## SSC CGL Main Exam. Practice Set

## Answers with Explanation

1. (d) If the number be $x$, then
$x-31=75-x$
$\Rightarrow 2 \mathrm{x}=75+31=106$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{x}=53$
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2. (d) Let the numbers be $6 x$ and $6 y$ where $x$ and $y$ are prime to each other.
$\therefore 6 x \times 6 y=216$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{xy}=\frac{216}{6 \times 6}=6$
$\therefore$ LCM $=6 x y=6 \times 6=36$
3. (d) $\frac{2}{1+\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}}} \times \frac{3}{\left(\frac{5}{6} \times \frac{3}{2}\right) \div \frac{5}{4}}$
$=\frac{2}{1+2} \times \frac{3}{\frac{5}{4} \div \frac{5}{4}}$
$=\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{\frac{5}{4} \times \frac{4}{5}}=\frac{2}{3} \times 3=2$
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4. (a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3.25}+\sqrt{2.25}}$

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\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{1}{(\sqrt{3.25}+\sqrt{2.25})} \times \frac{\sqrt{3.25}-\sqrt{2.25}}{\sqrt{3.25}-\sqrt{2.25}} \\
& =\frac{\sqrt{3.25}-\sqrt{2.25}}{3.25-2.25}=\sqrt{3.25}-\sqrt{2.25}
\end{aligned}
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Similarly,

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\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{\sqrt{4.25}+\sqrt{3.25}}=\sqrt{4.25}-\sqrt{3.25} \\
& \frac{1}{\sqrt{5.25}+\sqrt{4.25}}=\sqrt{5.25}-\sqrt{4.25} \\
& \frac{1}{\sqrt{6.25}+\sqrt{5.25}}=\sqrt{6.25}-\sqrt{5.25}
\end{aligned}
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$\therefore$ Expression
$=\sqrt{3.25}-\sqrt{2.25}+\sqrt{4.25}-\sqrt{3.25}+\sqrt{5.25}-$
$\sqrt{4.25}+\sqrt{6.25}-\sqrt{5.25}$
$=\sqrt{6.25}-\sqrt{2.25}=2.5-1.5=1$
5. (b) Required average weight
$=\frac{42 \times 25+28 \times 40}{42+28}$
$=\frac{1050+1120}{70}=\frac{2170}{70}=31 \mathrm{~kg}$
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6. (b) Given, $\frac{x}{y}=\frac{2}{3}$

Expression $=\frac{3 x+2 y}{9 x+5 y}$
$=\frac{3 . \frac{x}{y}+2}{9 \frac{x}{y}+5}=\frac{3 \times \frac{2}{3}+2}{9 \times \frac{2}{3}+5}$ [from (i)]
$=\frac{2+2}{11}=\frac{4}{11}$
7. (d) $\frac{\mathrm{A} \times 90}{100}=\frac{\mathrm{B} \times 30}{100}$

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$\Rightarrow 3 \mathrm{~A}=\mathrm{B}$
$\Rightarrow 3 \mathrm{~A}=\mathrm{A} \times \frac{2 \mathrm{x}}{100}$
$\Rightarrow 300=2 x \Rightarrow x=150$
8. (c) If the C.P. be $x$, then
$\frac{\mathrm{x} \times 130}{100}=1690$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{x}=\frac{1690 \times 100}{130}=₹ 1,300$
9. (b) Equivalent discount for two successive discounts of $8 \%$ and $8 \%$
$=\left(8+8-\frac{8 \times 8}{100}\right) \%$
$=(16-0.64) \%=15.36 \%$
$\therefore \mathrm{SP}=(100-15.36) \%$ of 900
$=₹\left(\frac{84.64 \times 900}{100}\right)=₹ 761.76$
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For a single discount of $16 \%$,
$\mathrm{SP}=84 \%$ of 900
$=₹\left(\frac{84 \times 900}{100}\right)=₹ 756$
Certainly seller will lose in this case.
$\therefore$ Loss $=₹(761.76-756)=₹ 5.76$
10. (a) Let each instalment be $x$

Then,
$\left(x+\frac{x \times 5 \times 1}{100}\right)+\left(x+\frac{x \times 5 \times 2}{100}\right)+$
$\left(x+\frac{x \times 5 \times 3}{100}\right)+x=6450$
$\Rightarrow\left(\mathrm{x}+\frac{\mathrm{x}}{20}\right)+\left(\mathrm{x}+\frac{\mathrm{x}}{10}\right)+\left(\mathrm{x}+\frac{3 \mathrm{x}}{20}\right)+\mathrm{x}=6450$
$\Rightarrow \frac{21 \mathrm{x}}{20}+\frac{11 \mathrm{x}}{10}+\frac{23 \mathrm{x}}{20}+\mathrm{x}=6450$
$\Rightarrow \frac{21 \mathrm{x}+22 \mathrm{x}+23 \mathrm{x}+20 \mathrm{x}}{20}=6450$
$\Rightarrow \frac{86 x}{20}=6450$
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$\Rightarrow \mathrm{x}=\frac{6450 \times 20}{86}=₹ 1500$
11. (a) Rate $=10 \%$ per annum $=5 \%$ half yearly
$A=P\left(1+\frac{R}{100}\right)^{T}$
$\Rightarrow 926.10=800\left(1+\frac{5}{100}\right)^{\mathrm{T}}$
$\Rightarrow \frac{9261}{8000}=\left(\frac{21}{20}\right)^{\mathrm{T}}$
$\Rightarrow\left(\frac{21}{20}\right)^{3}=\left(\frac{21}{20}\right)^{\mathrm{T}}$
$\therefore$ Time $=3$ half years $=1 \frac{1}{2}$ years.
12. (c) Time taken

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\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{2 \times 8 \times 6 \times 10}{8 \times 6+6 \times 10+10 \times 8} \\
& =\frac{960}{48+60+80}=\frac{960}{188} \\
& =\frac{240}{47}=5 \frac{5}{47} \text { days }
\end{aligned}
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13. (b) Part of cistern emptied in 1 hour
$=\frac{1}{5}-\frac{1}{8}=\frac{8-5}{40}=\frac{3}{40}$
$\because \frac{3}{40}$ part is emptied in 1 hour.
$\therefore \frac{3}{4}$ part is emptied in $\frac{40}{3} \times \frac{3}{4}=10$ hours.
14. (a) Part of the tank filled in an hour by both pumps
$=\frac{1}{8}+\frac{1}{10}=\frac{5+4}{40}=\frac{9}{40}$
$\therefore$ Part of the tank filled in 4 hours
$=\frac{4 \times 9}{40}=\frac{9}{10}$
15. (a) Time $=10 \frac{1}{2}$ hours $=\frac{21}{2}$ hours

Speed $=40 \mathrm{kmph}$
Distance $=$ Speed $\times$ Time
$=40 \times \frac{21}{2}=420 \mathrm{~km}$
16. (a) Speed in still water $=x \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$

Speed of current $=y \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$
$\therefore x+y=\frac{\frac{1}{\frac{4}{60}}}{}=15$
$x-y=\frac{1}{\frac{10}{60}}=6$
$\therefore$ Speed of current
$=\frac{1}{2}[(x+y)-(x-y)]$
$=\frac{1}{2}(15-6)=\frac{9}{2}=4.5 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$
17. (b) The given sequence is based on the following Pattern:
$2^{3}-1=7$
$3^{3}-1=26$ not 28
$4^{3}-1=63$
$5^{3}-1=124$
$6^{3}-1=215$ and so on.
$\therefore$ The wrong term $=28$
18. (c) $0.13 \div \mathrm{p}^{2}=13$

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\Rightarrow \frac{0.13}{\mathrm{p}^{2}}=13
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$\Rightarrow \mathrm{p}^{2}=\frac{0.13}{13}=\frac{1}{100}$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{p}=\frac{1}{10}=0.1$
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19. (a) $\mathrm{x}=\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}-1}$
$=\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}-1} \times \frac{(\sqrt{3}+1)}{(\sqrt{3}+1)}$
$=\frac{(\sqrt{3}+1)^{2}}{3-1}=\frac{3+1+2 \sqrt{3}}{2}$
$=\frac{4+2 \sqrt{3}}{2}=2+\sqrt{3}$
Similarly,
$y=\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}+1}=2-\sqrt{3}$
$\therefore x^{2}+y^{2}=(2+\sqrt{3})^{2}+(2-\sqrt{3})^{2}$
$=4+3+4 \sqrt{3}+4+3-4 \sqrt{3}=14$

20. (b) $\frac{x}{2 x^{2}+5 x+2}=\frac{1}{6}$
$\Rightarrow 2 \mathrm{x}^{2}+5 \mathrm{x}+2=6 \mathrm{x}$
$\Rightarrow 2 \mathrm{x}^{2}+2=6 \mathrm{x}-5 \mathrm{x}=\mathrm{x}$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{x}^{2}+1=\frac{\mathrm{x}}{2}$
On dividing by x ,
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{x}+\frac{1}{\mathrm{x}}=\frac{1}{2}$
21. (a) $\because \pi$ radian $=180^{\circ}$
$\therefore \frac{22}{9}$ radian $=\frac{180}{\pi} \times \frac{22}{9}$
$=\frac{180}{22} \times \frac{22 \times 7}{9}=140^{\circ}$
According to the question,
$\mathrm{A}+\mathrm{B}=140^{\circ}$
and, $\mathrm{A}-\mathrm{B}=36^{\circ}$
On adding,
$2 \mathrm{~A}=176^{\circ} \Rightarrow \mathrm{A}=\frac{176}{2}=88^{\circ}$
From equation (i),
$\therefore 88^{\circ}+\mathrm{B}=140^{\circ}$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{B}=140^{\circ}-88^{\circ}=52^{\circ}$
22. (b) $\sin 17^{\circ}=\frac{x}{y}$
$\cos 17^{\circ}=\sqrt{1-\sin ^{2} 17^{\circ}}$
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$=\sqrt{1-\frac{x^{2}}{y^{2}}}=\sqrt{\frac{y^{2}-x^{2}}{y^{2}}}=\frac{\sqrt{y^{2}-x^{2}}}{y}$
$\therefore \sec 17^{\circ}=\frac{\mathrm{y}}{\sqrt{\mathrm{y}^{2}-\mathrm{x}^{2}}}$
$\sin 73^{\circ}=\sin \left(90^{\circ}-17^{\circ}\right)$
$=\cos 17^{\circ}$
$\therefore \sec 17^{\circ}-\sin 73^{\circ}$

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\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{y}{\sqrt{y^{2}-x^{2}}}-\frac{\sqrt{y^{2}-x^{2}}}{y} \\
& =\frac{y^{2}-y^{2}+x^{2}}{y \sqrt{y^{2}-x^{2}}}=\frac{x^{2}}{y \sqrt{y^{2}-x^{2}}}
\end{aligned}
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23. (c) When $x=6$,

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\begin{aligned}
& \frac{4 \times 6}{3}+2 P=12 \\
& \Rightarrow 8+2 P=12 \\
& \Rightarrow 2 P=12-8=4 \\
& \Rightarrow P=2
\end{aligned}
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24. (c) $\frac{4 x-3}{x}+\frac{4 y-3}{y}+\frac{4 z-3}{z}=0$
$\Rightarrow \frac{4 x}{x}-\frac{3}{x}+\frac{4 y}{y}-\frac{3}{y}+\frac{4 z}{z}-\frac{3}{z}=0$
$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{x}+\frac{3}{y}+\frac{3}{z}=4+4+4=12$
$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\mathrm{x}}+\frac{1}{\mathrm{y}}+\frac{1}{\mathrm{z}}=\frac{12}{3}=4$
25. (a) $x-y=\frac{x+y}{7}=\frac{x y}{4}=k$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{x}-\mathrm{y}=\mathrm{k}$
$\mathrm{x}+\mathrm{y}=7 \mathrm{k}$
$\therefore(\mathrm{x}+\mathrm{y})^{2}-(\mathrm{x}-\mathrm{y})^{2}=49 \mathrm{k}^{2}-\mathrm{k}^{2}$
$\Rightarrow 4 x y=48 \mathrm{k}^{2}$
$\Rightarrow 16 \mathrm{k}=48 \mathrm{k}^{2}$
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$\Rightarrow \mathrm{k}=\frac{1}{3}$
$\therefore \mathrm{xy}=4 \mathrm{k}=4 \times \frac{1}{3}=\frac{4}{3}$
26. (b)

$\angle \mathrm{CAB}=2 \angle \mathrm{ABC}$
$\angle \mathrm{ACB}+\angle \mathrm{ACD}=180^{\circ}$
$\Rightarrow \angle \mathrm{ACB}+120^{\circ}=180^{\circ}$
$\Rightarrow \angle \mathrm{ACB}=180^{\circ}-120^{\circ}=60^{\circ}$
$\therefore \angle \mathrm{A}+\angle \mathrm{B}=180^{\circ}-60^{\circ}=120^{\circ}$
$\Rightarrow 2 \angle \mathrm{~B}+\angle \mathrm{B}=120^{\circ}$
$\Rightarrow 3 \angle B=120^{\circ}$
$\Rightarrow \angle \mathrm{B}=\frac{120^{\circ}}{3}=40^{\circ}$
27. (b)


D , is the mid-point of BC .
$\mathrm{AB}=\mathrm{AC}=10 \mathrm{~cm}$.
$\mathrm{AD} \perp \mathrm{BC}$
From $\triangle \mathrm{ABD}$,
$\mathrm{BD}=\sqrt{\mathrm{AB}^{2}-\mathrm{AD}^{2}}$
$=\sqrt{10^{2}-8^{2}}=\sqrt{100-64}$
$=\sqrt{36}=6 \mathrm{~cm}$
$\therefore \mathrm{BC}=2 \mathrm{BD}=2 \times 6=12 \mathrm{~cm}$.
28. (d)

$\mathrm{BD}=$ length of diagonal
$=$ speed $\times$ time
$=\frac{52}{60} \times 15=13$ metre
$\mathrm{BD}=\sqrt{\mathrm{l}^{2}+\mathrm{b}^{2}}$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{l}^{2}+\mathrm{b}^{2}=169$
Again,
$(1+b)=\frac{68}{60} \times 15=17$
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$\therefore(1+b)^{2}=l^{2}+b^{2}+2 l b$
$\Rightarrow 17^{2}=169+2 \mathrm{lb}$
$\Rightarrow 2 \mathrm{lb}=289-169=120$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{lb}=\frac{120}{2}=60 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$
29. (c) Let the respective altitudes be $\mathrm{p}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{p}_{2}$
$\therefore \frac{\mathrm{a}}{\mathrm{b}}=\frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \mathrm{x} \times \mathrm{p}_{1}}{\frac{1}{2} \times \mathrm{y} \times \mathrm{p}_{2}}$
$\Rightarrow \frac{\mathrm{p}_{1}}{\mathrm{p}_{2}}=\frac{\mathrm{ay}}{\mathrm{bx}}$
$\Rightarrow$ ay : bx
30. (c)


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Let, $\mathrm{AB}=\mathrm{AC}=\mathrm{x}$ units
$\mathrm{BD}=\mathrm{DC}=1$ unit $[\because \mathrm{BC}=2$ units $]$
Now, $A D=\sqrt{\mathrm{AB}^{2}-\mathrm{BD}^{2}}$
$=\sqrt{\mathrm{x}^{2}-1}$
$\therefore \frac{1}{2} \times \mathrm{BC} \times \mathrm{AD}=4$
$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times \sqrt{\mathrm{x}^{2}-1}=4$
$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\mathrm{x}^{2}-1}=4$
$\Rightarrow x^{2}-1=16$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{x}^{2}=17$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{x}=\sqrt{17}$ units
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31. (b) Quack is the voice of Duck. Similarly, Neigh is the voice of Horse.
32. (c) Surgeon uses forceps. Similarly, Blacksmith uses hammer.
33. (b) A person cries in the state of sorrow. Similarly, one laughs in the state of mirth.
34. (b) Ass is considered as Timid. Fox is considered as Cunning.

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35. (c) Procession proceeds on a certain route. Similarly, Earth revolves round the Sum in its orbit.
36. (d)


Here A's sex is not clear, hence there are two possibilities :
(i) When A is female - then no information is available regarding uncle (or father's brother) of A's Son (G) and daughter (C). Or
(ii) When A is male - then F is uncle (brother of father $A$ ) of $G$ (and C).
Hence this is correct answer.
37. (c)

| $+\Rightarrow x$ | $-\Rightarrow \div$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\times \Rightarrow-$ | $\div \Rightarrow+$ |


Give expression
$26+74-4 \times 5 \div 2=$ ?
After changing the signs
? $=26 \times 74 \div 4-5+2$
? $=481-5+2$
or, ? $=483-5=478$
38. (c) Except cotton, all others are artificial fibres.
39. (b)


Now he is driving towards east.
40. (b) Today is Saturday.

Tomorrow will be Sunday.
Sunday $+4=$ Thursday.
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41. (d) 26

42. (a)

43. (c) 313

44. (c) M A P S R O
$\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$
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45. (b) There is letter ' $L$ ' in the word TERMINAL but there is no letter ' $L$ ' in the Keyword.
46. (d) Both the Premises are Particular Affirmative (I-type).
No Conclusion follows from the two Particular Premises.
Conclusions I and III form Complementary Pair. Therefore, either Conclusion I or III follows.
Considering the given Options we can select option (4) as the answer.

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47. (a) Uma > Suma

Neha > Suma
Hema > Sudha > Uma > Neha
From (i), (ii) and (iii)
Hema > Sudha > Uma > Neha > Suma
Hence Hema is tallest.
48. (b) $5 \times 3+1=16$
$16 \times 3+1=49$
$9 \times 3+2=29$
$29 \times 3+2=89$
Therefore,
$15 \times 3+3=48$
$48 \times 3+3=147$
49. (b) $\mathrm{A}=17$ years
$B=17-5=12$ years
$C=B-4=12-4=8$ years
$\mathrm{D}=\mathrm{B}+3=12+3=15$ years
50. (c) Meaningful order of the given words :
(b) Seed
(e) Plant

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(a) Tree
$\downarrow$
(c) Flower

(d) Fruit
51. (d) Blue, Pink, Yellow and Green colours are on the faces adjacent to Red. Therefore, Black colour is opposite to Red.

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52. (d)

53. (c)

54. (d)

55. (c)

56. (d)

57. (a)

58. (b)

59. (b)


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60. (b) Rotating the given figure by $180^{\circ}$ we get answer figure.

61. (b) principal will replace principle because principle (Noun) : a general rule that someone's behaviour or idea is based on Principal (Adj.) : a chief/important person/ thing
Look at the examples given below :
His principal interest in life was money.
We follow the principle that everyone should be treated equally.
Hence, analyse thoroughly the principal causes is the right usage ऊुण्धिर्स
62. (b) a little rain will replace little rain because little is a Negative Adj. and means not much a little is an Affirmative Adj. that means some
Look at the examples given below :
He had little money. (not much money)
He had a little money. (some money)
Hence, there was a little rain is the right usage.
63. (b) than will replace when because -

No sooner - than is the correct Correlative.
No sooner introduces the event that occurred
first. खुणाগिस
Look at the examples given below :
No sooner had I closed my eyes than I fell asleep.

First Event
Next Event
No sooner did I arrived at the station than the train came.

First Event Next Event.
Hence, than it began is the right usage
64. (b) travelling will replace to travel because avoid (Verb) always agrees with a Gerund (ing Verb) and not an Infinitive.

Look at the examples given below : She avoids to do her homework. ( $\times$ ) Inf.

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She avoids doing her homework. $(\checkmark)$ Gerund
65. (c) is will replace are because -
when a Plural Noun is placed with a Singular Subject (one, each, etc.) with of, the Verb will be Singular.
Look at the example given below :
Only one of his employees is sincere at work. Only one of his students is awarded the 'Scholar award'.
Hence, that is interesting is the right usage.
66. (a) International News is compared to National News.
Hence, National is the right usage.
67. (a) to make a tag, the first Auxiliary (has) will be used.

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Hence, hasn't he ? is the right usage.
68. (b) components (Noun) : one of several parts of which something is made
compounds (Noun) : a thing consisting of two or more separate things combined together Here, components is the right usage.
69. (d) No improvement
must have-expresses an opinion about an earlier (Past) situation, based on evidence.

- Dinosaurs were very big; they must have eaten a lot.

70. (c) nor (Conj., Adv.) : used before a Positive Verb to agree something Negative that has just been said.

- She doesn't like them and nor does he.
- I'm not going and nor is he.

Hence, nor do I is the right usage.
71. (c) Who is looked for by him ? (Passive)

The sentence is in Simple Present Tense. (Active)
72. (b) He was seen picking up a gun by someone. (Passive)
The sentence is in Simple Past Tense. (Active)
73. (b) The end of this exercise is being reached by us. (Passive)

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The sentence is in Present Continuous Tense. (Active)
74. (a) I said to my friend, "Can I borrow your

Rep. V. Modal Pro.Verb Pro.
(Verb)(I) (friend's)
dictionary for one day ?" $\rightarrow$ (D.S.)

I asked my friend if I could borrow his
Rep. V. Conj.Pro.ModalVerb Pro.
(I) (Verb) (your)
dictionary for one day $\rightarrow$ (I.S.)
75. (a) Mother said, "Gaurav, you will be eligible for voting

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\downarrow \\
\text { Rep. V. }
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\downarrow \\
\text { (Gaurav) }
\end{gathered}
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when you are 18." $\rightarrow$ (D.S.).
$\downarrow$
Pro. H.V.
(Gaurav)
Mother told Gaurav that he would be eligible

> Rep. V. Conj.Pro. Modal
(you) (will)
for voting when he was $18 " . \rightarrow$ (I.S.)
H.V.
76. (d) "So help me Heaven," he cried, " I will never

(S.Pr.)

He called upon Heaven to wirtness his resolve

> Rep. V.
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { never to steal again (I.S.) } \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \text { Inf. } & \text { Verb }\end{array}$
(S. Pre.)

Another way of conversion -
He prayed to Heaven to help him in his resolve not to steal again.
77. (b) watching is the Direct Object of the Verbenjoy
Here, watching is the right usage.
78. (c) Here, is elected is the right usage.
79. (d) Here, living is the right usage.
80. (b) recover (Verb) : to regain after illness, a setback or a shock, etc.
recover agrees with Prep.from
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Here, from is the right usage.
81. (d) watching is the Direct Object of the Verbenjoy.
Here, watching is the right usage.
82. (c) adamant (Adjective) : firm or determined not to change your mind
stubborn (Adjective) : determined not to change your mind; obstinate জुण্ডির্ন timid (Adjective) : not brave; shy and nervous arrogant (Adjective) : behaving in an unpleasant way
angry (Adjective) : having strong feeling about something you dislike
83. (c) constant (Adjective) : happening all the time invariable (Adjective) : never changing; unchanging; happening always
usual (Adjective) : normal
universal (Adjective) : done by all the people similar (Adjective) : being the same
84. (a) sweet (Adjective) : having a taste like sugar or a pleasant smell.
dulcet (Adjective) : sounding sweet and pleasant
dull (Adjective) : not interesting or exciting hard (Adjective) : tough; solid, firm or stiff sour (Adjective) : having a taste like a lemon
85. (a) corroborate

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corroborate (V.) : confirm ; to provide evidence/ information that supports a statement implicate (V.) : to show/ suggest that somebody is involved in something bad/criminal; incriminate
designate (V.) : to say officially that somebody/ something has a particular character/name ; to describe in a particular way
extricate (V.) : to escape/ enable to escape from a difficult situation
86. (b) ridicule
ridicule (N.) : mockery; unkind remarks that make fun of somebody/ something or make him/it look silly
discrimination (N.) : the practice of treating somebody or a particular group in society less fairly than other
satire (N.) : a way of criticizing a person, an idea or an institution in which you use humour to show his/its faults/ weaknesses
87. (a) contagious
contagious (Adj.) : easily spread from one person to another (disease)
infectious (Adj.) : easily spread; caused by infection
epidemic (N.) : a large number of cases of a particular disease happening at the same time in a particular community
endemic (Adj.) : regularly found in a particular
place or among a particular group of people and difficult to get rid of.
88. (d) choir

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choir (N.) : a group of people who sing together (in church services/ public performances)
coir (N.) : rough material made from the shells of coconuts, used for making ropes, for covering flowers, etc.
quorum (N.): the smal lest number of people who must be at a meeting before it can begin/ decisions can be made
quire (N.) : four sheets of paper folded to make eight leaves
89. (a) immigrant
immigrant (N.) : a person who has came to live permanently in a country that is not his own
emigrant (N.) : a person who leaves his country to live in another
alien (N.) : hostile, strange and frightening; different from what you are used to
visitor (N.) : a person who visits a place or a person
90. (a) fail (Verb) : not to succeed

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accomplish (Verb) : achieve; to succeed in doing or completing something
improper (Adjective) : dishonest/ morally wrong; inappropriate
disagreeable (Adjective) : not nice or enjoyable; unpleasant; rude and unfriendly
scatter (Verb) : to dispense; to throw, drop or move in different directions
91. (d) arranged (Adjective) : planned and organised in advance
disorderly (Adjective) : showing lack of control; publicly violent or noisy; untidy; deranged
chaotic (Adjective) : lack of order ; in a state of complete confusion and lack of order
organized (Adjective) : carefully planned and arranged
adjusted (Adjective, Verb) : to change slightly to make it more suitable; adopted
92. (a) soothe (Verb) : calm; to make somebody who is anxious, upset, etc. feel calmer फुणডি仑र्न provoke (Verb) : to cause a particular reaction or have a particular effect; to say/do something that you know will annoy somebody so that it may react in an angry way; goad
incite (Verb) : to encourage to do something violent
smoother (Verb) : to make smooth or smoother; become smooth
entice (Verb) : to persuade
93. (c) play through his nose : to pay too much money for something

- We paid through the nose for that vacation. The best option is pay an extremely high price

94. (b) reading between the lines : looking for or discovering a meaning; something that is not openly stated

- Reading between the lines of the letter, she realised that her friend was in great trouble. The best option is understanding the sense rather than the actual words

95. (d) to beat a retreat : to go away or back quickly, especially to avoid something unpleasant

- The dog beat a retreat to its own yard. The best option is to run away in fear.

96. (c) at one's wits, end : to be so worried by a problem that you do not know what to do next; to be puzzled

- I've tried every possible source but without success, and now I'm at my wits, end. The best option is to get puzzled

97. (d) The misspelt word is sympathatic The correct spelling is sympathetic

फुणिएन
98. (b) The misspelt word is bureaucretic The correct spelling is bureaucratic
99. (c) SQPR
100.(b) SRPQ
101.(d) It was inaccessible by boat because seams of rock jutted out and currents swirled around them treacherously.
102.(b) But you could walk there if you chose one of the lowest ebb tide was on the turn, in came in rapidly.
103.(a) But you could not linger on the expedition for once the tide was on the turn, in came in rapidly.
104.(d) The cave looked mysteriously dark cool and inviting, and he penetrated to the farthest corner where he discovered a wide crack rather like a chimney. He peered up and thought he could see a patch of daylight.
105.(c)

फ़ाजिएय
106.(d) Iron was a metal unknown to the Aryans during the early Vedic age. The advent of iron is generally associated with the late or post-Vedic ages. So blacksmith did not exist during this period.
107.(c) A supernova is a stellar explosion that is more energetic than a nova. During this short interval
a supernova can radiate as much energy as the Sun is expected to emit over its entire life span. The explosion expels much or all of a star's material at a velocity of up to 30,000 $\mathrm{km} / \mathrm{s}(10 \%$ of the speed of light).
108.(c) The basic principles of federalism are the distribution of powers between the Centre and the States.

फ़ापिर्ज
109. (a) Colour or colour is the visual perceptual property corresponding in humans to the categories called red, green, blue, and others. Colour derives from the spectrum of light (distribution of light power versus wavelength) interacting in the eye with the spectral sensitivities of the light receptors. Colour categories and physical specifications of colour are also associated with objects, materials, light sources, etc., based on their physical properties such as light absorption, reflection, or emission spectra. By defining a colour space, colours can be identified numerically by their coordinates. फुप्仑िर्य
110. (b) Ministry of Rural Development's Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) has launched the Prajwala Challenge. Under the challenge, ideas are invited from individuals, Enterprises, Start ups, Private Sector, Civil Society and others to transform the rural economy.
111. (c) An open market operation (also known as OMO) is an activity by a central bank to buy or sell government bonds on the open market. A central bank uses them as the primary means of implementing monetary policy. The usual aim of open market operations is to control the short term interest rate and the supply of base money in an economy, and thus indirectly control the total money supply. This involves meeting the demand of base money at the target interest rate by buying and selling government securities, or other financial instruments. Monetary targets, such as inflation, interest rates, or exchange rates, are used to guide this implementation.

फ्यापिएय
112. (a) In organic chemistry, a hydrocarbon is an organic compound consisting entirely of hydrogen and carbon. Hydrocarbons from which one hydrogen atom has been removed are functional groups, called hydrocarbyls. Aromatic hydrocarbons (arenes), alkanes, alkenes, cycloalkanes and alkyne-based compounds are different types of
hydrocarbons. The majority of hydrocarbons found naturally occur in crude oil, where decomposed organic matter provides an abundance of carbon and hydrogen which, when bonded, can catenate to form seemingly limitless chains.

फ़ापियद्य
113. (a) The term "mandamus" literally means "command." Writ of mandamus is issued to a person or lower level Court or a body by a superior Court. The writ of mandamus is either issued to oblige a person or the Court or a body for the execution of public duty or imposed on them to restrain them from executing a particular act. The writ of mandamus is an effective writ that checks the functioning of the government. The writ of mandamus is also popularly known as the writ of justice as it plays a significant role in rectifying the improper and irresponsible actions of government officials and it serves the purpose of almost all other writs. काष्ভिए
114. (a) The Satavahana kings mostly used lead as the material for their coins. Most of their coins are in that metal. Silver coins are very rare. Next to lead they used an alloy of silver and copper, called "potin". Many copper coins are also available. Although the Satavahana coins are devoid of any beauty or artistic merit, they constitute a valuable source-material for the dynastic history of the Satavahanas.
115. (c) Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually flagged off the Vande Bharat express connecting Howrah and New Jalpaiguri. It is a railway station in Siliguri, West Bengal and is considered as the gateway to the northeast.
The Vande Bharat Express covers a distance of 564 km in 7.45 hours, will save three hours of travel time. The Vande Bharat express will be preferred by tea industry executives and tourists travelling to the Himalayas in North Bengal and Sikkim.

कुजिएर्य
116. (c) Sandstone can be turned into a metamorphic rock by being either heated up to a point where it undergoes a significant change or subjected to high pressures, or subjected to chemically active fluids, or some combination thereof. A common result of the metamorphosis of sandstone is the creation of quartzite.
117. (c) The continuous adherent mucus layer is also a barrier to luminal pepsin, thereby protecting the underlying mucosa from proteolytic digestion. The primary function of the adherent
mucus gel layer is a structural one to create a stable, unstirred layer to support surface neutralization of acid and act as a protective physical barrier against luminal pepsin.
118. (a) In the year 305 BC, Seleucus-I Nicator went to India and apparently occupied territory as far as the Indus, and eventually waged war with the Mauryan Emperor Chandragupta Maurya. His Indian campaign was, however, a failure. Seleucus ceded a considerable amount of territory to Chandragupta in exchange for 500 war elephants, which were to play a key role in the forthcoming battles. फ़ाष্ভির্শ
119. (b) Gandhi went to South Africa in 1893 but he was shocked to see racism, prejudice and inequality against Indian citizens in South Africa and he established the Natal Indian Congress in 1894 and formed an Indian community in South Africa. In 1906, the Transvaal government of South Africa promulgated a new Act compelling registration of the colony's Indian population. At a mass protest meeting held in Johannesburg on 11 September that year, Gandhi adopted his still evolving methodology of Satyagraha (devotion to the truth), or non-violent protest, for the first time. In June 1907, he organized Satyagraha against compulsory registration of Asiatics (The Black Act). In 1908, Gandhiji had to stand trial for instigating the Satyagraha. He was sentenced to two months in jail (the first time), however after a compromise with General Smuts he was released.

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120. (d) The government has achieved the target of starting 1.5 lakh Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres across the country, as per the Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya. Under Ayushman Bharat, the government had set a target of transforming existing 1.5 lakh Sub-Health Centres (SHCs) and rural and urban Primary Health Centres (PHCs) across the country as AB-HWCs by December 2022.
121.(a) In economics, the tragedy of the commons is the depletion of a shared resource by individuals, acting independently and rationally according to each one's self-interest, despite their understanding that depleting the common resource is contrary to the group's long-term best interests. In 1968, ecologist Garrett Hardin explored this social dilemma in "The Tragedy of the Commons", published in the journal Science.
122.(b) Three subject lists, the Union list, the State list, and the Concurrent list, define the legislative powers of each level of government. All residuary powers are vested with the Parliament of India. In the U.S.A. and Australia the residuary powers are given to the States. In Canada they vest in the Union. ऊुणाषित्य
123.(c) A mushroom rock, also called rock pedestal or a pedestal rock, is a naturally occurring rock whose shape, as its name implies, strikingly resembles a mushroom. Usually found in desert areas, these rocks are formed over thousands of years when wind erosion of an isolated rocky outcrop progresses at a different rate at its bottom to that at its top. Such rocks are found in Thar Desert of India.
124.(a) Saponification is a process that produces soap, usually from fats and lye. In technical terms, saponification involves base (usually caustic soda NaOH ) hydrolysis of triglycerides, which are esters of fatty acids, to form the sodium salt of a carboxylate. In addition to soap, such traditional saponification processes produces glycerol. "Saponi fiable substances" are those that can be converted into soap. Vegetable oils and animal fats are the main materials that are saponified. These greasy materials, triesters called triglycerides, are mixtures derived from diverse fatty acids. Triglycerides can be converted to soap in either a one- or a twostep process.

फ्राजिएन
125.(c) Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated the first phase of a new bridge on the Zuari River which will improve connectivity between North Goa and South Goa. Zuari Bridge is the second largest cable-stayed bridge in India, behind Mumbai's Bandra-Worli sea link. The bridge is part of a Rs 2,530 crore road project covering a distance of 13.2 kilometres between Bambolim and Verna villages in Goa. Dilip Buildcon is constructing the new Zuari bridge.
126.(a) Bio gas is a clean unpolluted and cheap source of energy in rural areas. It consists of $55-70 \%$ methane which is inflammable. Bio gas is produced from cattle dung in a bio gas plant commonly known as gobar gas plant through a process called digestion. It helps in reducing the deforestation as it arrests for cutting of trees for firewood. It also helps in maintaining ecological balance, in rural sanitation and it needs Lower capital cost and almost cost free maintenance.

क्याप्डिस
127.(d) Canal is the second largest source of irrigation providing water to 29.24 percent of the net area under irrigation. The country has one of the world's largest canal systems stretching over more than one lakh kilometres. Canal irrigation is widely practiced in the Sutlej-Ganga plain Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Bihar and Rajasthan have a number of such canals. In the Peninsular region canals are mostly found in the lower valleys and deltas of large rivers. Over 63 per cent of the total canal irrigated area of the country lies in Uttar Pradesh. Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Punjab, Rajasthan and Haryana. Canals also feed a sizeable part of the irrigated area in Bihar, Orissa, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal.

खाविए
128.(a) Shanghai is the largest city by population in the People's Republic of China and the largest city proper by population in the world. Located in the Yangtze River Delta in eastern China, Shanghai sits at the mouth of the Yangtze River in the middle portion of the Chinese coast. Bangkok is the capital city of Thailand and the most populous city in the country. The city occupies $1,568.7$ square kilometres in the Chao Phraya River delta in Central Thailand. Dresden is the capital city of the Free State of Saxony in Germany. It is situated in a valley on the River Elbe, near the Czech border. Montreal is located in the southwest of the province of Quebec. The city proper covers most of the Island of Montreal at the confluence of the Saint Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers. ऊुण ©िি
129.(a) The Doctrine of Lapse was an annexation policy purportedly devised by Lord Dalhousie, who was the Governor General for the East India Company in India between 1848 and 1856. The company took over the princely states of Satara (1848), Jaipur and Sambalpur (1849), Nagpur and Jhansi (1854), Tanjore and Arcot (1855) and Awadh(Oudh)(1856) and Udaipur using this doctrine.

凸াভ্ভির্জ
130.(a) Sweden has taken over the Presidency of the Council of the European Union for the first six months of the year, on January 1, 2023, It followed Czech Republic, which headed the Council in the second half of 2022. This is the third time that Sweden has taken over the Presidency of the Council. The EU Council Presidency rotates every six months between the Member States of the EU.

| 131.(d) All of the Above |  | 141.(c) Transistor |  |
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| 132. (a) Garbage In Garbage Out | फाप्仑िर्ज | 142.(d) Analog \& Digital computers |  |
| 133.(b) Versatility |  | 143.(c) graphical |  |
| 134.(a) Diligence |  | 144. (a) Super Computers |  |
| 135.(c) Transistor |  | 145.(a) dumb |  |
| 136.(b) Assembly language |  | 146.(d) Micro Computer |  |
| 137.(b) Von Neumann |  | 147.(d) PROLOG |  |
| 138.(b) Stored program |  | 148. (a) Feed forward Neural Network |  |
| 139.(a) IC |  | 149. (c) Hopfield net | W |
| 140.(a) Ultra Large Scale Integration |  | 150.(a) Back propagation algorithm |  |

