

CDS 2 2024 English Model Question Paper

Time: 120 min.

<u>INSTRUCTION:</u> Read questions carefully. For each wrong answer, one-third (0.27) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted. Each question contains (0.83) marks

COMPREHENSION

Direction: In this section you have three short passages. After each passage, you will find some items based on the passage. Read the passage carefully and answer the items based on it.

"Now ladies and gentlemen." said the conjuror, "having shown you that the cloth is absolutely empty. I will proceed to take from it a bowl of goldfish. Presto!"

All around the hall people were saying, "Oh, of course". And everybody whispered round the hall, "He –had-it – up- his – sleeve."

Again everybody nodded and whispered, "The –ringswere-up his- sleeve."

The brow of the conjuror was clouded with a gathering frown.

"I will now." He continued," show you a most amusing trick by which I am enabled to take any number of eggs from a hat. Will some gentleman kindly lend me his hat? Ah, thank you –Presto!"

He extracted seventeen eggs, and for thirty-five seconds the audience began to think that he was wonderful. Then the Quick Man whispered along the front bench. "He has a hen-up-his –sleeve, "and all the people whispered it on." He-has-a-lot – of hens- up his sleeve."

The egg trick was ruined.

It went on like that all through. It transpired from the whispers of the Quick Man that the conjuror must have conceited up his sleeve, in addition to the rings, hens, and fish, several packs of cards, a loaf of bread, a doll's cradle, a live guinea pig, a fifty-cent place, and a rocking chair.

- 1. "The brow of the conjuror was clouded with a gathering frown." The sentence means that the conjuror
 - (a) Was very pleased
 - (b) Was very sad
 - (c) Was rather angry
 - (d) Was very afraid
- 2. "The egg trick was ruined." This means that
 - (a) Eggs were all broken
 - (b) People were unconvinced
 - (c) Conjuror was disappointed
 - (d) The trick could not be performed
- According to the Quick Man the conjuror
 (a) Had everything bought for production
 - (b) Produced things with the magic he know
 - (c) Had things in the large sleeves of his coat

(d) Created an illusion of things with his magic

- 4. The author believes that the Quick. Man was really.(a) Foolish
 - (a) Foonsii (b) Clever
 - (c) Wrong
 - (d) Right
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- 5. The conjuror extracted seventeen eggs from the hat of
 - (a) The Quick Man
 - (b) His won
 - (c) One gentleman from the audience
 - (d) None of the above PASSAGE 2

Magda: Good Moring Mrs. Smiles It's wet isn't it?

Mrs. Smiles: Yes, it is, isn't it? How are you today? You haven't been studying too hard have you? You look a bit pale.

Magda: I don't do I? Well, I haven't been out much lately I don't like this weather a bit why, we haven't had a dry day for weeks, have we?

Mrs. Smiles: No, I don't think we have let's see, you'll be going back home next month won't you?

Magda: Oh no, I'm not going back yet. My sister's coming over first

Mrs. Smiles: Oh, is she? You're looking forward to that I expect. How long is it since you saw her

Magda: Nearly a year now. Yes I am looking forward to it very much.

Mrs. Smiles: She's coming over here to study?

Magda: Yes that's right I shan't go back home until she's settled down I don't think I ought to ought I?

Mrs. Smiles: Well, no, she's younger than you are, is she?

Magda: Yes she's only eighteen.

- 6. Magda had not been out much lately because
 - (a) She had not been keeping well
 - (b) She was busy with her studies
 - (c) The weather had been unpleasant
 - (d) Her sister had come over to stay
- Magda was not going back home yet because
 (a) It had been raining heavily
 - (b) Her sister was coming over
 - (c) Her studies were not completed
 - (d) She was not feeling well
- 8. Mrs. Smiles says," You're looking forward to that " This means, Magla was.... Her sister's arriveal.
 - (a) Expecting with pleasure
 - (b) Preparing hard for

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- (c) Thinking greatly about
- (d) Watching with joy
- 9. Magda's sister was coming to
 - (a) Visit her sister (b) Help Mrs. Smiles

 - (c) Settle down in England (d) Pursue her studies
- 10. Mrs. Smiles and Magda are
 - (a) Classmates
 - (c) Neighbors
- (b) School friends (d) Sister -- in- low

SPOTTING ERRORS

Directions:- Each item in this section has a sentence with three underlined parts labelled as (a),(b), and (c) Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in any underlined part and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet against the corresponding letter i.e, (a) or (b) or (c). If your find no error, your response should be indicated us (d).

- 11. It was nearly thirty years ago. /(a) since this magazine /(b) was first published. /(c) No error (d)
- 12. Ten years ago he was having an income /(a) of over ten thousand rupees a month; 1(b) he must indeed be a wealthy man by now. /(c) No error (d)
- 13. In spite of the fact /(a) that the meeting was about to end. 1(b) he insisted to ask several questions. /(c)No error (d)
- 14. Hardly had he entered into the room /(a) and taken his seat. /(b) when the girls began to giggle. /(c) No error (d)
- 15. I was disappointed /(a) when I came for seeing you last evening /(b) but could not find you at home. /(c) No error (d)
- 16. The number of jobs /(a) that would be satisfactory in all respects /(b) are small. /(c) No error (d)
- 17. I have found the man /(a) whom I know /(b) is the thief. /(c) No error (d)
- 18. There is no reason /(a) why he should not come /(b)since he is in town and is free. /(c) No error (d)
- 19. It is high time /(a) we cried a halt to the existing corrupt practices /(b) followed in the educational sphere. /(c) No error (d)
- 20. The situation is perilous /(a) but if we are prepared promptly to act. /(b) there is still one chance of escape. /(c) No error (d)

COMPLETION OF SENTENE

Direction: The following items have one part of the sentence followed by four alternatives. Complete the sentence by choosing the correct alternative.

- 21. I stopped seeing her
 - (a) For she moved to the city
 - (b) As long as she moved to the city.
 - (c) No sooner than she moved to the city
 - (d) Because she moved to the city.

22. He led the caravan

- (a) Whenever he wanted to go.
- (b) Whichever he wanted to go.
- (c) Wherever he wanted to go.
- (d) Whomsoever he wanted to go.

- 23. Unless you work harder (a) You will succumb.
 - (b) You will pass
 - (d) You will be promoted (c) You will fail
- 24. Had I the wings of a bird
 - (a) I would fly away.
 - (b) I should fly away.
 - (c) I will have flown away.
 - (d) I could have flown away.
- 25. He would be happier.
 - (a) Was he more honest.
 - (b) Had he more honest.
 - (c) Should he be more honest.
 - (d) Were he more honest.
- 26. No sooner did I arrive at the airport (a) Then the flight took off.
 - (b) Than the flight took off.
 - (c) Did the flight take off.
 - (d) Than the flight shall take off,.
- 27. I could not be angry with him (a) Had I tried. (b) Should I try.
 - (c) If I tried. (d) Even I tried.
- 28. He knows only
 - (a) So much as I have told him.
 - (b) Whichever I have told him.
 - (c) So far as I have told him.
 - (d) What I have told him.
- 29. As you have made your bed
 - (a) You must learn to lie.
 - (b) You must adjust with the situation.
 - (c) So you must lie on it
 - (d) So that you can lie on it.
- 30. The younger man has more money
 - (a) Then brains (b) Of brains (c) Than brains
 - (d) For brains

ORDERING OF SENTENCES

Directions: In this section each item consists of six sentences of a passage. The first and sixth sentences are given in the beginning as S1 and S6. The middle four sentences in each have been jumbled up and labelled as P,Q, R and S. You are required to find the proper sequence of the four sentences and mark your response accordingly on the Answer Sheet.

- 31. S1: Things are often not what they seem.
 - S6: This happened without you even knowing it. So imagine the changes that occurs to this earth and humanity.

P: But you are really not, because the Milky Way galaxy, of which you are a part, is moving through space at 2.1 million kilometres an hour.

Q: So, in roughly twenty-second that it would have taken you to read this paragraph, you have already moved thousands of kilometre.

R: And that is without taking into account the effects of earth's ration on its won axis. Its orbiting around the sun and sun's journey around the Milky Way.

S: As you read this sentence, perhaps sitting in a comfortable chair in your study, you would probably consider yourself at rest. The correct sequence should be

A. Q R P S	B. R Q P S

C. PQRS D. S P R Q 32. S1: On increasing the temperature of solids, the kinetic energy of the particles increases.

S6: The temperature at which a solid melts to become a liquid at the atmospheric pressure is called its melting point.

P: A stage is reached when the solid melts and is converted to a liquid.

Q: Due to the increase in kinetic energy, the particles start vibrating with greater speed.

R: The particles leave their fixed positions and start moving more freely.

S: The energy supplied by heat overcomes the forces of attraction between the particles.

The correct sequence should be

A. Q S R P	B. Q R S P
C. P R S Q	D. S P R Q

33. S1: Regular exercise makes many of the organ systems become more efficient.

S6: Different activities require different levels of fitness.

P: It can improve your strength: make your bodymore flexible and less likely to suffer from sprain.

Q: It can also improve your endurance.

R: It also uses up energy and helps to prevent large amounts of fat building up in the body.

S: Exercise can increase your fitness in three ways. The correct sequence should be

A. Q R S P	B. R S P Q
C. P S Q R	D. S Q R P

34. S1 : Politics is exciting because people disagree. S6: It is not solitary people who make politics and a good society, it is the people together which make good politics and society.

P: For Aristotle politics is an attempt to create a good society because politics is, above all, a social activity.

Q: They also disagree about how such matters should be resolved, how collective decision should be made and who should have a say.

R: They disagree about how they should live.

S: Who should get what? How should power and other resource be distributed? Should society be based on cooperation or conflict? And so on.

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C. Q S R P D. R S P Q

35. S1: The ecosystem of water is complex and many environmental factors are intricately linked. S6: The trees slowly transfer rainwater into the subsoil and this is critical for sustaining water for months after the rains.

P: Thick forests make for excellent catchments.

Q: The problems we see are because we have undermined these links over decades.

R: First rain and snowfall are the only sources of water – about 99%.

S: In the four months of monsoon, there are about 30-35 downpours and the challenge is to hold this water in systems that can last us over 365 days.

The correct sequence should be A. Q R S P B. P S R Q

C. S R Q P D. R Q S P

36. S1: All living things affect living and non-living things around them.

S6: This inter dependability needs to be understood when we, humans consume much more than required and abuse nature.

P: This can also affect the population of fox, if foxes depend on rabbits for food.

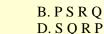
Q: For example, earthworms make burrows and worm casts.

R: This act of earthworms affect the soil, and therefore the plants growing in it.

S: Rabbit's fleas carry the virus which causes myxomatosis, so they can affect the size of the rabbit population.

The correct sequence should be

A. R S Q P



C. Q R S P 37. S1: Hormone have several functions in the body. S6: The two hormones together regulate the glucose level in the blood.

P: They help to maintain the balance of biological activities in the body.

Q: Insulin is released in response to the rapid rise in blood glucose level.

R: On the other hand hormone glucagon tends to increase the glucose level in the blood.

S: The role of insulin in keeping the blood glucose level within the narrow limit is an example of this function.

The correct sequence should be

A. P S R Q	B. R S P Q
C. S R Q P	D. Q R S P

38. S1: Paleontology is the study of the remains of dead organisms over enormous spans of time. S6: Faunal analysis gives information about the animal people hunted and domesticated, the age of animal at death, and the diseases the afflicted them. P: Bones provide a great information

O: The distribution of faunal remains (animal bones) at a site can indicate which area were used for butchering, cooking, eating bone tool making and refuse dumping.

R: Within this discipline, molecular biology and DNA studies have been used to understand hominid evolution.

S. Hominid evolution answers the questions about what ancient people looked like, and to plot patterns of migration.

The correct sequence should be

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		A. Q P R S B. S P Q R
		C. R S P Q D. P Q R S
	39.	SI: Central government receipts can broadly be
		divided into non-debt and debt receipts.
		S6: This is also evident from the composition of
		non-debt receipts.
		P: Debt receipts mostly consist of market
		borrowing and other liabilities which the
		government I obliged to repay in the future.
		Q: The non-debt receipts comprise of tax revenue,
		non-tax revenue, recovery of loans and
		disinvestment receipts.
		R: The outcomes as reflected in the Provisional
		Actual figures is lower than the budget estimate
		owing to reduction in the net tax revenue.
		S: The Budget 2018-19 targeted significantly high
		growth in non-debt receipts of the Central
		Government, which was driven by robust growth.
		The correct sequence should be
		A. S R P Q B. R S Q P
		C. P Q R S D. Q P R S
4	40.	SI: The country's economy is growing and would
		continue to grow at a rapid pace in the coming
		years.
		S6: The market share of electrical vehicles
		increases with increasing availability of
		infrastructure.
		P: It also provides us an opportunity to grow as
		manufacturer of electric vehicles.
		Q: According to NITI Aayog (2019), if India
		reaches an electric vehicles sales penetration,
		emission and oil savings can be achieved.
		R: Given the commitments that India has made on
		the climate front as a nation and on environmental
		aspect, it is likely that larger and larger share of
		automobiles sector would be in the form of electric
		vehicles.
		S: This presents a great apportunity for the

S: This presents a great opportunity for the automobile industry, as the demand for automobiles would only increase.

The correct sequence should be

A. S R Q P	B. R Q S P
C. Q P S R	D. Q S R P
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IDIOMS AND PHRASES

DIRECTION (31-40): Given below are some idioms/phrases followed by four alternative meanings to each. Choose the response (a), (b), (c) or (d). Which is the most appropriate expression and mark your response in the Answer Sheet accordingly.

- 41. A queer fish
 - (a) A strange person
 - (b) A good person
 - (c) An unlucky person
 - (d) A lucky person
- 42. Eat like a bird
 - (a) Eat very quickly (b) Eat a lot

- (c) Eat continuously
- (d) Eat very little
- 43. Lock horns
 - (a) Be like a bull
 - (b) Argue about something
 - (c) Agree with someone
 - (d) Think about the horns
- 44. Early bird
 - (a) Low flying
 - (b)Latest
 - (c) Ancient avian (d)First arrival
- 45. Be in the pink
 - (a) To be very healthy
 - (b) To be very colourful
 - (c) To be very sad
 - (d)To be very rich
- 46. Be in the running
 - (a) In a very bad state to speak
 - (b) In a powerful position
 - (c) In a good position to win
 - (d) In a losing position
- 47. A sea change
 - (a) Change in the sea tides
 - (b) A complete change
 - (c) Change like sea
 - (d) Changed sea with pollution
- 48. A pearl of wisdom
 - (a) An important event in one's life
 - (b) An important person of wisdom
 - (c) An important piece of advice
 - (d) An important thing in one's life
- 49. Be in seventh heaven
 - (a) To be extremely sorry
 - (b) To be extremely wise
 - (c) To be extremely sad
 - (d) To be extremely happy
- 50. Be in the red
 - (a) To owe money to a bank
 - (b) To get money from one's family
 - (c) To be in danger of being caught
 - (d) To be in favour of needy people

SYNONYMS

Direction: Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word followed by four words/groups of words. Select the option that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word and mark your response on your Answer Sheet accordingly.

- 51. The discussion was **WOUND UP** after a long and fruitful exchange views.
 - (a) Postponed

(c) Interrupted

(d) Concluded

(b) Cut short

- 52. He was fully ALIVE to the need for making adjustments.
 - (a) Concerned about (b) Worried about (c) Aware of
 - (d) Indifferent about
- 53. The police officer tried to **INTIMIDATE** the witness but in vain.

	(a) Inform	(b) Reward						
	(c) Frighten	(d) Persuade						
54.	We must adopt DRAS'	FIC measures to control						
	population growth.							
	(a) Simple	(b) Dramatic						
	(c) Realistic	(d) Severe						
55.	He is extremely METIC	JLOUS in his approach.						
	(a) Simple	(b) Careful						
	(c) Fair	(d) Reasonable						
56.	The experts' MINUTE	examination brought to						
	light some important clue	s.						
	(a) Quick	(b) Detailed						
	(c) Superficial	(d) Prolonged						
57.	The decision of the	Union Government to						
	REPEAL the Urban Land Ceiling Act has been							
	welcomed by all.							
	(a) Suppress	(b) Amend						
	(c) Cancel	(d) Withhold						
58.	This is his MAIDEN app	earance on the screen.						
	(a) First	(b) Last						
	(c) Girlish	(d) Shy						
59.	At the end of the n	narathon everybody was						
	EXHAUSTED.							
	(a) Weakened	(b) Honoured						
	(c) Satisfied	(d) Tired						
<mark>60.</mark>	He gave me a COUNTE	RFEIT coin.						
	(a) Rare	(b) Fake						
	(c) Immatured	(d) Inferior						
CL	OZE COMPREHENSIO	N						
Dir	ections: Each of the follow	ving sentences in this						

section has a blank space with four words or group of words given. Select whichever word or group of words you consider most appropriate for the blank space and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet accordingly.

Bad habits such as over -eating, drinking or Smoking (61) very easy to acquire. One should fight (62) the force of habit. Even good things can be very harmful .when done (63) excess. The wise man is conscious (64) his bad habits and checks them promptly. The use of tobacco has spread all (65) the world. Those who have acquired this bad habit would (66) be able to get rid of it. Alcohol, which more common in cold countries than in warmer ones, does nobody any good and should be avoided (67) Alcohol, even if taken in small quantities, (68) to affect one's health. For the victims of alcoholism, (69) helps, but this condition cannot be cured Symptoms of alcoholism include repeated alcohol consumption (70) related legal and health issues.

61.	(a) Have	(b) Are
	(c) Will	(d) Shall
62.	(a) From	(b) For
	(c) Of	(d) Against
63.	(a) To	(b) In
	(c) With	(d) As
64.	(a) About	(b)With regard to
	(c) Of	(d) With

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- (c) Over
- 66. (a) Barely (c) Seldom
- 67. (a) Particularly (c) At habitually
- 68. (a) Tends
 - (c) Levels
- 69. (a) Diagnose (c) Treatment
- 70. (a) Serious (c) Meaning
 - (d) Therapeutic

FILL IN THE BLANKS

Directions: Each of the following sentences in this section has a blank space and four words or groups of words given after the sentences. Select the words or group of words you consider most appropriate for the blank space and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet accordingly.

- 71. There was a time when West Germany was a distinct
 - (b) Polity (a) Policy
 - (d) Hierarchy (c) Abstract
- 72. I was ______ with the film; I had expected it to be better.
 - (a) Disappointed (b) Disappointing
 - (d) Prejudiced (c) Annoying
- 73. It was a _____experience. Everybody was shocked.
 - (b) Horrified (a) Terrified
 - (c) Terrifying (d) Denouncing
- when they perceive danger. 74. Elephants (a) Trumpet (b) Frolic (c) Whine (d) Sing
- 75. The first film on Tagore was such a success that now they are going to make a
 - (a) Serial (b) Sequence
 - (c) Sequel (d) Sequential
- 76. The United Nations had 2020 as the International Year of Plant Health.
 - (a) Ruled (b) Ordered
 - (c) Foretold (d) Declared
- 77. My brother is punctual, but he is late today. (a) Normatively (b) Primarily
 - (c) Normally (d) Basically
- ; he trusts everyone. 78. My son is very _ (a) Fallible (b) Gullible
- (c) Sensible (d) Credible 79. Mahatma Gandhi was a lover of humanity and a
 - believer in the goodness of human nature.
 - (b) Powerful (a) Staunch
 - (c) Cheerful (d) Hopeful
- 80. I wish I _____ her before we met.
 - (a) Know (b) Have known
 - (c) Knew (d) Known

WORD CLASSES

Direction (1-10): Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word/words followed by

(b) Of

- (d) In
 - (b) Scarcely
 - (d) Hardly
 - (b) Altogether
 - (d) Discreetly

(b) Challenge

- (b)Does (d) Denies

- (d) Chronic
 - (b) Despite

four words. Select the option that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word/words and mark your response on your Answer Sheet accordingly.

81. A provocative message had been doing rounds on social media to instigate the mob against migrants. (b) Inflammatory (a) Dexterous (c) Valiant (d) Prudent 82. The differences include increase in mean temperature and heavy precipitation in several regions. (a) Drought (b) Oasis (c) Rainfall (d) Snowing 83. The portal will help victims and complainants to anonymously report cyber crime. (a) Incognito (d) Directly (c) Unfailingly (d) In situ 84. He is suffering from a terminal disease. (a) Sublunary (b) Terrific (c) Chronic (d) Incurable 85. Doctors are reluctant to take rural postings despite big salary offers. (a) Disinclined (b) Eager (c) Fervent (d) Unrepentant 86. The authorities have reprimanded the subordinate officer for violating the protocol. (a) Extolled (b) Purported (c) Admonished (d) Required an apology 87. For Gandhiji, India's religious and linguistic diversity was an asset, not a liability. (a) Obligation (b) Advantage (d) Reinforcement (c) Attribute 88. How hysterical he is ! (a) Berserk (b) Inconsistent (c) Duplicitous (d) Insincere 89. Mahesh is mostly <u>prejudiced</u> in his political opinion. (a) Objectionable (b) Predatory (c) Jaundiced (d) Intimate 90. Do not indulge in tautology (a) Truth telling (b) Prolixity (c) Foretelling (d) Telepathic conversation **ORDERING OF WORDS IN A SENTENCE** Direction: In each of the items in this section, there is a sentence of which some parts have been jumbled up. You are required to rearrange these parts which are

labelled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper sequence and mark in your Answer Sheet accordingly.

- 91. <u>But perhaps the best way is to agree P/there are</u> many ways of dealing Q/with them without excessive argumentation R/with intransigent customs S The correct sequence should be (a) QPRS (b) QSPR (c) PSQR (d) RSQP
- 92. In the yeas following P/India achieved remarkable economic development Q/ liberalization in the year 1991 R/the landmark reforms inaugurated via S The correct sequence should be (a) PQRS (b) PRSQ (c) SPRQ (d) QPSR 93. Was the victory secured by the women's hockey team P/in the arena of sport, perhaps Q/against Australia in the Tokyo Olympics R/ the greatest moment in Indian Olympic history S The correct sequence should be (a) SPQR (b) RPQS (c) QSPR (d) QRPS 94. In terms of GDP and GNP, P/for gauging the success of a nation Q/which are the two major determinants R/economic progress is determined S The correct sequence should be (a) SQRP (b) RPQS (c) SPRQ (d) QRPS 95. With the aplomb of a stage artist, P/that they are not men of straw Q/they can twist and shake their wobbly heads R/mesmerizing the gullible into believing S The correct sequence should be (a) PROS (b) RPSO (d) QRPS (c) SPOR 96. Of its rain-soaked verdure P/and on the other there are Q/on the one hand there is the immense beauty R/the artifacts of its visible modernity S The correct sequence should be (a) PROS (b) ORSP (c) SPOR (d) RPOS 97. Are often rooted P/the causes, Q/of extreme poverty R/in the inequalities social systems S The correct sequence should be (a) QRPS (b) QRSP (c) SROP (d) SRPO 98. A person by the way P/he behaves and Q/you must judge R/not by the way he looks The correct sequence should be (b) QRSP (a) RPQS (c) QRSP (d) QPSR 99. To the greatest number of people P /that causes the least discomfort Q/ whenever in doubt R/always opt for the options The correct sequence should be (a) ROPS (b) SROP (c) RSQP (d) QPRS 100. Brought by bad times P/against the despondency Q/our greatest defence R /faith and belief are s The correct sequence should be (a) RQPS (b) SRQP (c) RSQP (d) QPRS **ANTONYMS**

Directions: Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word/words followed by four words. Select the option that is opposite in meaning

to the underlined word/words and mark your response on your Answer Sheet accordingly. 101. The country's economy must be geared to wartime requirements. (a) Subordinated to (b) Related to (c) Adjusted to (d) Unlinked to 102. Why does fire **attract** insects ? (a) Discharge (b) Destroy (c) Repel (d) Remove 103. The party was excellent, and I would like to thank all the people **concerned**. (a) Cared (b) Attentive (c) Dependable (d) Uninvolved 104. He is very **serious** by temperament. (a) Grave (b) Trivial (c) Sober (d) Stupid 105. There are a few **miscellaneous** items to discuss in this meeting. (a) Pure (b) Mixed (c) Homogenous (d) Discordant 106. Due to the postal strike, the **outgoing** mail got delayed. (a) Urgent (b) Incoming (c) Ordinary (d) Speedy 107. He had a **fine** ear for music. (a) Small (b) Close (d) Smooth (c) Coarse 108. There is no likeness between him and his brother. (b) Unlikelihood (d) Disaffinitu (a) Unlikeliness (c) Dissimilarity 109. Cultural **diversity** in the working place is good for business. (a) Uniformity (b) Conformity (c) Identity (d) Similarity 110. The company was **liquidated** within five years. (b) Closed down (a) Bankrupt (c) Flourishing (d) Privatized PREPOSITIONS AND DETERMINERS **Directions**: Each of the following sentences in this section has a blank space with four options. Select whichever preposition or determiner you consider the most appropriate for the blank space and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet accordingly. 111. He succeeded — dint of perseverance and hard work. (a) By (b) For (d) Upon (c) On 112. Due to his illness, he could not finish the work time. (a) By (b) For (c) On (d) Upon 113. There is no meaning — what you say. (a) By (b) For (c) In (d) On 114. These are good rules — ——live by. (a) With (b) To (d) On (c) In

- 115. He is the man I have been looking
- (a) At (b) For (c) In (d) On 116. Don't loiter ——— the street.
- (a) Near (b) Around
 - (c) In (d) On
- 117. Sit here — me. (a) By (b) Beside (c) In
 - (d) On
- 118. We mustn't shy entry-level or freelance jobs as they help us gain an insight in to the context in which a company operates. (b) With (a) In
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- (c) Away from 119. Civil society and media have a major role in making the coalition work ——— the people. (a) For (b) About (c) With (d) Over
- 120. He travelled – Mr. Joshi's car. (b) For (a) By (c) In (d) On



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