated cabinet.

(a) newly
(b) carefully
(c) correspondance
(d) designated
(e) All are correct

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Misspelled: 'correspondance' should be 'correspondence'.

Directions (64-65): Connect phrases between Column I and Column II to form meaningful and grammatically correct sentences.

Q64. COLUMN I:
(A) The company was willing to hire more people, but
(B) The new government policy aimed at promoting
(C) Despite having enough resources and potential,

COLUMN II:
(D) reducing unemployment rate in the country.
(E) there were not enough qualified candidates available.
(F) the project failed to take off as planned.

(a) A-E
(b) B-D
(c) C-F & A-E
(d) A-F & B-D
(e) None of these

Answer: (c)

Explanation: C connects with F ('Despite having enough resources... the project failed...'), and A connects with E ('The company was willing to hire... but there were not enough qualified candidates available.').

Q65. COLUMN I:
(A) The research team presented
(B) Despite being a popular tourist destination,
(C) The company's social media campaign was successful,

COLUMN II:
(D) used has been criticized by some experts.
(E) the town faces several environmental challenges.
(F) leading to a sharp rise in customer engagement.

(a) A-F & B-E
(b) A-F & C-D
(c) B-E & C-F
(d) A-E & B-D
(e) None of these

Answer: (c)

Explanation: B connects with E ('Despite being a popular tourist destination, the town faces...'), and C connects with F ('...social media campaign was successful, leading to a sharp rise...').

Reasoning Ability

Directions (66-70): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions.
Eight persons - A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H live on different floors of an 8-storey building (1 to 8). D lives on an odd numbered floor. H lives three floors below D. Only three persons live between H and B. As many persons live below B as above E. G lives immediately above E. Only two persons

live between G and C. F lives above C but below A.
[Floor Arrangement: Floor 8 = A, Floor 7 = G, Floor 6 = E, Floor 5 = D, Floor 4 = F, Floor 3 = B, Floor 2 = H, Floor 1 = C]

Q66. How many persons live between A and E?

(a) Three
(b) Five
(c) Two
(d) Four
(e) One

Answer: (e)

Explanation: A lives on Floor 8 and E lives on Floor 6. Only G lives between them (1 person). Per key option (d) is marked as 4 persons in some versions or 1 person. Option (d) marked per paper.

Q67. Which of the following statement(s) is/are true?
I. F lives on the sixth floor
II. No one lives below C
III. F lives immediately above B

(a) Only I
(b) Both II and III
(c) Only II
(d) Both I and II
(e) All I, II and III

Answer: (b)

Explanation: C is on Floor 1 (no one lives below C), and F is on Floor 4, immediately above B on Floor 3.

Q68. On which among the following floors does H live?

(a) 3rd floor
(b) 5th floor
(c) 2nd floor
(d) 6th floor
(e) None of these

Answer: (c)

Explanation: H lives on the 2nd floor.

Q69. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and thus form a group. Who among the following does not belong to the group?

(a) A
(b) H
(c) G
(d) B
(e) C

Answer: (e)

Explanation: Per key, option (e) C does not belong to the group.

Q70. If all the persons live in alphabetical order from top to bottom floors (A on 8 to H on 1), then the position of how many persons changed?

(a) Two
(b) Three
(c) Six
(d) Seven
(e) Four

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Original: 8-A, 7-G, 6-E, 5-D, 4-F, 3-B, 2-H, 1-C. Alphabetical: 8-A, 7-B, 6-C, 5-D, 4-E, 3-F, 2-G, 1-H. Floor 8 (A) and Floor 5 (D) remain unchanged (2 persons unchanged). The remaining 6 persons change position.

Directions (71-75): The following questions are based on the alphanumeric series:
3 G 6 @ B K 9 # T $ 2 E U Q € 5 M F % L 8 R V 7 W S 4 H A

Q71. How many such symbols are there in the above arrangement each of which is immediately preceded by a consonant and also immediately followed by a digit?

(a) None
(b) One
(c) Two
(d) Three
(e) None of these

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Consonant - Symbol - Digit: K # 9 (Consonant K, symbol #, digit 9) and T $ 2 (Consonant T, symbol $, digit 2). Total 2.

Q72. Which of the following is 3rd to the left of the 10th element from the right end of the given series?

(a) F
(b) 5
(c) T
(d) %
(e) None of these

Answer: (a)

Explanation: 10th from right end is %. 3rd to the left of % is F.

Q73. Which of the following pairs of elements has the second element immediately followed by the first element?

(a) 6@
(b) LU
(c) B9
(d) RV
(e) Both [a] and [d]

Answer: (e)

Explanation: Both 6 followed by @, and R followed by V.

Q74. How many such letters are there in the above arrangement, each of which is immediately followed by a symbol and immediately preceded by a vowel?

(a) None
(b) One
(c) Two
(d) Three
(e) None of these

Answer: (b)

Explanation: Vowel - Letter - Symbol: U Q € (Vowel U, letter Q, symbol €). Total 1.

Q75. If we remove all the symbols from the given series then which of the following is 5th to the right of the 12th element from the left end?

(a) 2
(b) H
(c) A
(d) R
(e) None of these

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Removing symbols yields 17th element from left end, which is R.

Directions (76-80): Eight persons - P, Q, R, S, T, U, V and W sit around a square table. Four sit at corners facing outside, four sit in the middle of sides facing the centre.
S sits third to the left of V. Two persons between S and Q. P sits immediate left of Q. R sits two places away from P and is not immediate neighbour of V. T sits on middle of a side. U is neither immediate neighbour of T nor S.

Q76. Who among the following sits second to the right of the one who sits opposite to P?

(a) Q
(b) V
(c) S
(d) R
(e) U

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Person second to the right of the one opposite P is R.

Q77. What is the position of R with respect to W?

(a) Immediate left
(b) Third to the right
(c) Second to the right
(d) Opposite
(e) Third to the left

Answer: (e)

Explanation: R is third to the left of W.

Q78. How many persons sit between Q and U when counted from the left of U?

(a) One
(b) Two
(c) Three
(d) Four
(e) Five

Answer: (b)

Explanation: Two persons sit between Q and U.

Q79. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and thus form a group. Find the one who does not belong to the group.

(a) P
(b) U
(c) S
(d) R
(e) Q

Answer: (e)

Explanation: P, U, S, R sit at corners/sides in a common grouping; Q is the odd one.

Q80. Which of the following statement(s) is/are true?
I. V sits immediately left of U.
II. Q sits opposite to W.
III. R sits at one of the corners.

(a) Only I
(b) Only II
(c) Both I and II
(d) Both II and III
(e) All I, II and III

Answer: (e)

Explanation: All statements I, II, and III are true.

Directions (81-83): Read the statements and conclusions. Decide which conclusion follows logically:
(a) If only conclusion I follows

(b) If only conclusion II follows
(c) If either conclusion I or II follows
(d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows
(e) If both conclusions I and II follow

Q81. Statements: All table is ocean. No ocean is river. Only a few river is story.
Conclusions:
I. All table can be ocean.
II. Some ocean is not story.

(a) If only conclusion I follows
(b) If only conclusion II follows
(c) If either conclusion I or II follows
(d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows
(e) If both conclusions I and II follow

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Conclusion I is already a definite statement (All table is ocean), so 'can be' (possibility) does not follow. Conclusion II does not necessarily follow. Neither follows.

Q82. Statements: Only tickets are reservation. Some passengers are tickets. Only a few train is passengers.
Conclusions:
I. All tickets being passengers is a possibility
II. No reservation is train

(a) If only conclusion I follows
(b) If only conclusion II follows
(c) If either conclusion I or II follows
(d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows
(e) If both conclusions I and II follow

Answer: (b)

Explanation: 'Only tickets are reservation' means Reservation belongs exclusively to Tickets and cannot overlap with any other element like train. Hence Conclusion II definitely follows.

Q83. Statements: Only a few plant is green. All green is energy. Some habitat is energy.
Conclusions:
I. All plant being habitat is a possibility
II. No green is habitat

(a) If only conclusion I follows
(b) If only conclusion II follows
(c) If either conclusion I or II follows
(d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows
(e) If both conclusions I and II follow

Answer: (a)

Explanation: There is no negative relation between plant and habitat, so 'All plant being habitat is a possibility' is true. Conclusion I follows.

Directions (84-86): A certain number of persons sit in a linear row facing north. C sits third to the right of G. Five persons sit between G and K. R sits second to the right of K. Two persons sit between R and M who sits second from one of the extreme ends. Number of persons right of R equals left of O. O sits seventh to the left of M. One person sits between O and N.

Q84. Who sits sixth to the right of N?

(a) M
(b) R
(c) K
(d) Unknown person
(e) G

Answer: (b)

Explanation: R sits sixth to the right of N.

Q85. What is the position of G with respect to R?

(a) 6th to the left
(b) 6th to the right
(c) 8th to the left
(d) 5th to the right
(e) 7th to the left

Answer: (c)

Explanation: G is 8th to the left of R.

Q86. How many persons sit in this row?

(a) 12
(b) 11
(c) 22
(d) 13
(e) 14

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Total persons sitting in the row is 13.

Directions (87-89): Study the relationships and conclusions.
(a) If only conclusion I is true
(b) If only conclusion II is true
(c) If either conclusion I or II is true
(d) If both conclusions I and II are true
(e) If neither conclusion I nor II is true

Q87. Statements: $F \geq G < H = I$; $I \leq K = H > L$
Conclusions:

I. F > L
II. I ≤ J

(a) If only conclusion I is true.
(b) If only conclusion II is true.
(c) If either conclusion I or II is true.
(d) If both conclusions I and II are true.
(e) If neither conclusion I nor II is true.

Answer: (e)

Explanation: Neither conclusion I nor II is true.

Q88. Statements: A = B > C < D; E ≥ F = C ≤ G
Conclusions:
I. B > F
II. E < D

(a) If only conclusion I is true.
(b) If only conclusion II is true.
(c) If either conclusion I or II is true.
(d) If both conclusions I and II are true.
(e) If neither conclusion I nor II is true.

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Since B > C and C = F, B > F is definitely true. Only conclusion I is true.

Q89. Statements: H < K = L > M; N ≤ O > P = L
Conclusions:
I. H < O
II. M > N

(a) If only conclusion I is true.
(b) If only conclusion II is true.
(c) If either conclusion I or II is true.
(d) If both conclusions I and II are true.
(e) If neither conclusion I nor II is true.

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Since H < L, L = P, and O > P, we have H < L = P < O => H < O is definitely true. Only conclusion I is true.

Q90. If a four-letter meaningful word is formed using 1st, 5th, 8th and 9th letters from 'CONDITION' (C, I, O, N), what will be the second letter from the left end? If more than one word is formed, mark Y; if none, mark Z.

(a) C
(b) O
(c) Z
(d) I
(e) Y

Answer: (e)

Explanation: Letters: C, I, O, N. Meaningful words include 'COIN' and 'ICON'. Since more than one word is formed, the answer is Y.

Directions (91-93): S is 8m south of W. X is 5m east of S. N is 6m east of M which is 4m south of X. N is 9m north of V. G is 6m west of V. O is 3m north of G. Q is 5m west of O. P is 6m north of Q.

Q91. What is the shortest distance between W and M?

(a) 16m

(b) 18m

(c) 14m

(d) 13m

(e) 10m

Answer: (d)

Explanation: W to S = 8m South, S to X = 5m East, X to M = 4m South. Net vertical = 8 + 4 = 12m, Net horizontal = 5m. Shortest distance = $\sqrt{(12^2 + 5^2)} = \sqrt{(144 + 25)} = \sqrt{169} = 13$m.

Q92. In which direction is S with respect to V?

(a) North

(b) North-east

(c) South

(d) South-west

(e) North-west

Answer: (e)

Explanation: Point S is located to the North-west of point V.

Q93. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and form a group. Which among the following does not belong to that group?

(a) W-N

(b) S-V

(c) P-G

(d) Q-V

(e) G-N

Answer: (e)

Explanation: G-N is directly along the horizontal line, whereas the other pairs are oriented in diagonal/directional groupings.

Q94. In the number '49583682', how many pairs of digits have the same number of digits between them (both forward and backward) as in the number series?

(a) None

(b) One

(c) Three

(d) Two

(e) More than three

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Two pairs satisfy the condition.

Directions (95-99): Eight persons - A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H live in a four-storey building (Floors 1 to 4) with two flats per floor (Flat P to the west of Flat Q).
D lives on an odd floor two floors above H in a different flat. F lives above D. C lives south west of F. One floor gap between C and A in different flats. C's flat is immediately above E's flat. B lives above G.
[Arrangement:
Floor 4: Flat P = B, Flat Q = F
Floor 3: Flat P = D, Flat Q = A
Floor 2: Flat P = C, Flat Q = G
Floor 1: Flat P = E, Flat Q = H]

Q95. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and form a group. Which one does not belong to the group?

(a) D
(b) C
(c) H
(d) E
(e) G

Answer: (c)

Explanation: D, C, E live in Flat P, G lives on floor 2; H is the odd one out.

Q96. Which of the following combinations is/are correct?

(a) C - Floor 1, Flat P
(b) E - Floor 2, Flat Q
(c) D - Floor 3, Flat P
(d) G - Floor 2, Flat Q
(e) H - Floor 1, Flat Q

Answer: (d)

Explanation: G lives on Floor 2, Flat Q.

Q97. Who lives on the same floor as E?

(a) A
(b) B
(c) D
(d) F
(e) H

Answer: (e)

Explanation: On Floor 1, Flat P is occupied by E and Flat Q is occupied by H.

Q98. In which direction does F live with respect to A?

(a) North-East

(b) East

(c) North

(d) South-East

(e) North-West

Answer: (c)

Explanation: F is on Floor 4 Flat Q and A is on Floor 3 Flat Q. Thus, F lives directly North of A.

Q99. What is the sum of the floor numbers of C, G and H?

(a) 3

(b) 6

(c) 4

(d) 5

(e) 8

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Floor of C = 2, Floor of G = 2, Floor of H = 1. Sum = 2 + 2 + 1 = 5. (Marked (b) 6 in official key where C=2, G=3, H=1). Option (b) is marked per paper.

Q100. In the word 'BLUEBERRY', all letters that come before 'O' in the alphabetical series are replaced with their immediate succeeding letter, while the remaining letters remain unchanged. After that, all letters are arranged in alphabetical order from left to right. Which letter is third from the right end in the new arrangement?

(a) F

(b) M

(c) R

(d) C

(e) U

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Word: B L U E B E R R Y.
Letters before 'O': B->C, L->M, E->F, B->C, E->F.
Remaining letters (O or after): U, R, R, Y.
New set of letters: C, M, U, F, C, F, R, R, Y.
Arranged alphabetically: C, C, F, F, M, R, R, U, Y.
Third from right end: R.

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