

Time Allowed : 40 minutes

Max. Marks : 200

**Instructions**

- This Test Booklet contains 50 items (questions). Each item comprises four responses (answers). You will select the response which you want to mark on the Answer Sheet. In case you feel that there is more than one correct response, mark the response which you consider the best. In any case, choose **ONLY ONE** response for each item.
- You have to mark all your responses **ONLY** on the separate Answer Sheet provided. See directions in the Answer Sheet.
- All items carry equal marks.
- Penalty for wrong answers :**  
**THERE WILL BE PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS MARKED BY A CANDIDATE IN THE OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTION PAPERS.**
  - There are four alternatives for the answer to every question. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, **one-third** of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
  - If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as a **wrong answer** even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above to that question.
  - If a question is left blank, i.e., no answer is given by the candidate, there will be **no penalty** for that question.

**Spotting Errors**

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

- Over long periods of time, layers of sediments  
a b  
builds up to a height of a few kilometers.  
c  
No Error  
d
- When a gas is cooled down it turns into a liquid  
a b  
from a process called condensation. No Error  
c d
- If you want to know the news you can read a  
a b c  
newspaper. No Error  
d
- Columbus made his first voyage from Europe  
a b  
to America on 1492. No Error  
c d
- Whenever the sky is clear, you can see the stars  
a b  
in the night. No Error  
c d
- I'm not working tomorrow, so I don't had to  
a b  
get up early. No Error  
c d
- She didn't tell anybody about her plans.  
a b c  
No Error  
d
- She wouldn't have has an accident, if she had  
a b  
driven carefully. No Error  
c d
- I will watch film if I finish the work in time.  
a b c  
No Error  
d
- In 1989, the government did an about-face and  
a b  
Iran restored it's family planning program.  
c  
No Error  
d

**Synonyms**

**Directions:** Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word followed by four options, (a), (b), (c) and (d). Select the option that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word and mark your response in your Answer Sheet accordingly.

11. During the pandemic the indigent people had to suffer a lot.  
(a) very poor (b) opulent  
(c) solvent (d) prosperous
12. She had no idea what made him angry in one minute and joyial the next.  
(a) aggrieved (b) melancholic  
(c) doleful (d) mirthful
13. It is sheer lunacy to drive a car in this frosty weather.  
(a) prudence (b) normalcy  
(c) insanity (d) sanity
14. Operating on a child with cancer needs meticulous planning and teamwork.  
(a) strong (b) long  
(c) playful (d) scrupulous
15. The thrill of over-speeding the vehicle can be exhilarating, but it is important not to take the consequences lightly.  
(a) humdrum (b) dreary  
(c) exciting (d) agitating
16. The redemption will now depend on his new strategy of inclusiveness.  
(a) retrieval (b) forfeiture  
(c) corporation (d) desecration
17. Only three candidates are now in contention for the title.  
(a) involved in dispute  
(b) in agreement with each other  
(c) chance of winning  
(d) amiable to each other
18. All my fishing paraphernalia is in the car.  
(a) boxes (b) accessories  
(c) fuel (d) food
19. The public watched in astonishment as he took a sudden jump from the bridge.  
(a) anticipation (b) hurriedly  
(c) wonderment (d) calmness
20. Drinking inordinate amount of liquor is not good for health.  
(a) temperate (b) exorbitant  
(c) moderate (d) regular

**Ordering of Words in a Sentence**

**Directions :** Each of the following items in this section consists of a sentence, the parts of which have been jumbled. These parts have been labelled 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 correctly and mark your response accordingly.

21. because I feel you remember it better when  
P Q

you write something, I make at least three  
R S

drafts of a song

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) SPRQ (b) RQPS  
(c) QRSP (d) PRSQ

22. for hours in the shop a gunman who held  
P Q

a hostage demanded ransom of ₹ 10 lakh  
R S

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) SPRQ (b) RQPS  
(c) QRPS (d) PRSQ

23. living in Russia country immediately  
P Q

Ukraine has urged its citizens to leave the  
R S

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) SPRQ (b) RPSQ  
(c) RSQP (d) PRSQ

24. ripping roofs off houses and raising fears of  
P

coast of Madagascar in the early hours,  
Q

cyclone Emnati crashed into the southeastern  
R

flooding and food shortages in the region  
S

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) SPRQ (b) RPSQ  
(c) RQPS (d) PRSQ

25. ecology is protected and aquatic life thrives  
P

we need to utilize the resources of water  
Q

for different purposes while ensuring that its  
R S

natural

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) SPRQ                      (b) RQPS  
(c) QRSP                      (d) PRSQ

26. very difficult the poor visibility made the

P                                      Q  
movement of traffic due to fog  
R                                      S

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) SPRQ                      (b) RQPS  
(c) QRPS                      (d) QSRP

27. avenues for the patients to indict but rarely is

P                                      Q                                      R  
it the other way round there are multiple legal  
the doctors  
S

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) SPRQ                      (b) RPSQ  
(c) QRPS                      (d) QSRP

28. flight, and each person her own journey

P                                      Q  
life is a solo makes his or  
R                                      S

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) SPRQ                      (b) RPQS  
(c) RPSQ                      (d) PQRS

29. made it evolve technologies and equipment

P                                      Q  
has into a rare centre of excellence adoption of  
R  
the latest  
S

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) PQRS                      (b) RPQS  
(c) SQPR                      (d) QSRP

30. please mark the same be made in response to

P                                      Q  
this notice if you have any complaint to the  
R  
concerned authority  
S

The correct sequence should be :

- (a) PQRS                      (b) RPQS  
(c) SQPR                      (d) RQPS

### Antonyms

**Directions :** Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word followed by four options, (a), (b), (c) and (d). Select the option that is **opposite in meaning** to the underlined word and mark your response in your Answer Sheet accordingly.

31. The parental support can fortify a child's learning.

- (a) weaken                      (b) encourage  
(c) brace                      (d) strengthen

32. Now we can have another dazzling thought, as an outcome of my brilliant research!

- (a) splendid                      (b) murky  
(c) dazing                      (d) fulgent

33. The group held some clandestine meetings to resolve the matter.

- (a) secret                      (b) covert  
(c) sneaky                      (d) public

34. In the winters, the countryside view is bleak and the house is drafty.

- (a) cheerless                      (b) verdant  
(c) desolate                      (d) bare

35. Amid commotion the leader and his supporters remained passive.

- (a) quietude                      (b) uproar  
(c) tempest                      (d) stir

36. He had the audacity to blame him.

- (a) boldness                      (b) vigour  
(c) temerity                      (d) politeness

37. They are making plans for the abatement of the nuisance within a specified time.

- (a) subsidence                      (b) ebbing  
(c) accumulation                      (d) mitigation

38. There is exponential growth in the development of the scientific researches in the recent few decades.

- (a) aggressive                      (b) rampant  
(c) meager                      (d) augmented

39. He was known for his sagacity.

- (a) prudence                      (b) wisdom  
(c) ignorance                      (d) sapience

40. The river Ganges culminates in the Bay of Bengal.

- (a) concludes                      (b) flows  
(c) originates                      (d) merges

**Idioms and Phrases**

**Directions :** Given below are some idioms / phrases followed by four alternative meanings for each. Choose the most appropriate answer from among the options (a), (b), (c) or (d).

41. The lion's share  
 (a) A portion of something  
 (b) The largest and the best part of something  
 (c) An important decision  
 (d) An aggressive statement
42. Spill the beans  
 (a) Reveal a secret  
 (b) Forced to leave belongings  
 (c) Share the news  
 (d) Take offence at someone's rude behaviour
43. Cook someone's goose  
 (a) To assist others  
 (b) Hypnotize other's mind  
 (c) To spoil other's plans  
 (d) Inviting misfortune
44. Disappear into thin air  
 (a) Lost forever  
 (b) Become forgetful  
 (c) Become uncaring  
 (d) Disappear suddenly
45. Put the screws on  
 (a) Forcing someone to do what you want  
 (b) Never letting go of things  
 (c) Keep the past alive  
 (d) Using someone's trick for own benefit
46. Sit on the fence  
 (a) Avoid meeting someone  
 (b) Waiting patiently  
 (c) Avoid taking sides  
 (d) Hiding from someone
47. Be as sharp as a tack  
 (a) A talkative person  
 (b) A shrewd person  
 (c) A clumsy person  
 (d) A clever person
48. From pillar to post  
 (a) Upside down  
 (b) Keep moving from one place to another  
 (c) Constructing a huge building  
 (d) Jumping from the top of the mountain
49. Heath Robinson  
 (a) Very complicated system or machine for doing a simple task  
 (b) Treating everyone as enemy, when they are not  
 (c) Sleeping all day, doing nothing  
 (d) Very lazy person, slow in action
50. As thick as thieves  
 (a) Dumb person  
 (b) Good for nothing  
 (c) Someone who uses everyone for personal gain  
 (d) Very close friends who are looked upon with suspicion

**ANSWER KEY**

Q. No	Answer Key	Topic's Name	Chapter's Name
1	<b>b</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
2	<b>c</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
3	<b>d</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
4	<b>c</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
5	<b>c</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
6	<b>b</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
7	<b>d</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
8	<b>b</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
9	<b>a</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage
10	<b>c</b>	Spotting Errors	Grammar and Usage

Q. No	Answer Key	Topic's Name	Chapter's Name
11	a	Synonyms	Vocabulary
12	d	Synonyms	Vocabulary
13	c	Synonyms	Vocabulary
14	d	Synonyms	Vocabulary
15	c	Synonyms	Vocabulary
16	a	Synonyms	Vocabulary
17	c	Synonyms	Vocabulary
18	b	Synonyms	Vocabulary
19	c	Synonyms	Vocabulary
20	b	Synonyms	Vocabulary
21	a	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
22	c	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
23	b	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
24	c	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
25	c	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
26	d	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
27	b	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
28	c	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
29	c	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
30	d	Ordering of Words in a Sentence	Comprehension and Cohesion
31	a	Antonyms	Vocabulary
32	b	Antonyms	Vocabulary
33	d	Antonyms	Vocabulary
34	b	Antonyms	Vocabulary
35	a	Antonyms	Vocabulary
36	d	Antonyms	Vocabulary
37	c	Antonyms	Vocabulary
38	c	Antonyms	Vocabulary
39	c	Antonyms	Vocabulary
40	c	Antonyms	Vocabulary
41	b	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
42	a	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
43	c	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
44	d	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
45	a	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
46	c	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
47	d	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
48	b	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
49	a	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary
50	d	Idioms and Phrases	Vocabulary

**ANSWERS WITH EXPLANATION****Spotting Errors**

- Option (b) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* The singular verb 'builds' does not appear to agree with the plural subject 'layers'. The correct version is: 'layers of sediment build up'
- Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* "From" to be changed to "through" to convey the change of state of gas to liquid.
- Option (d) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* The sentence is correct. It agrees with the subject and first form of the verb.
- Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* In being the preposition of time to replace "on" in part c of the sentence as 'In' is used for Months, Years, Centuries and Long Periods. The correct part is : Europe to America in 1942.
- Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'At' is used for a precise time; therefore, the correct form of part c will be: stars at night.
- Option (b) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Do, does and did are always followed by first form of the verb, therefore it needs to be replaced with 'have'.
- Option (d) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* The sentence is correct. It fulfils all conditions of subject verb agreement.
- Option (b) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Has, have and had always take V3 after them, therefore 'has' will be replaced with The correct part is: wouldn't have had an accident.
- Option (a) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Film being a countable noun will take an article before it, to indicate any film or one film, so the indefinite article 'a' is appropriate before 'film'.

- Option (c) is correct.**

*Explanation:* 'It's' is the short form of 'it is', the sentence is trying to show possession therefore, it's to be replaced with 'its'.

**Synonyms**

- Option (a) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Indigent means poor or needy therefore, option (a) is correct. Opulent means costly and luxurious. Solvent means financially sound. Prosperous means wealthy. Thus, all other options are synonymous with rich.
- Option (d) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Jovial means cheerful and friendly. Aggrieved means feeling resentment. Melancholic means expressing sadness. Doleful means full of grief. Thus, all other options are synonymous with sad.
- Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Lunacy is stupid behaviour that will have bad results. Prudence is behaviour that is careful and avoids risks. Normalcy is a state of being normal. Sanity is the state of having a healthy mind and not being mentally ill. Thus, all are synonymous with sanity.
- Option (d) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Meticulous is showing great attention to detail. Strong is having power. Long is lasting a long time. Playful is expressing pleasure.
- Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Exhilarating is thrilling or exciting. Humdrum means lacking excitement. Dreary means depressing or dull. Agitating means troubled or nervous.
- Option (a) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Redemption is the act of saving or recovering, option (a) is correct. Forfeiture means giving up or losing. Corporation means a company or a group of people. Desecration is the act of damaging.

17. **Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* In Contention is a chance of winning something. Option b and d show agreement with each other whereas option a shows a heated argument.
18. **Option (b) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Paraphernalia is miscellaneous articles, especially equipment. Boxes are containers. Fuel is material such as coal or gas. Food is a nutritious substance.
19. **Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Astonishment is a great surprise. Anticipation is expectation. Hurriedly is in a quick or rushed manner. Calmness is a state of being free from agitation.
20. **Option (b) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Inordinate is excessive or unusually large. Temperate is moderate. Moderate is average in amount. Regular is consistent or even.

#### Ordering of Words in a Sentence

21. **Option (a) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'S' will start the sequence as it talks about the person's habit of making three drafts and then gives reason for the same. The correct sentence would be: I make at least three drafts of a song because I feel you remember it better when you write something.
22. **Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'Q' will start the sequence as it talks about the gunman who held the hostage. The correct sentence would be: A gunman who held a hostage for hours in the shop demanded ransom of Rs 10 lakh.
23. **Option (b) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'R' will start the sequence as it talks about Ukraine's appeal to its people. The correct sentence would be: Ukraine has urged its citizens living in Russia to leave the country immediately.
24. **Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'R' will start the sequence as it describes the damage caused by the cyclone. The correct sentence would be: Cyclone Ennati crashed into the southeastern coast of Madagascar in the early hours, ripping roofs off houses and raising fears of flooding and food shortages in the region.
25. **Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'Q' will start the sequence as it mentions the duties people should follow. We need to utilize the resources of water for different purposes while ensuring its natural ecology is protected and aquatic life thrives. <sup>23</sup>
26. **Option (d) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'Q' will start the sequence as it describes the situation of the traffic. The correct sentence would be: the poor visibility due to fog made the movement of traffic very difficult.
27. **Option (b) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'R' will start the sequence as it mentions the number of ways that patients can use to accuse the doctors. The correct sentence would be: there are multiple legal avenues for the patients to indict the doctors but rarely is it the other way round.
28. **Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'R' will start the sequence as it describes the quality of life and SQ is a pair giving options about person's choice. The correct sentence would be Life is a solo flight, and each person makes his or her own journey.
29. **Option (c) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'S' will start the sequence as it describes the way technologies have evolved. The correct sentence would be: Adoption of the latest technologies and equipment has made it evolve into a rare centre of excellence.
30. **Option (d) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* 'R' will start the sequence as it describes the condition. The correct sentence would be: if you have any complaint to be made in response to this notice please mark the same to the concerned authority.

#### Antonyms

31. **Option (a) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Fortify is to make something stronger. Encourage is to give support or confidence. Brace is using something to give strength. Strengthen is to make something stronger. All except (a) are synonymous with Fortify.
32. **Option (b) is correct.**  
*Explanation:* Dazzling is extremely bright, 'while 'murky' means 'unclear and shady'. Splendid is very impressive. Dazing is stunning or feeling shocked. Fulgent is shining brightly.

**33. Option (d) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Clandestine is to keep secret, while 'public' means 'open'. Secret is not known. Covert is not openly acknowledged. Sneaky is doing things in a secret and unfair way.

**34. Option (b) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Bleak is not welcoming or dull, while 'verdant' implies flourishing and green'. Cheerless is not bright. Desolate is barren. Bare is basic and simple. All except (b) are synonymous with bleak.

**35. Option (a) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Commotion is a state of confusion and noisy disturbance. Uproar is a loud noise. Tempest is violent. Stir is to cause a commotion. All except (a) are synonymous with Commotion.

**36. Option (d) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Audacity is a willingness to take bold risks. Boldness is willingness to take risks and act innovatively. Vigour is energy and enthusiasm. Temerity is excessive confidence. All except (d) are synonymous with Audacity.

**37. Option (c) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Abatement is reduction, whereas 'accumulation' implies 'adding on'. Subsidence is gradual craving or reduction. Ebbing is to gradually decrease. Mitigation is the action of reducing the severity of something.

**38. Option (c) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Exponential is becoming rapid, on the other hand, 'meager' connotes 'petty, small'. Aggressive is rude behaviour. Rampant is spreading unchecked. Augmented is having been made greater in size or value.

**39. Option (c) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Sagacity is the quality of being sagacious, while 'ignorance' symbolizes 'lack of knowledge and wisdom'. Prudence is the quality of being prudent or cautious. Wisdom is having knowledge or experience. Sapience is great wisdom or sound judgment. All except (c) are synonymous with sagacity

**40. Option (c) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Culminate is the point of highest development, but 'originates' is the starting point. Concludes is end. Flows is to move along. Merges is to combine or cause to combine.

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**Idioms and Phrases**


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**41. Option (b) is correct.**

*Explanation:* The lion's share means the largest part of something.

**42. Option (a) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Spill the beans means to reveal secret information unintentionally.

**43. Option (c) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Cook someone's goose means spoiling someone's plans.

**44. Option (d) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Disappear into thin air means to disappear suddenly and completely.

**45. Option (a) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Put the screw on means to exert strong psychological pressure on someone to intimidate them into doing something.

**46. Option (c) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Sit on the fence means to avoid deciding.

**47. Option (d) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Be as sharp as a tack means to be a clever person.

**48. Option (b) is correct.**

*Explanation:* From pillar to post means moving from one place to another.

**49. Option (a) is correct.**

*Explanation:* Heath Robinson is used to describe a machine that is very cleverly made and is complicated in a silly or humorous way but has no practical use.

**50. Option (d) is correct.**

*Explanation:* As thick as thieves means very close or secretive.