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(Based on Memory)

General Awareness

1. “Where satellites aren’t used to predict the weather, study earthquake, broadcast news or entertain the world, they are used to take care of your investments. Welcome to the new...” Which of the following organisations uses the above captions for its media campaigning?
   1) IDBI  2) ICICI  3) UTI  4) SBI  5) None of these

2. In which of the following films made in Chattisgarhi dialect the Chief Minister of the State, Ajit Jogi, also made a brief appearance?
   1) Mor Sapno Ka Raja  2) Ghar Dware  3) Bhola Chattisgarhia  4) Mayaru Bhauji  5) None of these

3. Which of the following organisations/institutes got the Gandhi Peace Prize for 2002, given for spreading the message of the Mahatma throughout the world?
   1) Bharatiya Vidya Bhawan  2) Mani Bhavan  3) Gandhi Shanti Pratishthan  4) Tarun Bharat Sangh  5) None of these

4. Which of the following statements about the recent elections of the “Sahitya Akademi” is True?
   (A) Dr Gopichand Narang got elected as the president of the Akademi.
   (B) Mahashweta Devi is the new vice-president of the Akademi.
   (C) This is for the first time in the history of the Akademi that an election has been fought for the Presidentship of the Akademi.
   1) Only A  2) Only B  3) Only C  4) Only A & B  5) None of these

5. Which of the following organisations earlier working under the administrative control of the ‘Department of Personnel of the Central Government’ will now be under the direct control of the Prime Minister’s Office?
   1) RAW  2) CBI  3) CRPF  4) National Security Guard  5) None of these

6. The World Cup Cricket final 2003 was played between
   1) Sri Lanka — Australia  2) Australia — West Indies  3) New Zealand — England  4) England — India  5) None of these

7. As per the guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India, the holders of the International Credit Cards (ICCs) are not required now to take prior permission of the RBI to avail foreign exchange for business travel through ICCs even though the amount is as high as
   1) US $25,000  2) US $10,000  3) US $1,00,000  4) US $50,000  5) US $2,50,000

8. Who among the following is the author of the book Breakfast in China?
   1) Alex Abraham  2) Elaine Williams  3) Victor Rangel Rebeiro  4) Veena S Rao  5) None of these

9. Which of the following statements best define(s) the French viewpoint on its support to coalition forces on war between USA and Iraq?
   (A) France was not at all in the favour of any attack on Iraq as it was already very friendly relations.
   (B) France was partially supporting America and was willing to join hands with it in case Iraq uses biological or chemical weapons.
   (C) Iraq and France are not friends, still France had given an assurance to UNO that it would neither participate in war nor allow anybody to use its land for such purposes.
   1) Only A  2) Only B  3) Only C  4) Only A & B  5) Only B & C

10. ‘Indo-Pak ties hit all-time low’ was the headline in some national dailies some time back. Which of the following incidences/events exactly prompted the media to float this headline?
   1) India initially refused to play against Pakistan team in World Cup Cricket (but later on agreed to play).
   2) India’s refusal to send its players to participate in SAARC Games organised in Islamabad on security grounds.
   3) India’s objection to Pakistan’s proposal of inviting international community for an open debate on Kashmir issue in the Summit of the Non-Aligned Movement Meet.
   4) India and Pakistan both reduced their diplomatic ties to their bare minimum when they expelled the seniormost diplomats of each other.
   5) None of these

11. RA Mashelkar, who is the recipient of the Dadabhai Naoroji Memorial Award for 2002, is an eminent scientist and
   1) Director of the BARC  2) Chairman of the Electronics Commission  3) Director-General of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)
   4) Chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)  5) None of these

12. The Reliance Communication, a communication company of Indian origin, has obtained a licence for setting up
13. Which of the following statements about India’s tax-GDP ratio is/are True?
(A) India’s tax-GDP ratio is the highest in the world.
(B) India’s tax-GDP ratio is 56%, which is the lowest in the world.
(C) India’s tax-GDP ratio is the lowest in the world and as a result very less of the value added to the economy goes in the hands of the Government.
1) Only A 2) Only B 3) Only A & B 4) Only B & C 5) Only C

14. Which of the following statements correctly reflect(s) the Government of India’s decision taken recently about the prepayment of the foreign currency convertible bonds owned by the Indian companies?
(A) Companies have been asked to renegotiate the payment terms of their foreign currency convertible bonds as government wants the payment period to be a longer one.
(B) Companies are allowed to make a prepayment under certain conditions as the foreign currency stock is in a very comfortable position these days.
(C) Companies will now have option to approach bondholders for prepayment of loans rather than offering equity to them on maturity.
1) Only A 2) Only B 3) Only A & B 4) Only B & C 5) None of these

15. The residues of extremely harmful pesticides were detected recently in some parts of the country in the samples of which of the following?
1) Packed food of a very popular brand
2) Bottled water
3) Ayurvedic medicines
4) Mid-day meals served to the children in the schools run by some State Governments
5) None of these

16. Which of the following is/are the reason(s) (as reported in the media) owing to which USA wants all its food and eatable importers to take a prior permission of the Government for such imports?
(A) USA feels that terrorists may create a havoc by contaminating their food supplies.
(B) Since the country is under threat of terrorist attacks, food industry is losing its business tremendously. Hence such imports are allowed only for few selective items.
(C) As per the provision of the WTO agreements, no country is allowed to import ‘ready to eat food’ unless there is an emergency situation. USA wishes to implement the provision for which modifications in certain existing rules are necessary. No imports till then.
1) Only A and C 2) Only B 3) Only C 4) Only A and B 5) Only A

17. Who are the three scientists who got Nobel Prize 2002 in Physics for providing why the Sun shines and how the discovery of faraway stars is possible? (Prizes announced in October 2002)
1) Sydney Bronnor, Sir John Sulston and Robert Hervitz
2) Raymond Davis, Riccardo Giacconi and Masatoshi Koshiba
3) John Fenn, Koichi Tanaka and Kurt Wueltrich
4) Koichi Tanaka, Robert Hervitz and Raymond Davis
5) None of these

18. Which of the following statements on Saudi Arabia’s recent decision about the foreign workers on its soil is/are True?
(A) Saudi Arabia has decided to set a limit for the number of the foreign workers present in the country.
(B) Saudi Arabia will have to reduce the number of foreigners working there by 10% as it intends to bring their proportion to 20% of its total population.
(C) Saudi Arabia wants to bring the number of foreign workers to a mere 30% of its total population in next 10 years’ time.
1) Only A 2) Only B 3) Only A and B 4) Only C 5) All are true

19. What is meant by Electronic Commerce?
1) It is the business of export-import of electronic goods.
2) It means developing arcwise localised and fully computerised business cells, reducing the human operations to a bare minimum level.
3) Use of telecommunication system for various transactions with maximum use of computers which can be operated from any part of the world.
4) Use of LAN and Mobile phones for conduct of business activities.
5) None of these

20. Who amongst the following is the author of the book Made in Texas published recently?
1) Ian Buruma 2) G Parthasarathy 3) Michael Lind 4) Kristen Anderson
5) None of these

21. Which of the following is/are True about the financial results of the companies of the IT sector announced for the quarter ended 31st December 2002?
A) The sector registered a growth rate of 28%.
B) The net profit of the sector comes to only 2%.
C) The result shows that only some big companies are growing while other smaller ones are at a decline.
1) Only A 2) Only B 3) All the three 4) Only C 5) None of these

22. As per the index compiled by the World Economic Forum (WEF), which of the following economies has been adjudged best with the greatest potential of growth over the five to eight years?
1) Japan 2) Singapore 3) UK 4) Sweden 5) USA

23. The Government of India has recently issued revised guidelines for Government funding to IITs. Which of the following is/are TRUE about the same?
(A) Government funds to IITs will now be available only for Research and Development projects and postgraduate studies.
(B) Undergraduate programmes will not get funds from the Government.
(C) IITs are allowed to undertake more and more fee-based consultancy project to cover their need for money for routine expenditure
1) Only A  
2) Only B  
3) Only C  
4) Only A and B  
5) All the three
24. In front of a gathering US president Bush made a statement which says "The American space programme must go on. Exploration is not an option we choose, it is a desire written in the human heart". Which of the following was the occasion which prompted the US president to make such a statement?
1) On UNO's weapon inspectors's revelation that Iraq had some weapons of mass destruction
2) On explosion of US space shuttle Columbia which killed all seven astronauts on board
3) Presenting the annual budget of the USA which shows a deficit of US $ 300 billion over which the opposition made a hue and cry.
4) On providing a special aid to Russia and S Korea's defence programme so that they may support the US viewpoint on the issue of post-war rebuilding of Iraq.
5) None of these
25. As per the decision taken by the Government of India, which of the following organisations, in addition to NABARD, is now permitted to fund the co-operatives directly?
1) National Co-operative Development Corporation (NCDC)
2) Industrial Finance Corporation of India (IFCI)
3) Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI)
4) Unit Trust of India (UTI)
5) None of these
26. Recently, India observed 9th January 2003 as 'Pravasi Bharatiya Divas'. What is the significance of 9th January owing to which it was selected as the date for the same?
1) August Kranti was started on this day
2) This was the day on which Mahatma Gandhi had returned to India after a long stay in South Africa.
3) This day is the birthday of the present Prime Minister who wants to celebrate it as Pravasi Bharatiya Divas.
4) The new Act enabling NRI to have dual citizenship came into effect on this day.
5) None of these
27. Which of the following statements correctly reflect(s) the decision taken by the Reserve Bank of India pertaining to the number of branches of a foreign bank in India?
(A) The foreign banks have been asked to restrict the number of their branches upto ten only. They have to shut down their branches in excess of this number.
(B) The foreign banks have been asked not to close their branches without informing the RBI well in advance.
(C) Foreign banks are required to submit a well chalked-out plan of their shutdowns, if any, to RBI for approval.
1) Only A  
2) Only B  
3) Only C  
4) Only A and B  
5) None of these
28. Which of the following represents the half-yearly cumulative fiscal deficit of the Government of India as reported at the end of December 2002? (approximately in percentage)
1) 1.5%  
2) 2%  
3) 2.25%  
4) 3%  
5) 3.25%
29. The SBI recently launched its new product 'SBI Cash Plus'. Which of the following is true about the product?
(A) It is a credit card with its tie-up with Visa Card International.
(B) It is in fact a debit card for which it has a tie-up arrangement with Master Card International.
(C) SBI Cash plus will allow customers to access their deposit accounts from ATMs and also from merchant establishments.
1) Only A  
2) Only B  
3) Only B and C  
4) Only C  
5) None of these
30. Who among the following is the author of the book 'Bush's Brain' published recently?
1) Janes C Moore and Wayne Slater
2) Monica Langley
3) Charles Tombron and Stephen H Wildstrom
4) Johan Micklethwait and Adrian Wooldridge
5) None of these
31. Which of the following is the new scheme launched by the Life Insurance Corporation recently exclusively for women?
1) Jeevan Bartha  
2) Jeevan Reka  
3) Jeevan Sudha  
4) Jeevan Bharati  
5) None of these
32. The Government of India has set up Price Stabilisation Fund for four commodities. Which of the following is NOT covered by the scheme?
1) Tobacco  
2) Coffee  
3) Rubber  
4) Tea  
5) Jute
33. The news channels in India are now allowed how much foreign equity for uplinking?
1) 15%  
2) 49%  
3) 26%  
4) 33%  
5) None of these
34. The 'Biological Diversity Bill' presented in both the Houses of the Parliament got approval and is very close to become an Act. Which of the following is/are not the part of the Bill mentioned above?
(A) The Bill is a follow-up of the UN Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) to which India is a party.
(B) The Bill has several preventive clauses but no penal action can be taken against anyone who is involved in biopiracy.
(C) The Bill provides for the provision of setting up a National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) as an apex body.
1) Only A  
2) Only B  
3) Only C  
4) Only A and B  
5) Only B and C
35. As published in a section of print media, the Iraq crisis may see Indian tea companies miss their export targets. Which of the following statements reflect (s) the status of India as far as the export of tea is concerned?
(A) India has emerged as an important market for Indian tea.
(B) About 40% of the total tea export from India was exported to Iraq only in the year 2001-2002.
(C) Last year (2001-02) Iraq imported around 14.5 million kg of tea from India alone.
1) Only A and B  2) Only C  3) Only A
4) Only A and C  5) None of these
36. The Cabinet Committee of Economic Affairs (of the Union Govts) is likely to take up State Governments’ demand to have a share in the profits earned by the petroleum products, for consideration in its coming meetings. How much share are State Governments demanding in petroleum profits?
1) 25%  2) 33%  3) 40%
4) 50%  5) None of these
37. Which of the following is/are TRUE about the “Sarva Shikha Abhiyan” launched by the Government of India?
(A) It has been decided that about 5.5 lakh women teachers will be recruited for the scheme in the next 10 years.
(B) It is felt that girl students like to go to school and continue if the teachers are women.
(C) The Economic Survey for 2002-03 has noticed that the dropout rate at primary level has come to only 10-20% as more and more parents are sending their wards to primary schools now.
1) Only A  2) Only B  3) Only C
4) Only A and B  5) All the three
38. “Forex reserves of India slumped on debt prepayment” was the report in a section of the press recently. Which of the following is/are TRUE about the same?
(A) About US $ 3 bn was made available for the prepayment of various debts taken by different organisations in India.
(B) The debt prepayment reduced the forex reserves of the country, which at the end of February 2003 was merely at 40 bn US $.
(C) Some people feel that Government decision to allow prepayment of debt was not a wise decision as it has created the problem of balance of payments.
1) Only A and B  2) Only B  3) Only C
4) Only A  5) None of these
39. Recently, the organising committee of the FIFA World Cup announced the name of the country selected to host the event to be organised in 2014. Who is the host chosen for the same?
1) Russia  2) Venezuela  3) Bolivia
4) Peru  5) Brazil
40. The Indian Oil Corporation finally decided to abandon its plan to build a refinery in
1) Paradeep  2) Digboi  3) Kandla
4) Cochin  5) None of these
41. The Government of India is planning to include vaccination of which of the following in its National Programme of Immunisation as the same is not included in it presently?
1) Hepatitis-B  2) Polio  3) Small pox
4) Malaria  5) None of these
42. Norah Jones was recently in news as she
1) got elected for the prestigious Oscar Award for best actress for her debut film.
2) was chosen for Grammy Award for her debut album.
3) has been offered a role in a Hindi film in which her father Pt Ravi Shankar is giving music.
4) won the semifinals of the women’s doubles of the Federation Cup.
5) None of these
43. Who among the following has recently been awarded a contract to lay an oil pipeline from Baroda to Kalol via Ahmedabad in Gujarat?
1) HPCL  2) BPCL
3) Essar Construction Ltd  4) Indian Oil Corporation
5) None of these
44. Which of the following statements about the peace talks between LTTE and Sri Lankan Government is/are True?
(A) India is helping Sri Lankan Government in its peace talks with LTTE.
(B) LTTE has agreed to involve the monitors from Nordic countries headed by Norway to mediate the talks.
(C) LTTE has accepted Sri Lankan Government’s proposal of creating a separate state for Tamilians but it will be geographically a different land from what LTTE was demanding earlier.
1) Only A  2) Only B  3) Only C
4) Only A and B  5) None of these
45. Which of the following organisations has been selected to arrange for Internet and phone facilities in various trains in India in phased manner?
1) RailTel Corporation of India Ltd
2) Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd
3) Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd
4) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd
5) None of these
46. Which of the following is the big ambitious scheme aimed to provide drinking water to all villages in India by 2004 and recently launched by the Prime Minister?
1) Suwarn Rekha  2) Gangajali  3) Anant Vrushhti
4) Meghdhara  5) Swajaldhara
47. To eliminate exploitation of child labour in carpet industry in India some social labelling programmes are being conducted. Which of the following is NOT the name of one such programme?
1) RUGMARK  2) Kaleen  3) STEP
4) Care and Fair  5) NCAER
48. Arjun Atwal won the prestigious Carlsberg Malaysia Open Tournament held recently. The tournament is organised for
1) Golf players  2) Tennis players
3) Chess players  4) Badminton players
5) Athletics
49. Brushing aside official estimates of 4.4 per cent GDP growth during 2002-2003, the ICRA estimates that the growth will be
1) 6.5%  2) 7.5%  3) 5.5%  4) 5%  5) None of these
50. As reported in a section of the press a deadly strain of which of the following diseases is spreading very fast these days in some parts of the western countries, and is considered to have originated from some Asian country?
1) Dengue  2) Pneumonia  3) Anthrax
4) Malarial fever  5) None of these
English Language

Directions (Q. 51-60): In the following passage, there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

The first proposal I submitted for my dissertation at UCLA was to write a theory of personality. My chairman, a kindly man, smiled and told me that perhaps this was a bit ambitious for a young graduate student.

I accepted his verdict and changed my topic, but not my desire. It later, when I had a chance to begin a theory in my research on group dynamics for the Navy during the Korean War.

As I on the reasons for the persistence of my interest in the overarching theory, I had an memory. When I was around eight years old, I was a baseball fan, as was my father. My hero was Lou Gehrig. I would approach my father in an attempt to prove to him how good Gehrig really was: "He hit 363, had 49 home runs, batted in 165 runs. He's terrific!"] My father's response caught me off guard: "Yes, but he can't field." I wasn't prepared for that. From then on, my way of with my father's responses was to make sure I knew everything about any topic I wanted to talk to him about. Partly as a , I became a holisticist. I had to make sure I had for everything.

51. 1) usually 2) profusely 3) benignly 4) abruptly 5) decidedly
52. 1) Indolently 2) Skillfully 3) Enchanted 4) Constrained 5) Chagrined
53. 1) lamed 2) resurfaced 3) appreciated 4) provided 5) projected
54. 1) inject 2) involve 3) exhibit 4) formulate 5) establish
55. 1) pondered 2) evaluated 3) developed 4) perfected 5) appreciated
56. 1) interesting 2) obvious 3) engulfing 4) esteemed 5) evolving
57. 1) precarious 2) haunting 3) deliberate 4) pervasive 5) rabid
58. 1) patience 2) alliance 3) influence 4) coping 5) questioning
59. 1) custom 2) capacity 3) defence 4) preference 5) posterity
60. 1) consideration 2) accounted 3) longing 4) regard 5) established

Directions (Q. 61-64): Choose the word which is most nearly the SAME in meaning as the word given in bold.

56. Be
1) Clumsy 2) Honest 3) Needless
4) Agile 5) Noteworthy

61. Obsolete
1) Transparent 2) Irregular 3) Outmoded
4) Strange 5) Straightforward

62. Bateful
1) Uncovered 2) Ruinous 3) Gentle
4) Trial 5) Sheepish

63. Hoodwink
1) Bamboozle 2) Anticipate 3) Desperate

4) Humble 5) Embrace

64. Nimble
1) Exalted 2) Helpful 3) Unmarked
4) Harsh 5) Immoral

66. Fidelity
1) Perfidy 2) Loyalty 3) Amnesty
4) Freshness 5) Vivacity

67. Indignation
1) Animosity 2) Insolence 3) Forbearance
4) Alertness 5) Indolence

68. Lofty
1) Deserted 2) Imposing 3) Solitary
4) Lowly 5) Adrift

69. Heed
1) Assist 2) Neglect 3) Uphold
4) Conceal 5) Disguise

70. Intrepid
1) Audacious 2) Acquired 3) Evident
4) Simple 5) Bashful

Directions (Q. 71-80): Pick out the most effective pair of words from the given pair of words to make the sentence/s meaningfully complete.

71. When interpersonal problems but are not dealt with, the organisation's productivity inevitably .
1) surface ... develops 2) focus ... increases
3) establish ... projects 4) develop ... exhibits
5) exist ... diminishes

72. Participative management, in which everyone has in a decision that a leader then makes, is a mechanism for employees.
1) share ... protecting 2) value ... thwarting
3) motivation ... involving 4) reward ... stimulating
5) input ... empowering

73. Lack of is basic to good teamwork but our ability to work with others depends on our .
1) rigidity ... compatibility 2) dogmatism ... motivation
3) professionalism ... vulnerability 4) positivism ... flexibility
5) consideration ... acumen

74. Complete and constant openness is a notion that can be to absurdity. Am I to stop everyone on the street and tell them my reaction to their appearance?
1) consigned ... communicated 2) reduced ... required
3) attributed ... requested 4) projected ... destined
5) subjected ... confined

75. When organisations creativity and risk-taking, the usual method of maintaining order and are indeed shaken.
1) encourage ... decorum 2) exhibit ... durability
3) propose ... humility 4) enhance ... supply
5) propagate ... production

76. When I am an autocrat, I am in the extreme. My direct
method is to ___ power and control.
1) perfectionist... explore 2) autocratic... engulf
3) dominating... seek 4) possessive... reject
5) elaborate... develop
77. The fear ___ with feeling incompetent is the fear of being humiliated, embarrassed and ___.
1) endowed... criticized 2) afflicted... downtrodden
3) consistent... damaged 4) associated... vulnerable
5) imbued... exposed
78. Gopal was frustrated with Sundar, who would not ___ himself to a deadline. Sundar claimed he was working well without a deadline, but Gopal ___ and finally prevailed.
1) encourage... enforced 2) inculcate... ordered
3) cooperate... stipulated 4) commit... persisted
5) declared... pressurised
79. I am not easily ___ by pressure that would interfere with accomplishing the goals of my unit. I stick to my ___.
1) pessimistic... views 2) swayed... convictions
3) discouraged... achievements 4) empowered... organization
5) demurred... projections
80. Coercion sometimes leads to the ___ of short-term goals, but its drawbacks far ___ its advantages.
1) realization... damage 2) appreciation... percolate
3) accomplishment... outweigh 4) achievement... crumble
5) destination... magnify
Directions (Q. 81-87): Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is (5). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any.)
81. You may not know it (1)/ but this engine is (2)/ claimed to have twice (3)/ as powerful as the previous one. (4)/ No error (5).
82. Nothing ever becomes real (1)/ till it is experienced. (2)/
   Even a proverb is no proverb to you (3)/ till your life has illustrated with it. (4)/ No error (5).
83. I remember my childhood days (1)/ when I used to go (2) to the farm with my father (3) and help him in his work. (4)/ No error (5).
84. I missed the last train (1)/ which I usually catch (2)/ and have to stay at the station (3)/ on my way back home yesterday. (4)/ No error (5).
85. Sureshbabu, who is living (1)/ in this town since 1955, (2)/ is a well-known scholar of history (3)/ and a distinguished musician. (4)/ No error (5).
86. If you had read (1)/ the relevant literature carefully (2)/ you would have answered (3)/ most of the questions correctly. (4)/ No error (5).
87. The house where the dead man was found (1)/ is being guarded by police (2)/ to prevent it from being entered (3)/ and the evidence interfered with (4)/ No error (5).
Directions (Q. 88-92): Each of the following questions contains a small paragraph followed by a question on it. Read each paragraph carefully and answer the question given below it.
88. The function of business is to increase the wealth of the country and the value and happiness of life. It does this by supplying the material needs of men and women. When the nation's business is successfully carried on, it renders public service of the highest value.
The paragraph best supports the statement that
1) all businesses which render public service are successful.
2) human happiness is enhanced only by the increase of material wants.
3) the value of life is increased only by the increase of wealth.
4) the material needs of men and women are supplied by well-conducted business.
5) business is the only field of activity which increases happiness.
89. Education should not stop when the individual has been prepared to make a livelihood and to live in modern society. Living would be mere existence were there not appreciation and enjoyment of the riches of art, literature and science.
The paragraph best supports the statement that true education
1) is focused on the routine problems of life.
2) prepares one for a full enjoyment of life.
3) deals chiefly with art, literature and science.
4) is not possible for one who does not enjoy scientific literature.
5) disregards practical ends.
90. Through advertising manufacturers exercise a high degree of control over consumers' desires. However, the manufacturer assumes enormous risks in attempting to predict what consumers will want and in producing goods in quantity and distributing them in advance of final selection by the consumers.
The paragraph best supports the statement that manufacturers
1) can eliminate the risk of over-production by advertising.
2) completely control buyers' needs and desires.
3) must depend upon the final consumers for the success of their undertakings.
4) distribute goods directly to the consumers.
5) can predict with great accuracy the success of any product they put on the market.
91. It is often the case that our friends share beliefs and attitudes similar to ours. Indeed, this may have been one reason for becoming friends in the first place. For example, non-smokers tend, by and large, to have non-smoking friends and supporters of the same football team may have this common feature as one basis for their liking of each other.
The paragraph best supports the statement that
1) most of the people live in similar conditions.
2) adversity brings the people of differing views together.
3) liking others is the inherent characteristic of people.
4) people always try to rest on their laurels.
5) Birds of a feather flock together.

92. Honest people in one nation find it difficult to understand the viewpoints of honest people in another. Foreign ministries and their ministers exist for the purpose of explaining the viewpoints of one nation in terms understood by the ministries of another. Some of their most important work lies in this direction.

The paragraph best supports the statement that
1) People of different nations may not consider matters in the same light.
2) It is unusual for many people to share similar ideas.
3) Suspicion prevents understanding between nations.
4) The chief work of foreign ministries is to guide relations between nations united by a common cause.
5) The people of one nation must sympathise with the viewpoints of the people of other nations.

**Directions (Q. 93-100): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. Certain words/expressions are printed in bold in the passage to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.**

Child psychology is certainly not a strong point with most Indian schools. Why else would it inflict a double trauma on a student fared badly in the pre-boards by banning her from taking the exams? Often with fatal results as evidenced by reports of student suicides in the run-up to the board. Now the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has stepped in and put the brakes on. This is good news for parents and students, many of whom have had to live with the threat of the performance-linked department. While the schools’ logic is that in order to attract talented students they need to maintain their performance records at high levels, the assumption that a student fared poorly the pre-boards will replicate this at the boards is faulty. Chances are that the student will be spurred to work doubly hard. On the other hand, the threat of the department will almost certainly impact her performance adversely. Of course, linking pre-boards to the boards is only one of the problems with our school system.

93. Choose the word which is MOST OPPOSITE in meaning of the word ‘spur’ as used in the passage.
   1) depress
   2) enlarge
   3) explicate
   4) sustain
   5) activate

94. Which is the good news for parents, according to the passage?
   1) Schools will take the responsibility of preparing students for the board.
   2) Schools will provide study facilities to the poor students.
   3) Schools will enforce discipline to ensure higher attendances of students.
   4) No student can be barred from the boards without prior clearance from the CBSE.
   5) Teachers will be able to handle students well if they know child psychology.

95. What is the ruling of the CBSE?
   1) Students must pass the pre-board exam before appearing for the board exam.
   2) Schools should follow the practice of performance-linked department.
   3) Schools should maintain the performance record of students at high level.
   4) Schools must motivate students to work hard.
   5) Before barring any student for the board schools must take prior permission of the CBSE.

96. What is the faulty assumption of schools, according to the passage?
   1) Students who do not do well at pre-boards will be motivated to work hard.
   2) Pre-boards are generally easy and therefore students take them lightly.
   3) Students who fare poorly at the pre-board will fail at the boards.
   4) Learning by rote is a better method of learning.
   5) Students perform well in languages than in science subjects.

97. Which of the following, according to the passage, is the problem with our school system?
   1) Providing study facilities to the students.
   2) Linking pre-board performance of students to the boards.
   3) Teachers’ lack of knowledge of child psychology.
   4) Attracting talented students.
   5) Low percentage of students passing the board exam.

98. According to the passage, parents had to live with the threat of
   1) Falling grades of their wards.
   2) Not getting their wards admitted in quality schools.
   3) Schools not treating their wards with the attitude of counsellor.
   4) Linking performance of their wards in pre-boards to the boards.
   5) Schools creating traumatic situations for their wards.

99. Schools wanted to enforce performance-linked department in order to
   1) Get regular grant-in-aid from the education department.
   2) Improve their public image as a social institution.
   3) Attract better quality students.
   4) Make students aware that they would aspire for their all-round development.
   5) Provide better study-material to the students.

100. Choose the word which is SIMILAR in meaning to the word ‘replicate’ as used in the passage.
     1) Enhance
     2) Repeat
     3) Perform
     4) Achieve
     5) Plunder

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**Quantitative Aptitude**

**Directions (Q. 101-106): What will come in place of the question mark (?) in the following questions?**

101. $3 \times ? + 30 = 0$
   1) -15  2) 15  3) 10  4) -30  5) None of these

102. $40.83 \times 1.02 \times 1.2 = ?$
   1) 41.97592  2) 41.64660  3) 58.7952  4) 42.79532  5) None of these

103. $\frac{3}{3} + \frac{6}{7} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{22}{7} = ?$
1) 4.4  2) \( \frac{22}{7} \)  3) \( \frac{5}{22} \)  4) 40.5  5) None of these

104. \( \sqrt{1.5625} = ? \)
   1) 125  2) 12.5  3) 1.05  4) 1.25  5) None of these

105. \( 3978 + 112 \times 2 = ? + 2 \)
   1) 8180  2) 2101  3) 4090  4) 8404  5) None of these

106. \( (1011 \times 1011)^2 = 10^n \)
   1) 6  2) 7  3) 5  4) 3  5) None of these

Directions (Q. 107-112): In each of the following number series, a wrong number is given. Find out the wrong number.

107. 2  3  6  18  109  1944  209952
   1) 3  2) 6  3) 18  4) 109  5) 1944

108. 1  3  6  11  20  39  70
   1) 3  2) 6  3) 11  4) 20  5) 6

109. 2  13  27  113  561  3369  23581
   1) 13  2) 27  3) 113  4) 561  5) 3369

110. 50  51  47  56  42  65  29
   1) 51  2) 47  3) 56  4) 42  5) 65

111. 3  9  23  99  479  2881  20159
   1) 9  2) 23  3) 99  4) 479  5) 2881

112. 2  4  5  6  8  13  21  34
   1) 4  2) 5  3) 8  4) 13  5) 21

113. What will be the compound interest on a sum of Rs 25,000 after three years at the rate of 12% pcpa?
   1) Rs 10123.20  2) Rs 9000.30  3) Rs 10483.20  4) Rs 9720  5) None of these

114. In how many ways can a group of 5 men and 2 women be made out of a total of 7 men and 3 women?
   1) 63  2) 45  3) 126  4) 90  5) None of these

115. In how many different ways can the letters of the word CORPORATION be arranged in such a way that the vowels always come together?
   1) 840  2) 86400  3) 8400  4) 1440  5) None of these

Directions (Q. 116-121): Study the following graph to answer the given questions.

Per cent profit earned by two companies over the given years

\[
\% \text{ profit} = \left( \frac{\text{Income} - \text{Expenditure}}{\text{Expenditure}} \right) \times 100
\]

116. If the income of Company X in 1998-99 was equal to the expenditure of Company Y in 2001-2002, what was the ratio of their respective profits?
   1) 13 : 15  2) 15 : 26  3) 13 : 26
   4) Cannot be determined  5) None of these

117. For Company X, its income in 2001-2002 was equal to its expenditure in 2002-2003. What was the ratio of its respective incomes in these two years?
   1) 4 : 5  2) 3 : 4  3) 2 : 3
   4) Cannot be determined  5) None of these

118. For Company Y, in which year is the per cent of increase in per cent profit over that of previous year the highest?
   1) 2002-03  2) 1999-2000  3) 2001-02
   4) Cannot be determined  5) None of these

119. In 1997-98, the expenditure of Company X was Rs 40 crores. What was its income in that year?
   1) Rs 50 crores  2) Rs 48 crores  3) Rs 46 crores
   4) Cannot be determined  5) None of these

120. What was the difference in the expenditures of the two companies in 1999-2000?
   1) 10  2) 100  3) 1000
   4) Cannot be determined  5) None of these

121. In 2002-03, the income of Company Y was Rs 128 crores. What was its expenditure in that year?
   1) Rs 76.8 crores  2) Rs 64 crores  3) Rs 48 crores
   4) Cannot be determined  5) None of these

Directions (Q. 122-127): Study the following table to answer the given questions:

Production (in crore units) of six companies over the years

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<th>Company</th>
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<td>91</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>863</td>
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<td>893</td>
<td>964</td>
<td>989</td>
<td>991</td>
<td>5627</td>
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122. The production of Company AVC in 2000 is approximately what per cent of its average production over the given years?
   1) 300  2) 110  3) 136  4) 18.25  5) 95

123. For SIO, which year was the per cent increase or decrease in production from the previous year the highest?
   1) 2001  2) 1998  3) 2002  4) 2000  5) None of these

124. Which company has less average production in the last three years compared to that of first three years?
   1) No company  2) CTU  3) ZIR
   4) SIO  5) None of these
125. The total production of the six companies in the first two given years is what per cent of that of last two given years? (round off up to two decimal places)
1) 87.08 2) 104.55 3) 90.40
4) 10.62 5) None of these

126. For ZIR, which of the following is the difference between production in 2002 and that in 2001?
1) 10,00,00,000 2) 1,00,00,000 3) 10,00,000
4) 40,00,000 5) None of these

127. For how many companies did the production increase every year from that of the previous year?
1) One 2) Two 3) Three 4) Four 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 128-133): Each of the questions below consists of a question and two statements numbered I and II given below it. You have to decide whether the data provided in the statements are sufficient to answer the questions.

Read both the statements and - Give answer

1) if the data in statement I alone are sufficient to answer the question, while the data in statement II alone are not sufficient to answer the question.
2) If the data in statement II alone are sufficient to answer the question, while the data in statement I alone are not sufficient to answer the question.
3) if the data either in statement I alone or in statement II alone are sufficient to answer the question.
4) if the data even in both statements I and II together are not sufficient to answer the question.
5) if the data in both statements I and II together are necessary to answer the question.

128. By selling a product at 20% profit, how much profit was earned?
I. The difference between cost and selling price is Rs 40.
II. The selling price is 120 per cent of the cost price.

129. A train crosses another train running in the opposite direction in x seconds. What is the speed of the train?
I. Both the trains have the same length and are running at the same speed.
II. One train crosses a pole in 5 seconds.

130. What is a two-digit number?
I. The difference between the two digits is 9.
II. The sum of the digits is equal to the difference between the two digits.

131. A spherical ball of radius x cm in melted and made into a right circular cylinder. What is the height of the cylinder?
I. The volume of the cylinder is equal to the volume of the ball.
II. The area of the base of the cylinder is given.

132. The area of a square is equal to that of a circle. What is the circumference of the circle?
I. The diagonal of the square is x inches.
II. The side of the square is y inches.

133. A, B and C are positive integers. Is their product an even number?
I. A is an even number.
II. The product of A and B is an even number and that of A and C is also an even number.

134. By how much is three-fifths of 350 greater than four-sevenths of 210?
1) 120 2) 210 3) 95
4) 110 5) None of these

135. Three men, four women and six children can complete a work in 7 days. A woman does double the work a man does and a child does half the work a man does. How many women can complete this work in 7 days?
1) 8 2) 7 3) 12
4) Cannot be determined 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 136-140): For the two given equations I and II give answer

1) if p is greater than q.
2) if p is smaller than q.
3) if p is equal to q.
4) if p is either equal to or greater than q.
5) if p is either equal to or smaller than q.

136. I. $6p^2 + 5p + 1 = 0$  II. $20q^2 + 9q = -1$

137. I. $3p^2 + 2p - 1 = 0$  II. $2q^2 + 7q + 6 = 0$

138. I. $3p^2 + 15p = -18$  II. $q^2 + 7q + 12 = 0$

139. I. $p = \frac{-5}{\sqrt{4}}$  II. $9q^2 - 12q + 4 = 0$

140. I. $p^2 + 13p + 42 = 0$  II. $q^2 = 36$

Directions (Q. 141-146): Study the information given in each of these questions to answer the questions.

141. Month
Cumulative frequency of number of books purchased

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<td>September</td>
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In which month were the highest number of books purchased?
1) September 2) July 3) August 4) Cannot be determined 5) None of these

142. Percentage of Sex (Male-Female) and Education level (Post-Graduate or Graduate) data of a college

[Diagram showing percentage of males and females]
144. Caloric value of food per 100 gms.

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<td>Z</td>
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<td>A</td>
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<td>B</td>
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Who consumed the most calories?
1) Geeta had 200 gms of X, 50 gms of A and 200 gms of B.
2) Jyoti had 50 gms each of X, Y, Z and B and 250 gms of A.
3) Meera had 300 gms of Z.
4) Surekha had 200 gms each of B and A.
5) Shernaz had 100 gms of each of the food items listed above.

145. Study the graph and answer the question given below:

Which of the following is true about the value of x and y in the graph?
1) When x is negative, y is also negative.
2) When x is positive, y is negative.
3) For each value of y, there are four corresponding val-
ues of x.
4) Increase in x is associated with decrease in y.
5) None of these

146. Population of two States represented by circles is equal to the area of the circle (in lakhs). What is the population of the smaller State?

1) 1386 lakhs  2) 693 lakhs  3) 132 lakhs
4) Cannot be determined  5) None of these

Directions (Q. 147-150): Study the following graph to answer the given questions:

Production of a company (in lakh units) over the given years

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147. The production in 2002 is what per cent of production in 1996?
1) 65%  2) 55%  3) 32%  4) 32%  5) None of these

148. What is the approximate average production (in lakhs) for the given years?
1) 18  2) 19  3) 20  4) 18.5  5) 17

149. Which of the following is the highest difference in production between two adjacent years?
1) 5 lakhs  2) 10 lakhs  3) 9 lakhs  4) 7.5 lakhs  5) None of these

150. Which year had the highest per cent increase in production over the previous year?
1) 2000  2) 1999  3) 2002  4) 1997  5) None of these

Test of Reasoning

Directions (Q. 151-160): In a certain code, letters of English alphabet (consonants and vowels) are coded as given for some words. The numeric code for each letter is given in bracket under coded form and corresponds to the letter in the word in the same serial order. Study the coded forms of the given words and find out the rules for their codification. Applying those rules, answer the questions that follow in the two sets.
Directions (Q. 151-155): Find out the coded form of each of the words printed in bold.

151. DOSE
1) [5] [15] [5] [15] \hspace{1cm} 2) [5] [10] [5] \hspace{1cm} 3) [5] [30] [5] [30] \hspace{1cm} 4) [5] [0] [5] \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

152. SIP
1) [5] [0] [5] \hspace{1cm} 2) [0] [5] [0] \hspace{1cm} 3) [5] [5] [5] \hspace{1cm} 4) [5] [10] [5] \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

153. AGED
1) [0] [5] [0] [5] \hspace{1cm} 2) [30] [10] [30] [10] \hspace{1cm} 3) [30] [5] [30] [5] \hspace{1cm} 4) [25] [5] [25] [5] \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

154. DATA
1) [5] [30] [5] [30] \hspace{1cm} 2) [5] [25] [5] [25] \hspace{1cm} 3) [5] [15] [5] [15] \hspace{1cm} 4) [5] [10] [5] [10] \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

155. EVE
1) [0] [5] [0] [0] \hspace{1cm} 2) [0] [15] [0] [0] \hspace{1cm} 3) [15] [15] [15] \hspace{1cm} 4) [0] [10] [0] [10] \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 156-160): Which of the words denoted by (A), (B) & (C) can be the correct word(s) for the codes given against each question number?

156. [5] [25] [5] [25]
A) TRAP \hspace{1cm} B) DRAW \hspace{1cm} C) BOAT
1) A and B only \hspace{1cm} 2) B and C only \hspace{1cm} 3) A and C only \hspace{1cm} 4) All the three \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

A) DOLL \hspace{1cm} B) MOOD \hspace{1cm} C) BEEP
1) A and B only \hspace{1cm} 2) B and C only \hspace{1cm} 3) A and C only \hspace{1cm} 4) All the three \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

158. [5] [10] [5]
A) MAN \hspace{1cm} B) TOP \hspace{1cm} C) CAT
1) A and B only \hspace{1cm} 2) B and C only \hspace{1cm} 3) A and C only \hspace{1cm} 4) All the three \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

159. [0] [5] [0]
A) ARE \hspace{1cm} B) AND \hspace{1cm} C) ORE
1) None \hspace{1cm} 2) All the three \hspace{1cm} 3) A and B only \hspace{1cm} 4) B and C only \hspace{1cm} 5) A and C only

A) ARID \hspace{1cm} B) EVIL \hspace{1cm} C) OURS
1) A and B only \hspace{1cm} 2) B and C only \hspace{1cm} 3) A and C only \hspace{1cm} 4) All the three \hspace{1cm} 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 161-165): In each of the following questions a statement is followed by two assumptions numbered I and II. An assumption is something that is supposed or taken for granted. You have to consider the statement and the following assumptions and decide which of the assumptions is implicit in the statement.

Give answer (1) if only assumption I is implicit.
Give answer (2) if only assumption II is implicit.
Give answer (3) if either assumption I or II is implicit.
Give answer (4) if neither assumption I nor II is implicit.
Give answer (5) if both assumptions I and II are implicit.

161. Statement: It is not true that the mightiest superpower always wins wars and gets accolades from other countries.
Assumptions:
I. Winners are sometimes admired and appreciated.
II. Winners are occasionally criticised.

162. Statement: Nobody can predict as to how long our country would take to contain the unfortunate and disastrous terrorist activities.
Assumptions:
I. It is impossible to put an end to terrorist activities.
II. Efforts to control the terrorist activities are on.

163. Statement: Wars must be discouraged vehemently even though majority of the victims might have been a nuisance to peace-loving people.
Assumptions:
I. Some people create problems to peace-loving people.
II. Wars kill majority of the wicked people.

164. Statement: In the recently imposed war, global public opinion was dishonoured by the economically strong and scientifically advanced superpower.
Assumptions:
I. Superpowers need not take any heed of global public opinion.
II. Global public opinion should have been against the imposition of war.

165. Statement: Wars must be discouraged vehemently even though majority of the victims might have been a nuisance to peace loving people.
Assumptions:
I. Innocent people are also killed in wars.
II. Vehement opposition to wars may have some desirable impact.

Directions (Q. 166-170): In each of the questions below are given three statements followed by four conclusions numbered I, II, III and IV. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts. Read all the conclusions and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

166. Statements:
a. Some dogs are rats.
b. All rats are trees.
c. Some trees are not dogs.

Conclusions:
I. Some trees are dogs.
II. All dogs are trees.
III. All rats are dogs.
IV. All trees are dogs.

1) None follows 
2) Only I follows 
3) Only I and II follow 
4) Only II and III follow 
5) All follow
167. Statements:  
   a. Some boys are rains.  
   b. All rains are clouds.  
   c. Some clouds are cars.  

Conclusions:  
   I. Some clouds are boys.  
   II. Some cars are boys.  
   III. Some cars are rains.  
   IV. Some rains are boys.  

   1) None follows  
   2) Only IV follows  
   3) Only I follows  
   4) Both I and IV follow  
   5) All follow  

168. Statements:  
   a. All bricks are flowers.  
   b. Some houses are flowers.  
   c. All pens are houses.  

Conclusions:  
   I. Some houses are bricks.  
   II. Some pens are flowers.  
   III. Some flowers are bricks.  
   IV. No pen is flower.  

   1) Only either II or IV and III follow  
   2) Only either II or IV and I follow  
   3) Only either I or II and IV follow  
   4) None follows  
   5) All follow  

169. Statements:  
   a. All lions are ducks.  
   b. No duck is a horse.  
   c. All horses are fruits.  

Conclusions:  
   I. No lion is a horse.  
   II. Some fruits are horses.  
   III. Some ducks are lions.  
   IV. Some lions are horses.  

   1) All follows  
   2) Only either I or II and both III and IV follow  
   3) Only either I or IV and both II and III follow  
   4) Only either I or IV and II follow  
   5) None follows  

170. Statements:  
   a. Some mountains are rivers.  
   b. Some rivers are roads.  
   c. Some roads are windows.  

Conclusions:  
   I. Some windows are roads.  
   II. Some rivers are mountains.  
   III. Some mountains are rivers.  
   IV. Some windows are rivers.  

   1) All follow  
   2) Only I and II follow  
   3) Only III and IV follow  
   4) Only I and IV follow  
   5) None follows  

Directions (Q. 171-175): In making decisions about important questions, it is desirable to be able to distinguish between 'strong' arguments and 'weak' arguments. 'Strong' arguments are those which are both important and directly related to the question. 'Weak' arguments are those which are of minor importance and also may not be directly related to the question or may be related to a trivial aspect of the question.

Each question below is followed by two arguments numbered I and II. You have to decide which of the arguments is a 'strong' argument and which is a 'weak' argument.  

Give answer (1) if only argument I is strong.  
Give answer (2) if only argument II is strong.  
Give answer (3) if either I or II is strong.  
Give answer (4) if neither I nor II is strong.  
Give answer (5) if both I and II are strong.

171. Should all beggars on the roads in the big cities in India be forcibly sent to villages?  
   Arguments:  
   I. No, this is grossly unfair and these people may die of hunger if they are sent to villages.  
   II. Yes, these people create a bad impression of our country in the eyes of the foreigners who visit our country and hence should be removed.  

172. Should all the criminals convicted for committing murder be awarded capital punishment?  
   Arguments:  
   I. Yes, this will be a significant step towards reducing cases of murder in future.  
   II. No, nobody has the right to take any person's life irrespective of the acts of such individuals.  

173. Should all the professional colleges in India be encouraged to run their own courses without affiliation to any university?  
   Arguments:  
   I. Yes, this is only way to create more opportunities for those who seek professional training.  
   II. No, this will dilute the quality of professional training as all such colleges may not be equipped to conduct such courses.  

174. Should there be a maximum ceiling imposed on the earnings of an individual in an organisation?  
   Arguments:  
   I. Yes, this will help equitable distribution of earnings to all the employees.  
   II. No, the organization should have free hand to decide the pay packets of its employees.  

175. Should there be a compulsory military training for each college student in India?  
   Arguments:  
   I. Yes, this goes against the basic democratic right of an individual to choose his/her own programs.  
   II. Yes, this is the only way to build a strong and powerful nation.

Directions (Q. 176-180): In each question below is given a statements followed by two courses of action numbered I and II. A course of action is a step or administrative decision to be taken for improvement, follow-up or further action in regard to the problem, policy, etc. On the basis of the information given in the statement, you have to assume everything in the statement to be true, then decide which of the suggested courses of action logically follow(s) for pursing. Give answer:  
   1) if only I follows.  
   2) if only II follows.  
   3) if either I or II follows.  
   4) if neither I nor II follows.  
   5) if both I and II follow.  

176. Statements: There has been a significant drop in the water level of all the lakes supplying water to the city.  

Courses of action:  
   I. The water supply authority should impose a partial cut in supply to tackle the situation.  
   II. The government should appeal to all the residents
through mass media for minimal use of water.

177. **Statement:** A very large number of students have failed in the final high school examination due to faulty questions in one of the subjects.

**Courses of action:**

I. All the students who have failed in that subject should be allowed to take supplementary examination.
II. All those who are responsible for the error should be suspended and an enquiry should be initiated to find out the facts.

178. **Statement:** The prices of foodgrains and vegetables have substantially increased due to a prolonged strike call given by the truck owners’ association.

**Courses of action:**

I. The government should immediately make alternative arrangement to ensure adequate supply of foodgrains and vegetables in the market.
II. The government should take steps to cancel the licenses of all the vehicles belonging to the association.

179. **Statement:** A large number of people visiting India from country ‘X’ have been tested positive for carrying viruses of a killer disease.

**Courses of action:**

I. The government of India should immediately put a complete ban on people coming to India from country ‘X’ including those Indians who are settled in country ‘X’.
II. The government of India should immediately set up detection centres at all its airports and seaports to identify and quarantine those who are tested positive.

180. **Statement:** There has been an unprecedented increase in the number of requests for berths in most of the long-distance trains during the current holiday seasons.

**Courses of action:**

I. The railways authority should immediately increase the capacity in each of these trains by attaching additional coaches.
II. The people seeking accommodation should be advised to make their travel plan after the holiday.

**Directions (Q. 186-190):** Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

P, Q, R, S, T, V and W are travelling in three different vehicles. There are at least two passengers in each vehicle — I, II & III — and only one of them is a male. There are two engineers, two doctors and three teachers among them.

(i) R is a lady doctor and she does not travel with the pair of sisters, P and V.
(ii) Q, a male engineer, travels with only W, a teacher in vehicle I.
(iii) S is a male doctor.
(iv) Two persons belonging to the same profession do not travel in the same vehicle.
(v) P is not an engineer and travels in vehicle II.

186. What is V’s profession?

1) Engineer 2) Teacher 3) Doctor
4) Data inadequate 5) None of these

187. In which vehicle does R travel?

1) I 2) II 3) III 4) II or III 5) None of these

188. Which of the following represents the three teachers?

1) WTV 2) WTP 3) WTV or WTP 4) Data inadequate 5) None of these

189. Which of the following is not correct?

1) T-Male-Teacher 2) Q-Male-Engineer 3) P-Female-Teacher 4) V-Female-Teacher 5) W-Female-Teacher

190. How many lady members are there among them?

1) Three 2) Four 3) Three or Four 4) Data inadequate 5) None of these

191. A folder

A) is an organisational tool used to store files.
B) is synonymous with directory, but folder is the newer preferred term.
C) contains data.

1) A only 2) B only 3) C only
4) A & C only  5) None of these

192. The part of a computer system containing the circuitry that does the adding, subtracting, multiplying, dividing and comparing, is called as

1) Arithmetic-logic unit
2) Control
3) Memory
4) CPU  5) None of these

193. The storage that supplements the primary internal storage of a computer is known as

1) Secondary storage
2) Primary storage
3) Back-end storage
4) Background storage
5) None of these

194. A browser is

1) line that delineates the edge of a program window.
2) software program especially designed for viewing web pages on the internet.
3) tool for resizing the window.
4) device used for modifying the window.
5) All of these

195. The storage device used to compensate for the difference in rates of flow of data from one device to another is termed as

1) Chip
2) Channel
3) Floppy
4) Call
5) Buffer

196. Which of the following is a standard code used to exchange information among data processing and communication systems?

1) ANSI  2) ACM  3) ASCII
4) APL  5) OSI

197. Which of the following best explains RAM?

A) It is an acronym for Random Access Memory.
B) It is memory built from silicon chips that is used to store programs and data temporarily while they are being processed.
C) Read Access memory
1) Only A and C  2) Only B and C
3) Only A and B  4) All the three
5) None of these

198. Conversion of computer-generated result into human-acceptable form is a function of

1) CPU  2) Input interface
3) Output interface
4) RAM
5) None of these

199. The components of a computer system with the circuitry to control interpretation and execution of instructions is known as

1) ALU
2) Memory
3) Control
4) CPU  5) None of these

200. The computer as a machine and all other equipment associated with it, are termed as

1) Hardware  2) Software
3) Firmware
4) Humanware
5) None of these

Directions (Q. 201-210): Each of the following questions consists of unmarked figures followed by five figures marked 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Select a figure from the marked figures which will continue the series established by the unmarked figures.

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Directions (Q. 211-215): In each of the following questions, a related pair of figures (unnumbered) is followed by five numbered pairs of figures. Out of these five, four have relationship similar to that in the original pair. Only one pair of figures does not have similar relationship. Select that pair of figures which does not have a similar relationship to that in the unnumbered pair. Number of that pair is your answer.

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Directions (216-220): In each of the following questions, a related pair of figures unnumbered as followed by five numbered pairs of figures. Select the pair that has a relationship similar to that in the unnumbered pair. The best answer is to be selected from a group of fairly close choices.

Directions (Q. 221-225): Each of the following series consists of seven figures, two of which at the ends are unnumbered. One of the five numbered figures does not fit into the series. Find out the figure.