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# **Reasoning Ability**

### 1. Answer: (C)

The difference in the birth year of D and C is 6 years where D is elder to C. So D was born in 1984 and C in 1990.

E is the youngest person.

YEAR	PERSON
1976	
1981	
1984	D
1986	
1990	С
1993	
1998	
2000	E

Two people were born between A and G where A is elder to G.

Case 1:

YEAR	PERSON
1976	Α
1981	
1984	D
1986	G
1990	С
1993	
1998	
2000	E

Case 2:

YEAR	PERSON
1976	
1981	
1984	D
1986	Α
1990	С
1993	
1998	G
2000	E

But we are given that A and B were born in consecutive years.

So case 2 is invalid. Now. H was elder to F.

So finally we have:

YEAR	PERSON
1976	Α
1981	В
1984	D
1986	G
1990	С
1993	Н
1998	F
2000	E

4 people were born after G.

2. Answer: (C)

F was born just after H.

3. Answer: (A)

B was born in 1981.

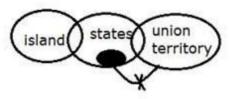
4. Answer: (B)

4 people were born between A and H.

5. Answer: (B)

C was born in 1990.

6. Answer: (A)



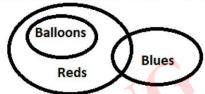
Some island can be union territory: Some island are states and some states are union territory. So, there is a possibility that some island are union territory.

All union territory can be states: This conclusion is true.

### 7. Answer: (A)

The given statements are:

All Balloons are Reds; Some Reds are Blues



I: Some Blues are Balloons - - - - - - False
II: No Balloons is Blues - - - - - - False
Since, both conclusions are false and are
complementary.

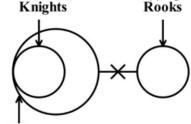
So, either conclusion I or conclusion II is true.

### 8. Answer: (A)

The given statements are,

All knights are bishops. No bishop is a rook.

The basic minimum overlapping diagram is,



### **Bishops**

Here, some bishops are knights and no knight is a rook.

Hence, both conclusions I and II follow.

### 9. Answer: (A)

Ten people were seated between G and B. A is seated third to the left of B.

Case 1:

G A B G G G

Number of people seated between G and K is same as the number of people seated between A and K. C is seated seventh to the left of K.

So, case 2 is invalid.

Case 1:



Three people were seated between C and V where V is seated at the end.



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Number of people seated between V and G is twice the number of people seated between A and H where H is seated at the end.

8 people were seated to the right of K.

10. Answer: (C)

> Number of people seated between A and K is same as the number of people seated between C and V.

11. Answer: (D)

20 people were seated in the row.

Answer: (D) 12.

17 people were seated between V and B.

Answer: (A) 13.

If all the elements between '>' and '7' are dropped then '=' is at the fourteenth position from the right end of the string

P6L29T = > 7%43U5 < ?RO#Q

14. Answer: (C)

> Here, the symbol '>' is at the twenty - second position from the right end of the string.

P6L29T=>Y18W1E0+\$7%43U5<?RO#(

15. Answer: (B)

> Here, the symbol '%' is succeeded and preceded by numbers.

P6L29T = > Y18W1E0 + \$7%43U5 < ?RO#

16. Answer: (A)

Here, among the options given, the number '5' is succeeded by two symbols.

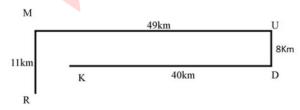
P6L29T=>Y18W1E0+\$7%43U**5**<?RO#

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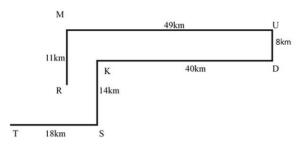
City M is 49km west of City U. City R is 11km south of city M. M



City D is 8km south of City U. City K is 40km west of city D.



City S is 14km south of city K. City T is 18km west of city S.



R is to the north east of T.

18. Answer: (E)

All the above cities are to the north east of city T.

19 Answer: (B)

It is given that,

The six friends are A, B, C, D, E, and F.

Not more than one friend is younger than A.

The number of friends older than A is two more than the number of friends younger than B.

We get,

Case 1,

E is immediate older than B.

C is older than F, who is older than E.

Here, case 2 is invalid.

The final arrangement is,

C > F > E > B > A > D

Here, **three** friends are younger than E.

20. Answer: (A)

Here, **D** is the youngest of all.

21. Answer: (B)

> Here, C is immediate older than F and the number of friends younger than C is 5.

22. Answer: (C)

From the given statements we have: U ≥ F > C = Y > W = O

U≥F>C

From this we have, U > C to be True.

F > C = Y

From this we have, F > Y to be True.

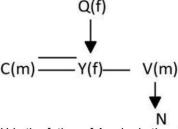
Answer: (E)

We consider males as (m) and females as (f).

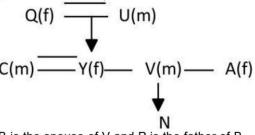
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As per the given information the diagram is, Y is the sister of V, who is the father of N.

Q is the mother of Y, who is the spouse of C.



U is the father of A, who is the sister of V.



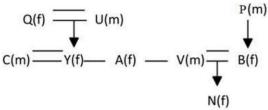
B is the spouse of V and P is the father of B. Since, the female members are more than male members. Thus, N is female.

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As per the relationship, B is the Sister - in - law of

24. Answer: (B)

As per the relationship, C is the Son - in - law of

25. Answer: (C)

As per the relationship, there are five female members in the family.

26. Answer: (E)

The given statement is.  $P > Q \ge R \ge S \ge T = U$ 

From the above statement,

Conclusion I, U<P, follows.

Conclusion II, T≤Q, follows.

Therefore, both I and II follow.

Answer: (E) 27.

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Forward:

C(H)(I)CKEN

C(H)IC(K)EN

CH(I)C(K)EN

CHI(C)K(E)N

Backward:

So, there are four pairs of letters.

28. Answer: (E)

Given statement is:  $I \le C < X = Y > W \ge D$ 

 $X = Y > W \ge D$ 

X > D

So, conclusion I follows.

 $1 \le C < X = Y$ 

So, conclusion II does not follow.

Thus, only conclusion I follows.

29. Answer: (A)

> From the given statements we have: X ≥ S > Q ≤ O < F > Y

 $X \ge S > Q$ 

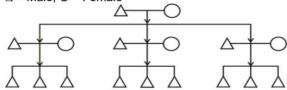
From this we have, Q < X to be True.

S > Q ≤ O < F

Since we have both "≤" and ">" in the equation, we cant establish the relation between S and F. So, F ≥ S is False.

30. Answer: (C)

 $\Delta$  = Male, O = Female



Hence the number of males 13 and female 4.

31. Answer: (E)

It is given that,

 $E < C > Z \ge Q = P = K \le G$ 

I. Z ≥ G does not follow as the relationship between Z and G cannot be determined.

II. E ≤ P does not follow as the relationship between E and P cannot be determined.

Hence, option (e) is correct.

#### 32. Answer: (D)

It is given that,

Seven people are A, B, C, D, E, F, and G.

Only two people live between the floors of F and G, who lives below F.

G lives on an odd - numbered floor and lives immediately below A's floor.

We get.

Floor No.	Case 1	Case 2
7		
6	0	F
5		
4	F	Α
3		G
2	Α	
1	G	

Only one person lives between the floors of C and B, who lives below C.

More than two people live below B's floor.

We get,

Floor No.	Case 1	Case 2
7	С	С
6	30	F
5	В	В
4	F	Α
3		G
2	Α	
1	G	

E lives on a floor somewhere above D's floor and at least one person lives between them.

Here, case 2 is invalid.

The final arrangement is,

Floor No.	Name
7	С
6	Е
5	В
4	F
3	D
2	Α
1	G

Here statements I and III are true.

33. Answer: (A)

Here, E lives on the sixth floor.

34. Answer: (B)

Here, only one person lives between F and A.

Answer: (C) 35

Here, E lives on a floor immediately below C's floor.

# Quantitative Aptitude

#### 36. Answer: (A)

Let the value of sum and rate of interest be P and R respectively.

According to the question:

P[1 + R/100]' = 2200 - - - - - (1) P[1 + R/100]' = 2662 - - - - - (2)

Dividing equation (2) by (1) -

 $[1 + R/100]^2 = 121/100$ 

1 + R/100= 11/10

R/100 = 1/10

R = 10%

From equation (1) -

P[1 + 10/100]' = 2200

 $P = 2200 \times 10/11$ 

P = 2000 Rs.

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#### 37. Answer: (C)

Speed of the train = 63 km/h = 63  $\times$  5/18 = 17.5

Length of the train = 420 m

Time taken by the train to cross the pole = 420/17.5 = 24 s

#### 38. Answer: (B)

Sum of parts of the ratio = 1 + 2 + 2 + 3 = 8Let the profit at the end of the year = Rs 'x' Given,  $(2/8) \times x = 20,000$ => x = Rs 80,000

#### 39. Answer: (D)

Let new number x is added. According to the question,  $28 \times 84 + x = 29 \times 90$ => x = 2610 - 2352=> x = 258

#### 40. Answer: (D)

Let the present ages of M and N are M years and N years respectively.

M = 3N

And,  $3 \times (M + 2) = 8 \times (N + 2)$ 

 $3 \times (3N + 2) = 8 \times (N + 2)$ 

9N + 6 = 8N + 16

N = 10

 $M = 3 \times 10 = 30$ 

Now, present age of P = 62 - M - N = 62 - 30 - 10

= 22 years

Therefore, age of P 4 years ago = 22 - 4

= 18 years

#### 41. Answer: (B)

Based on Line graph we get below result:

Days	Total tourists	Male tourists	Female tourists
Monday	120	80	120 - 80 =40
Tuesday	180	100	180 - 100 = 80
Wednesday	100	60	100 - 60 = 40
Thursday	140	90	140 - 90 = 50
Friday	160	60	160 - 60 = 100

Total number of female tourists who travel during Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday = 40 + 80 + 40 = 160

Average of female tourists = 160/3 = 53.3

#### 42. Answer: (A)

Total number of male tourists who travel on Monday and Tuesday = 80 + 100 = 180 thousand Total number of female tourists who travel on Wednesday and Thursday = 40 + 50 = 90 thousand Required difference = 180 - 90 = 90 thousand

#### 43. Answer: (E)

Total tourists who travel on Friday = 160 Total tourists who travel on Sunday = 160 × (130/100) = 208Female tourists who travel on Sunday = 208 ×

(9/16) = 117 thousand

#### 44. Answer: (D)

Total number of female tourists who travel on Tuesday and Wednesday = 80 + 40 = 120 Total number of male tourists who travel on Thursday and Friday = 90 + 60 = 150Required ratio = 120 : 150 = 4:5

45. Answer: (D) Total number of male tourists who travel on Monday and Friday = 80 + 60 = 140

The number of male tourists who travel on Tuesday

Required percentage =  $(140 - 100)/100] \times 100$ = 40%

#### 46. Answer: (A)

 $(17(6/7) \div 1(11/14)) + 4(3/14) = ?$  $(125/7 \div 25/14) + 4(3/14) = ?$  $(125/7 \times 14/25) + 4(3/14) = ?$ 10 + 4(3/14) = ?? = 14(3/14)

#### 47. Answer: (D)

 $8 \times 7 - 12 \times 40 \div 48 = ?$  $56 - 12 \times (5/6) = ?$ 56 - 10 = ?? = 46

#### 48. Answer: (B)

 $49.09 - 15.99 \div 2.02 + 26.99 = ?$  $49 - 16 \div 2 + 27 = ?$ 49 - 8 + 27 = ?? = 68

#### Answer: (A) 49.

 $\frac{300-15^2}{2}$  =?  $7^2 + 11$  $\frac{300-225}{}=?$ 49+11  $\frac{75}{} = ?$ 60 ? = 5/4

### Answer: (B)

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51.

 $? = 3381 \div 69 - 54$ 

= 49 - 54 = - 5

### Answer: (E)

 $648 \div ? + 55 = 121 - 39 = 82$ => 648 ÷ ? = 82 - 55 = 27 =>? = 648 ÷ 27 = 24

#### 52. Answer: (B)

 $?^2 = (21 \times 21 \times \sqrt{49})/(\sqrt[3]{343})$  $= 21 \times 21 \times 7/7$ 

 $= 441 = 21^{2}$ So, ? = 21

#### 53. Answer: (B)

Logic for the given series -

 $30 - 1^3 = 29$  $29 + 2^3 = 37$ 

 $37 - 3^3 = 10$ 

 $10 + 4^3 = 74$ 

 $74 - 5^3 = -51$ 

Hence, missing term = - 51

#### 54. Answer: (B)

2.5 + 3 = 5.55.5 + 6 = 11.511.5 + 9 = 20.520.5 + 12 = 32.532.5 + 15 = 47.5

Hence, missing term = 47.5

#### 55. Answer: (A)

Logic in the series is:

 $7 \times 1 + 1 = 8$ 

 $8 \times 2 - 2 = 14$ 

 $14 \times 3 + 3 = 45$  (Not 48)  $45 \times 4 - 4 = 176$ 

 $176 \times 5 + 5 = 885$ 

#### 56. Answer: (A)

Hence, wrong term = 48 Logic for the given series -



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-25 + 1 = -24	
- 24 + 2 = <b>- 22</b>	
-22 + 4 = -18	
- 18 + 8 = - 10	
- 10 + 16 = 6	

Hence, wrong term = - 20

#### 57. Answer: (A)

The pattern is as follows:

 $2^3 + 7 = 15$  $3^3 + 7 = 34$ 

 $4^3 + 7 = 71$ 

 $5^3 + 7 = 132$ 

 $6^3 + 7 = 223$  $7^3 + 7 = 350$ 

58. Answer: (C)

The pattern is as follows:

 $5^3 + 3 = 128$ 

 $6^3 + 3 = 219$  $7^3 + 3 = 346$ 

 $8^3 + 3 = 515$ 

 $9^3 + 3 = 732$ 

 $10^3 + 3 = 1003$ 

59. Answer: (D)

From equation I:

 $x^2 + 21x + 90 = (x + 6)(x + 15) = 0$ 

=> x = -6, -15

From equation II:

 $y^2 + 38y + 345 = (y + 15)(y + 23) = 0$ 

=> y = -15, -23

17 15	X = -6	X = -15
Y = - 15	x > y	x = y
Y = - 23	x > y	x > y

So,  $x \ge y$ 

#### 60. Answer: (C)

### From I:

$$4x^2 + 11x - 3 = 0$$

$$4x^2 + 12x - x - 3 = 0$$

$$(4x - 1)(x + 3) = 0$$

 $x = \frac{1}{4}, -3$ 

### From II:

$$2y^2 + 3y - 9 = 0$$

$$2y^2 + 6y - 3y - 9 = 0$$

$$(2y - 3) (y + 3) = 0$$

Y = 3/2, -3

When x = 1/4, y = 3/2, then x < y

When x = 1/4, y = -3, then x > y

When x = -3, y = 3/2, then x < y

When x = -3, y = -3, then x = y

Hence, x = y or no relation can be established between x and y.

#### 61. Answer: (E)

From equation I:

 $x^2 + 27x + 92 = (x + 4)(x + 23) = 0$ 

=> x = -4, -23

From equation II:

 $y^2 + 23y + 112 = (y + 7)(y + 16) = 0$ 

=> y = -7, -16

	X = -4	X = -23
Y = -7	x > y	x < y
Y = - 16	x > y	x < y

So, relationship cannot be established between x and y

#### 62. Answer: (C)

Working at 75% efficiency, Qumar alone can do the work in 120 days

So, working normally he can do the work in 120 × (75/100) = 90 days

### So, part of work done by Prakash in 1 day = 1/20 -1/90 = 7/180

So, part of work done by Rajat in 1 day = 1/60 -1/90 = 1/180

So, part of work done by Prakash and Rajat together in 1 day

= 7/180 + 1/180 = 2/45

So, together they would take 45/2 or, 22.5 days

#### 63. Answer: (A)

Let's suppose tank B is closed after 't' minutes.

Therefore; (18/24) + (t/32) = 1

=> (3/4) + (t/32) = 1

=> t/32 = 1/4

=> t = 8

#### 64. Answer: (C)

Let the selling price of 1 mango be Rs a.

SP of 10 mangoes = 10a

Profit = 2a

Hence CP of 10 mangoes = 8a

So the profit  $\% = 2/8 \times 100 = 25\%$ 

#### 65. Answer: (D)

Murli's initial investment = P + 800

Shweta's initial investment =  $5/4 \times (P + 800) = 5P/4$ +1000

So, profit ratio, Murli: Shweta = ((P + 800) × 1 + (P  $+800-400) \times 3$ :  $((5P/4+1000) \times (4-1))$ 

= (4P + 2000): (15P/4 + 3000)

Since, profit earned by Murli and Shweta is equal.

(4P + 2000) = (15P/4 + 3000)

P/4 = 1000

P = 4000

#### 66. Answer: (D)

The distance traveled by the wheel in 10 revolutions =  $2\pi r \times Number of revolutions$ 

 $= 2 \times 22/7 \times 14 \times 10 = 880 \text{ cm}$ 

#### 67. Answer: (A)

Total sum of amount = Rs.1550

Ratio in which the amount be divided = 1:3:1

Sum of ratios = 1 + 3 + 1 = 5

Required difference of amount =  $[(3 - 1)/5] \times 1550$ = Rs.620

68 Answer: (E)

$$? = \frac{161}{109} \times \frac{221}{79}$$

By taking approximate values, we get

$$? = \frac{160}{110} \times \frac{220}{80}$$
$$? = 4$$

69. Answer: (C)

?  $\approx (28 \times \sqrt{900})/\sqrt{576}$ 

 $= (28 \times 30/24) = 35$ 

70. Answer: (C)

 $? \times 20 \approx 75 \times 44 - 50 \times 29$ = 3300 - 1450 = 1850

 $So,? = 92.5 \approx 93$ 

# English Language

### 71.

'Who' and 'whom' are the relative pronouns that are used for humans in subjective and objective cases respectively.

On reading the sentence, we might think that 'students' is an object. But let's focus on the clause were absent the previous day'. For this clause, 'students' is a subject. The subject

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pronoun 'who' is used as the subject of a sentence or the subject of a clause.

Hence, we use 'who' instead of 'whom'. So, option e) is incorrect.

In options a) and d), the noun and verb do not agree with each other. So, they are incorrect.

So, we replace the highlighted phrase with 'students who were absent'.

Hence, option b) is correct.

The correct sentence is: The teacher had to repeat the lecture for the students **who** were absent the previous day.

### 72. Answer: (D)

The correctly matched pairs are: A - F and C - D. A - F: Statement A says that altimeters provide information on an aircraft's altitude. Statement F says that altimeters are crucial.

C - D: Statement C talks about household income. Statement D says that household income has been increasing.

Statements B and E fail to form any other meaningful sentence because two prepositions 'of' and 'among' cannot be used adjacent to each other.

Hence, d) is the correct answer.

### 73. Answer: (A)

The preposition 'for' should be the correct usage in the given sentence. The phrase 'dress up' means to put on special or fancy clothes. Since the subject 'she' is singular, the plural verb 'dress' is incorrect to use. So, 'dresses up for work' is a more appropriate phrase to be used in the sentence. Hence, (a) is the correct answer.

### 74. Answer: (E)

The sentences individually talk about books and their characteristics. All the given connectors/phrases are contextually fit for the given sentences because the connector in option (i) can be used to bring out the contrast in the two sentences, while options (ii) and (iii), 'when compared with other sources' and 'however' (regardless of how), help to describe or compare books with other unmentioned sources. These all are contextually and grammatically correct.

Hence, the correct answer is option (e).

### 75. Answer: (C)

'Embarrased' is not a correct word in English.

Embarrassed – to cause confusion and shame to; make uncomfortably self – conscious.

'Tighteing' is not a correct word in English.

Tightening – becoming tight or tighter.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

### 76. Answer: (B)

In the given sentence, 'irresistible' is misspelt as 'irresistable'. Irresistible – tempting or inviting. Inflate – fill with air or gas. Hence, the answer is option (b).

### 77. Answer: (B)

'Pouring' is contextually incorrect as it means to make a liquid or other substance flow steadily out of or into a container. 'Powering' is the correct word which means to supply energy to something to make it work as the sentence suggests that it is related to electricity.

### 78. Answer: (D)

The word (B) is wrongly spelt.

The correct spelling is 'referred', which means 'pass a matter to (a higher body) for a decision'.

The correct sentence is: The High Court has referred the case to the Court of Appeal.

Hence, option (d) is the answer.

### 79. Answer: (E)

There is no error in the sentence. Option E is the correct answer.

### 80. Answer: (A)

Part B has an error because of the usage of singular verb 'plays'. 'Plays' should be replaced by plural verb 'play' because the subject of the sentence is plural in nature. The sentence talks about two people – Rajan and Rajesh. Hence, (a) is the correct answer.

The correct sentence would be - Rajan and Rajesh **play** together in the nearby park after the sun sets.

### 81. Answer: (D)

The sentence talks about the condition required for Abu to inherit his forefathers' properties. In the sentence, parts (A) and (C) have errors.

In part (A), 'possesses' is the third – person singular form of the verb (V5), which incorrectly follows the infinitive marker 'to'. The verb that follows the infinitive marker 'to' has to be in the base form of the verb (V1).

In part (C), the noun 'ages' which is plural, is used incorrectly in place of a singular noun. Instead, the noun 'age' denotes the particular time that is required by Abu to reach, so that he can inherit his ancestral properties.

Hence, the correct answer is option (d).

### 82. Answer: (A)

The errors are in parts A and C.

Part A has an error because when two or more singular subjects (nouns or pronouns) are joined by 'and', they take a plural verb. So, 'works' should be replaced by 'work'.

Part C has an error because when two subjects are joined by 'either – or', then the verb agrees with the second subject. Here, the second subject is singular, so the verb used will also be singular, so 'have' should be replaced by 'has'.

The correct sentence is: Raman and Sofia work, so either Raman or Sofia has done the task assigned to them.

Hence, (a) is the correct answer.

### 83. Answer: (B)

Part D has an error because in order to qualify the noun 'Answer', the verb 'consolidate' is used instead of the adjective 'comprehensive'.

The correct sentence is: The purpose of arranging group counselling for smartphone addicts is to share their common problems and provide a **comprehensive** Answer.

Hence, the correct answer is option (b).

### 84. Answer: (C)

'Than' at C provides an abrupt ending to the sentence, therefore it can be replaced with 'performed' which is a suitable alternative and provides meaning to the sentence. 'Than' will be placed after 'more', because 'than' is always used with a comparative degree as denoted by 'more'. Hence, 'than' will be placed at B. Consequently, the adverb 'nowhere' can be placed at A to modify the verb 'was'.

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The correct order is **BCA**. The answer is option c). Correct sentence after replacement: Cricket is a team sport and **nowhere** was this more exemplified **than** in the way the Indian team **performed**.

### 85. Answer: (C)

B is correct at its place as a verb is required to connect the pronoun 'she' and the noun 'Maria'. But C needs to be interchanged with A because it is illogical to say 'a smile spread enjoying her face' as a smile cannot enjoy a face. 'A smile spread across her face' is apt. Similarly, 'enjoying the weather' is also meaningful to describe that Maria was in the garden.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

The correct sentence - A smile spread across her face as she spotted Maria, her daughter, in the middle of the garden enjoying the weather.

### 86. Answer: (C)

CD is a pair that talks about the subject of the sentence which is 'coal requirement' [for a certain category of people] and so it comes first. It is followed by part B because part D ends with the preposition 'of' which requires a noun to link the noun 'category' and so Part B follows part D and part A comes as the last part to denote with which coal requirement cannot be substituted. So, the final order of the parts of the sentence is **CDBA**.

The rearranged sentence is: The coal requirement for such category of consumers cannot be substituted by domestic coal.

Hence, the correct answer is option (c).

### 87. Answer: (A)

The given parts of the sentence talk about buried emotions and so the pair **DC** which describes the subject of the sentence has to come first in the order. It is followed by part **A** as the modal verb ['can' in part C] will be followed by the base verb ['lead' in part A], and part **B** takes the last position which mentions the additional effect of buried emotions. Therefore, the final order of the given parts of the sentence is **DCAB**.

The complete sentence is: Buried emotions can lead to anxiety and depression.

Hence, the correct answer is option (a).

### 88. Answer: (D

Part C has to come first because it talks about the subject of the sentence, 'cancer' and ends with the adjective 'diabolical' which means a noun has to follow it to be qualified by the adjective. Among the other parts, part B starts with the noun 'disease' and so, it can follow part C and comes second in the order. Part B is followed by the pair DA which denotes what cancer is also known as. So, the final order of the parts of the sentence is **CBDA**.

The rearranged sentence is: Cancer is a diabolical disease that has been called the emperor of all maladies.

'Maladies' means 'serious problems/diseases or ailments'.

Hence, the correct answer is option (d).

### 89. Answer: (D)

The blank requires a pronoun which would be used for the noun 'women' (plural). The appropriate pronoun would be 'their' in the given context. 'its' – used for non – living nouns or a mass noun; 'her' – singular; 'top' – adjective. Hence, (d) is the right answer.

### 90. Answer: (A)

In option (b), use of 'with' is contextually incorrect as the waves don't beat with the shore.

The first blank cannot be filled by 'a lot' (a phrase) as an adverb would fit in the first blank to modify the adverb 'before'. Hence, option (c) is incorrect. In option (d), use of 'along' is contextually incorrect

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'Tomorrow' won't fit in the first blank because the person talks of a past event when he/she had the same feelings.

Further the words 'once' and 'against' when filled in the blanks make the sentence free of errors.

The sentence conveys that the person felt the same feeling in the past when he/she was at the ocean and the waves were tiding.

Hence, (a) is correct.

### 91. Answer: (B)

Option (e) has two unrelated words while options (a) and (d) have two words each similar in meaning so these options are eliminated.

Pair of opposite words in option (c) is contextually unfit because the usage of the given words does not make the sentence meaningful.

Pair of opposite words in option (b) is both grammatically and contextually apt for the given blanks because the speaker calls the woman strange as she chooses unusual paths.

Hence, option (b) is correct.

### 92. Answer: (A)

An adverb would fit in the blank to modify the adjective 'flat' to qualify/modify it. 'Ideals' being a noun, 'thorough' being an adjective and 'entity' & 'area' being nouns are eliminated. 'Perfectly' is an adverb which is apt to use.

Hence, option (a) is correct.

### 93. Answer: (E)

'Domestic' means 'existing or occurring inside a particular country; **not foreign** or international'. So, 'foreign' is its antonym.

Hence, option e) is correct.

'Ragged' means '(used about clothes) old and torn'. 'Annoying' means 'making you feel angry or slightly angry'.

### 94. Answer: (A)

'Come up with' means 'to manage to find or produce something that is needed'.

'Come across' means 'to find something by accident'.

'Put down' means 'stop holding something and place it on a surface or the ground'.

'Come off' means 'to be able to be removed'.

'Put off' means 'cause someone to lose interest or enthusiasm'.

The sentence talks about the government's plan regarding the annual action plan to motivate more state governments.

Only option a) 'come up with' fits in the context of the sentence and conveys that the government plans to form the annual action plan for this purpose.

Hence, option a) is correct.

### 95. Answer: (C)

Refer to the following sentence from the first paragraph. "The Centre feels that considering the cost - effectiveness and global demand for the fruit due to its nutritional values, its cultivation

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can be expanded in India." So, (II) and (III) are correct.

(I) is factually incorrect as the third paragraph mentions that the cost of cultivating dragon fruit is initially **high**. So, this is not the reason why the government aims to expand its cultivation in India. Related excerpt from the third paragraph: "Horticulture Commissioner Prabhat Kumar said that the cost of cultivation is initially high, but the plant doesn't need productive land." Hence, option c) is correct.

96. Answer: (A)

Refer to the following sentence from the second paragraph. "Addressing a national conclave on the fruit, Union Agriculture Secretary said the demand for the fruit is high in domestic and global markets **because of its nutritional values**." This is mentioned in option a).

Other options have not been discussed in the passage.

Hence, option a) is correct.

97. Answer: (E)

Refer to the following sentence from the second paragraph. "The benefit is that this fruit can be cultivated in **degraded and rainfed land**." So, (I) and (III) are correct.

Refer to the following sentence from the third paragraph. "All the states in India **except cold areas** are suitable for dragon fruit plants." So, (II) is incorrect.

Hence, option e) is correct.

98. Answer: (B)

Refer to the following sentence in the third paragraph. "Mizoram tops among the states that cultivate this fruit, which is indigenous to Mexico and is now produced mainly in Vietnam."

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So, the correct pair would be 'Mexico (where it is indigenous), Vietnam (where it is mainly produced)'.

Hence, option b) is correct.

99. Answer: (B)

Refer to the following sentence from the second paragraph. "He added that the Centre will assist states in providing **good quality planting materials like seeds**, cuttings, etc. to farmers." This is mentioned in option b).

Other options (other aids) are not mentioned in the passage.

Hence, option b) is correct.

100. Answer: (E)

The health benefits of dragon fruit have been discussed in the last sentence of the first paragraph. But it does not discuss its benefits for people with high blood pressure. So, option a) is incorrect. Also, the same sentence mentions that it is low in calories (not high). So, option b) is incorrect.

Refer to the following sentence from the last paragraph. "He added that India is now importing about 15,491 tonnes of dragon fruits and has the potential to match the production of China, where cultivation of the fruit takes place on 40,000 hectares." This implies that the production is more in China. So, option c) is incorrect. Also, as per the referred sentence, it is produced on 40,000 hectares of land in China. So, option d) is incorrect as well.

Refer to the following sentence in the last paragraph. "The cost of cultivation is initially high, but the plant doesn't need productive land; it gives maximum production from the non – productive, less fertile area." So, option e) is true.

Hence, option e) is correct.







