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SSC GD Constable 2021 (English) Prev. Year Paper (03-Dec-2021) (Shift 3)

Total Time: 1 Hour : 30 Minute

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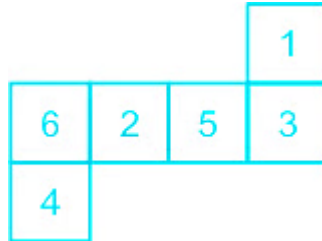
Instructions

Sl No.	Section Name	No. of Question	Maximum Marks	Negative Marks	Positive Marks
1	General Intelligence and Reasoning	25	25	0.25	1
2	General Knowledge and General Awareness	25	25	0.25	1
3	Elementary Mathematics	25	25	0.25	1
4	English	25	25	0.25	1

- 1.) A total of 90 minutes is allotted for the examination.
- 2.) The server will set your clock for you. In the top right corner of your screen, a countdown timer will display the remaining time for you to complete the exam. Once the timer reaches zero, the examination will end automatically. The paper need not be submitted when your timer reaches zero.
- 3.) There will, however, be sectional timing for this exam. You will have to complete each section within the specified time limit. Before moving on to the next section, you must complete the current one within the time limits.

General Intelligence and Reasoning

1. A cube is made by folding the given sheet. In the cube so formed, what would be the number on the opposite site of the number '3'? (+1, -0.25)



- a. 6
- b. 1
- c. 4
- d. 2

2. Select the option that is NOT embedded in the given figure (rotation is NOT allowed). (+1, -0.25)

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- a.
- b.
- c.



3. In a certain code language, 'PERHAPS' is written as 'SPAHREP'. How will 'CHEWING' be written in that language? (+1, -0.25)

- a. ECHNIGW
- b. HGWENIC
- c. GNIEHWC
- d. GNIWEHC

4. Select the correct mirror image of the given combination when the mirror is placed to its right side. (+1, -0.25)

XGfq5K

- a. XGfq5K
- b. XGfq5K
- c. XGfq5K
- d. XGfq5K

5. Select the option in which the numbers are related in the same way as are the numbers in the given set. (+1, -0.25)

(13, 224, 15)

- a. (9, 108, 12)
- b. (22, 350, 16)
- c. (19, 274, 15)
- d. (17, 396, 21)

6. Which two numbers should be interchanged to make the given equation correct? (+1, -0.25)

$$28 \times 3 + 14 - 45 \div 9 = 65$$

- a. 14 and 3
- b. 14 and 28
- c. 14 and 9
- d. 28 and 45

7. Select the figure from among the given options that can replace the question mark(?) in the following series. (+1, -0.25)



- a.



8. Select the combination of letters that when sequentially placed in the blanks of the given series will complete the series. (+1, -0.25)

BCD_B_DDDBC_D_CDD

- a. BCBB
- b. DCDB
- c. CCDB
- d. CBDB

9. Pankaj, Alpesh, Srikumar, Dinesh, Neeraj and Maninder are sitting in six different rows with one person in each row, exactly one after another. Pankaj is just before Alpesh. Dinesh is sitting in the last row. There are four persons before Alpesh. Srikumar is just after Neeraj. Maninder is not in the first row. Who is sitting just after Maninder? (+1, -0.25)

- a. Dinesh

- b. Pankaj
 - c. Alpesh
 - d. Neeraj
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10. Select the number from among the given options that can replace the question mark (?) in the following series. (+1, -0.25)

4, 16, 64, 256, ?

- a. 252
 - b. 512
 - c. 1024
 - d. 320
-

11. Read the given statements and conclusions carefully. Assuming that the information given in the statements is true, even if it appears to be at variance with commonly known facts, decide which of the given conclusions logically follow(s) from the statements. (+1, -0.25)

Statements:

- 1. No speaker is a phone.
- 2. All wires are phones.

Conclusions:

- I. Some phones are wires.
- II. No wire is a speaker.
- III. No phone is a speaker

- a. Only conclusions II and III follow
 - b. All of the conclusions follow
 - c. Only conclusion I follows
 - d. Only conclusions I and II follow
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12. Select the option that is related to the third letter-cluster in the same way as the second letter-cluster is related to the first letter-cluster. (+1, -0.25)

ADIJ : ES :: BDGH : ?

- a. VM
 - b. ZC
 - c. TY
 - d. FO
-

13. 'Atlantic' is related to 'Ocean' in the same way as 'Panama' is related to '-----'. (+1, -0.25)

- a. Continent
 - b. Canal
 - c. Language
 - d. Transportation
-

14. Select the number from among the given options that can replace the question mark (?) in the following series. (+1, -0.25)

13, 29, 62, 129, 264, ?

- a. 470
 - b. 395
 - c. 535
 - d. 505
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15. In a certain code language, 'TARGET' is written as 'UbShfU' and 'FLOW' is written as 'gMPX'. How will 'MACROS' be written in that language? (+1, -0.25)

- a. LzDSpT
 - b. NZDsPt
 - c. nbbSpt
 - d. NbdSPT
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16. Malti is the daughter of the father-in-law of Vivek's wife. Arpit is the grandson of Neetu, who is the wife of Dayal. Vivek is the only son of Dayal. Sushmita is the sister of Malti. How is Vivek's wife related to Arpit? (+1, -0.25)

- a. Paternal aunt
 - b. Maternal aunt
 - c. mother
 - d. Maternal grandmother
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17. Four letter-clusters have been given, out of which three are alike in some manner and one is different. Select the odd letter-cluster. (+1, -0.25)

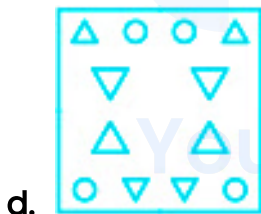
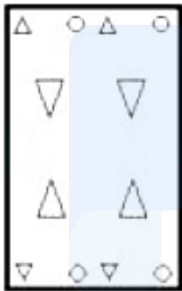
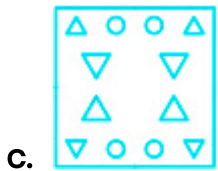
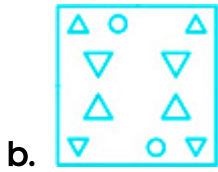
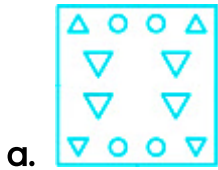
- a. RVB
- b. GLQ
- c. TYD
- d. NSX

18. Seven persons P, Q, R, S, T, U and V are sitting in a straight horizontal line facing the north. U is second to the left of R. Q is second to the left of V. T is third to the left of R. S is third to the right of P. If T is at one of the corners, who is sitting at the other corner? (+1, -0.25)

- a. S
- b. Q
- c. V
- d. P

19. The sequence of folding a piece of paper and the manner in which the folded paper has been cut is shown in the following figures. How would this paper look when unfolded? (+1, -0.25)





20. Select the letter-cluster from among the given options that can replace the question mark (?) in the following series. (+1, -0.25)

PHMT, OGNU, NFOV, MEPW, ?

- a. LDQX
- b. LDRY
- c. NVKD

d. NGQX

21. Select the option that is related to the fourth number in the same way as the first number is related to the second number and the fifth number is related to the sixth number. (+1, -0.25)

$$50 : 9 :: ? : 14 :: 82 : 11$$

- a. 126
- b. 172
- c. 160
- d. 145
-
22. Select the set of classes the relationship among which is best represented by the following Venn diagram. (+1, -0.25)



- a. Women, Drivers, Architects
- b. Cars, Vehicles, Scooters
- c. Doctors, Tax-payers, Nurses
- d. Printers, Televisions, Washing machine
-
23. Select the correct option that indicates the arrangement of the given words in the order in which they appear in an English dictionary. (+1, -0.25)

1. Hitch
 2. Home
 3. Hire
 4. Hippo
- a. 4, 3, 1, 2
 - b. 1, 2, 3, 4
 - c. 4, 3, 2, 1
 - d. 1, 3, 2, 1

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24. Piyush buys 4 blankets at the rate of ₹450 per blanket. He sells these 4 blankets to Gopi and earns a profit of 12% on his investment. Gopi further sells all 4 blankets to Pritam and earns 15% profit. What is the price at which Pritam bought one blanket? (+1, -0.25)
- a. ₹602.40
 - b. ₹622.50
 - c. ₹579.60
 - d. ₹529.60

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25. In a certain code language, ULTRA is coded as 422440362. How will FUMING be coded in that language? (+1, -0.25)
- a. 124226182814
 - b. 122126181407

c. 144226182816

d. 124026162814

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General Knowledge and General Awareness

26. The Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) declared Kuttanad's below sea level farming system a 'Globally Important Agricultural Heritage System' (GIAHS) in the year _____. (+1, -0.25)
- a. 2013
 - b. 2012
 - c. 2011
 - d. 2014
-
27. Who among the following devised the Ryotwari system during British rule in India? (+1, -0.25)
- a. Lord Minto
 - b. Captain Alexander Read
 - c. Lord Dalhousie
 - d. Warren Hastings
-
28. In October 2020, India decided to transfer one of its Kilo-Class submarines, INS Sindhuvir to the: (+1, -0.25)
- a. Maldives Navy
 - b. Mongolia Navy
 - c. Mauritius Navy
 - d. Myanmar Navy

29. In which of the following years was the Indian Museum in Calcutta (Kolkata) founded? (+1, -0.25)
- a. 1886
 - b. 1845
 - c. 1798
 - d. 1814
-

30. Who among the following was the founder of Nalanda and Vikramshila universities? (+1, -0.25)
- a. Mihirbhoja
 - b. Lakshamananasena
 - c. Dharmapala
 - d. Gopala
-

31. India won the Asian Games football gold medal for the first time in: (+1, -0.25)
- a. 1958
 - b. 1962
 - c. 1951
 - d. 1954
-

32. Which of the following is a biodegradable form of solid waste? (+1, -0.25)
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a. Compost

b. Tyre

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c. Plastic

d. Glass

33. Tamladu (or Tamla Du) is a festival celebrated by the _____ tribe. (+1, -0.25)

a. Tutsa

b. Mishmi

c. Wancho

d. Khamti

34. Which bank struggled to address the issue of capitalisation and subsequently Reserve Bank of India took over its management in 2020? (+1, -0.25)

a. Axis Bank

b. YES Bank

c. IDBI Bank

d. Bandhan Bank

35. Where did Buddha give the last sermon before his Mahanirvana? (+1, -0.25)

a. Vaishali

- b. Samath
 - c. Lumbini
 - d. Kushinagar
-

36. 'The Emperor's New Clothes' is a children's story by _____. (+1, -0.25)

- a. Enid Blyton
 - b. Hans Christian Andersen
 - c. Roald Dahl
 - d. Oscar Wilde
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37. Indian economist Amartya Sen was conferred with _____ top Princess of Asturias Award in the social sciences category in May 2021. (+1, -0.25)

- a. Italy's
 - b. Germany's
 - c. Spain's
 - d. Sweden's
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38. Which Indian player won the 2020 Junior Speed online Chess Championship? (+1, -0.25)

- a. Mitraba Guha
- b. Nihal Sarin

- c. Rameshbabu Praggananandhaa
 - d. D Gukesh
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39. In which year was the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act implemented? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 1973
 - b. 1970
 - c. 1972
 - d. 1974
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40. The term 'ecology' is derived from the _____ word 'Oekologie'. (+1, -0.25)

- a. Greek
 - b. French
 - c. Spanish
 - d. Latin
-

41. Bicameralism was borrowed into the Constitution of India from which country? (+1, -0.25)

- a. The UK
- b. Australia
- c. Ireland
- d. The US

42. _____ was the first goalkeeper to become the captain of an international hockey team. (+1, -0.25)

- a. Birendra Lakra
 - b. Richard J Allen
 - c. PR Sreejesh
 - d. Shankar Lakshman
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43. In August 2021, the Reserve Bank of India announced an increase in limit for fund transfer to Nepal under the 'Indo-Nepal Remittance Facility Scheme' to _____ per transaction w.e.f. 1 October 2021. (+1, -0.25)

- a. ₹50 thousand
 - b. ₹2 lakhs
 - c. ₹75 thousand
 - d. ₹1 lakh
-

44. Who among the following topped the 'EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2020'? (+1, -0.25)

- a. NR Narayana Murthy
 - b. Shiv Nadar
 - c. Mukesh Ambani
 - d. Azim Premji
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45. Under which of the following Articles of the Constitution of India has the Supreme Court been vested with the power to punish for contempt of Court including the power to punish for contempt of itself? (+1, -0.25)
- a. Articles 130 and 172
 - b. Articles 65 and 122
 - c. Articles 63 and 72
 - d. Articles 129 and 142
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46. What kind of soils in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala are most suitable for crops like cashew? (+1, -0.25)
- a. Arid soil
 - b. Black soil
 - c. Alluvial soil
 - d. Red Laterite soil
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47. How many agricultural sector bills were passed in 2020? (+1, -0.25)
- a. Four
 - b. Two
 - c. Five
 - d. Three
-

48. Pavo Cristatus is commonly known as the _____ . (+1, -0.25)

- a. pigeon
 - b. dog
 - c. peacock
 - d. chimpanzee
-

49. The National Salt Satyagraha Memorial is located in _____ . (+1, -0.25)

- a. Gujarat
 - b. Puducherry
 - c. Mharashta
 - d. Delhi
-

50. Initiated by Indian Dairy Association (IDA) in 2014, when is National Milk Day celebrated? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 14 July
- b. 31 Septembr
- c. 29 October
- d. 26 November

Elementary Mathematics

51. In a pool of length 50 m and width 45 m, 90 persons take a dip, If the average displacement of water by the person is 1 m^3 , then how much will the water level rise? (+1, -0.25)
- a. 12 cm
 - b. 40 cm
 - c. 4 cm
 - d. 10 cm
-
52. What is an approximate single discount equivalent to three successive discounts of 8%, 15% and 20%? (+1, -0.25)
- a. 40%
 - b. 37%
 - c. 38%
 - d. 43%
-
53. The average attendance at a football club fell by 11% in 2015 in comparison to the previous year. If 3190 fewer people went to see matches, how many went in 2014? (+1, -0.25)
- a. 35090
 - b. 28000
 - c. 31900

d. 29000

54. A handbag, a shirt, and a jacket were bought at Rs. 2,300 each. They are sold at 12% profit, 15% loss and 6% gain, respectively. The total profit percentage or loss percentage is: **(+1, -0.25)**

- a. Profit 1%
- b. Loss 6%
- c. Loss 2%
- d. Profit 5%

55. The value of $36\frac{2}{5} \div [27 + \frac{3}{8} \text{ of } 24 + (45 \div 9 - 4\frac{3}{5})]$ is: **(+1, -0.25)**

- a. 1
- b. 10
- c. 2
- d. 5

56. If the difference between the compound interest and simple interest on Rs. 16,000 2 years at a certain rate of interest per annum is Rs. 102.40, then find the rate of interest per annum. **(+1, -0.25)**

- a. 8%
- b. 11%
- c. 6.5%

d. 10%

57. The value of $\frac{67 + \frac{2}{5} \text{ of } 75}{5 + \frac{2}{3} \times (58 - 37)}$ is: (+1, -0.25)

a. $5\frac{2}{19}$

b. $5\frac{1}{19}$

c. $-5\frac{2}{19}$

d. $-5\frac{1}{19}$

58. P can do a piece of work in 30 days and Q can do the same work in 40 days. They worked together for 5 days and then Q left. How much time (in days and hours) will P, working alone, take to complete the remaining work? (+1, -0.25)

a. 21 days 6 hours

b. 21 18 hours

c. 21 days 12 hours

d. 20 days 6 hours

59. A train running at a speed of 126 km/h crosses a pole in 6 seconds. The length of the train is: (+1, -0.25)

a. 210 m

b. 240 m

c. 220 m

d. 180 m

60. A student's marks were incorrectly entered as 92 instead of 78. Due to this, the average marks of the class got increased by half. What is the number of students in the class? (+1, -0.25)

a. 32

b. 24

c. 30

d. 28

61. Two varieties of wheat have been mixed. In 60 kg of wheat, 40% wheat is of A quality and 60% wheat is of B quality. How much wheat of A quality should be further added to the mixed wheat so that there is only 40% of B quality wheat? (+1, -0.25)

a. 9 kg

b. 12 kg

c. 20 kg

d. 30 kg

62. The compound interest on a sum for $1\frac{1}{3}$ years at 12% per annum is Rs. 2496, interest being compounded 8-monthly. What is the amount (in Rs) (to the nearest Rs.) of the same sum for four years at the same rate, when the interest is compounded yearly? (+1, -0.25)

a. 26033

- b. 20336
 - c. 23603
 - d. 30632
-

63. A and B together can do a piece of work in 16 days. If A is 50% less efficient than B, then in how many days can A, working alone, complete the entire work? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 30
 - b. 36
 - c. 48
 - d. 24
-

64. A profit of 19% is made on goods when a discount of 15% is given. What profit will be made when a discount of 25% is given? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 4%
 - b. 6%
 - c. 4.5%
 - d. 5%
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65. A boat can travel at a speed of 17 km/h in still water. If the speed of the stream is 2 km/h, how much time (in hours) will be taken by the boat to go 95 km downstream? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 6.3

- b. 6
 - c. 5.6
 - d. 5
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66. P sold an article to Q for Rs. 18000 by losing 20%. Q sells it to R at a price that would have given P a profit of 8%. The profit percentage earned by Q is: (+1, -0.25)

- a. 35%
 - b. 25%
 - c. 40%
 - d. 12%
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67. If $(2x + 3y) : (4x - 7y) = 3 : 5$, then what is $x : y$? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 1 : 18
 - b. 18 : 1
 - c. 4 : 11
 - d. 11 : 4
-

68. Which is the greatest 3-digit number divisible by 4, 5 and 6? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 980
- b. 960

c. 990

d. 978

69. The ratio of the income of A and B is $x : y$. When the income of A is increased by 20% and the income of B is decreased by 40%, then the ratio of the income of A and B becomes 5 : 6. What is the value of $\frac{3x+2y}{5x-y}$? (+1, -0.25)

a. $\frac{7}{9}$

b. $\frac{1}{5}$

c. $\frac{5}{2}$

d. 3

70. What is the HCF of the following fractions? (+1, -0.25)

$\frac{4}{5}, \frac{24}{25}, \frac{16}{35}$

a. $\frac{4}{5}$

b. $\frac{48}{175}$

c. $\frac{4}{175}$

d. $\frac{48}{5}$

71. A wire, which is in the form of a circle with radius 14 cm, is bent to form a square. What is the length (in cm) of the side of the square? (User $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$) (+1, -0.25)

a. 20.8

- b. 24
- c. 21.5
- d. 22

72. By selling a book for Rs. 625, a publisher makes a profit of 25%. For how much (in Rs) should he sell the book to gain 35%? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 700
- b. 675
- c. 725
- d. 650

73. The average of 15 numbers is 55.4. The average of the first 6 numbers is 50 and the average of the next 4 numbers is 60.5. What is the average of the remaining numbers? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 55.6
- b. 58.5
- c. 57.8
- d. 59.4

74. A certain sum amounts to Rs. 6,624 at 9.5% p.a. in 4 years, at simple interest. What will be the simple interest (in Rs) on the same sum at the same rate in $6\frac{1}{2}$ years? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 2,912

- b. 2,964
 - c. 2,886
 - d. 3,016
-

75. If $x^2 : y^2 = 9 : 25$ and $2 : x = 5 : 15$, then what is the value of y ? (+1, -0.25)

- a. 12
- b. 17
- c. 15
- d. 10

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English

76. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank. (+1, -0.25)

If the prepaid card for mobile phones does not _____ to you, you may opt for the postpaid card.

- a. allure
- b. appeal
- c. interest
- d. attract

77. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word. (+1, -0.25)

- a. Specific
- b. Reverse
- c. Bitray
- d. Resist

78. The following sentence has been split into four segments. Identify the segment that contains a grammatical error. (+1, -0.25)

Teachers are / expect to mentor / their students appropriately / during the Covid-19 pandemic.

- a. expect to mentor
- b. during the Covid-19 pandemic
- c. Teachers are

d. their students appropriately

79. Select the option that will improve the underlined part of the given sentence. In case no improvement is needed, select 'No improvement required'. (+1, -0.25)

Mira's train was late and it reached Varanasi on middle night.

- a. on midnight
 - b. at midnight
 - c. in middle night
 - d. No improvement required
-

80. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words. (+1, -0.25)

The science of surveying and charting bodies of water

- a. Topography
 - b. Holography
 - c. Hydrography
 - d. Demography
-

81. Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the underlined word in the given sentence. (+1, -0.25)

The door was ajar and Jenny observed in.

- a. peeped
- b. dazed
- c. derived
- d. stared

82. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word. (+1, -0.25)

- a. Government
- b. Tactfully
- c. Laboratory
- d. Advertisement

83. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word. (+1, -0.25)

Abstract

- a. Auspicious
- b. Concrete
- c. Belligerent
- d. Hilarious

84. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words. (+1, -0.25)

Study of living organisms

- a. Geology
 - b. Pathology
 - c. Biology
 - d. Physiology
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85. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them may contain an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options. If you don't find any error, select 'No error' as your answer. (+1, -0.25)

I wants / to take that / dog home.

- a. I wants
 - b. dog home
 - c. No error
 - d. to take that
-

86. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom. (+1, -0.25)

Ins and outs

- a. Hidden facts
 - b. Brief points
 - c. Complete facts
 - d. Some details
-

87. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

(+1, -0.25)

I expect him to _____ by his decision to help me.

- a. bear
- b. admit
- c. act
- d. abide

88. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words.

(+1, -0.25)

Something that cannot be handled easily

- a. Untidy
- b. Unwieldy
- c. Untimely
- d. Unfit

89. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

(+1, -0.25)

Everyone _____ laughter when he appeared in the room.

- a. burst in
- b. burst into
- c. burst out
- d. burst up

90. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word. (+1, -0.25)

Paltry

- a. Key
- b. Substantial
- c. Crucial
- d. Basic

91. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom. (+1, -0.25)

See the light of day

- a. Become publicly known
- b. Have a long life
- c. Feel very hot
- d. Work during daytime

92. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word. (+1, -0.25)

Layout

- a. Timetable
- b. Schedule
- c. Order
- d. Arrangement

93. Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution required'. (+1, -0.25)

We are eaten our dinner before they arrived.

- a. We is eaten
- b. No substitution required
- c. We are eating
- d. We had eaten

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94. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word. (+1, -0.25)

Chaos

- a. Turmoil
- b. Quiet
- c. System
- d. Calm

-
95. The following sentence has been split into four segments. Identify the segment that contains a grammatical error. (+1, -0.25)

Abhiram returned back to the signal / and gave his last hundred rupee note / to the man / who had said he needed help.

- a. to the man
- b. Abhiram returned back to the signal

- c. who had said he needed help
- d. and gave his last hundred rupee note

96. Comprehension:

(+1, -0.25)

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) _____ was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) _____ dealt with problems in the lives of (3) _____ people and were always very interesting. (4) _____ for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 1.

- a. style
- b. design
- c. mode
- d. method

97. Comprehension:

(+1, -0.25)

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) _____ was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) _____ dealt with problems in the lives of (3) _____ people and were always very interesting. (4)

_____ for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 2.

- a. usually
- b. rough
- c. once
- d. almost

98. Comprehension:

(+1, -0.25)

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) _____ was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) _____ dealt with problems in the lives of (3) _____ people and were always very interesting. (4) _____ for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 3.

- a. routine
- b. natural
- c. habitual
- d. ordinary

99. Comprehension:

(+1, -0.25)

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) _____ was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) _____ dealt with problems in the lives of (3) _____ people and were always very interesting. (4) _____ for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 4.

- a. Dismally
- b. Miserably
- c. Horribly
- d. Unfortunately

100. Comprehension:

(+1, -0.25)

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) _____ was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) _____ dealt with problems in the lives of (3) _____ people and were always very interesting. (4) _____ for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 5.

- a. However
- b. Hence

c. Therefore

d. Besides

prepp

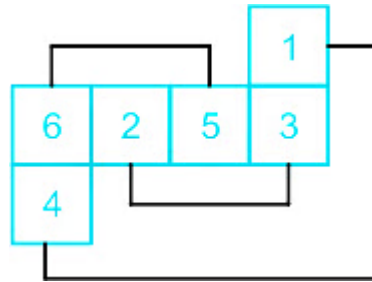
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Answers

1. Answer: d

Explanation:

The faces opposite to each other are shown below:



⇒ As the alternate positions becomes opposite to each other and the remaining two faces becomes opposite to each other.

So, opposite pairs are:

- 1 → 4
- 2 → 3
- 6 → 5

Therefore, '3' faces '2'.

Hence, "2" is the correct answer.









2. Answer: a

Explanation:

Given:



- The image must not to be rotated

No.	Option	Question	Answer
1.			Not Embedded
2.			Embedded
3.			Embedded
4.			Embedded

Hence, the correct answer is "Option - (1)".

3. Answer: d

Explanation:

Alphabets	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
Positional value	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Positional value	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14
Alphabets	Z	Y	X	W	V	U	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N

Logic : Each word is written in reverse order.

So,

- PERHAPS is written as :

Reverse order → SPAHREP

Similarly,

- CHEWING is written as :

Reverse order → GNIWEHC

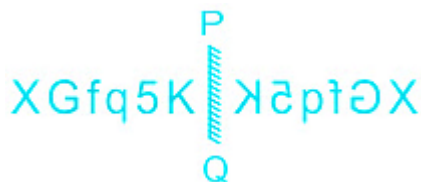
Hence, "GNIWEHC" is the correct answer.

4. Answer: c

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Explanation:

The correct mirror image of the given combination when mirror is placed at PQ is as shown below:



Detailed Explanation:

- The line PQ is the mirror

- The word "XGfq5K" the third letter is "f". So, the mirror image should be "



- " ⇒ Option 1 is eliminated.
- The word " XGfq5K " the fourth letter is "q". So, the mirror image should be "p" ⇒ Option 2 is eliminated..
- The word " XGfq5K " the second digit is "5". So, the mirror image should be "



" ⇒ Option 4 is eliminated.

Hence, the correct answer is "Option - (3)".

5. Answer: d

Explanation:

Logic : (First number \times Third number) + (First number + Third number + 1) = Second number

Given : (13, 224, 15)

$$(13 \times 15) + (13 + 15 + 1) = 224$$

$$195 + 29 = 224$$

$$224 = 224 \text{ (LHS = RHS)}$$

So,

- (9, 108, 12)

$$(9 \times 12) + (9 + 12 + 1) = 108$$

$$108 + 22 = 108$$

$$130 \neq 108 \text{ (LHS} \neq \text{RHS)}$$

- (22, 350, 16)

$$(22 \times 16) + (22 + 16 + 1) = 350$$

$$352 + 39 = 350$$

$$391 \neq 350 \text{ (LHS} \neq \text{RHS)}$$

- (17, 396, 21)

$$(17 \times 21) + (17 + 21 + 1) = 396$$

$$357 + 39 = 396$$

$$396 = 396 \text{ (LHS = RHS)}$$

Hence, "(17, 396, 21)" is the correct answer.

6. Answer: b

Explanation:

B	Brackets in order (), {}, []	ब्रैकेट (), {}, [] क्रम में
O	of	का
D	Division (÷)	विभाजन (÷)
M	Multiplication (×)	गुणा (×)
A	Addition (+)	जोड़ (+)
S	Subtraction (-)	घटाव (-)

Given equation : $28 \times 3 + 14 - 45 \div 9 = 65$

Now, by interchanging the numbers

- Option - (1) : 14 and 3

$$28 \times 14 + 3 - 45 \div 9 = 65$$

$$28 \times 14 + 3 - 5 = 65$$

$$392 + 3 - 5 = 65$$

$$395 - 5 = 65$$

$$390 \neq 65 \text{ (LHS} \neq \text{RHS)}$$

- Option - (2) : 14 and 28

$$14 \times 3 + 28 - 45 \div 9 = 65$$

$$14 \times 3 + 28 - 5 = 65$$

$$42 + 28 - 5 = 65$$

$$70 - 5 = 65$$

$$65 = 65 \text{ (LHS} = \text{RHS)}$$

- Option - (3) : 14 and 9

$$28 \times 3 + 9 - 45 \div 14 = 65$$

$$28 \times 3 + 9 - 3.21 = 65$$

$$84 + 9 - 3.21 = 65$$

$$93 - 3.21 = 65$$

$$89.79 \neq 65 \text{ (LHS} \neq \text{RHS)}$$

- Option - (4) : 28 and 45

$$45 \times 3 + 14 - 28 \div 9 = 65$$

$$45 \times 3 + 14 - 3.11 = 65$$

$$135 + 14 - 3.11 = 65$$

$$149 - 3.11 = 65$$

$$145.89 \neq 65 \text{ (LHS} \neq \text{RHS)}$$

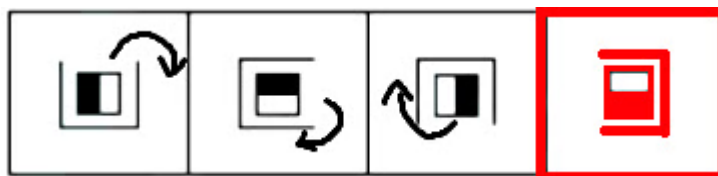
Hence, "14 and 28" is the correct answer.

7. Answer: b

Explanation:

The figure that will replace the question mark (?) in the following figure series is shown below:

⇒The figure in the box is rotating 90° clockwise at the same position.



Hence, "Option - (2)" is the correct answer.

8. Answer: b

Explanation:

Given : BCD_B_DDBC_D_CDD

By checking options :

1. BCBB → BCDBBCDDBCBBCDD → (It doesn't Follows the pattern)
2. DCDB → BCDDBCDDBCDDCDD → (It follows the pattern of : BCDD - BCDD - BCDD - BCDD)
3. CCDB → BCDCBCDDBCDDCDD → (It doesn't Follows the pattern)
4. CBDB → BCDCBBDDBCDDCDD → (It doesn't Follows the pattern)

⇒ Option - (2) gives the pattern of " BCD D - BCDD - BC DD - BCDD "

Hence, " DCDB " is the correct answer.

9. Answer: b

Explanation:

Given : Pankaj, Alpesh, Srikumar, Dinesh, Neeraj and Maninder are sitting in six different rows with one person in each row, exactly one after another.

Explanation :

- 1) Dinesh is sitting in the last row.
- 2) There are four persons before Alpesh

Rows	Person
Row - 1	
Row - 2	
Row - 3	
Row - 4	
Row - 5	Alpesh
Row - 6	Dinesh

3) Pankaj is just before Alpesh.

Rows	Person
Row - 1	
Row - 2	
Row - 3	
Row - 4	Pankaj
Row - 5	Alpesh
Row - 6	Dinesh

4) Srikumar is just after Neeraj.

5) Maninder is not in the first row.

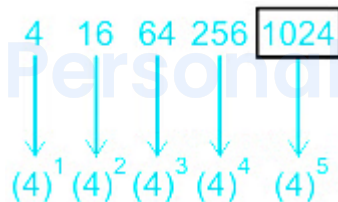
Rows	Person
Row - 1	Neeraj
Row - 2	Srikumar
Row - 3	Maninder
Row - 4	Pankaj
Row - 5	Alpesh
Row - 6	Dinesh

Thus, according to the final arrangement Pankaj is sitting just after Maninder. Hence, "Pankaj" is the correct answer.

10. Answer: c

Explanation:

The pattern followed here is : The power of (4) is increasing.

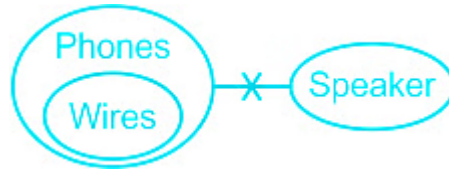


Hence, "1024" is the correct answer.

11. Answer: b

Explanation:

The least possible Venn diagram for the given statements is as shown below :



Conclusions:

- I. Some phones are wires. → Follow (As all wires are phones . So, it is definitely true)
- II. No wire is a speaker → Follow (As n o speaker is a phone , a ll wires are phones . So, it is definitely true)
- III. No phone is a speaker → F ollow (As n o speaker is a phone . So, it is definitely true)

∴ Here, All of the conclusions follow .

Hence, the correct answer is "All of the conclusions follow ".

12. Answer: d

Explanation:

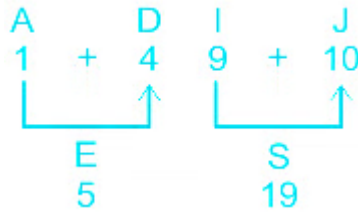
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Positional value	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14
Alphabets	Z	Y	X	W	V	U	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N

Logic :

- Sum of the position value of first two letters of first part = Position value of the first letter of the second part
- Sum of the position value of last two letters of first part = Position value of the second letter of the second part

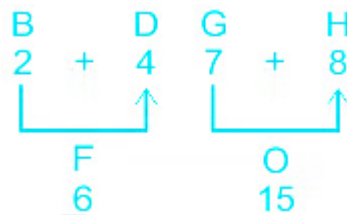
So,

- ADIJ : ES



Similarly,

- BDGH : ?



Hence, "FO" is the correct answer.

13. Answer: b

Explanation:

The logic followed here is :

- **Atlantic** is name of the **ocean** .

Similarly,

- **Panama** is name of the **canal** .

Hence, "**Canal**" is the correct answer.

★ Additional Information

1. Continent - a mainland contrasted with islands.
2. **Canal** - an artificial waterway constructed to allow the passage of boats or ships inland or to convey water for irrigation.

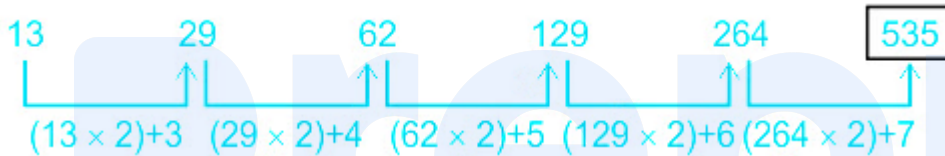
3. Language – a system of communication used by a particular country or community.
4. Transportation – a system or means of transporting people or goods.

14. Answer: c

Explanation:

The pattern followed here is :

- (Each number is multiplied by 2) + Number series
- Number series – 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 is added in this serial order.



Hence, "535" is the correct answer.

15. Answer: d

Explanation:

Alphabets	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
Positional value	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Positional value	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14
Alphabets	Z	Y	X	W	V	U	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N

The pattern followed here is :

- (1) is added to position value of each letter.
- Single digit position value – code is written in small letters.
- Double digits position value – Code is written in capital letters.

So,

- TARGET is coded as :

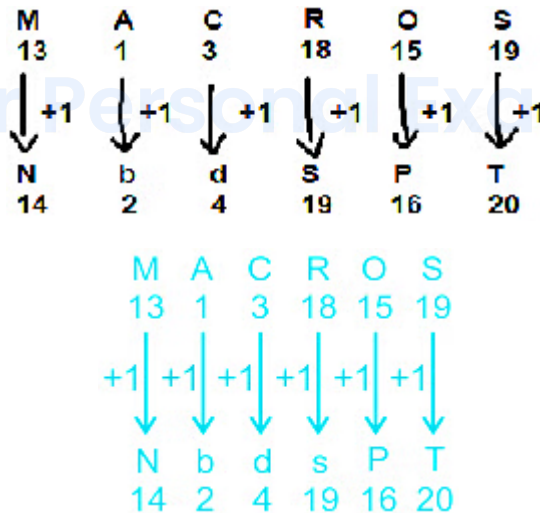


- FLOW is coded as :



Similarly,

- MACROS is coded as :



Hence, "NbdSPT" is the correct answer.

16. Answer: c

Explanation:

Symbol in Diagram	Meaning
○	Female
□	Male
==	Married couple
—	Siblings
	Difference of a generation

So, according to the question :

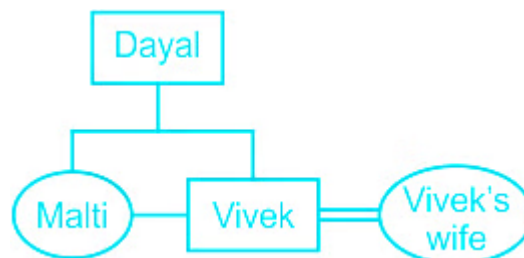
1) Vivek is the only son of Dayal.



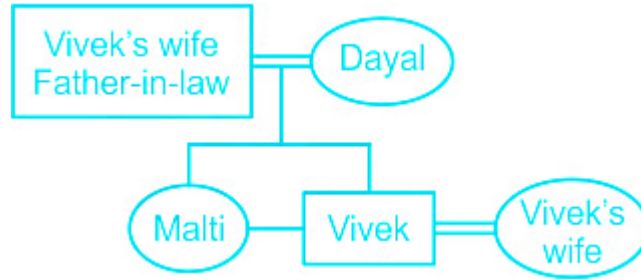
2) Malti is the daughter of the father-in-law of Vivek's wife.

There are two possible cases i.e either Dayal is the father-in-law of Vivek's wife or Dayal is the mother-in-law of Vivek's wife.

- Case - (1)

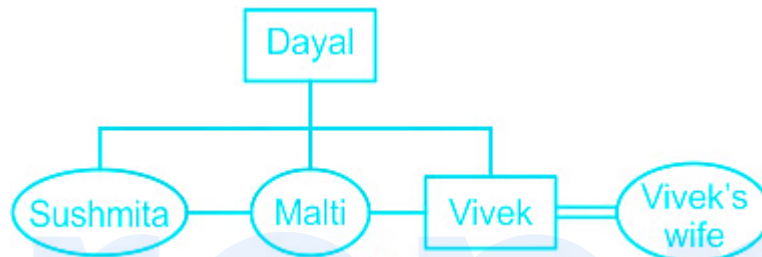


- Case - (2)

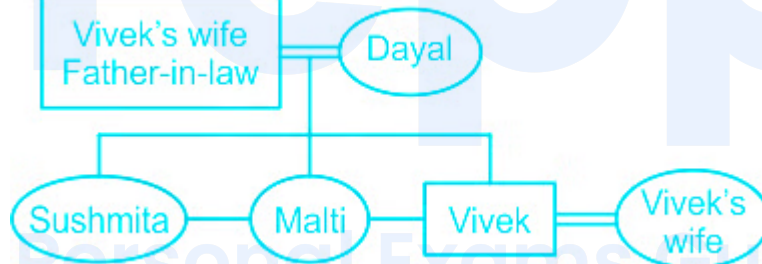


3) Sushmita is the sister of Malti.

- Case - (1)



- Case - (2)

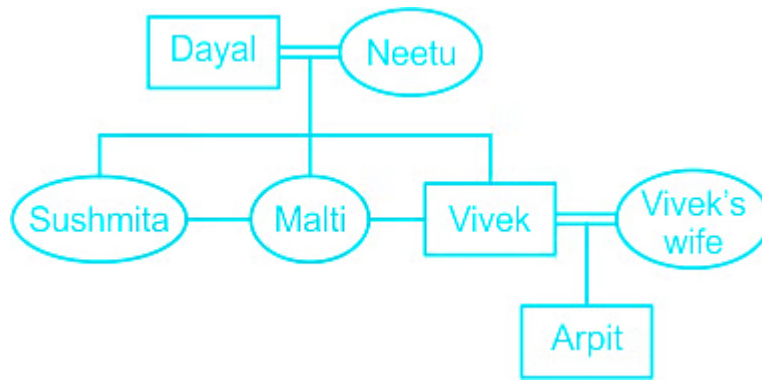


4) Arpit is the grandson of Neetu, who is the wife of Dayal.

Arpit is the son of Vivek as no other children of Dayal and Neetu are married yet.

Also Neetu is the mother-in-law and Dayal is the father-in-law of Vivek's wife. Therefore case - (2) is eliminated.

- Case - (1)



Thus, according to the final family tree Vivek's wife is the mother of Arpit.

Hence, **"Mother"** is the correct answer

17. Answer: a

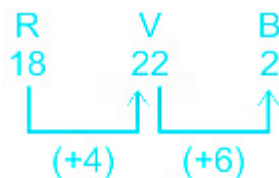
Explanation:

Alphabets	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
Positional value	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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Alphabets	Z	Y	X	W	V	U	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N

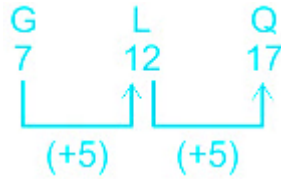
Logic : The difference between the position value is 5.

So,

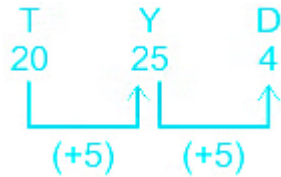
- RVB



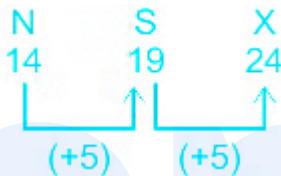
- GLQ



- TYD



- NSX



Thus, Only in RVB the difference between the position value of each letter is not 5.

Hence, "RVB" is the correct answer.

18. Answer: c

Explanation:

Given : Seven persons P, Q, R, S, T, U and V are sitting in a straight horizontal line facing the north.

Explanation :

- 1) T is at one of the corners.
- 2) T is third to the left of R

As T is third to the left of R, thus T is sitting at the left end.



3) U is second to the left of R.



4) S is third to the right of P.



5) Q is second to the left of V.



Thus, T and V are sitting at the left end and right end respectively.

Hence, "V" is the correct answer.

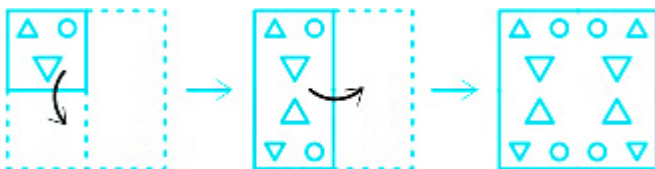
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19. Answer: c

Explanation:

According to given figure:

The figure will appear when it is opened as follows:



Hence, "Option - (3)" is the correct answer.

20. Answer: a

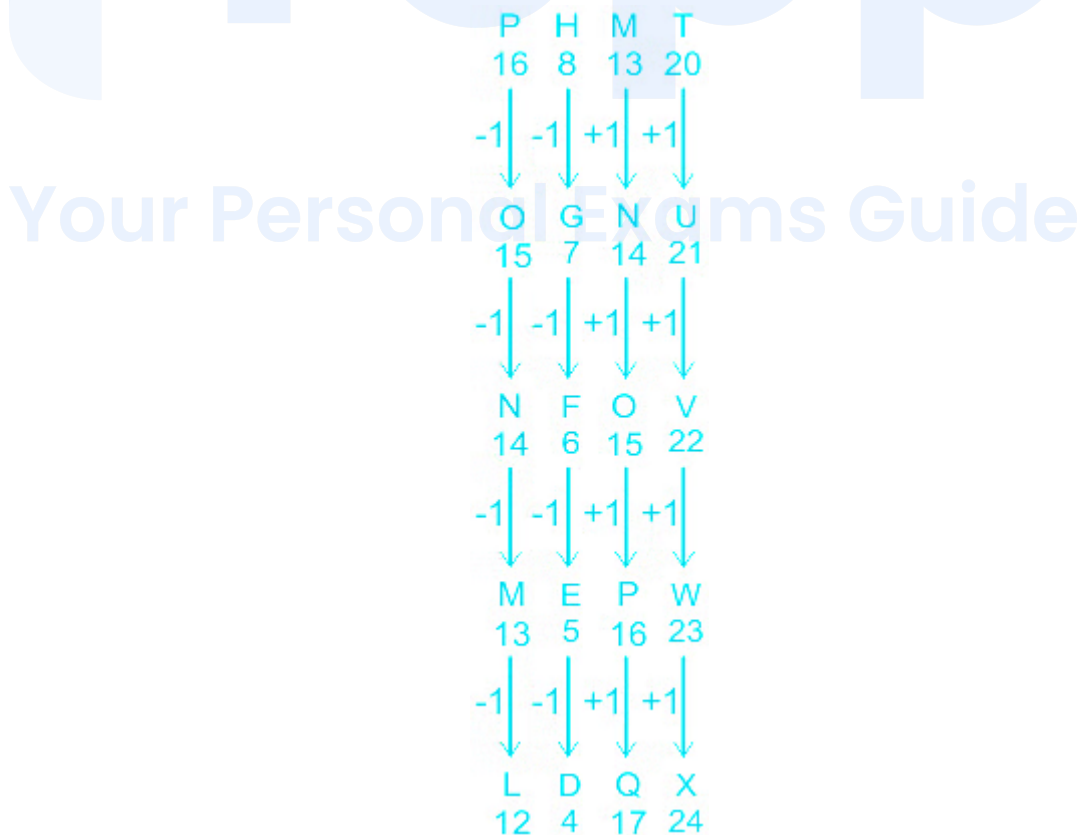
Explanation:

Alphabets	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
Positional value	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Positional value	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14
Alphabets	Z	Y	X	W	V	U	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N

Logic :

- First letter and second letter - (1) is subtracted from the position value.
- Third letter and fourth letter - (1) is added to the position value

So,



Hence, "LDQX" is the correct answer.

21. Answer: d

Explanation:

Logic : Square of (Second number - 2) + 1 = First number

So,

- 50 : 9

$$(9 - 2)^2 + 1 = 50$$

$$(7)^2 + 1 = 50$$

$$49 + 1 = 50$$

$$50 = 50 \text{ (LHS = RHS)}$$

- 82 : 11

$$(11 - 2)^2 + 1 = 82$$

$$(9)^2 + 1 = 82$$

$$81 + 1 = 82$$

$$82 = 82 \text{ (LHS = RHS)}$$

Similarly,

- ? : 14

$$(14 - 2)^2 + 1 = ?$$

$$(12)^2 + 1 = ?$$

$$144 + 1 = ?$$

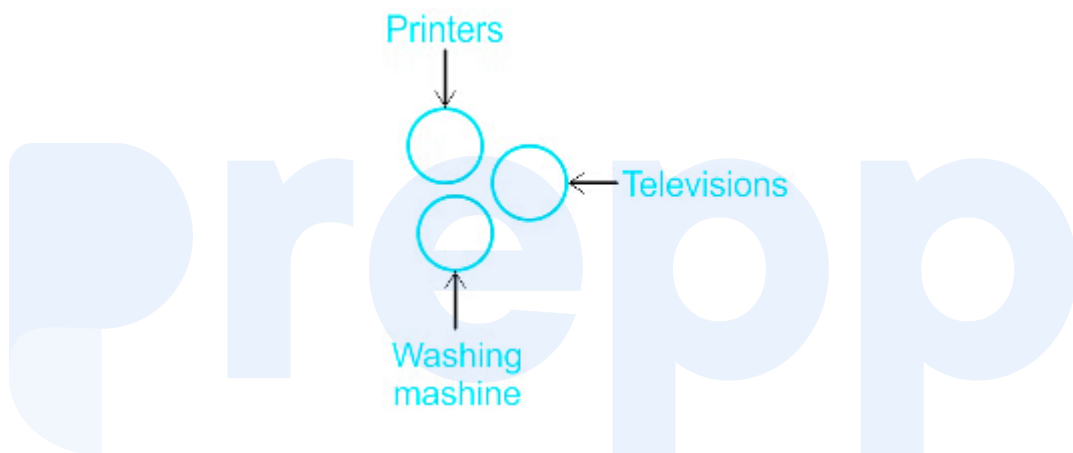
? = 145

Hence, "145" is the correct answer.

22. Answer: d

Explanation:

The set of classes the relationship among which is best represented by the following Venn diagram is shown below:



The Venn diagram shows three different areas or categories.

1. Women, Drivers, Architects - Women can be both drivers and architects, so both drivers and architects will come inside women ⇒ Option - (1) eliminated
2. Cars, Vehicles, Scooters - Cars and scooters are types of vehicles, so cars and scooters will come inside vehicles ⇒ Option - (2) eliminated
3. Doctors, Tax-payers, Nurses - Doctors and nurses are taxpayers, so both doctors and nurses will come inside taxpayers ⇒ Option - (3) eliminated
4. **Printers, Televisions, Washing machine** - Printers, televisions and washing machine are three different types of electronic equipments.

Hence, "Printers, Televisions, Washing machine" is the correct answer.

23. Answer: a

Explanation:

According to the sequence in the dictionary:

4. Hippo

3. Hire

1. Hitch

2. Home

Hence, the correct option is "4, 3, 1, 2".

24. Answer: c

Explanation:

Given : Piyush buys 4 blankets at the rate of ₹450 per blanket.

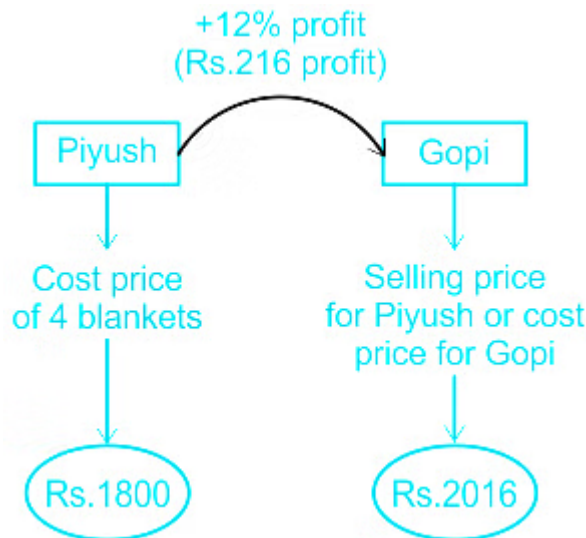
Explanation :

Cost price of 4 blankets at the rate of ₹450 per blanket = $(4 \times 450) \Rightarrow ₹1800$

So, Piyush buys 4 blankets at the cost of = ₹1800

Now, According to the question

- He sells these 4 blankets to Gopi and earns a profit of 12% on his investment.



So, Piyush sold at the profit of:

$$= 1800 \left(\frac{12}{100}\right)$$

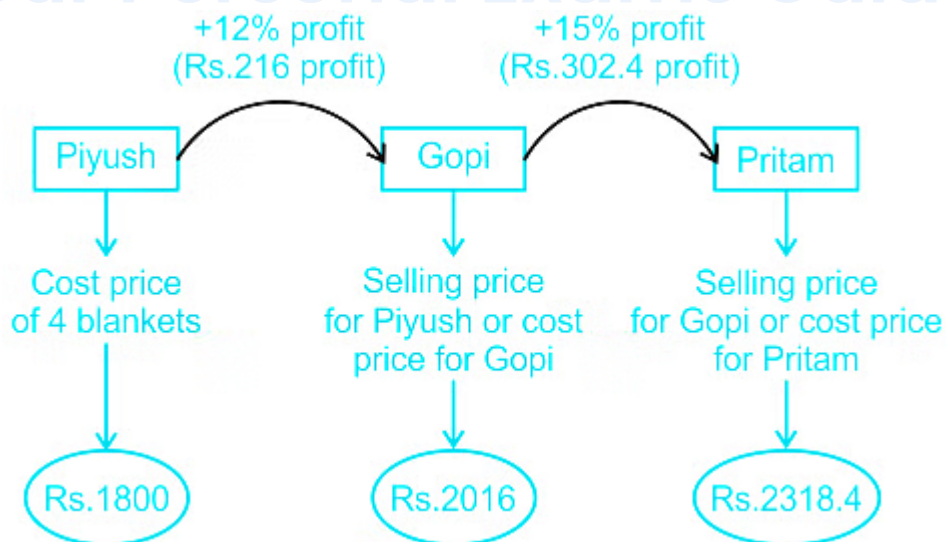
$$= \text{Rs } 216$$

$$\text{Selling price} = \text{Cost price} + \text{Profit}$$

$$= 1800 + 216$$

$$= \text{Rs } 2016$$

- Gopi further sells all 4 blankets to Pritam and earns 15% profit.



So, Gopi sold at the profit of:

$$= 2016 (15/100)$$

$$= \text{Rs } 302.4$$

Selling price = Cost price + Profit

$$= 2016 + 302.4$$

$$= \text{Rs } 2318.4$$

Thus, according to the question the price at which Pritam bought one blanket is:

For 4 blankets cost price for Pritam is = Rs 2318.4

Therefore, for 1 blanket cost price is = $2318.4/4 \Rightarrow \text{Rs } 579.6$

Hence, "₹579.60" is the correct answer.

25. Answer: a

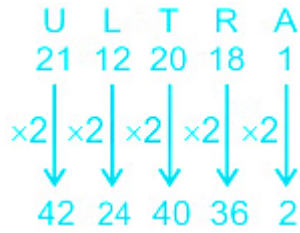
Explanation:

Alphabets	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
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Positional value	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14
Alphabets	Z	Y	X	W	V	U	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N

Logic : Each letter's position is multiplied by (2).

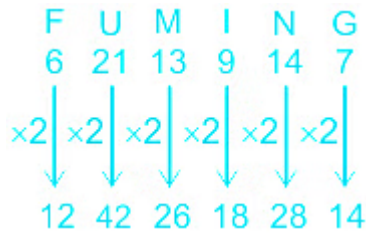
So,

- ULTRA is coded as :



Similarly,

- FUMING is coded as :



Hence, "124226182814" is the correct answer.

26. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is **2013**.

★ Important Points

- The Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) declared Kuttanad's below sea level farming system a 'Globally Important Agricultural Heritage System' (GIAHS) in the year **2013**.
- The Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS) are agroecosystems inhabited by communities that live in intricate relationships with their territory.
- Since 2005, FAO has designated 62 systems in 22 countries as agricultural heritage sites.
- In India, there are 3 GIAHS: Saffron Farming in Kashmir, Koraput Traditional Agriculture of Odisha, and Kuttanad Below Sea Level Farming System of Kerala.

- Kuttanad Below Sea Level Farming System is unique, as it is the only system in India that favours rice cultivation below sea level in the land created by draining delta swamps in brackish waters.
- The concept of Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS) is distinct from a conventional heritage site or protected area/landscape.

27. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is Captain Alexander Read.

★ Key Points

- **Captain Alexander Read** devised the Ryotwari system during British rule in India.
- Ryotwari System
 - It was introduced by Thomas Munro in 1820.
 - This was the primary land revenue system in South India.
 - Major areas of introduction include Madras, Bombay, parts of Assam and Coorg provinces of British India.

★ Additional Information

- Permanent Settlement
 - It was introduced by Cornwallis in 1793 through the Permanent Settlement Act. Hence, Pair 4 is not correctly matched.
 - It was introduced in the provinces of Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, and Varanasi.
 - Also known as Permanent Settlement System.
- Mahalwari system
 - It was introduced in 1822 by Holt Mackenzie. Later, the system was reformed during the period of William Bentick (1833).

28. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is Myanmar Navy.

★ Key Points

- Myanmar inducted a submarine it received from India into its navy, which later intensified its maritime security cooperation with its neighbors as well as other nations in the Indo-Pacific region.
- The INS Sindhuvir, an Indian Navy Kilo-class submarine, has been renamed UMS Minye Theinkhathu.
- It was commissioned on the occasion of its 73rd anniversary by the Myanmar navy. It is the first submarine that the Myanmar Navy has acquired.
- Three years after China gave two submarines to Bangladesh in 2017, India handed the INS Sindhuvir over to Myanmar.

★ Additional Information

- The INS Sindhuvir was in command of the Indian Navy since 1988. Hindustan Shipyard refitted it before it was handed over to the Myanmar Navy earlier this year.
- The Indian Navy also made plans to run the submarine for the Myanmar Navy's staff.

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29. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is
1814.



Important Points

- The Indian Museum in Kolkata also referred to as the Imperial Museum at Calcutta, is the largest and oldest museum in India.
- It was founded by the Asiatic Society of Bengal in Kolkata (Calcutta), India, in 1814.
- Indian Museum is the earliest and the largest multipurpose Museum not only in the Indian subcontinent but also in the Asia-Pacific region of the world.
- It has rare collections of antiques, armour and ornaments, fossils, skeletons, mummies, and Mughal paintings.

★ Additional Information

- The Famous Museums in India
 - National Museum, Delhi.
 - Indian Museum, Kolkata.
 - Government Museum, Chennai.
 - Chhatrapati Shivaji Vastu Museum, Mumbai.
 - Shankar's International Dolls Museum, Delhi.
 - Salar Jung Museum, Hyderabad.
 - National Rail Museum, Delhi.
 - Calico Museum, Ahmedabad.
 - Dr. Bhau Daji Lad Museum, Mumbai.
 - Napier Museum, Trivandrum.

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30. Answer: c

Explanation:

The correct answer is Dharamapala.

★ Key Points

- **Dharmapala** was the founder of Nalanda and Vikramshila universities.
- Dharmapala was the **second ruler of the Pala Empire** of Bengal and Bihar regions in the Indian subcontinent.
- He was the son and successor of Gopala, the founder of the Pala Dynasty.

★ Additional Information

- Vikramshila University:
 - Vikramashila University was established by King Dharmapala.
 - Vikramashila is located in Bhagalpur, Bihar.
 - Found during the eighth-century period in response to a supposed decline in the quality of scholarship at Nalanda.
 - Bhaktiyar Khilji had destroyed the university in the 12th Century.
 - Vikramshila is an ancient site located 40 km away from the Bhagalpur city of Bihar.
 - The small town is famous for housing Vikramshila University, which was built under the guidance of Dharmapala, a Pala King of the 8th century AD.
 - Situated on top of the hills along the banks of the river Ganges, the university became a learning centre of Tantric Buddhism.
 - Over the years, Vikramshila became one of the most popular Buddhist destinations in India and a major tourist spot in Bihar.
- Nalanda University:
 - It is Formed By Emperor Kumar Gupta In The Fifth Century A.D.
 - The Leading Centre of Teaching of Mahayana Buddhism .
 - At The End Of the 12th Century , Invader Bakhityar Khilji Demolished The Monastery, Killed The Monks, And Burned The Valuable Library.

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31. Answer: c

Explanation:

The correct answer is 1951.

★ Key Points

- India won the Asian Games football gold medal for the first time in **1951**.
- The first Asian Games was hosted by India in 1951 .
- It is a continental multi-sports event held every four years among athletes from all over Asia.

- The motto of the Asian Games is 'Ever Onward' .
- The first Asian Games began on March 4, 1951, in New Delhi .
- It is also known as 'Asiad'.
- It was regulated by the Asian Games Federation from 1951 to 1978 .
- Since 1982, the Olympic Council of Asia now regulates the Asian Games.

★ **Additional Information**

Year	Host Country
1951 (1st)	New Delhi, India.
1954 (2nd)	Manila, Philippines.
1958	Tokyo, Japan.
1962	Jakarta, Indonesia.
1966	Bangkok, Thailand.
2018	Jakarta, Indonesia. It was planned to be held in Vietnam in 2019 but this plan was withdrawn and it was held in Indonesia in 2018.
2022 (19th)	Hangzhou, China.
2026	Nagoya, Japan.
2030	Doha, Qatar.
2034 (22nd)	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

32. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is Compost.

★ Key Points

- **Compost** is a biodegradable form of solid waste.
- It is a mixture of ingredients used as **plant fertilizer and improves soil's physical, chemical and biological properties**.
- It is commonly prepared by **decomposing plant and food waste, and recycling organic materials and manure**.

★ Additional Information

- Waste materials are either liquid or solid in form, and their components may be either hazardous or inert in their effects on health and the environment.
- The term waste is typically applied to solid waste, sewage (wastewater), hazardous waste, and electronic waste.

Biodegradable waste	Non-biodegradable waste
The substances that can be decomposed by the action of decomposers like bacteria and fungi.	The substances that can not be decomposed by the action of decomposers like bacteria and fungi.
For example organic matter like human excreta, animal waste, dead bodies of plants and animals, leftover food items, natural fabrics like cotton, wool, etc.	For example plastic, rubber, glass, artificial clothes like nylon, rayon, electronic waste like batteries, etc.

33. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is Mishmi.

★ Key Points

- Tamladu (or Tamla Du) is a festival celebrated by the **Mishmi tribe**.
- Tamladu is one of the ancient and popular festivals observed in the Lohit district of Arunachal Pradesh, it is a prayer offered to the God of Earth and God of Earth.

★ Additional Information

- The **Mishmi or Deng people** of Tibet and Arunachal Pradesh are an ethnic group comprising mainly three tribes: **Idu Mishmi (Idu Lhoba)**; **Digaro tribe**.
- The **Tutsa** are a Naga tribe living in the western parts of Changlang and Khimiyong circles.
- The **Wancho** are Naga indigenous people inhabiting the Patkai hills of Longding district in the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh.

34. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is YES Bank.

★ Key Points

- **YES Bank** struggled to address the issue of capitalisation and subsequently Reserve Bank of India took over its management in 2020.
- On March 5, 2020, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a **30-day moratorium on YES Bank**.
- Superseded the private-sector lender's board, and appointed **Prashant Kumar**, who was serving as chief financial officer and deputy managing director at State Bank of India (SBI), as an administrator.

★ Additional Information

- Yes Bank is an Indian Private Sector Bank that was established in the year 2004 .
- It was jointly founded by Ashok Kapoor and Rana Kapoor .
- Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra.

35. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is

Kushinagar.



Key Points

- Lord Buddha gave his last sermon at the Kushinagar district of Uttar Pradesh.
- Since then Kushinagar became the place of Buddhist pilgrimage.
- **Kushinagar** is also known as Kusinara, as it is home to many pilgrimages for Buddhism followers in India and worldwide.
- **Ramabhar Stupa in Kushinagar** was built with a portion of the Buddha's ashes on the place where his cremation took place.

★ Additional Information

- Lord Buddha was an ordinary person named Siddhartha Gautama , whose profound insights inspired the world.
- He was born into the royal family of the Sakya clan who ruled from Kapilvastu, in Lumbini which is situated near the Indo-Nepal Border.
- At the age of 29, Gautama left home and rejected his life of riches, and embraced a lifestyle of asceticism or extreme self-discipline.
- After six years of hardship, Gautama attained Bodhi (enlightenment) under a pipal tree at Bodhgaya a village in Bihar.

- Buddha gave his first sermon in the village of Sarnath , near the city of Benares in UP.
 - This event is known as Dharma-Chakra-Pravartana (turning of the wheel of law).
- He died at the age of 80 in 483 BCE at a place called Kushinagara a town in UP.
 - The event is known as Mahaparinibban .

36. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is Hans Christian Andersen.

★ Key Points

- 'The Emperor's New Clothes ' is a children's story by Hans Christian Andersen.
- He was a Danish author .
- His most famous fairy tales include:
 - "The Emperor's New Clothes",
 - "The Little Mermaid",
 - "The Nightingale",
 - "The Steadfast Tin Soldier",
 - "The Red Shoes",
 - "The Princess and the Pea",
 - "The Snow Queen",
 - "The Ugly Duckling",
 - "The Little Match Girl", and
 - "Thumbelina".

★ Additional Information

- Enid Mary Blyton was an English children's writer, whose books have been worldwide bestsellers since the 1930s, selling more than 600 million copies.
- Roald Dahl was a British novelist, short-story writer, poet, screenwriter, and wartime fighter ace of Norwegian descent.

- Oscar Fingal O'Flahertie Wills Wilde was an Irish poet and playwright.
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37. Answer: c

Explanation:

The correct answer is Spain's.

★ Key Points

- Indian economist and Nobel Laureate Amartya Kumar Sen has been conferred with Spain's top Princess of Asturias Award in the social sciences category.
- He was selected out of the 41 candidatures from 20 nationalities put forward for the award.
- The award comprises a Joan Miro sculpture representing and symbolising the Award, a diploma, an insignia, and a cash prize of 50,000 Euros.
- The Princess of Asturias Award for Social Sciences is granted to "creative and/or research work in the field of history, law, linguistics, teaching, political science, psychology, sociology, ethics, philosophy, geography, economics, demography or anthropology, as well as in the disciplines corresponding to each of these fields.

★ Additional Information

- **Amartya Sen** is an Indian economist and philosopher.
 - He has made contributions to welfare economics, economic and social justice, social choice theory, economic theories of famines, development economics, decision theory, public health, etc.
 - In 1998, he has been awarded **Nobel Memorial Prize** in Economic Sciences and **Bharat Ratna in 1999** in the category of welfare economics.
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38. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is Nihal Sarin.

★ Key Points

- Indian player **Nihal Sarin** the 2020 Junior Speed online Chess Championship.
- Indian chess prodigy Nihal Sarin has won the Gazprom Brilliancy Prize.
- The award is given to the best game from the FIDE Online World Cadets and Youth Championship played during December.
- Sarin had beaten Francesco Sonis 1.5–0.5 in the Open Under-18 section on the way to winning the gold medal at the event.

★ Additional Information

- **International Master Mitrabha Guha** has become the 72nd Grandmaster of India.
- **Rameshbabu "Pragg" Praggnanandhaa** is an Indian chess grandmaster.
- **Dommaraju Gukesh**, better known as Gukesh D, is an Indian chess grandmaster.

39. Answer: c

Explanation:

The correct answer is 1972.

★ Key Points

The Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972

- The Parliament of India enacted the ACT by the parliament of India on **9 Sept 1972** for the protection of plants and animal species.
- The Government of India implemented the Wildlife Protection Act of 1972 with the purpose of efficiently protecting the wildlife of this country and further controlling hunting, smuggling, and illegal trade in wild animals and their derivatives.

- The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has been constituted under section 38 L (1) of **the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972**.

★ Additional Information

- It has six schedules that give varying degrees of protection.
- Schedule I and part II of Schedule II provide absolute protection - offences under these are prescribed the highest penalties.
- Species listed in Schedule III and Schedule IV are also protected, but the penalties are much lower.
- The specified endemic plants in Schedule VI are prohibited from cultivation and planting.

40. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is Greek.

★ Key Points

- The term 'ecology' is derived from the **Greek** word 'Oekologie'.
- The word "Ecology" was coined by "Ernst Haeckel".
- It is the branch of biology that studies organizations in their environment.
- Ecology word is taken from the Greek word **Oekologie, Oikos meaning "House" and logos meaning "Study"**.
- **Ecology** is the study of the household.

★ Additional Information

- All organisms such as plants, animals, microorganisms and human beings as well as the physical surroundings interact with each other and maintain a balance in nature.
- All the interacting organisms in an area together with the non-living constituents of the environment form an ecosystem.
- The term ecosystem was coined by Tansley.

- Components of an ecosystem:
- Biotic Components:
 - It includes producers, consumers and decomposers.
 - All living things have a direct or indirect influence on other organisms in an environment.
 - Example: plants, animals, microorganism etc.
- Abiotic components:
 - All the in-organic components of the ecosystem, non-living physical and chemical composition of nature are abiotic components.
 - Example : stones, water, humus (organic waste), air etc.

41. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is The UK.

★ Key Points

- The important provisions borrowed from Britain are:
 - Parliamentary form of government
 - Rule of Law.
 - Single Citizenship.
 - Office of Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
 - **Bicameralism.**
 - Writs.

★ Additional Information

- Some of the features are borrowed from the different constitutions of the world.
 - British constitution : Parliamentary government, Rule of Law, legislative procedure, single citizenship, cabinet system, prerogative writs, parliamentary privileges, and bicameralism.
 - US Constitution : Fundamental rights, independence of the judiciary, judicial review, impeachment of the president, removal of Supreme Court and high court judges, and post of vice-president.

- Irish Constitution : Directive Principles of State Policy , the nomination of members to Rajya Sabha, and method of election of the president.
- Canadian Constitution : Federation with a strong Centre, vesting of residuary powers in the Centre, the appointment of state governors by the Centre, and advisory jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.
- Australian constitution : Concurrent List , freedom of trade, commerce and intercourse, and a joint sitting of the two Houses of Parliament.
- Weimar Constitution : Suspension of Fundamental Rights during Emergency.
- Soviet Constitution : Fundamental duties and the ideal of justice (social, economic, and political) in the Preamble.
- French Constitution : Republic and the ideals of liberty, equality, and fraternity in the Preamble.
- Japanese Constitution : Procedure established by Law.
- South African Constitution : Procedure for amendment of the Constitution and election of members of Rajya Sabha.

42. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is Shankar Lakshman.

★ Key Points

- **Shankar Lakshman** was the first goalkeeper to become the captain of an international hockey team.
- He was an Indian hockey player from Mhow in present-day Indore .
- He was the goalkeeper of the Indian team in the 1956, 1960, and 1964 Olympics , which won two gold medals and one silver medal .

★ Additional Information

- **Birendra Lakra** is an Indian professional field hockey player.
- **Richard J. Allen** is an American television soap opera writer.

- **Parattu Raveendran Sreejesh** is an Indian professional field hockey player who plays as a goalkeeper and former captain of the Indian national team.
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43. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is ₹2 lakhs.

★ Key Points

- The Reserve Bank of India has made enhancements to the Indo-Nepal Remittance Facility Scheme .
- The ceiling per transaction has been increased four-fold to ₹2 lakh and the cap of 12 remittances in a year per remitter has been removed.
- The enhancements have been announced to boost trade payments between the two countries.

★ Additional Information

- Under the scheme, the beneficiary receives funds in Nepalese Rupees through credit to her / his bank account maintained with the subsidiary of State Bank of India in Nepal, – Nepal SBI Bank Limited (NSBL) or through an agency arrangement.
 - The central bank asked banks to put in place suitable velocity checks and other risk mitigation procedures.
 - RBI:
 - Governor – Shaktikanta Das.
 - Headquarters – Mumbai.
 - Founded: 1 April 1935, Kolkata.
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44. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is Azim Premji.

★ Important Points

- Software exporter Wipro's Azim Premji donated ₹9,713 crores or ₹27 crores a day to retain his top rank in EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2020.
- Mukesh Ambani of Reliance Industries, India's richest man by a distance, came third on the list with a ₹577 crore contribution.
- Amitabh Bachchan is the top new entrant on EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2021 by donating ₹15 crores.

★ Additional Information

- The second richest Indian Gautam Adani is eighth on the givers' list with a donation of ₹130 crores towards disaster relief.
- Infosys co-founder Nandan Nilekani's ranking improved to fifth with a ₹183 crore donation with "societal thinking" being identified as the primary cause.
- There are a few new entrants into the list, including the largest stocks investor Rakesh Jhunjunwala, who donated a fourth of his overall earnings or ₹50 crore in FY21 with efforts on education.
- Former chairman of engineering major Larsen & Toubro, A M Naik, is 11th on the list with a donation of ₹112 crore.

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Persons	Ranks	Amount
Azim Hashmi Premji	1	Rs 9,713 crore
Shiv Nadar, HCL Technologies	2	Rs 1263 crore
Mukesh Ambani, Reliance Industries	3	Rs 577 crore
Kumar Mangalam Birla, Aditya Birla Group	4	Rs 377 crore
Nandan Nilekani, Infosys	5	Rs 183 crore
Hinduja Family, Hinduja Group	6	Rs 166 crore
Bajaj Family, Bajaj Group	7	Rs 136 crore
Gautam Adani, Adani Group	8	Rs 130 crore
Anil Aggarwal, Vedanta	9	Rs 130 crore
Burman Family, Dabur India	10	Rs 114 crore

45. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is Articles 129 and 142.

★ Important Points

- Article 129 in The Constitution Of India 1949.
- The Supreme Court of India shall be a court of record and shall have all the powers of such a court including the power to punish for contempt of itself.
- A Court of Record is defined as "a court whereof the acts and judicial proceedings are enrolled for a perpetual memorial and testimony, and which has power to fine and imprison for contempt of its authority".
- Contempt of court signifies not only a willful disregard or disobedience of its orders, but such conduct as tends to bring the authority of the court and the

administration of the law into disrespect or to defeat, impair, or prejudice the rights of witnesses or parties to pending litigation .

- It is clear from the above definitions in India the Supreme Court and High Courts act as Court of Records by virtue of Article 129 and Article 215 of the Indian Constitution respectively.
- **Article 142** provides discretionary power to the Supreme Court as it states that the Supreme Court in the exercise of its jurisdiction may pass such decree or make such order as is necessary for doing complete justice in any cause or matter pending before it.

Hence Articles 129 and 142 is the most appropriate answer.

46. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is cashew-nut.

★ Important Points

- Red laterite soils in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala are more suitable for crops like tea, coffee, and cashew cultivation.
- When manured and irrigated, some laterites are suitable for growing plantation crops like tea, coffee, rubber, cinchona, coconut, areca nut, and cashew nut .
- **Laterite soils** are mostly the end products of weathering.
- They are formed under conditions of high temperature and heavy rainfall with alternate wet and dry periods.
- Heavy rainfall promotes leaching (nutrients get washed away by water) of soil whereby lime and silica are leached away and a soil rich in oxides of iron and aluminium compounds is left behind.
- Laterite soils are red in colour due to little clay and more gravel of red sand-stones.

★ Additional Information

- Black soil-
 - This is also known as regur and is found in lava-covered areas.
 - This kind of soil is found in Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Karnataka where there are moderate rainfall and underlying basaltic rock.
 - These are fit for the cultivation of cotton crops as they require high moisture retention and also minerals like calcium and magnesium.
- Desert soil –
 - It is found in low-rainfall regions and it mostly consists of sandy soil.
 - It has a low content of nitrogen and organic matter with very high calcium carbonate and phosphate, which makes it infertile.
 - The amount of calcium is 10 times higher in the lower layer than in the topsoil.
 - The availability of nitrogen in the form of nitrates, using fertilizer and proper irrigation, in addition to the already-present phosphates makes it useful in growing crops such as barley, rapeseed, cotton, wheat, millets, maize, and pulses.
 - Thus it is the best soil for cereals cultivation.
- Laterite soil –
 - It develops in regions having heavy rainfall and high temperature. Cashew crops are grown in red laterite soil as it contains less humus which is suitable for the cashew crop.

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47. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is Three.

★ Key Points

- Three Farm Bills that are bond of contention:
 - The Farmers' Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020,
 - The Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement of Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020 ,

- Essential Commodities (Amendment) Bill, 2020 .

★ Additional Information

- Intended Benefits Associated with These Bills
 - The Bills aim to do away with government interference in agricultural trade by creating trading areas free of middlemen and government taxes outside the structure of Agricultural Produce Market Committees (APMCs).
 - It will allow farmers an option to sell their produce directly to these new zones, without going through the middlemen and paying levies such as mandi fees.
 - It sought to remove stock holding limits as well as curbs on inter-State and intra-State trade, and create a framework for contract farming.
 - These bills promote the creation of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPO) on a large scale and will help in creating a farmer-friendly environment for contract farming which small players can benefit.
 - These bills may enable private players to invest in warehousing, grading, and other marketing infrastructure.
 - A combined effect of these bills will help in creating a
 - 'One Nation, One Market' for agricultural produce.

48. Answer: c

Explanation:

The correct answer is peacock.

★ Key Points

- The National bird of India is Peacock and its scientific name is *Pavo Cristatus*.
- Taxonomy of Peacock:
 - Kingdom : Animalia
 - Phylum : Chordata
 - Subphylum : Vertebrata
 - Superclass : Tetrapoda

- Class : Aves
- Order : Galliformes
- Family : Phasianidae
- Genus : Pavo
- Species : cristatus

★ Additional Information

National Symbol	Name	Scientific Name
National Fruit	Mango	Mangifera indica
National Tree	Indian Banyan	Ficus bengalensis
National Animal	Royal Bengal Tiger	Panthera tigris

49. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is Gujarat.

★ Key Points

- The National Salt Satyagraha Memorial is located in Dandi, **Gujarat** .
- Dandi March or Salt Satyagraha was started by Mahatma Gandhi in Sabarmati launched on March 12, 1930, and it lasted till April 5, 1930, in Dandi (Navsari).
- It was a part of Non-violent Civil Disobedience.
- It was against the tax collected by the British Raj on salt and Gandhi opposed this by producing salt through evaporation.

- This significantly influenced American activists Martin Luther King, James Bevel, and others.

★ Additional Information

- It is also known as the White Flowing River as all people took part in the march by wearing **White Khadi**.
- Gandhi called it the “ Poor Man’s Struggle ”.
- Due to this, mass civil disobedience was observed and Indians boycotted British clothes and goods.
- International Walk for Justice and Freedom – Mahatma Gandhi Foundation re-framed and cast the Salt March in 2005 on the 75 th anniversary of the **Dandi March**.

50. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is 26th November.

★ Key Points

- November 26 is celebrated as National Milk Day , since 2014, to commemorate the birthday of the father of India's White Revolution, Dr. Verghese Kurien (also nicknamed as Milkman of India).
- India has become the largest producer of milk .
- India is the world's largest milk producer, with 22 per cent of global production, followed by the United States of America , China , Pakistan and Brazil .

★ Confusion Points

- World Milk Day- 1st June.
- National Milk Day in India - 26 th November.

★ Additional Information

- **Indian Dairy Association (IDA)** e established in **1948** , is the apex body of the dairy industry in India.
- The members are from cooperatives, MNCs, corporate bodies, private institutions, educational institutions, and government and public sector units.

51. Answer: c

Explanation:

Given:

In a pool of length 50 m and width 45 m, 90 persons take a dip, If the average displacement of water by the person is 1 m³ ,

Concept used:

The v olume of water displaced = Displacement of water by 90 men

Calculation:

Let, the rise in the water level be h

As per the question,

$$\Rightarrow 50 \times 45 \times h = 90 \times 100$$

$$\Rightarrow h = (90 \times 100)/(50 \times 45)$$

$$\Rightarrow h = 2 \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow h = 4 \text{ cm}$$

∴ The water level rise by 4 cm

52. Answer: b

Explanation:

Given:

Approximate single discount equivalent to three successive discounts of 8%, 15%, and 20%

Formula Used:

Single discount equivalent to two successive discounts of a % and b %

$$= \left(a + b - \frac{a \times b}{100} \right) \%$$

Calculation:

Here, a = 8 % , and b = 15 %

$$\text{So, the single discount} = \left(8 + 15 - \frac{8 \times 15}{100} \right) \%$$

$$\Rightarrow (23 - 1.2) \%$$

$$\Rightarrow 21.8 \%$$

Again,

Here, a = 21.8 % , and b = 20 %

$$\text{So, the single discount} = \left(21.8 + 20 - \frac{21.8 \times 20}{100} \right) \%$$

$$\Rightarrow (41.8 - 4.36) \%$$

$$\Rightarrow 37.44 \% \approx 37\%$$

The approximate single discount is 37%

53. Answer: d

Explanation:

Given:

The average attendance at a football club fell by 11% in 2015 in comparison to the previous year, if 3190 fewer people went to see matches.

Calculation:

Let, the number of attendance in 2014 will be 100 units

So, the number of attendance in 2015 decreased by $100 \times (11 / 100) = 11$ units

As per the question,

Value of 11 units = 3190

So value of 100 units = $(3190 / 11) \times 100$

$\Rightarrow 290 \times 100 = 29000$

29000 people went in 2014

As per the question,

★ **Shortcut Trick**

Value of 11 % = 3190

So value of 100 % = $(3190 / 11) \times 100$

$\Rightarrow 290 \times 100 = 29000$

54. Answer: a

Explanation:

Given:

A handbag, a shirt, and a jacket were bought at Rs. 2,300 each.

They are sold at 12% profit, 15% loss, and 6% gain, respectively.

Formula used:

$$SP = \left(\frac{100 + \text{profit Percentage}}{100} \right) \times CP$$

$$SP = CP + \text{Profit}$$

$$\text{Profit} = CP \times \text{Profit percentage} / 100$$

Calculation:

$$\text{In 1st case profit} = 2300 \times 12/100$$

$$\Rightarrow 23 \times 12 = \text{Rs } 276$$

$$\text{In 2nd case loss} = 2300 \times 15/100$$

$$\Rightarrow 23 \times 15 = \text{Rs } 345$$

$$\text{In 3rd case profit} = 2300 \times 6 /100$$

$$\Rightarrow 23 \times 6 = \text{Rs } 138$$

$$\text{Total cost price} = 2300 \times 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rs } 6900$$

$$\text{Total Profit} = 276 + 138 - 345$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rs } 69$$

$$\text{Profit percentage} = (69 / 6900) \times 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 1\%$$

The total profit is 1%

★ **Additional Information**

Profit is calculated on Cost Price.

And discount is calculated on Market Price.

55. Answer: a

Explanation:

Calculation:

$$36\frac{2}{5} \div [27 + \frac{3}{8} \text{ of } 24 + (45 \div 9 - 4\frac{3}{5})]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{182}{5} \div [27 + \frac{3}{8} \times 24 + (45 \div 9 - \frac{23}{5})]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{182}{5} \div [27 + 3 \times 3 + (5 - \frac{23}{5})]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{182}{5} \div [27 + 9 + 2/5]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{182}{5} \div [182/5]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{182}{5} \times \frac{5}{182}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1$$

So, the value is 1

56. Answer: a

Explanation:

Given:

The difference between the compound interest and simple interest on Rs. 16,000 2 years at a certain rate of interest per annum is Rs. 102.40,

Formula used:

The difference between SI and CI for 2 years will be,

$$\text{Difference} = \text{Principal} \times (r / 100)^2 . (r = \text{rate of interest})$$

Calculation:

As per the question,

$$102.40 = 16000 \times (r / 100)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2 = (102.40 \times 100 \times 100) \div 16000$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2 = 64$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt{64}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 8\%$$

The rate of interest per annum will be 8%

57. Answer: a

Explanation:

Calculation:

$$\frac{67 + \frac{2}{5} \text{ of } 75}{5 + \frac{2}{3} \times (58 - 37)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{67 + \frac{2}{5} \times 75}{5 + \frac{2}{3} \times (21)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (67 + 2 \times 15) / (5 + 7 \times 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (67 + 30) / (5 + 14)$$

$$\Rightarrow 97 / 19$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \frac{2}{19}$$

The value is $5 \frac{2}{19}$

58. Answer: a

Explanation:

Given:

P can do a piece of work in 30 days

Q can do the same work in 40 days

They worked together for 5 days and then Q left

Concept used:

Efficiency = (Total work / Total time taken)

Efficiency = work done in a single day

Calculation:

Let total work is 120 units (LCM of 30 and 40)

The efficiency of P = $120 / 30$

⇒ 4 units

The efficiency of Q = $120 / 40$

⇒ 3 units

So P + Q together do in one day $4 + 3 = 7$ units

So they do in 5 days $7 \times 5 = 35$ units

Remaining, $120 - 35 = 85$ units done by P

P does the work in $85 / 4 = 21 \frac{1}{4}$ daysदिनों

⇒ 21 days 6 hours

P take to complete the remaining work is 21 days 6 hours

★ **Additional Information**

(Efficiency of a Person is inversely proportional to the number of days to complete the work)

59. Answer: a

Explanation:

Given:

A train running at a speed of 126 km/h crosses a pole in 6 seconds.

Concept used:

Distance = speed \times time

Calculation:

$$126 \text{ km/h} = 126 \times \frac{5}{18}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \times 7 = 35 \text{ m/s}$$

so, in 6 seconds train covers his own length = 35×6

$$\Rightarrow 210 \text{ meter}$$

The length of the train is 210 meter

★ Additional Information

To cross a pole the train has to cover its own length

60. Answer: d

Explanation:

Given:

A student's marks were incorrectly entered as 92 instead of 78.

Due to this, the average marks of the class got increased by $\frac{1}{2}$

Calculation:

Difference in marks = $92 - 78$

$\Rightarrow 14$

The average got increased for that by $1/2$

Let, total number of students = x

As per the question $(1/2) \times x = 14$

$\Rightarrow 14 \times 2 = 28$

Total number of students are 28

61. Answer: d

Explanation:

Given:

Two varieties of what have been mixed. In 60 kg of wheat, 40% wheat is of A quality, and 60% of wheat is of B quality.

Calculation:

Amount of A quality wheat in 60 kg = $60 \times 40 / 100$

$\Rightarrow 24$ kg

Amount of B quality wheat in 60 kg = $60 \times 60 / 100$

$\Rightarrow 36$ kg

Let, we have to add x kg

As per the question,

$(24 + x) / 36 = 60 / 40$

$\Rightarrow (24 + x) / 36 = 3 / 2$

$$\Rightarrow (24 + x) = 54$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 54 - 24$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 30 \text{ kg}$$

30 kg wheat of A quality should be further added to the mixed wheat

62. Answer: c

Explanation:

Given:

The compound interest on a sum for $1\frac{1}{3}$ years at 12% per annum is Rs. 2496, interest being compounded for 8 months.

Concept used:

For compound interest, Amount = $P(1 + R/100)^n$ [P = principal, R = rate of interest and n = number of years]

Calculation:

Compound 8 monthly rate of interest = $12 \times 8/12$

$$\Rightarrow 8\%$$

As per the question,

$$2496 = P(1 + 8/100)^2 - P$$

$$\Rightarrow 2496 = 104P / 625$$

$$\Rightarrow P = 15000$$

So, The amount will be,

$$A = 15000 (1 + 12/100)^4$$

⇒ 23603 (approx)

The amount will be Rs 23603

63. Answer: c

Explanation:

Given:

A and B together can do a piece of work in 16 days. If A is 50% less efficient than B

Concept used:

Efficiency = (Total work / Total time taken)

Efficiency = work done in a single day

Calculation:

Let the efficiency of B is x,

So the efficiency of A will be $(x - x/2) = x / 2$

As per the question,

Efficiency ratio of A : B = 1: 2

So day ratio will be 2:1

If A takes 2y days then B takes y days

As per the question,

$$(1 / 2y) + (1 / y) = 1 / 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 / 2y = 1 / 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 / y = 1 / 24$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 24$$

So A takes 2y days = 2×24

\Rightarrow 48 days

in 48 days can A, working alone, complete the entire work

★ Additional Information

(Efficiency of a Person is inversely proportional to the number of days to complete the work)

64. Answer: d

Explanation:

Given:

A profit of 19% is made on goods when a discount of 15% is given

Concept used:

Profit is calculated on Cost Price.

And the discount is calculated on Market Price.

Formula used:

$$P = \left(\frac{100 + \text{profit Percentage}}{100} \right) \times CP$$

$$SP = CP + \text{Profit}$$

$$\text{Market price} - \text{discount} = \text{Selling Price}$$

Calculation:

Let the Market price be 100 unit

$$\text{Selling price} = 100 - 100 \times 15/100$$

$$\Rightarrow 100 - 15$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rs } 85$$

$$\text{So the cost price} = 85 \times 100 / 119$$

$$\Rightarrow 500 / 7$$

In 2nd case ,

$$\text{Selling price} = 100 - 100 \times 25/100$$

$$\Rightarrow 100 - 25$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rs } 75$$

$$\text{Profit} = 75 - 500/7$$

$$\Rightarrow 25 / 7$$

$$\text{So profit percentage} = \frac{25/7}{500/7} \times 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 100 / 20 = 5\%$$

5% profit will be made.

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65. Answer: d

Explanation:

Given:

A boat can travel at a speed of 17 km/h in still water. If the speed of the stream is 2 km/h

Concept used:

$$\text{Speed} = \text{Distance} / \text{Time}$$

In return, the speed will be downstream.

If the speed of the boat in still water is v and the speed of the current is u

Then, downstream speed = $v + u$

Calculation:

Then, downstream speed = $17 + 2$

$\Rightarrow 19 \text{ km/h}$

Time will be taken to go 95 km,

$\Rightarrow 95 / 19 = 5 \text{ hr}$

5hr will be taken by boat to go 95 km downstream

★ Additional Information

If the speed of the boat in still water is v and the speed of the current is u

Upstream speed = $v - u$

66. Answer: a

Explanation:

Given:

P sold an article to Q for Rs. 18000 by losing 20%.

Q sells it to R at a price that would have given P a profit of 8%.

Concept used:

Cost price - loss = Selling price

Selling Price (Sp) = $C_p + (\text{Profit} / 100) \times C_p$

Calculation:

As per the question,

$$\text{Cost price of P} = (100 / 80) \times 18000$$

$$\Rightarrow 1.25 \times 18000$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rs } 22500$$

$$\text{The cost price of R} = 22500 \times (108/100)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1.08 \times 22500$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rs } 24300$$

$$\text{Profit earned by Q} = 24300 - 18000$$

$$\Rightarrow 6300$$

$$\text{Profit percentage} = (6300 / 18000) \times 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 35\%$$

The profit percentage earned by Q is 35%

67. Answer: b

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Explanation:

Calculation:

$$(2x + 3y) : (4x - 7y) = 3 : 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x + 3y) / (4x - 7y) = 3 / 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 5(2x + 3y) = 3(4x - 7y)$$

$$\Rightarrow 10x + 15y = 12x - 21y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 36y$$

$$\Rightarrow x / y = 36 / 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x : y = 18 : 1$$

$$\text{So, } x : y = 18 : 1$$

68. Answer: b

Explanation:

Concept used:

The greatest 3-digit number is 999

Calculation:

LCM of 4, 5, and 6 is 60

If we divide 999 by 60 the remainder will be 39.

So, $999 - 39 = 960$ should be the greatest 3-digit number divisible by 4, 5 and 6

960 is the greatest 3-digit number divisible by 4, 5 and 6

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69. Answer: d

Explanation:

Given:

The ratio of the income of A and B is $x : y$.

When the income of A is increased by 20% and the income of B is decreased by 40%,

Then, the ratio of the income of A and B becomes 5 : 6.

Calculation:

As per the question,

$$\text{New income of A} = x + x \times (20 / 100)$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x / 5$$

$$\text{New income of B} = y - y \times (40 / 100)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y / 5$$

As per the question,

$$\frac{6x/5}{3y/5} = 5 / 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x / y = 5 / 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x = 5y$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 12x / 5$$

Now putting the value of y in $(3x + 2y) / (5x - y)$

$$\Rightarrow (3x + 2 \times \frac{12x}{5}) / (5x - \frac{12x}{5})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{39x/5}{13x/5} = 3$$

70. Answer: c

Explanation:

Formula used :

$$\text{HCF of factors} = (\text{HCF of numerators} / (\text{LCM of denominators}))$$

Calculation:

For calculating HCF, we have to find the HCF of 4, 24 and 16

For calculating HCF we have to find the LCM of 5, 25, 35

HCF of 4, 24 and 16 = 4

And LCM of 5, 25, 35 = 175

⇒ 175

So, the HCF of $4 / 5, 24 / 25, 16 / 35 = 4 / 175$

The HCF is $4 / 175$

★ Additional Information

LCM of factors = (LCM of numerators) / (HCF of denominators)

71. **Answer: d**

Explanation:

Given:

A wire, which is in the form of a circle with a radius 14 cm, is bent to form a square.

Formula Used:

Perimeter of Square = $4 \times \text{side}(a)$

The circumference of the circle = $2 \times \pi \times \text{radius}(r)$

Concept used:

Circumference of the circle = perimeter of the square

Calculation:

As per the question,

$$2\pi \times 14 = 4a$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times (22/7) \times 14 = 4a$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times 22 \times 2 = 4a$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 88$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 22$$

The length (in cm) of the side of the square is 22cm

★ Additional Information

Area of the Circle = $\pi \times \text{radius}(r)^2$

Area of Square = $\text{side}(a)^2$

72. Answer: b

Explanation:

Given:

By selling a book for Rs. 625, a publisher makes a profit of 25%

Formula used:

$$\text{Selling Price (Sp)} = \text{Cp} + \left(\frac{\text{Profit}}{100} \right) \times \text{Cp}$$

$$\text{Cp} = \left(\frac{100}{100 + \text{profit Percent}} \right) \times \text{Sp}$$

Calculation:

Let the Cost price be 100

So, the selling price will be, $100 + 100 \times 25/100$

$$\Rightarrow 100 + 25 = 125$$

As per the question,

Value of 125 units = 625

⇒ Value of 100 units = $(625 / 125) \times 100$

⇒ $5 \times 100 = \text{Rs } 500$

So if 35% gain the selling price will be

$500 \times (135 / 100)$

⇒ $5 \times 135 = \text{Rs } 675$

The selling price will be Rs 675

★ Additional Information

Profit is calculated on Cost Price.

And the discount is calculated on Market Price.

73. Answer: c

Explanation:

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The average of 15 numbers is 55.4.

The average of the first 6 numbers is 50 and the average of the next 4 numbers is 60.5

Concept used:

Total = average \times number of observations

Calculation:

Sum of the 15 numbers = 55.4×15

⇒ 831

Sum of the 6 numbers = 50×6

$\Rightarrow 300$

Sum of the 4 numbers = 60.5×4

$\Rightarrow 242$

The Sum of the remaining $15 - (6 + 4) = 5$ numbers is

$831 - (300 + 242)$

$\Rightarrow 831 - 542 = 289$

The average of the remaining 5 numbers =

$\Rightarrow 289 / 5$

$\Rightarrow 57.8$

The average of the remaining 5 numbers is 57.8

74. Answer: b

Explanation:

Given:

A certain sum amounts to Rs. 6,624 at 9.5% p.a. in 4 years, at simple interest.

Formula used:

Simple Interest (SI) = $[\text{Principal (P)} \times \text{Rate of interest (R)} \times \text{Time(T)}] / 100$

Concept used:

Amount = Principal + Interest

Calculation:

Let the principal be P

As per the question,

$$6624 - P = (P \times 9.5 \times 4 / 100)$$

$$\Rightarrow P + (38P / 100) = 6624$$

$$\Rightarrow 138P / 100 = 6624$$

$$\Rightarrow P = 6624 \times 100 / 138$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \text{Rs } 4800$$

In 2nd case, the simple interest will be

$$SI = (4800 \times 9.5 \times 6.5) / \times 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 24 \times 9.5 \times 13 = \text{Rs } 2964$$

The simple interest will be Rs 2964

75. Answer: d

Explanation:

Calculation:

$$x^2 : y^2 = 9 : 25$$

$$\Rightarrow x : y = 3 : 5$$

Again,

$$2 : x = 5 : 15$$

$$\Rightarrow 2/x = 5/15$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6$$

As per the question,

$$x : y = 3 : 5$$

$$\text{If } x = 3 \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 6$$

$$\text{then, } y = 5 \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10$$

Value of y is 10

76. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is: appeal

★ **Key Points**

- Let's look at the meaning of the given words.
 - Allure means the quality of being attractive and exciting.
 - Appeal means to be attractive or interested in something.
 - Interest means a desire to learn or hear more about somebody/something or to be involved with somebody/something.
 - Attract means to cause somebody to like somebody/something.
- Except the verb "appeal" no other options take the preposition 'to' after it.
- The implied meaning of the sentence is: You might choose a postpaid card if the prepaid card for mobile phones is not your cup of tea.
- As per the meaning of the given words " appeal" is the most appropriate option to fill in.

Therefore, the correct answer is option 2 .

Complete sentence: *If the prepaid card for mobile phones does not appeal to you, you may opt for the postpaid card.*

77. Answer: c

Explanation:

The erroneous spelling is: Bitray.

★ Key Points

- The correct spelling should be ' Betray '.
- Betray means to hurt somebody who trusts you, especially by not being loyal or faithful to him/her.
 - **Example** -If you take the money you'll **betray** her trust.

Therefore, the correct answer is option 3 which is incorrectly spelt.

★ Additional Information

- Specific means detailed or exact.
- Reverse means to put something in the opposite position to normal or to how it was before.
- Resist means to try to stop something from happening or to stop somebody from doing something.

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78. Answer: a

Explanation:

The erroneous part of the sentence is: **expect to mentor**

★ Key Points

- Replace " **expect** " with " **expected** " to correct the sentence.
- Let's look at the uses of the verb 'expect'
 - When we say "we expect" that indicates the outcome we want.

- When we say "we are expected" that indicates the outcome someone believes that we should supply.
- When we say "we are expecting" that indicates we anticipate a set result.
- The implied meaning of the sentence is: *During the Covid-19 epidemic, teachers are expected to guide their students correctly.*
- So, "are expected" should be used here because the focus is on the outcome for the welfare of the students provided by the teachers. The sentence is dealing with the expectation of the students.

Therefore, the correct answer is **option 1**, which contains an error.

Corrected sentence: *Teachers are **expected to mentor** their students appropriately during the Covid-19 pandemic.*

79. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **at midnight**

★ Key Points

- Replace " **on middle night** " with " **at midnight** " to correct the sentence.
- We use the preposition " **on** " for specific days and dates.
 - **Example** - *I will return it to you on Wednesday.*
- We use the preposition " **at** " with specific times (hours/minutes).
 - **Example** - *I left the party at midnight.*
- We use the preposition " **in** " for specific months, years, seasons, centuries, and lengths of time.
 - **Example** - *My grandmother was born in 1927.*
- If we use "middle night" then we must use it with a preposition 'of'. Such as the middle of the night.
- Midnight means twelve o'clock in the middle of the night.
- So, "at midnight" should be used in the given sentence.

Therefore, the correct answer is **option 2**.

Corrected sentence: *Mira's train was late and it reached Varanasi at midnight.*

80. Answer: c

Explanation:

The correct answer is: Hydrography

★ Key Points

- Hydrography means the science of the measurement, description, and mapping of the surface waters of the earth.
- So, it is clear that 'Hydrography' can be used as a one-word substitute for 'The science of surveying and charting bodies of water'

Therefore, the correct answer is option 3.

★ Additional Information

- **Topography** means the physical characteristics of an area of land, especially the position of its rivers, mountains, etc.
- **Holography** means the study or production of holograms.
- **Demography** means is the statistical study of human populations. The number and characteristics of people in a particular area.

81. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is: peeped

★ Key Points

- The context of the sentence is that Jenny **glanced in** through the open door..
- Let's look at the meaning of the given words.

- Observed means to watch carefully the way something happens or the way someone does something, especially in order to learn more about it.
 - Peeped means to look at something quickly and secretly, especially through a small opening (glanced in).
 - Dazed means unable to think or react normally; confused.
 - Derived means to come from something; to have something as its origin.
 - Stared means to look at somebody or something for a long time because you are surprised, shocked, etc.
- So, as per the meaning of the given words, " peeped " is the appropriate one.
 - The correct sentence is: *The door was ajar and Jenny peeped in.*

Therefore, the correct answer is option 1.

82. Answer: d

Explanation:

The erroneous spelling is: **Advertisement**

★ Key Points

- The correct spelling should be '**Advertisement**'.
- Advertisement means a piece of information in a newspaper, on television, a picture on a wall, etc. that tries to persuade people to buy something, to interest them in a new job, etc.
 - Example – An **advertisement** for a new brand of washing powder.

Therefore, the correct answer is option 4 which is incorrectly spelt.

★ Additional Information

- **Government** means the group of people who rule or control a country.
- **Tactfully** means being careful not to say or do anything that could upset someone.
- **Laboratory** means a room or building that is used for scientific research, testing, experiments, etc. or for teaching about science.

83. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is: Concrete

★ Key Points

- **Abstract** means existing only as an idea, not as a physical thing.
 - Example - *It is hard to imagine an **abstract** idea like 'eternity'.*
- Marked option Concrete means real or definite; not only existing in the imagination.
 - Example - *Can you give me a **concrete** example of what you mean?*
- It is clear that '**Abstract**' and 'Concrete' are opposite in meaning.

Therefore the correct answer is option 2.

★ Additional Information

- **Auspicious** means suggesting a positive and successful future.
- **Belligerent** means unfriendly and aggressive.
- **Hilarious** means extremely amusing and causing a lot of laughter.

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84. Answer: c

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **Biology**

★ Key Points

- **Biology** means the science of life or living matter in all its forms and phenomena, especially with reference to origin, growth, reproduction, structure, and behavior.

- So, it is clear that '**Biology**' can be used as a one-word substitute for '**Study of living organisms**'

Therefore, the correct answer is option 3 .

★ Additional Information

- **Geology** means the study of rocks, and of the way they are formed.
- **Pathology** means the study of the essential nature of diseases and especially of the structural and functional changes produced by them.
- **Physiology** means the scientific study of functions and mechanisms in a living system.

85. Answer: a

Explanation:

The erroneous part of the sentence is: **I wants**

★ Key Points

- Replace " **wants** " with " **want** " to correct the sentence.
- The error here lies in the Subject-Verb agreement.
- The basic rule states that a singular subject takes a singular verb while a plural subject takes a plural verb.
- We use the plural form of the verb with first-person (**I**) and second-person (**you**) subjects.
 - *I want/You want*
- "wants" is only used with third-person singular subjects. (**He/She**)
 - *He wants/She wants*

Therefore, the correct answer is **option 1** , which contains an error.

Corrected sentence: *I **want** to take that dog home.*

86. Answer: c

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **Complete facts**

★ Key Points

- The idiom " **Ins and outs** " mean the detailed or complicated facts of something.
 - Example - *I know how to use computers, but I don't really understand the **ins and outs** of how they work.*
- So, it is clear that the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom " Ins and outs " is "Complete facts"

Hence, the correct answer is option 3.

87. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is: abide

★ Key Points

- Let's look at the meaning of the given words.
 - Bear means to be able to accept and deal with something unpleasant.
 - Admit means to agree that something unpleasant is true or that you have done something wrong.
 - Act means to perform a particular function.
 - Abide means accept or act in accordance with a rule, decision, or recommendation.
- The implied meaning of the sentence is: I'm counting on him to stick to his promise to support me.

- So, as per the meaning of the given words, " abide " should be used in the given sentence.
- Only the word 'abide' takes the preposition 'by' after it, which means to obey or to accept.

Therefore, the correct answer is option 4 .

Complete sentence: *I expect him to abide by his decision to help me.*

88. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **Unwieldy**

★ Key Points

- Unwieldy means not easily managed, handled, or used as because of bulk, weight, complexity, or awkwardness.
 - Example - *We set about towing the **unwieldy** structure into the shelter.*
- So, it is clear that 'Unwieldy' can be used as a one-word substitute for '**Something that cannot be handled easily**'

Therefore, the correct answer is option 2 .

★ Additional Information

- **Untidy** means not tidy or well-arranged.
 - **Untimely** means happening at a time or situation that is not suitable.
 - **Unfit** means not suitable or not good enough for something.
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89. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **burst into**

★ Key Points

- " **Burst into laughter** " is an idiomatic expression which means to start laughing suddenly and intensely.
 - **Example** - *She then **bursts into laughter** when she sees my underwhelmed face.*
- So, it is clear that " **burst into** " is the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Therefore, the correct answer is **option 2** .

Complete sentence: *Everyone burst into laughter when he appeared in the room.*

90. Answer: b

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **Substantial**

★ Key Points

- **Paltry** means too small to be considered important or useful.
 - Example - *They worked long hours for **paltry** wages.*
- Marked option **Substantial** means large in amount or a strong thing.
 - Example - *The storms caused **substantial** damage.*
- It is clear that '**Paltry**' and '**Substantial**' are opposite in meaning.

Therefore the correct answer is option 2.

★ Additional Information

- **Key** means something that helps you achieve or understand something.
- **Crucial** means an extremely important thing.
- **Basic** means the simplest kind or level; including only what is necessary without anything extra.

91. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **Become publicly known**

★ Key Points

- The idiom "**See the light of day**" means at a particular time, it comes into existence or is made known to the public at that time.
 - Example – *Many projects were planned and started, but none **saw the light of day**.*
- So, it is clear that the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom "See the light of day" is "**Become publicly known**"

Hence, the correct answer is option 1.

92. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **Arrangement**

★ Key Points

- **Layout** means the way something is designed or arranged.
 - Example – *His house has three bedrooms and ours has four, but otherwise, the **layout** is much the same.*
- Marked option **Arrangement** means an act of arranging; a state of being arranged.
 - Example – *We both need to use the computer so we'll have to come to some **arrangement**.*
- It is clear that 'Layout' and 'Arrangement' are similar in meaning.

Therefore the correct answer is option 4.

★ Additional Information

- **Timetable** means a list that shows the times at which something happens.
 - **Schedule** means a plan of things that will happen or of work that must be done.
 - **Order** means to use your position of authority to tell somebody to do something or to say that something must happen.
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93. **Answer: d**

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **We had eaten**

★ Key Points

- Replace the be verb "**are**" with "**had**" to correct the sentence.
- We use "**are**" with plural subjects and in the present tense.
- The given sentence is written in the past tense, as the verb "arrived" is the past form of "arrive".
- The implied meaning of the sentence is: "Before they came, we had finished our dinner."
- **Had** is the past tense and past participle of the auxiliary verb have.
- We use "had+v3" in the **past perfect tense**.
- We use the past perfect to show the order of two past events. The past perfect shows the earlier action and the past simple shows the later action.
- So, "**had eaten**" should be used here.

Therefore, the correct answer is **option 4**.

Corrected sentence: *We had eaten our dinner before they arrived.*

94. **Answer: a**

Explanation:

The correct answer is: Turmoil

★ Key Points

- Chaos means a state of great disorder; or confusion.
 - Example - *The country was in **chaos** after the war.*
- Marked option Turmoil means a state of great noise or confusion.
 - Example - *His mind was in **turmoil**.*
- It is clear that 'Chaos' and 'Turmoil' are similar in meaning.

Therefore the correct answer is option 1.

★ Additional Information

- **Quiet** means with very little or no noise.
- **System** means a set of connected things or devices that operate together.
- **Calm** means not excited, worried, or angry; quiet.

95. Answer: b

Explanation:

The erroneous part of the sentence is: **Abhiram returned back to the signal**

★ Key Points

- Remove " **back** " to correct the sentence.
- '**Returned**' is already mentioned in the sentence, which means to come or go back to a place.
- So, we can say the word "return" and "back" are similar in meaning.
- Therefore, using " **returned back** " doesn't make any sense.

Hence, the correct answer is **option 2**, which contains an error.

Corrected sentence: *Abhiram returned to the signal and gave his last hundred rupee note to the man who had said he needed help.*

96. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is: style

★ **Key Points**

- Let's look at the meaning of the given words.
 - Style means the way in which an author writes and/or tells a story.
 - Design means the process and skill of making drawings that show how something should be made, how it will work, etc.
 - Mode means one of the ways in which a machine can work.
 - Method means a procedure, technique, or way of doing something.
- The implied meaning of the sentence is: *Her writing was simple to understand and quite persuasive.*
- So, as per the meaning of the given words, " style " should be used in the given sentence.

Therefore, the correct answer is option 1.

Complete passage: *Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) style was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) _____ dealt with problems in the lives of (3) _____ people and were always very interesting. (4) _____ for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.*

97. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is: usually

★ Key Points

- Let's look at the meaning of the given words.
 - Usually means in the way that is usual; most often.
 - Rough means violent; not calm or gentle.
 - Once means at some time in the past; formerly.
 - Almost means very nearly; not quite.
- The implied meaning of the sentence is: *Her tales typically focused on issues affecting people's lives.*
- So, as per the meaning of the given words, " usually " should be used in the given sentence.

Therefore, the correct answer is option 1 .

Complete passage: *Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) style was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) usually dealt with problems in the lives of (3) _____ people and were always very interesting. (4) _____ for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.*

98. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **ordinary**

★ Key Points

- Let's look at the meaning of the given words.
 - Routine means the usual order and way in which you regularly do things.
 - Natural means existing in nature; not made or caused by human beings.
 - Habitual means doing something very often.
 - **Ordinary** means normal; not unusual or different from others.

- So, as per the meaning of the given words, "ordinary" should be used in the given sentence.
- "Ordinary people" the term is used for common people.

Therefore, the correct answer is option 4 .

Complete passage: *Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) style was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) usually dealt with problems in the lives of (3) ordinary people and were always very interesting. (4) _____ for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.*

99. Answer: d

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **Unfortunately**

★ Key Points

- Let's look at the meaning of the given words.
 - **Dismally** means in a gloomy or depressed manner.
 - **Miserably** means feeling or showing unhappiness.
 - **Horribly** means a way that is very bad, unpleasant, or unkind.
 - **Unfortunately** is used to describe an event that is unlucky or bad in some way.
- So, as per the meaning of the given words, "**Unfortunately**" should be used in the given sentence.
- The implied meaning of the sentence is: *She tragically passed away at a young age, which hurts Kannada literature.*

Therefore, the correct answer is option 4 .

Complete passage: *Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) style was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) usually dealt with problems in the lives of (3) ordinary people and were always very interesting. (4) unfortunately for*

Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) _____, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.

100. Answer: a

Explanation:

The correct answer is: **However**

★ Key Points

- Let's look at the meaning of the given words.
 - **However** is used for adding a comment to what you have just said although something is true.
 - **Hence** is used to mean "for this reason."
 - **Therefore** is used to mean "as a consequence," or "as a result."
 - **Besides** is used as a preposition meaning "except" or "in addition to."
- So, as per the meaning of the given words, "**However**" should be used in the given sentence.
- The implied meaning of the sentence is: *Nevertheless, many still like her books today.*

Therefore, the correct answer is option 1.

Complete passage: *Triveni was a very popular Kannada writer. Her (1) style was easy to read and very convincing. Her stories (2) usually dealt with problems in the lives of (3) ordinary people and were always very interesting. (4) unfortunately for Kannada literature, she died very young. (5) **However**, readers continue to appreciate her novels even today.*