



PART – A

For the word below, a contextual usage is provided. Pick the word from the alternatives given that is most **appropriate** in the given context.

1. Predicament: She began waving frantically at passing motorists as they sped by, but they remained oblivious to her predicament.
A) Gesture B) Prediction C) Intimation D) Dilemma
2. Four statements with blanks are given followed by four words. Choose the word that fits the set of statements the maximum number of times.
(I) Saddam Hussein must be persuaded to _____, because the Americans are certainly not going to.
(II) You cannot see television because it is on the _____
(III) It was a fierce competition, the loser being whoever chose to _____ first.
(IV) The corrupt policeman decided to _____ at this particular transgression.
A) Wink B) Bow C) Blink D) Abdicate
3. Identify the correctly spelt word out of the following options.
A) Ecceptable B) Neccessary C) Collectible D) Definatly
4. A sentence is given in the direct speech and its equivalent statement in the indirect speech is given in the options. Choose the grammatically correct option closest in meaning to the sentence given in the question.
He said, “Bravo! You have done well.”
A) He applauded him
B) He told Bravo! he had done well
C) He applauded him and told him you have done well
D) He applauded him, saying that he had done well.
5. Which of the following words is an antonym of the word ‘reverently’ ?
A) Respectfully B) Admiringly C) Insincerely D) Ardently
6. Find the odd one out.
A) Green B) immature C) Fresh D) Emerald

Directions for questions 7 and 8 : Select the option that fits in the given blanks the maximum number of times.

7. She could not _____ her bad luck. One should _____ one’s promise. He has no _____ for her feelings. He is trying his best to _____ up the reputation of his family.
A) Fulfill B) Believe C) Idea D) Keep



8. It was difficult to maintain a _____ foothold on the slope. He is a _____ believer in communism. His future looks _____. My team managed to _____ a place in the finals.

- A) Firm B) Secure C) Staunch D) Grim

9. Arrange the phrases to form a meaningful sentence.

- a) in addition to posing a threat to wildlife
- b) associated with big dams
- c) the creation of reservoirs and construction of roads and buildings
- d) affect the quantity
- e) of rain and seepage of water in the catchment area

- A) acdeb B) baecd C) cbdea D) abcde

10. The following question consists of two capitalized words which share a certain relationship with each other, followed by 5 pairs of words. Choose the pair that is related to each other in the **same way** as the capitalized pair.

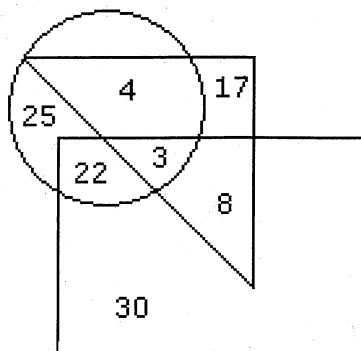
LOOK : OGLE

- A) Smile : Stroll B) Breathe : Gasp
C) Ring : Talk D) Plead : Punish

11. The “Earth-Hour” - the planets largest movement for the environment is organized by

- A) World Wide Fund for Nature B) UNEP
C) IUCN D) UNESCO

Directions for questions 12 to 16 : Use the picture to choose the correct answer from the options given below each question.



- Artists
 → Players
 → Doctors

12. How many doctors are neither artists nor players ?

- A) 17 B) 5 C) 10 D) 30



13. How many doctors are both players and artists ?
 A) 22 B) 8 C) 3 D) 30
14. How many artists are players ?
 A) 5 B) 8 C) 25 D) 16
15. How many players are neither artists nor doctors ?
 A) 25 B) 17 C) 5 D) 10
16. How many artists are neither players nor doctors ?
 A) 10 B) 17 C) 30 D) 15

Directions for questions 17 to 20 : Choose the correct answer from the options given below each question.

17. A told B, “The girl I met yesterday was the youngest daughter of the brother-in-law of my friend’s mother.” How is the girl related to A’s friend ?
 A) Niece B) Cousin C) Friend D) Daughter
18. If Arun’s birthday is on May 25 which is Monday and his sister’s birthday is on July 13. Which day of the week is his sister’s birthday ?
 A) Monday B) Wednesday C) Thursday D) Friday
19. P, Q, R, S, T, U, V and W are sitting round the circle and are facing the centre :
 P is second to the right of T who is the neighbour of R and V.
 S is not the neighbour of P.
 V is the neighbour of U.
 Q is not between S and W. W is not between U and S.
 Which two of the following are not neighbours ?
 A) RV B) UV C) RP D) QW
20. Statements : Population increase coupled with depleting resources is going to be the scenario of many developing countries in days to come.
 Conclusions :
 I : The population of developing countries will not continue to increase in future.
 II : It will be very difficult for the governments of developing countries to provide its people decent quality of life.
 A) Only conclusion I follows B) Only conclusion II follows
 C) Either I or II follows D) Neither I nor II follows



PART – B

26. “The Gods too are fond of jokes.” Who said it ?
A) Plato B) Aristotle C) Seneca D) Shakespeare
27. In which book Plato banished poets from his ideal state ?
A) Poetics B) Ars Poetica C) Republic D) Symposium
28. Who wrote the play “Öedipus the Rex” ?
A) Seneca B) Euripides C) Aristophanes D) Sophocles
29. Aristophanes’s “Frogs” is a
A) Melodrama B) Farce C) Tragedy D) Comedy
30. Which of the following literary genres prospered during the Medieval period ?
A) Elegy B) Ode C) Romance D) Lyric
31. In which play the character Heironymo appears ?
A) Edward II B) The Spanish Tragedy
C) Hamlet D) The Alchemist
32. Who is not a University Wit among the following :
A) Marlowe B) Greene C) Nash D) Shakespeare
33. Which of the following works Geoffery Chaucer wrote ?
A) A Winter’s Tale B) Romantic Tales
C) Canterbury Tales D) Gothic Tales
34. Who ruled Britain during Shakespeare’s time ?
A) Queen Anne B) Mary of the Scots
C) Queen Elizabeth D) Charles I
35. Who introduced Blank Verse in English poetry and drama ?
A) Chaucer B) Spenser
C) Wyatt and Surrey D) Addison and Steele
36. Which play of Shakespeare carries the following lines ?
“Öut, out, brief candle!/ Life’s but a walking shadow, a poor player ...”
A) “Macbeth” B) “Hamlet”
C) “Äs You Like It” D) “Tempest”



37. Who is known as the master of Blank Verse ?
A) Shakespeare B) Marlowe C) Ben Jonson D) Bacon
38. Who wrote the following lines and in which play ?
“Was this the face that launched thousand ships/And burnt the topless towers of Ilium.”
A) Thomas Kyd in “The Spanish Tragedy”
B) Shakespeare in “Hamlet”
C) Marlowe in “Dr. Faustus”
D) Ben Jonson in “The Alchemist”
39. Who is Fairie Queen in Spenser’s “Fairie Queen” ?
A) Mary of the Scots B) Elizabeth I
C) Queen Anne D) Queen Victoria
40. Who established Commonwealth in Britain ?
A) Oliver Cromwell B) Henry VIII C) Charles II D) James I
41. Francis Bacon is known for his
A) Short Stories B) Romances C) Sonnets D) English Essays
42. Who wrote the play “Everyman in His Humour” ?
A) Shakespeare B) Marlowe C) Ben Jonson D) Greene
43. “Aeropagitica” was written by
A) Milton B) Shakespeare C) Spenser D) Ben Jonson
44. Whose ascension to the British throne marked the beginning of Restoration ?
A) Queen Elizabeth B) Charles I
C) Richard II D) Charles II
45. During which period theatres were closed in Britain ?
A) Neo Classical B) Elizabethan
C) Puritanical D) Romantic
46. “The Essay of Dramatic Poesy” was written by
A) John Dryden B) Alexander Pope
C) Ben Jonson D) John Gray



47. Which of the following is a Restoration Comedy ?
 A) “Everyman Out of His Humour” B) “Country Wife”
 C) “As You Like It” D) “Candida”
48. Addison and Steele wrote satirical
 A) Essays B) Novels C) Poems D) Plays
49. Who wrote the following lines ?
 “Äs yet a child, nor yet a fool to fame,/I lisp’d in numbers for the numbers came.”
 A) Thomas Gray B) John Dryden
 C) Alexander Pope D) William Blake
50. The novel “Gulliver’s Travels” was written by
 A) Matthew Lewis B) Jane Austin
 C) Jonathan Swift D) Edgar Poe
51. Printing Press was invented by
 A) Cox B) Camlin C) Caxton D) Braxton
52. Thomas Gray is known for his poem
 A) Seasons
 B) Three Sisters
 C) Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard
 D) Songs of Innocence
53. In a “High Burlesque”
 A) Style is low, subject is high
 B) style is high, subject is low
 C) style is high, subject is high
 D) style is low, subject is low
54. Who was Enlightenment philosopher among the following ?
 A) Jean Paul Sartre B) Fredric Nietzsche
 C) Immanuel Kant D) Albert Camus
55. Which book of Rousseau catalyzed the French Revolution ?
 A) Das Capital B) Critique of Pure Reason
 C) The Social Contract D) Thus Spake Zerathustra



56. Neo Classical period extended from
A) 1660-1740 B) 1600-1660 C) 1606-1650 D) 1700-1760
57. A mock-heroic imitates
A) form and style of an Elegy B) of an Ode
C) of an Epic D) of a Sonnet
58. Enlightenment laid emphasis on
A) Emotions B) Feelings C) Sentiments D) Reason
59. Who wrote “Tintern Abbey” ?
A) P. B. Shelley B) John Keats
C) William Wordsworth D) Alfred Tennyson
60. William Blake wrote
A) Ode to Nightingale B) Daffodils
C) Songs of Experience D) La Belle Dame Sans Mercy
61. Who wrote the following lines ?
“Heard melodies are sweet, but those unheard/Are sweeter...”
A) Pope B) Gray C) Coleridge D) Keats
62. Romantic Literature appeals to
A) Reason B) Thoughts C) Imagination D) Wit
63. John Keats’s last Ode was
A) To Autumn B) To Nightingale
C) To Grecian Urn D) To Psyche
64. Which was the First Gothic novel in English literature ?
A) Dracula B) Frankenstein
C) The Monk D) The Castle of Otranto
65. Who was the first woman novelist in English Literature ?
A) Anne Radcliff B) Jane Austin
C) Aphra Behn D) Emily Bronte
66. The first historical novelist in English Literature was
A) Daniel Defoe B) Walter Scott
C) Bram Stoker D) Edgar Allan Poe



67. Which is an epistolary novel among the following ?
A) Emma
B) Wuthering Heights
C) Middlemarch
D) Pamela
68. Who first did not divide his sonnets into Octaves and Sestets ?
A) Donne
B) Milton
C) Pope
D) Dryden
69. Which couplet Pope has used in “The Rape of the Lock” ?
A) Heroic
B) Scottish
C) Elegiac
D) Irish
70. Who of the following used Dramatic Monologue in his/her poetry ?
A) William Blake
B) S. T. Coleridge
C) Robert Browning
D) Elizabeth Browning
71. A Dramatic Monologue is
A) One person speaking and another listening silently
B) One person speaking and another responding
C) Two persons speaking and responding to each other
D) Two persons speaking and none responding
72. Browning’s poem “The Last Ride Together” is about
A) Mortal love
B) Immortal love
C) Deceptive love
D) Insincere love
73. In which Bronte novel Heathcliff is a villain ?
A) Wuthering Heights
B) Jane Eyre
C) Villette
D) Shirley
74. A symbol is an object that
A) stands for itself
B) stands for something other than itself
C) stands for something bizarre
D) stands for something degenerate
75. The imagist movement in poetry was pioneered by
A) T. S. Eliot
B) Ezra Pound
C) Hilda Doolittle
D) G. M. Hopkins



76. Who said “A poem should not mean but be” and in which book ?
A) Pope in “Essay on Criticism”
B) Wordsworth in “Preface” to Lyrical Ballads
C) Archibald McLeish in “Ars Poetica”
D) Aristotle in “Poetics”
77. Which of the following novels Joseph Conrad wrote ?
A) Portrait of a Lady
B) Heart of Darkness
C) Great Gatsby
D) Farewell to Arms
78. Detective fiction in English Literature emerged from
A) Realistic fiction
B) Naturalistic novel
C) Gothic fiction
D) Historical novel
79. Who wrote “How can I, with that girl standing there,/My attention fix/On Roman or on Russian/Or on Spanish politics” and in which poem ?
A) T. S. Eliot in “Four Quartets”
B) Ezra Pound in “Cantos”
C) W. B. Yeats in “Politics”
D) Charles Baudelaire in “Flowers of Evil”
80. The metaphor “Stream of Consciousness” was borrowed from
A) Henry James
B) Sigmund Freud
C) William James
D) Virginia Woolf
81. The term “Objective Correlative” was coined by
A) Matthew Arnold
B) W. B. Yeats
C) Henry James
D) T. S. Eliot
82. “Love is for Birds.” Who said it ?
A) John Keats
B) Alfred Tennyson
C) Ernest Hemingway
D) Ralph Ellison
83. Edward Said is known for his book
A) “Orientalism”
B) “Mythologies”
C) “Poetics of Dostoevsky”
D) “Sacred and the Profane”



84. Who coined the critical concept of “Differance” ?
A) Derrida
B) Foucault
C) Lacan
D) Roland Barth
85. The idea of “Postmodernism” initially originated from
A) Painting
B) Music
C) Architecture
D) Medicine
86. What is incorrect in the following indirect narration ?
I told him that earth moved around the sun.
A) tense
B) punctuation
C) preposition
D) suffix
87. T. S. Eliot wrote his early poetry in
A) English
B) German
C) French
D) Spanish
88. Who wrote the 19th century Anglo-Indian novel “Lallan the Bairagan” ?
A) Toru Dutt
B) Prem Chand
C) Mirza Murad Ali Beg
D) Sharat Chandra
89. “Gora” was written by
A) Aurobindo Ghosh
B) Rabindranath Tagore
C) Mulk Raj Anand
D) R. K. Narayan
90. Girish Karnad’s “Tuglaq” is a
A) Poem
B) Novel
C) Play
D) Essay
91. Rabindranath Tagore got Nobel Prize in the year
A) 1919
B) 1915
C) 1913
D) 1912
92. Who gave ‘Foreword’ to Mulk Raj Anand’s “Untouchable” ?
A) Mahatma Gandhi
B) E. M. Forster
C) Jawaharlal Nehru
D) Rudyard Kipling



93. Which of the following Indian novels was turned into an all time classic movie ?
A) Coolie
B) Kanthapura
C) Guide
D) Rangabhoomi
94. Arundhati got Booker Prize for her novel
A) Tiger's Daughter
B) The Namesake
C) God of Small Things
D) Two Leaves and a Bud
95. "Savitri" is an epic poem by
A) Rabindranath Tagore
B) A. K. Ramanujan
C) Aurobindo Ghosh
D) Jayant Mahapatra
96. "The Golden Threshold" was written by
A) Leela Naidu
B) Moiuddin Maqsum
C) Sarojini Naidu
D) William Dalrymple
97. The novel "Azadi" was authored by
A) Kamala Das
B) Anita Desai
C) Chaman Nahal
D) Abul Kalam Azad
98. Who wrote "Mid Night's Children" ?
A) Rhington Mistry
B) Keki Daruwala
C) Salman Rushdi
D) Homi Bhabha
99. Fill in the blank an appropriate article.
"The Taj is _____ historical monument."
A) the
B) a
C) an
D) one
100. Homi Bhabha wrote
A) Nation and Narration
B) The Postmodern Turn
C) The Empire Writes Back
D) From Margin to the Center



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