



## NDA ENGLISH TEST PAPER: MOST REPEATED ENGLISH QUESTION -2023 (MCQS)

INSTRUCTION: Read questions carefully. For each wrong answer, one-third (1.33) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted. Each question contains (4) mark

### IDIOMS AND PHRASES

Directions: 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.

1. Be over the hill
  - (a) To be on a mountain top
  - (b) To travel in the jungle
  - (c) To be too old to do things
  - (d) To do something in the most complete way
2. Bite your tongue
  - (a) To stop yourself from saying something
  - (b) To bite of your tongue while eating
  - (c) To feel sorry
  - (d) To ask someone something that you want
3. Turn a blind eye
  - (a) To run away
  - (b) To begin to behave in a more positive manner
  - (c) To change a situation
  - (d) To choose to ignore behavior that you know is
4. Wrong Yellow journalism
  - (a) Paid storytelling
  - (b) Government reports published on yellow colored papers
  - (c) Writings in newspapers that try to influence people's opinion by using strong language and false information
  - (d) Journalism which agrees completely with the policies of the governments and capitalists
5. To be in seventh heaven
  - (a) To fly in the air
  - (b) To be extremely happy
  - (c) To be completely alone
  - (d) To visit a place which is in the list of the Seven Wonders of the World
6. A red-letter day
  - (a) A trivial day
  - (b) A very important or significant day
  - (c) A day of bloodshed and violence
  - (d) A mourning day
6. The gift of the gab
  - (a) Ability to speak easily and confidently
  - (b) Ability spoil something
  - (c) Ability to sell things
  - (d) Gift from a sacred institution
7. Walk a tightrope
  - (a) To Be Forced To Leave Your Job
  - (b) To Be Ready To Fall
  - (c) To act very carefully
  - (d) To invite danger
8. To be in a fix
  - (a) To receive strong criticism
  - (b) To support one self
  - (c) To fix problems
  - (d) To be in a difficult situation
10. To fish in troubled waters
  - (a) To borrow money
  - (b) To steal belongings of
  - (c) To get benefit in bad situation
  - (d) To extend a helping hand
11. Cry over spilt milk
  - (a) Complaining about a loss in the past
  - (b) Too much inquisitive about something
  - (c) When something is done badly to save money
  - (d) Dealing with a problem only in an emergency situation
12. Cut the mustard
  - (a) Prepare spices out of mustard seeds
  - (b) To come up to expectations
  - (c) Making absurd expectations
  - (d) Very enthusiastic
13. Devil's advocate
  - (a) A dangerous person
  - (b) To present a counter argument
  - (c) Very argumentative person
  - (d) Creating an unpleasant situation
14. Don't count your chickens before the eggs have hatched
  - (a) if you are not good at something, better to avoid that
  - (b) Don't make plans for something that might not happen

- (c) Not to come up to expectations  
 (d) Don't put all your resources in one possibility

15. Give the benefit of doubt  
 (a) To be partial to someone  
 (b) To be judgmental  
 (c) Regard someone as innocent until proven otherwise  
 (d) Say something exactly right

#### ANTONYM

**Directions:** Each item in this section consists of a sentence with a **bold** word/words followed by four words. Select the option that is opposite in meaning to the bold word by words and mark your response accordingly.

16. His conversations are always absurd.  
 (a) Farcical (b) Foolish  
 (c) Preposterous (d) Rational
17. The politician was a dissident.  
 (a) Agitator (b) Rebel  
 (c) Conformist (d) Revolutionary
18. He wrote an incisive article on corruption in politics.  
 (a) Vague (b) Penetrating  
 (c) Trenchant (d) Precise
19. Rakesh is an eccentric prodigal.  
 (a) Extravagant (b) Profligate  
 (c) Wasteful (d) Thrifty
20. Friendship is always reciprocal.  
 (a) Mutual (b) One-sided  
 (c) Shared (d) Corresponding
21. The debate was highly stimulating.  
 (a) Arousing (b) Invigorating  
 (c) Boring (d) Stirring
22. Malaria is a widespread disease.  
 (a) Endemic (b) Pervasive  
 (c) Common (d) Rare
23. The bill received a vehement resistance from the opposition party in the Parliament.  
 (a) Animated (b) Apathetic  
 (c) Fervent (d) Vigorous
24. He has been obstinate since his childhood.  
 (a) Stubborn (b) Dogged  
 (c) Amenable (d) Rigid
25. Mahatma Gandhi was one of the most prominent leaders of his times.  
 (a) Renowned  
 (b) Distinguishable  
 (c) Eminent  
 (d) Unknown
26. He accepted the challenge with an alacrity that surprised me.  
 (a) Liveliness (b) Avidity  
 (c) Lethargy (d) Briskness
27. He looked adorable in his new dress.

- (a) Charming (b) Despicable  
 (c) Amenable (d) Amicable

28. The revised tax structure is uniform.  
 (a) Broken (b) Varied  
 (c) Static (d) Opposite
29. Tolerance is essential for peace and harmony.  
 (a) Bigotry (b) Resilience  
 (c) Endurance (d) Indifference
30. She is urbane in her manners.  
 (a) Rural (b) Affable  
 (c) Uncivilized (d) Debonair
31. He confessed his feelings for me.  
 (a) Addressed (b) Suppressed  
 (c) Stressed (d) Disclosed
32. She made an exhaustive list of grocery items.  
 (a) Unnecessary (b) Strict  
 (c) Incomplete (d) Intensive
33. Too many cooks spoil the broth.  
 (a) Tarnish (b) Wreck  
 (c) Embellish (d) Upset
34. He is biased against the students from cities.  
 (a) Open (b) Prejudiced  
 (c) Liked (d) Impartial
35. It is easy to be an orthodox.  
 (a) Idolatrous (b) Intelligent  
 (c) Malignant (d) Heterodox

#### SYNONYMS

**Directions :** Each item in this section consists of a sentence with a **bold or Capital** word/words followed by four words. Select the option that is nearest in meaning to the bold word/words and mark your response accordingly.

36. The poems of Kabir are ecstatic in nature.  
 (a) Worried (b) Dispassionate  
 (c) Sluggish (d) Torpid
37. The poems of Kabir are ecstatic in nature.  
 (a) Efficacious (b) Eerie  
 (c) Rapturous (d) Reverential
38. Ravi loves seclusion. Therefore, he lives in the mountains.  
 (a) Nature (b) Scripture  
 (c) Seafaring (d) Solitariness
39. Hitler was a despot.  
 (a) Conservative (b) Dictator  
 (c) Passionate (d) Monstrous
40. The imagery used in the poem is vivid.  
 (a) Lively (b) Inert  
 (c) Ebullient (d) Caustic
41. A human being is always vulnerable to other human beings.  
 (a) Resilient (b) Elastic  
 (c) Defenceless (d) Crude
42. His language is political and vitriolic.  
 (a) Imaginative (b) Sprightly

- (c) Vivacious \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Abusive \_\_\_\_\_
43. The Managing Director of the company declared that he is broke and there is a need to seek support from the government.  
 (a) Bankrupt \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Rich \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Making profit \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Having liabilities \_\_\_\_\_
44. He loves doing nasty things.  
 (a) Nice \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Fastidious \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Foul \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Finicky \_\_\_\_\_
45. He could not muster courage to speak the truth before his friend.  
 (a) Injure \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Spoil \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Gather \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Maim \_\_\_\_\_
46. The slump in business made Mr. Sharma Bankrupt.  
 (a) Rise \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Disease \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Fall \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Theft \_\_\_\_\_
47. Parents should cultivate in their children the habit of cleanliness.  
 (a) Foster \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Aggravate \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Interrogate \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Neglect \_\_\_\_\_
48. She is a contemplative person.  
 (a) Manipulative \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Shallow \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Careless \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Thoughtful \_\_\_\_\_
49. The novel began in an eerie situation.  
 (a) Happy \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Scary \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Normal \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Sad \_\_\_\_\_
50. All the characters in the movie are fictitious.  
 (a) Bogus \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Misleading \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Imaginary \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Real \_\_\_\_\_
51. Her dedication to fitness was almost fanatical.  
 (a) Violent \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Overenthusiastic \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Apathetic \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) Calm \_\_\_\_\_
52. They hope to emulate the success of other blue-chip companies.  
 (a) Neglect \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Instigate \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Modify \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Imitate \_\_\_\_\_
53. She loved her father's vivid description of foreign cities.  
 (a) Picturesque \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Insignificant \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Weak \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Fresh \_\_\_\_\_
54. The Industrial Revolution saw a massive rise in the population of Europe.  
 (a) Enormous \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Erroneous \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Hazardous \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Perilous \_\_\_\_\_
55. I had some deepest convictions reflected in my work.  
 (a) Ideas and opinions \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Firm beliefs \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Prejudices \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Biases \_\_\_\_\_

### SPOTTING THE ERROR

**Directions:** Each item in this section has a sentence with three parts labelled (a), (b) and (c). Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in any part and mark your response against the corresponding letter, i.e., (a), (b) or (c). If you find no error, your response should be marked as (d).

56. (a) He had arrived at Cairo \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) A few months before \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Protests shook the Arab world. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) No error. \_\_\_\_\_
57. (a) Most of us who are older competitive runners \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Are not able to race anywhere at the same speed \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) As we do when we were 30. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
58. (a) Work hard \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Lest you do not \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Fail. \_\_\_\_\_ (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
59. (a) The Eastern Ghats are home of 2600 plant species \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) And this habitat fragmentation \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Can pose a serious threat to endemic plants. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
60. (a) Turbidity current is a fast-moving current \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) That sweeps down submarine canyons. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Carrying sand and mud into the deep sea. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
61. (a) Every one \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Of the boys \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Love to ride. \_\_\_\_\_ (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
62. (a) Neither praise nor blame \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Seem \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) To affect him. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
63. (a) Many a man \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Has \_\_\_\_\_  
 succumbed \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) To this temptation. \_\_\_\_\_ (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
64. (a) A time slot of fifteen minutes \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Are allowed \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) To each speaker. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
65. (a) He asked \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Whether either of the brothers \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Were at home. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) No error \_\_\_\_\_
66. She has been working on (a)/ the issue from a long time (b)/ but is still not able to solve it. (c) No error (d)
67. A shudder ran to Anjali's spine (a)/ when she recalled the accident (b)/ in which she was luckily saved. (c) No error (d)
68. Supposing if the Directors (a)/ doesn't arrive in time for the Board Meeting, (b)/ what will you do? (c) No error (d)

69. Whatever assignment (a)/ that which you take, (b)/ put your best efforts in it. (c) No error (d)
70. And though one did not (a)/ quite believe her plea, one saw no harm (b)/ in granting her permission. (c) No error (d)
71. If the work would have been (a)/ properly assigned, it would have taken (b)/ much less time in completion. (c) No error (d)
72. The money lender (a)/ handed over a hundred (b)/ rupees note to the borrower. (c) No error (d)
73. The furious woman walked hurriedly (a)/ into the congested room (b)/ and shouted loud at the visitors. (c) No error (d)
74. Mathematics and Accountancy (a)/ are easier than (b)/ History and Geography. (c) No error (d)
75. The bike flew off the road (a)/ and fell into the valley (b)/ because Amit was driving faster. (c) No error (d)

### **COMPREHENSION**

**Directions:** In this section you have a short passage. After the passage you will find some items based on the passage. First read the passage and then answer the items based on it. You are required to select your answer based on the contents of the passage and opinion of the author only.

Studies serve for delight, for ornament, and for ability. Their chief use for delight, is in privateness and retiring; for ornament, is in discourse; and for ability, is in the judgment, and disposition of business. For expert men can execute, and perhaps judge of particulars, one by one; but the general counsels, and the plots and marshalling of affairs, come best from those that are learned. To spend too much time in studies is sloth; to use them too much for ornament, is affectation; to make judgment wholly by their rules, is the humor of a scholar. They perfect nature, and are perfected by experience: for natural abilities are like natural plants, that need pruning, by study; and studies themselves do give forth directions too much at large, except they be bounded in by experience. Crafty men condemn studies, simple men admire them, and wise men use them; for they teach not their own use; but that is a wisdom without them, and above them, won by observation. Read not to contradict and confute; nor to believe and take for granted; nor to find talk and discourse; but to weigh and consider.

76. According to the author, why should one study?

- (a) To gather information about the world  
(b) To pass the time in a creative way  
(c) For pleasure, enhanced capability and Holistic growth  
(d) To become only worldly wise
77. Why does the author not recommend too much of studies?  
(a) Because it reflects idleness  
(b) Because it requires too much money  
(c) Because it is dangerous for the health of the mind  
(d) Because it makes men crafty
78. According to the author, how can the studies be perfected?  
(a) By reflection                      (b) By application  
(c) By conversation                      (d) By experience
79. Which kind of human beings denounce studies?  
(a) Innocent                                      (b) Cunning  
(c) Stupid    (d) Wise
80. According to the author, one should read to  
(a) Only Argue  
(b) Only believe  
(c) Evaluate and understand  
(d) Preach and Believe

### **PASSAGE – 2**

There are still a few people in northern Europe who think that global warming might not be such a bad thing. In Britain, where summer can sometimes seem to last little more than a few weeks, many would welcome the idea of it getting a bit hotter. Unfortunately things are not so simple. Global warming doesn't just mean that the world will slowly get warmer. Paradoxically, it could cause certain areas to get colder - a lot colder. The latest predictions are that northern Europe could even be plunged into an ice age. While areas of south-eastern Europe, such as Greece, would continue to get hotter and drier, Britain could find itself, in the winter months at least, surrounded by sea ice. The reason for this concerns the Greenland ice sheet. This is one of the biggest expanses of ice in the world - around 1,500km long and 600km wide. It is so big that if it all melted sea levels would rise by 7 meters. Due to rising emissions of greenhouse gases, such as carbon dioxide from the combustion of fossil fuels, this ice sheet is melting at an alarming rate.

81. Why people of Northern Europe think that global warming might not be such a bad thing?  
(a) It will make the weather of Northern Europe colder.

(b) It will make the weather of Northern Europe Warmer.

(c) It will make whole planet colder.

(d) It will make whole Europe colder.

82. What contradictory opinion has been quoted by the author in the context of global warming?

(a) Northern Europe won't get affected because of global warming.

(b) Northern Europe will become warmer as a result of global warming.

(c) Global warming could make the planet hotter.

(d) Global warming could cause certain areas to get colder.

83. What does the author mean by the term 'biggest expanses' in the passage?

(a) The wide continuous area of Britain.

(b) The wide continuous area of Northern Europe.

(c) The wide continuous area of Greenland Ice Sheet.

(d) The wide continuous area of Southern Europe.

84. According to the passage, why the Greenland ice sheet is melting?

(a) Due to rising population in Greenland.

(b) Due to rising emissions of greenhouse gases.

(c) Due to decrease in combustion of fossil fuels.

(d) Due to decrease in emissions of greenhouse gases.

85. Which of the following statement is incorrect according to the passage?

(a) The Greenland Ice sheet is melting at an alarming rate due to rising emissions of greenhouse gases.

(b) Global warming can make colder place much colder leading them to the era of an ice age.

(c) The Greenland Ice sheet is around 1,500km wide and 600km long.

(d) If Greenland Ice sheet gets melt, the sea level would rise by 7 meters.

#### PASSAGE – 1

"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 –rings-were-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.

86. "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

87. "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

88. 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

89. The author believes that the Quick. Man was really.

(a) Foolish

(b) Clever

(c) Wrong

(d) Right

90. 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

## ORDERING OF WORDS, SENTENCES OR PARAJUMBLES

**Directions:** Each of the following items in this section consists of a sentence, the parts of which have been jumbled. These parts have been labeled P, Q, R and S. Given below each sentence are four sequences namely (a), (b), (c) and (d). You are required to re-arrange the jumbled parts of the sentence and mark your response accordingly.

91. Closely monitor the situation by the disturbing allegations

we are deeply concerned and will continue to

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

92. relieve nausea, pain and stress aromatherapy may also help

using lavender oil on their skin but patients are cautioned against

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

93. without any mandae of law the plea filed through the advocate

online is illegal and submitted that the sale of drugs and prescription medicines

(a) R QS P (b) Q S R P  
(c) Q R S P (d) P R S Q

94. humans and machines have co-existed dating back to the invention of

the potter's wheel in ancient Mesopotanua at the physical level for millennia

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

95. a sell-off as US Treasury yields surged to multi-year highs

on robust economic data global markets also witnessed

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

96.	S1	:	The Subsidiary Alliance system was extremely advantageous to the British.
	S6	:	They controlled the defence and the foreign relations of the protected ally.
	P	:	They could now maintain a large army at the cost of Indian states
	Q	:	if any war occurred in the territories
	R	:	either of the British ally or of the Britishers
	S	:	This enabled them to fight wars far away from their own territories

The proper sequence should be :

(a) PQRS (b) PSQR  
(c) QRPS (4) SRPQ

97.	S1	:	In reality, by signing a Subsidiary Alliance, an Indian state virtually signed away its independence.
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	S6	:	In fact, the Indian ruler lost all vestiges of sovereignty in external matters.
	P	:	of maintaining diplomatic relations
	Q	:	It lost the right of self defence
	R	:	with its neighbours
	S	:	and of settling its disputes

The proper sequence should be :

(a) PQRS (b) RSPQ  
(c) QPSR (d) QSRP

98.	S1	:	A mighty popular Revolt broke out in Northern and Central India in 1857.
	S6	:	Millions of peasants, artisans and soldiers fought heroically and wrote a glorious chapter.
	P	:	Sepoys, or the Indian soldiers of the Company's army
	Q	:	but soon engulfed wide regions and involved the masses
	R	:	and nearly swept away the British rule
	S	:	It began with a mutiny of the

The proper sequence should be:

(a) RSPQ (b) PQRS  
(c) SRPQ (d) QRPS

99.	S1	:	The Indian Civil Service gradually developed into one of the most efficient and powerful civil services in the world.
	S6	:	Though these qualities obviously served British and not Indian interests.
	P	:	and often participated in the making of policy
	Q	:	independence, integrity and hard work
	R	:	They developed certain traditions of
	S	:	Its members exercised vast power

The proper sequence should be :

(a) PQRS (b) QRSP  
(c) RSQP (d) SPRQ

100.	S1	:	The ruin of Indian handicrafts was reflected in the ruin of the towns and cities which were famous for their manufactures.
	S6	:	Centres were developed and laid waste.
	P	:	Dacca, Surat, Murshidabad and many other rising industrial
	Q	:	ravages of war and plunder, failed to

R	:	<u>survive British conquest</u>
S	:	<u>Cities which had withstood the</u>

The proper sequence should be :

- (a) PQRS                      (b) SQRP  
(c) SRPQ                      (d) QRSP

101. S1: It was a dark and stormy night.  
S6: In no time it landed on the road.  
P: It started raining cats and dogs.  
Q: Christopher was returning home.  
R: Suddenly he saw a U.F.O. appearing from the clouds above.  
S: The whole of Greentown was covered by dark clouds.  
The proper sequence should be:  
(a) PQRS                      (b) SQRP  
(c) RQPS                      (d) PQSR
102. S1: Narada, the celestial sage, was a confirmed bachelor, but one day he saw Princess Shrimati and fell in love with her.  
S6: He asked that Narada should appear to have a monkey's face.  
P: Both were devotees of Lord Vishnu and both sought his help.  
Q: To his dismay another sage, Tumburu, was also smitten by her and wanted to marry her.  
R: Tumburu, not knowing that his rival had already approached Vishnu, made a similar request.  
S: Narada asked that Tumburu's face should change into a bear's at the Swayamvar at which the princess would select her husband.  
The proper sequence should be:  
(a) QPRS                      (b) SQRP  
(c) PQRS                      (d) QPSR
103. S1: The ambassador of Nippon presented a beautiful cat to the Emperor of China.  
S6: At the end of this period they were summoned to the palace again, and asked for their suggestions.  
P: He called his ministers, the seven wisest men in the empire, and commanded them to find a suitable name for his pet within seven days.  
Q: Eventually the emperor decided that the cat should have a name.  
R: People kept asking for the cat's name and were surprised when told that it had none.  
S: The emperor became fond of the animal and took it with him wherever he went.  
The proper sequence should be:  
(a) PQSR                      (b) PQRS  
(c) SRQP                      (d) SRPQ
104. S1: A valet was riding behind his master, the aristocratic Chen Yu.

S6: "That's because you've not fed it!" said Chen Yu, angrily, and gave the lad such a blow on his head that it nearly unhorsed him.  
P: Chen Yu turned round and when he saw his valet lagging far behind, yelled at him to ride faster.

Q: "Stay right behind me!" roared Chen Yu.  
R: With great effort, the valet caught up with his master.  
S: "My horse is old, master," said the valet. "It cannot keep up with yours."

The proper sequence should be:

- (a) PQSR                      (b) PROS  
(c) PRSQ                      (d) PQRS

105. S1: In a shop at the Palais-Royal they found a string of diamonds which seemed to them exactly like the one they were looking for.  
S6: Loisel possessed eighteen thousand francs left to him by his father and intended to borrow the rest.  
P: They were allowed to have it for thirty-six thousand.  
Q: They begged the jeweler not to sell it for three days.  
R: And they arranged matters on the understanding that it would be taken back for thirty-four thousand francs, if the first one were found before the end of February.  
S: It was worth forty thousand francs.  
The proper sequence should be:  
(a) SPRQ                      (b) SQPR  
(c) SRQP                      (d) SPQR
106. S1: So far, the southwest monsoon conditions remain favourable – rainfall at 4% below the long term average, and reasonably well-distributed.  
S6: In items like arhar (tur) and urad, inflation was already at 23% in May (latest data available at the disaggregate level), and in June it is likely to be even higher.  
P: And, the surge in pulses inflation invites concern.  
Q: But rains have weakened compared to June.  
R: Also, sowing data looks healthy – area sown under kharif crop as on July 10 was 61.8% higher than last year.  
S: In the year so far (January to June 2015), pulses inflation has been 13.8% compared to just 4.7% in the same period of 2014.  
The proper sequence should be:  
(a) RQSP                      (b) RQPS  
(c) RPQS                      (d) RSPQ
107. S1: The delivery of health care services— from primary care to secondary and tertiary

levels of care—is the most visible part of any health care system, both to users and the general public.

S6: This could be when practitioner and patient communicate over the phone, video conferencing, the internet, email, text messages, or any other form of non-face-to-face communication.

P: The place of delivery may be in the home, the community, the workplace, or in health facilities.

Q: There are many ways of providing health care in the modern world.

R: This is what occurs in general medicine in most countries. However, with modern telecommunications technology, in absentia health care is becoming more common.

S: The most common way is face-to-face delivery, where care provider and patient see each other 'in the flesh'.

The proper sequence should be:

(a) QSRP (b) QSPR

(c) QPSR (d) QPRS

108. S1: In contrast to last year, the initial outlook for the southwest monsoon looks hardly promising.

S6: However, the initial forecast made in April cannot be the basis for arriving at any firm conclusions; at best, it may serve as a pointer.

P: The forecast probability of both deficient and below-normal categories is double the climatological probability, which is based on how the monsoon fared in previous years.

Q: While the chances of excess rainfall occurring are non-existent, initial indications are that the monsoon this year will be subnormal or deficient.

R: According to the first-stage forecast issued by the India Meteorological Department, the southwest monsoon seasonal rainfall is likely to be 93 per cent of the long-period average with a margin of error of 5 per cent.

S: For the June-September season, both the deficient (less than 90 per cent of long-period average, or LPA) and below-normal (between 90 and 96 per cent of the long-period average) categories have a nearly equal probability of 33 and 35 per cent respectively.

The proper sequence should be:

(a) RSPQ (b) RSQP

(c) RQPS (d) RQSP

109. S1: Baltimore, a city that has a high concentration of African-Americans relative to other parts of the country, suffers from specific issues such as urban poverty owing to long-term deindustrialization and unemployment.

S6: And until the economic system evolves a way of addressing inner-city poverty, such incidents seem destined to recur.

P: It has very high crime rates with the African-American youth of the inner cities in particular prone to be blamed for them even as they face difficult living conditions.

Q: Unless the U.S. rethinks its strategies on crime and punishment with respect to the black community — incarceration rates among African-Americans continue to remain unacceptably high.

R: Law enforcement in the city has been characterized by police brutality, and despite a better racial balance than elsewhere in the country in the city's administration there is a severe lack of confidence in the system among residents.

S: The abysmal state of affairs, which was depicted realistically by the popular TV series The Wire, extends to other inner cities as well.

The proper sequence should be:

(a) PQRS (b) PRSQ

(c) PRQS (d) PSQR

110. S1: The Indian Pharmaceuticals market size is expected to grow to US\$ 85 billion by 2020.

S6: In addition, the thrust on rural health programmes, life saving drugs and preventive vaccines also augurs well for the pharma companies.

P: Going forward, better growth in domestic sales will depend on the ability of companies to align their product portfolio towards chronic therapies for diseases such as such as cardiovascular, anti-diabetes, anti-depressants and anti-cancers are on the rise.

Q: Moreover, the government has been taking several cost effective measures in order to bring down healthcare expenses.

R: The growth in Indian domestic market will be on back of increasing consumer spending, rapid urbanisation, raising healthcare insurance, and so on.

S: Thus, governments are focusing on speedy introduction of generic drugs into the market.

The proper sequence should be:



- (a) RQSP (b) RSPQ  
(c) RPOS (d) ROPS

### **FILL IN THE BLANK**

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

111. The Election Commission on Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ that the Assembly elections in five States will be held from November 12 to December 7.  
(a) Pronounced (b) Announced  
(c) Promulgated (d) Issued
112. The victims were fruit vendors and they were going in an auto when the \_\_\_\_\_ an accident on the way.  
(a) Met with (b) Ran into  
(c) Experienced (d) Heard
113. Scores of villagers are \_\_\_\_\_ a sit-in protest against the construction of a new underpass.  
(a) Performing (b) Sitting  
(c) Staging (d) Standing
114. It is common for patients to stop \_\_\_\_\_ medicine as soon as they start feeling better.  
(a) Eating (b) Gulping  
(c) Swallowing (d) Taking
115. A four-year-old girl got a new lease of life after doctors at a hospital \_\_\_\_\_ a cancerous tumour from one of her kidneys.  
(a) Rejuvenated (b) Removed  
(c) Displaced (d) Replaced
116. The tired traveler ..... on in the hope of finding some resting place.  
(a) Strolled (b) Scurried  
(c) Paraded (d) Plodded
117. .... The car was damaged beyond repair in the ..... accident.  
(a) Outrageous (b) Ghastly  
(c) Nasty (d) Heinous
118. .... They gave a ..... dinner to celebrate the occasion, which impressed every guest.  
(a) Austere (b) Public  
(c) Sumptuous (d) Summary
119. On his way to the capital, the minister the eminent social worker at his residence.  
(a) Called on (b) Called  
(c) Calling for (d) Call off
120. The fire brigade fought for four hours to the fire in the building.  
(a) Put in (b) Put out  
(c) Put on (d) Put off

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## Answer key

<u>1.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>16.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>31.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>46.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>61.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>76.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>91.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>106.</u>	<u>B</u>
<u>2.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>17.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>32.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>47.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>62.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>77.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>92.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>107.</u>	<u>C</u>
<u>3.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>18.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>33.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>48.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>63.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>78.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>93.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>108.</u>	<u>A</u>
<u>4.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>19.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>34.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>49.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>64.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>79.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>94.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>109.</u>	<u>B</u>
<u>5.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>20.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>35.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>50.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>65.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>80.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>95.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>110.</u>	<u>C</u>
<u>6.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>21.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>36.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>51.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>66.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>81.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>96.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>111.</u>	<u>B</u>
<u>7.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>22.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>37.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>52.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>67.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>82.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>97.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>112.</u>	<u>A</u>
<u>8.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>23.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>38.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>53.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>68.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>83.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>98.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>113.</u>	<u>A</u>
<u>9.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>24.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>39.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>54.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>69.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>84.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>99.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>114.</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>10.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>25.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>40.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>55.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>70.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>85.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>100.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>115.</u>	<u>B</u>
<u>11.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>26.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>41.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>56.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>71.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>86.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>101.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>116.</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>12.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>27.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>42.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>57.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>72.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>87.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>102.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>117.</u>	<u>B</u>
<u>13.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>28.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>43.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>58.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>73.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>88.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>103.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>118.</u>	<u>C</u>
<u>14.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>29.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>44.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>59.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>74.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>89.</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>104.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>119.</u>	<u>A</u>
<u>15.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>30.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>45.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>60.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>75.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>90.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>105.</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>120.</u>	<u>B</u>