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Q1. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word: PENURY ✓

- (a) Wealth
- (b) Affluence
- (c) Indigence
- (d) Prosperity

→ rich ✓
→ rich ✓
= poverty.
→ rich

→
V. Imp
poverty.

Q2. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom:

To carry the can

- (a) To transport goods efficiently
- (b) To take responsibility for a mistake or failure
- (c) To finish a difficult task
- (d) To make a quick decision

(can = Model)

✓ Q3. Select the option which contains the most appropriate HOMONYM of the word given in bold.

They signed a contract to supply construction materials for the new city bridge.

(a) The company renewed its contract with the suppliers for another five years.

(b) The legal experts reviewed the contract thoroughly before it was finalised.

✗ (c) The cold weather can cause your muscles to contract suddenly and painfully.

(d) The parties involved agreed that the contract terms were fair and binding.

Q4. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice.

✓ P= ✓ PC. The report was being written by the intern when the power failed.

(a) The intern was writing the report when the power failed.

✓ PC. (b) The intern wrote the report when the power failed.

(c) The intern had been writing the report when the power failed.

(d) The power failed while the report was being written by the intern.

Q5. Select the correct spelling of a word that means the formation of a protein's specific structure.

(a) Conformation

(b) Confermashun

(c) Conformassion

(d) Conformasion

→ Shape

✓ Q6. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words:

'A general pardon for offences, especially political ones, against a state'.

- (a) Absolution
- ✓ (b) Amnesty
- (c) Reprieve
- (d) Exoneration

✓ Q7. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

The new manager promised to _____ the old, inefficient procedures with more modern methods.

(a) do up

(c) do for

(b) do without

(d) do away with

= (Get rid of)

(V.IMP)

Q8. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

That the experimental results ^P contradict ^V prior findings (1)/ and challenges established theories (2)/ suggests the need for further investigation (3)/ into the novel methodology. (4)

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

(N)

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(V. I P P.)

Q9. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice.

The renowned architect will design the new city hall. A

(a) The new city hall will be designed by the renowned architect.

(b) The new city hall is designed by the renowned architect.

(c) The new city hall would be designed by the renowned architect.

(d) The new city hall will be designed by a renowned architect

Will = Will be

Shall = Shall be

A = P

P = P

Q10. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word: PROFLIGATE

(a) Extravagant

(b) Thrifty

(c) Wasteful

(d) Lavish

Q11. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.

11 The committee is comprised of members from various disciplines.

(a) is comprised by

(b) comprises of

☒ (c) comprises

☒ (d) is comprising of

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Q12. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.

1. Critics argue that such policies disproportionately affect vulnerable populations and can stifle economic growth.

2. The debate around universal basic income (UBI) has intensified in recent years, drawing attention from various sectors.

3. Proponents suggest UBI could alleviate poverty, reduce inequality, and provide a safety net in an automating world.

4. It proposes a regular, unconditional cash payment to all citizens, regardless of their income or employment status.

(a) 2, 4, 3, 1

(b) 4, 2, 1, 3

(c) 2, 3, 1, 4

(d) 3, 1, 2, 4

2

N = P

Q13. Select the correct indirect/direct form of the given sentence.

He said, "I am going to the park."

- (a) He said that he is going to the park.
- (b) He said that I was going to the park.
- (c) He said that he was going to the park.
- (d) He said he went to the park.

Q14. Identify the incorrectly spelt word

(a) Psithurism

(b) Vellichor

(c) Clinomania

(d) Saccharrine

= Very Sweet

Direction :- [15. to 19.] ✓

The use of renewable energy has become a global priority as countries strive to reduce their dependence on fossil fuels. Renewable sources such as solar, wind, and hydroelectric power offer cleaner alternatives that help lower carbon emissions and combat climate change. However, the transition to renewable energy is not without challenges. The initial cost of setting up infrastructure remains high, and energy production can be inconsistent due to weather conditions. Despite these drawbacks, technological innovations are making renewable energy more efficient and affordable. ✓

Governments are also encouraging the shift through subsidies, tax incentives, and investment in research. These measures not only help reduce environmental damage but also create employment opportunities in new sectors. Public awareness about sustainability has further accelerated the demand for cleaner energy options. The future of global energy lies in a balanced approach-using renewable sources while continuing to improve storage technologies and grid efficiency. If nations maintain this momentum, renewable energy could soon replace conventional sources as the dominant conventional sources as the dominant form of power. ✓

Q.15. What is the primary reason countries are adopting renewable energy sources?

- (a) To increase energy prices
- (b) To reduce carbon emissions ✓
- (c) To promote fossil fuel industries
- (d) To decrease international cooperation

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Q. 16. What is one major challenge in the transition to renewable energy?

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|--|--|
| (a) Lack of government interest | (b) High maintenance costs of fossil fuels |
| (c) High initial setup costs and inconsistent production | (d) Limited natural resources |

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Q. 17 What role do governments play in promoting renewable energy?

- (a) They discourage innovation in renewable technology
- (b) They provide financial and policy support to encourage its use
- (c) They restrict subsidies and incentives
- (d) They depend solely on private companies

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Q. 18 What does the passage suggest about the future of global energy?

- (a) It will rely only on fossil fuels
- (b) It will depend entirely on hydroelectric power
- ☒ (c) It will balance renewable and traditional sources
- (d) It will eliminate all forms of technology

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Q. 19. What does the word "momentum" imply in the sentence "If nations maintain this momentum, renewable energy could soon replace conventional sources as the dominant form of power"?

- (a) Speed of technological change
- (c) Sudden decline in interest

- (b) Ongoing progress and drive
- (d) Lack of stability

Q.20. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

The party leader appealed to the electorate to consider the long-term implications of the proposed reforms.

(a) for

(b) of

(c) against

(d) about

of

Q21. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

The new policy proved to be entirely _____ to the needs of the working class, exacerbating existing inequalities.

(a) harm

(c) detrimental

(b) hazard

(d) detriment

Adv = Adr.

Q22. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.

The new regulations are effective from January 1st **across all sectors.**

(a) with January 1st

(b) by January 1st

☒ (c) as of January 1st

(d) on January 1st

Q23. Select the correct indirect/direct form of the given sentence.
My grandma said, "A stitch in time saves nine."

- (a) It was said by my grandma that a stitch in time saves nine.
- (b) My grandma said that a stitch in time saved nine.
- (c) My grandma advised that a stitch in time saves nine.
- (d) My grandma said that a stitch in time saves nine.

Q.24. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.

1. The human brain, a marvel of biological engineering, possesses an astonishing capacity for learning and adaptation.

2. Neuroplasticity, its ability to reorganise itself by forming new neural connections, underpins this remarkable faculty.

3. This process allows us to acquire new skills, form memories, and even recover from brain injuries.

4. From childhood development to adult learning, this dynamic re-wiring occurs continuously.

(a) 1,2,3,4

(b) 2,1,4,3

(c) 1,3,2,4

(d) 4,1,3,2

Q25. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

She had barely finished writing her essay (1)/ then the power went out, (2)/ leaving her work unsaved (3)/ and her progress lost. (4)

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

barely = When (barely had she)
Hardly = When
Scarcely = When

✓ Q26. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.

11 " She is junior than him in experience.

- (a) junior from him
- (b) more junior than him
- ✓ (c) junior to him
- (d) younger to him

Q27. Select the correct indirect/direct form of the given sentence.
She said, "I am reading a novel right now" ~~right now~~.

- (a) She said that she is reading a novel right now.
- (b) She said that she was reading novel at that time.
- (c) She said she had been reading a novel right now.
- (d) She said she reads a novel at that time.

Q28. Select the most appropriate synonym of given word
METICULOUS

(a) Careless

(b) Hasty

(c) Thorough

(d) Negligent

Q29. Rearrange the following sentence to form a coherent paragraph:

1. This practice involves using genetle material to identify individuals and establish relationships, offering unprecedented accuracy.

2. Forensic science has been revolutionized by advancements DNA profiling.

3. Its applications range from solving cold cases and identifying disaster to exonerating wrong victims accused individuals.

4. Before DNA, forensic methods relied heavily on less precise evidence like and fingerprints eyewitness accounts.

(a) 2, 4, 1, 3 ✓

(c) 2, 1, 4, 3

(b) 4, 2, 1, 3

(d) 1, 2, 3, 4

Q30. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word:

Obdurate

(a) Stubborn

(b) Unyielding

(c) Compassionate

(d) Inflexible

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Q31. Identify the misspelt word

- (a) Obfuscate
- (b) Recalcitrant
- (c) Paraphernalia
- (d) Vicissitude

Q32. Select the option which contains the most appropriate **HOMONYM** of the word given in bold/underline.

The sculptor tried to **chisel** away the excess marble.

(a) His jaw was finely **chiseled**, a sign of his strong will.

(b) The con man tried to **chisel** me out of my money.

(c) She used a small **chisel** for the intricate details.

(d) The inscription was **chiseled** into the stone tablet.

Q33. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice.

The artifact was thought to have been stolen from the museum during the renovation

- (a) The artifact thought it was stolen during the renovation
- (b) Historians thought the artifact had been stolen during the renovation
- (c) it was thought that the artifact had been stolen from the museum
- (d) Investigators thought the artifact was stolen during the renovation

Q34. Select the option that can be used as one word substitute for the given group of words.

"Fear of being touched"

(a) Atrychiphobia =

(b) Hamophobia =

(c) Gamophobia =

(d) Thanatophobia =

fear of being failed.

Fear of being touch.

Fear of Marriage.

Fear of death.

Q35. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank

Not until announced _____ the results were officially the students celebrate

(a) they did

(b) did they

(c) had they

(d) were they

Q36. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

The scientist _____ discovery changed the of modern medicine, was awarded the Nobel Prize

(a) who

(b) whom

☒ (c) whose

(d) which

Whose - P

Who = sub.

Whom = obj.

Which = things.

✓ Q37. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

11 The professor postponed the discussion (1)/ until the research would be published (2)/ to maintain confidentiality (3)/ of the findings. (4)/

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

Q38. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice

Simple Past
Did the committee finalize the annual budget report?

(a) **Has** the annual budget report been finalized by the committee?

(b) **Was** the annual budget ~~report~~ **being** finalized by the committee?

(c) **Was** the annual budget report finalized by the committee?

(d) **is** the annual budget report finalized by the committee?

Q39. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

Were she to have known about the danger (1)/ she might have taken (2)/different precautions to ensure her safety (3)/ and avoid the unfortunate incident.(4)/

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

Had she known about

Q40. Select the correct spelling of the medical adjective meaning 'relating to the brain and spinal cord.'

- (a) Neuroal
- (b) Neuraxial
- (c) Neuraxel
- (d) Neurexial

Q41. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words. 'Friendly and welcoming to strangers or foreigners'

- (a) Misoneistic
- (b) Xenodochial
- (c) Misanthropic
- (d) Xylotomous

Q42. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.

He do not likes to be disturbed while studying.

(a) do not like

(b) does not liked

(c) ~~does not like~~

(d) is not liking

I = do not

You = do not

He = does not

She = does not

Q43. Select the correct indirect/direct form of the given sentence.

The teacher said that the students had not submitted their assignments.

(a) The teacher said, "The students have not submitted their assignments."

(b) The teacher said, "The students did not submit their assignments."

(c) The teacher said, "The students had not submitted their assignments."

(d) The teacher said, "The students are not submitting their assignments."

✓ Q44. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom. Throw down the gauntlet

- (a) To refuse a challenge
- (b) To accept defeat
- ✓ (c) To issue a challenge or dare someone
- (d) To surrender gracefully

Q45. Rearrange the following sentences to form a coherent paragraph:

1. These "natural climate solutions" leverage ecosystems' inherent ability to absorb and store carbon.
2. Beyond simply reducing emissions, many conservation efforts now focus on sequestering existing carbon from the atmosphere.
3. Such initiatives often include reforestation, wetland restoration, and sustainable agricultural practices.
4. This approach is gaining traction as vital complement to transitioning away from fossil fuels.

(a) 2, 3, 1, 4

(b) 3, 1, 2, 4

(c) 2, 1, 3, 4

(d) 4, 2, 1, 3

**Q46. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words:
'A speech made without any preparation.'**

✓ (a) Extempore

(b) Dialogue

(c) Monologue

(d) Soliloquy

V.IMP

Q47. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words:

'A person who studies ancient writings and inscriptions.'

(a) Archaeologist

(b) Epigraphist

(c) Paleographer

(d) Philologist

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meted

Q48. Choose the correct phrasal verb:
After hours of discussion, they finally_____ a reasonable solution.

(a) came up with

(b) went through

(c) took over

(d) fell back on

(V.IMP)

Q49. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word:
ADVERSITY

(a) Hardship

(b) Prosperity

(c) Comfort

(d) Luxury

Q50. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

Tranquil +

(a) Calm +

(b) Peaceful +

~~(c) Agitated~~ —

(d) Quiet +

Q51. Select the most meaning of the given idiom.

Appropriate

Cry over spilt milk

- (a) To regret something that cannot be undone**
- (b) To celebrate an old memory**
- (c) To waste time waiting for something**
- (d) To complain without reason**

Q52. Select the most antonym of the given word. appropriate

Obsequious

(a) Submissive

(b) Independent

(c) Servile

(d) Flattering

Q53. Spot the correct spelling of the word meaning "the study of earthquakes."

(a) Seismology

~~(c) Siesmology~~

(b) Sesmology

(d) Sisemology

Q54. Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.
The scientist's theory was praised for its originality but criticized for the _____ of supporting evidence.

(a) paucity

(b) abundance

(c) clarity

(d) rigidity

✓ Q55. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

11 The committee has postponed (1)/ the announcement until (2)/further information is received (3)/ from the regional offices. (4)

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

U. 14 = are
= is

No error

Q56. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice.

The researchers had conducted the experiment with utmost precision.

- (a) The experiment is conducted with utmost precision by the researchers.**
- (b) The experiment was being conducted with utmost precision by the researchers.**
- (c) The experiment had been conducted with utmost precision by the researchers.**
- (d) The experiment will be conducted with utmost precision by the researchers.**

Q57. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them contains an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options.

Neither the scientists nor the research team (1)/ were ^{was} willing to compromise (2)/ on the accuracy of the findings (3)/ despite external pressure. (4)

(a) (1)

(b) (2)

(c) (3)

(d) (4)

(V. Imp)

Q58. Select the option which contains the most appropriate **HOMONYM** of the word given in bold/underline.

The hunter aimed his **bow** carefully before releasing the arrow.

(a) She gave a graceful bow after her performance.

(b) The bow was crafted from fine yew wood.

(c) He tightened the string on his bow before hunting.

(d) The archer cleaned his bow and arrows after practice.

Q59. Select the option that expresses the given sentence in the Active/Passive voice.

61 The final report was approved by the committee after several revisions.

Simple Past

(a) The committee has approved the final report after several revisions.

(b) The committee approved the final report after several revisions.

(c) The committee is approving the final report after several revisions.

(d) The committee approves the final report after several revisions.

Q60. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.
She discussed about the issue with manager.

- (a) discussed on the issue
- (b) discussed the issue
- (c) had discussed about the issue
- (d) was discussed the issue

Q61. Select the correct indirect/form of the given sentence.
He said that he had never been to Japan before that trip.

- (a) He said, "I have never been to Japan before this trip."
- (b) He said, "I had never been to Japan before that trip."
- (c) He said, "I never went to Japan before that trip."
- (d) He said, "I have not gone to Japan before that trip."

Q62. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form meaningful and coherent paragraph.

1. These systems can identify spoken words and phrases and convert them into written text.
2. Speech recognition technology enables machines to interpret and process human language.
3. With the help of machine learning algorithms, accuracy improves as the system is exposed to more data.
4. Applications like voice assistants and automated transcription tools rely heavily on this technology.

(a) 2, 1, 3, 4

(b) 2, 4, 1, 3

(c) 1, 2, 3, 4

(d) 4, 3, 2, 1

Q63. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.

1. Renewable energy sources such as solar and wind power are being developed to reduce dependence on fossil fuels.

2. These sources are cleaner and help mitigate the effects of climate change.

3. The growing global demand for energy has led to environmental concerns about sustainability.

4. Transitioning to renewables requires investment in technology and supportive government policies.

(a) 3, 1, 2, 4

(c) 3, 2, 1, 4

(b) 1, 3, 2, 4

(d) 2, 4, 3, 1

Q64. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underline/Bold segment in the given sentence.

Either the committee members or the chairperson have agreed to the proposal.

(a) have agreed

(b) has agreed

(c) are agreeing

(d) were agreed

Either = or

S.S. → has

Q65. Select the correct indirect/direct form of the given sentence.

They said, "We have completed the project successfully."

- (a) They said that they completed the project successfully.
- (b) They said that they have completed the project successfully.
- (c) They said that they had completed the project successfully.
- (d) They said that they would complete the project successfully.

PP → Past Perfect Tense

Q66. Wet behind the ears

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- (a) skillful
- (b) young and rich with experience
- ☒ (c) young and without much experience
- (d) hearing impaired

Q67. Blood is thicker than water

- (a) relations are more important than merit
- (b) all crimes are not equal so punishment for murder is not the same as that for theft
- (c) family relationships and loyalties are the strongest and most important ones
- (d) deceit from a family member hurts more than being cheated by strangers

Q68. to bite off more than you can chew

- (a) to take on a commitment one cannot fulfil
- (b) to grab a share more than what one rightfully deserves
- (c) to hog more than what one needs
- (d) a greedy person can easily be identified from the way one eats

Q69. to bite your tongue

- (a) to cause self-inflicting harm
- (b) to make a desperate effort to avoid saying something
- (c) harsh words once spoken can never come back
- (d) to be astonished

Q70. Don't count your chickens before they hatch

- (a) Not to live in a fancy imaginary world, where everything happens as per your wish
- (b) Counting your wealth repeatedly will not make it grow
- (c) One should be optimistic but be ready for failures
- (d) Not to be too sure that something good you hope for will really happen It might not happen after all.

Q71. barking up the wrong tree

- (a) One should ignore those who keep harassing them
- (b) To say something wrong to a person who has always been kind to you
- (c) Scolding a thick-skinned person will cause no improvement
- (d) To be pursuing a misguided line of course of action

Q72. If you can't beat 'them, join 'them

- (a) Many times those who fight eventually become best of friends
- (b) If one has to give up fighting with some group because one can't win, band together with them
- (c) Not to hurt others. Instead, be friends with them.
- (d) To fight till you get accepted to a group which does not initially accept you as a member

Q73. All good things must come to an end

- (a) Even enjoyable experiences cannot last for ever
- (b) A good story should always have a happy ending
- (c) The world will be destroyed one day
- (d) Only bad things can continue forever. Life of good things feels short.

Q74. once in a blue moon

- (a) an imaginary situation
- (b) feeling sad
- (c) a beautiful sight
- (d) to happen very rarely

Q75. Water under the bridge

- (a) To create solutions to overcome any problem
- (b) Past events are no longer important
- (c) Young days can never be brought back again
- (d) Time keeps flowing endlessly

Q76. Too many cooks spoil the broth

- (a) it is always better to do a job independently
- (b) asking many people for advice will cause confusion, and the decision will never be made
- ☒ (c) if too many people are involved in a task or activity, it will not be done well
- (d) food is always cooked better if one person cooks it

Q77. To jump ship

- (a) Climbing the career ladder
- (b) To jump to grab an opportunity
- (c) To leave an organization
- (d) To renounce great wealth

Q78. To kick the bucket

- (a) to get angry
- (b) to die
- (c) to fall ill
- (d) to get hurt

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Q79. Two heads are better than one

- (a) having a partner reduces risk in a business
- (b) to be lonely is a curse
- ☒ (c) it's helpful to have the advice of a second person
- (d) a married life is better than living as a bachelor

Q80. The squeaky wheel gets the grease

- (a) the most noticeable problems are the ones most likely to get attention
- (b) one ~~unfortunate~~ child always keeps getting punished
- (c) the person who complains the most is hated the most
- (d) the favorite child or student gets the most attention

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