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  - Part-(II) : Quantitative Aptitude (35 Questions)**
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## Reasoning Ability

**Directions [01 – 05]:** Study the following information and answer the given questions.

The school authority has published the schedule of the annual examination of class VIII. Eight subjects, viz. Hindi, English, Mathematics, Environmental Science, History, Geography, Biology and Science, are to be tested on eight different days, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of October, but not necessarily in the same order. Students will get one day leave before each of Mathematics, Geography and History tests, but not necessarily in the same order.

The tests of languages are always scheduled on the first two days. The Environmental Science test is scheduled on 7<sup>th</sup> of October. Only two tests are scheduled between the test of English and Mathematics. The test for Biology is scheduled on a day after the test of History.

- On which date the test of Biology is scheduled?  
(A) 10<sup>th</sup> October  
(B) 9<sup>th</sup> October  
(C) 4<sup>th</sup> October  
(D) None of the given options  
(E) 3<sup>rd</sup> October
- On which date the test of Geography is scheduled?  
(A) 6<sup>th</sup> October  
(B) 9<sup>th</sup> October  
(C) 12<sup>th</sup> October  
(D) 10<sup>th</sup> October  
(E) None of the above
- How many tests are scheduled after History test?  
(A) Three  
(B) Two  
(C) One  
(D) Four  
(E) None
- On which date the test for English is scheduled?  
(A) 2<sup>nd</sup> October  
(B) 3<sup>rd</sup> October  
(C) Either (a) or (b)  
(D) Data inadequate  
(E) None of the above
- How many tests are scheduled between the tests of Science and Biology?  
(A) Two  
(B) One  
(C) Three  
(D) Four  
(E) None of the above
- In the question given below, three statements are given followed by two conclusions. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read the conclusions and decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding the commonly known facts.  
**Statements:** All Shares are Mutual Funds.  
Some Mutual Funds are Policy.  
No Policy is Loan.  
**Conclusions: I.** Some Mutual Fund are not Loan.  
**II.** All Shares are Policy is a possibility.  
(A) Only II follows  
(B) Either I or II follow  
(C) Only I follow  
(D) All follows  
(E) None follows

- In the following question, three statements are given and two conclusions are given below these statements. Choose the option which shows the conclusions which logically follow from the given statements, disregarding the commonly known facts.

**Statements:** Some goats are sheep

Only a few cows are goats

Only a few sheep are horse

**Conclusions: I:** Some sheep can be goats

**II:** All horses can be goats

- (A) Only conclusion I follows  
(B) Neither conclusion I nor II follows  
(C) Both conclusions I and II follow  
(D) Only conclusion II follows  
(E) Either conclusion I or II follows

**Directions [08 – 12]:** Twelve persons are sitting in two parallel rows in such a way that six persons are seated in each row. P, Q, R, S, T and U are sitting in row I facing north while A, B, C, D, E and F are sitting in row 2 facing south. A sits second from one of the ends. E sits to the left of B but not at the end. T sits third from one of the ends. Q sits on the immediate left of S. F sits on the immediate left of the person sitting opposite to T. Only one person sits between P and R. Two persons sit between F and C. P is sitting opposite to A.

- Who is sitting opposite to B?  
(A) T  
(B) R  
(C) U  
(D) S  
(E) None of these
- How many persons are sitting between S and P?  
(A) 0  
(B) 1  
(C) 2  
(D) 3  
(E) 4
- Which of the following is the odd one out?  
(A) C  
(B) U  
(C) D  
(D) S  
(E) R
- How many persons are sitting to the right of B?  
(A) 3  
(B) 1  
(C) 4  
(D) 2  
(E) 5
- Which of these statements is true?  
(A) Q is seated to the immediate right of R  
(B) C is seated second to the right of B  
(C) S is seated at one of the ends  
(D) D is seated to the immediate left of E  
(E) All are true

**Directions [13 – 17]:** Consider the alphanumeric string given below consisting of letters, numbers and symbols and answer the questions that follow based on the given steps:

$8 \leq A S D \geq F 6 N E 2 M \pi C X Z \theta 0 4 \pm \leftarrow U P \rightarrow$

- Which of the following words can be formed using some of the letters which are in between 'θ' and '≥'?

- (A) FADE (B) FANS  
(C) COME (D) SAD  
(E) MEN
14. Which is the ninth element to the right of the second largest number in the string?  
(A) E (B) 4  
(C) 0 (D) Z  
(E) O
15. How many such consonants are there which are immediately preceded and immediately followed by letters?  
(A) Two (B) Four  
(C) Three (D) None  
(E) One
16. Which of the following element is in between the seventh element from the right and the thirteenth element from the left?  
(A) π (B) M  
(C) 4 (D) X  
(E) N
17. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way based on their positions. Find the odd one out.  
(A) MC0 (B) ±U→  
(C) S≥N (D) DFE  
(E) 2Πz

**Directions [18 – 22]:** Eight persons are sitting around a circular table facing inward. Three persons are sitting in between U and A. Two persons are sitting in between A and K. S is sitting second to the left of K. Three persons are sitting in between S and Y. Two persons are sitting in between O and Y. M is not an immediate neighbour of A. Number of persons sitting in between M and W when counted anti – clockwise from M is not two.

18. Who is sitting to the immediate right of W?  
(A) M (B) O  
(C) A (D) Y  
(E) S
19. How many persons are sitting in between M and A, to the left of M?  
(A) Five (B) One  
(C) Three (D) Four  
(E) Two
20. Who is sitting exactly opposite to M?  
(A) Y (B) O  
(C) S (D) K  
(E) U
21. Who is sitting third to the right of K?  
(A) A (B) O  
(C) S (D) W  
(E) M
22. Who among the following are the immediate neighbours of Y?  
(A) M and W (B) A and M  
(C) K and A (D) M and U  
(E) K and M

23. In the question below, the relationship between two elements is shown in the statements. These statements are followed by two conclusions. Read the statements and give the answer.  
**Statement:**  $G < H > I, I < G, J > G, K < I$   
**Conclusions:** I.  $I < J$  II.  $H > K$   
(A) If only conclusion I follows.  
(B) If only conclusion II follows.  
(C) If either conclusion I or conclusion II follows.  
(D) If neither conclusion I nor II follows.  
(E) If both conclusions I and II follow.
24. If the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> letters of the word MAGNIFICENT are used to form a meaningful word, then what is the last letter of the meaningful word thus formed? If no meaningful word is formed then mark X as your answer. If more than one meaningful word is formed then mark Z as your answer.  
(A) Z (B) X  
(C) T (D) N  
(E) A
25. In the question below, a statement is followed by two conclusions based on the statement. Study the conclusions and select the correct option as the answer.  
**Statement:**  $S \geq P > O = R \leq T < I \leq N = G$   
**Conclusion I:**  $G > O$  **II:**  $R < S$   
(A) Neither I nor II follows  
(B) Only II follows  
(C) Either I or II follow  
(D) Only I follows  
(E) Both I and II follow

**Directions [26 – 28]:** Seven friends F, G, J, L, S, V, and X are of different ages such that no two persons are of the same age (ages of all of them are whole numbers only). L is immediately older than S. Two persons are younger than J. X is older than G but younger than F. S is older than V. V is younger than G. The third oldest person is 41 years old while the second youngest person is 23 years old. At most five persons are younger than F. X is younger than the one whose age is 41 years.

26. Who is immediately younger than J?  
(A) V (B) F  
(C) L (D) G  
(E) X
27. Who among the following can be 24 years old?  
(A) X (B) J  
(C) V (D) G  
(E) F
28. If V is 10 years younger than G while F is 2 years older than X, then what will be the sum of the ages of X and V?  
(A) 55 (B) 63  
(C) 61 (D) 49  
(E) 52
29. In the word JOURNALIST if the letters are rearranged in reverse alphabetical order, then the positions of how many letters remain unchanged in the new arrangement?

- (A) 2 (B) 1  
(C) None (D) 3  
(E) More than 3
30. In the number '72410538', if 1 is subtracted from each digit that is a multiple of 4, and 2 is added to each remaining digit, then which digit will be second to the left of the lowest digit?  
(A) 2 (B) 5  
(C) 3 (D) 1  
(E) 7

**Directions [31 – 35]:** Nine boxes P,Q,R,S,T,U,V,W and X are kept one above the other in the form of stack. Only two boxes are kept between Q and V. Four boxes are kept between P and V where P is kept above V. One box is kept between box R and box P. Box X is kept immediately below box R. Two boxes are kept between box W and box X. Box T is kept above box S but below box U.

31. How many boxes are kept above the box T?  
(A) 5 (B) 2  
(C) 3 (D) 6  
(E) 4
32. Which of these statements is/are true?  
I. Box V is kept immediately below box T  
II. Three boxes are kept below box W  
III. Box U is kept below box P  
(A) I and II (B) I and III  
(C) II and III (D) Only II  
(E) All I, II and III
33. Which box is kept at fifth position from the top?  
(A) T (B) R  
(C) X (D) W  
(E) U
34. If the boxes are arranged in alphabetical order from top to bottom, then the position of how many boxes remains the same?  
(A) Four (B) Two  
(C) Only one (D) Three  
(E) More than four
35. Which of the following box is kept below box W?  
(A) X (B) U  
(C) V (D) S  
(E) R

## Quantitative Aptitude

36. Shamita took a loan at simple interest rate of 6% per annum in the first year and it increased by 1.5% per annum every year. If she pays Rs. 8,190 as interest at the end of 3 years, what was her loan amount?  
(A) Rs. 36000  
(B) Rs. 35400  
(C) Rs. 36800  
(D) Cannot be determined  
(E) None of these
37. Average price of 8 textbooks and 12 notebooks is Rs.118.88. If average price of notebooks is

Rs.48.8, then calculate the average price of textbooks.  
(A) Rs.184 (B) Rs.252  
(C) Rs.224 (D) Rs.276  
(E) Rs.320

38. Respective ratio of the ages of Sunil and Neelam after six years will be 9:11. Neha is three years younger than Neelam. Respective ratio of the present ages of Sunil and Neha is 7:8. Find the average of the present ages of Sunil, Neelam and Neha.  
(A) 27 years (B) 21 years  
(C) 18 years (D) 24 years  
(E) None of these
39. A boat can travel 40 km in still water in 2 hours and speed of the stream is 10% of the speed of the boat in still water. Find the time taken by the boat to cover 110 km in downstream.  
(A) 9 hours (B) 4 hours  
(C) 2 hours (D) 5 hours  
(E) 4.5 hours
40. A container contains oat flour and corn flour in which 20% is corn flour. 20 kg of the mixture was taken out and replaced by corn flour and the ratio becomes 12: 13. Find the initial quantity of oat flour in the container.  
(A) 30 kg (B) 20 kg  
(C) 10 kg (D) 15 kg  
(E) None of these

**Directions [41 – 45]:** Read the data carefully and answer the following questions.

Following table represents the number of cake shops and toy shops in five cities.

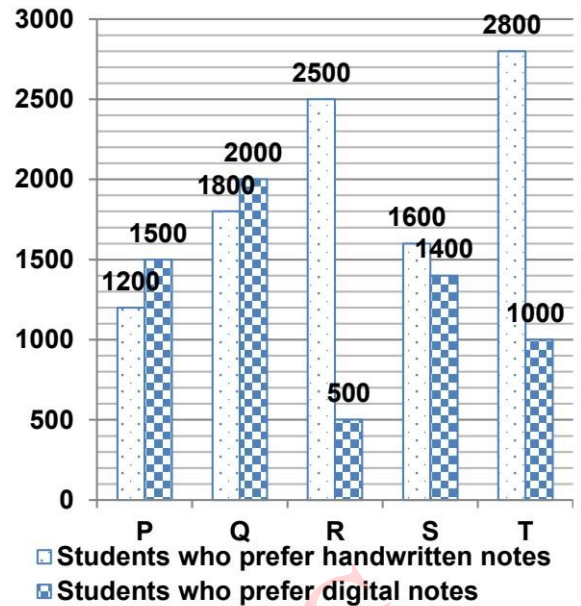
City	Number of cake shops	Number of toy shops
P	336	108
Q	124	180
R	260	220
S	196	296
T	160	300

41. Number of cake shops in city Q and S together is what percentage of the number of toy shops in city Q and R together?  
(A) 100% (B) 80%  
(C) 75% (D) 125%  
(E) 90%
42. If the average number of cake shops, toy shops and furniture shops in city P is 290, then how many furniture shops are there in city P?  
(A) 408 (B) 468  
(C) 426 (D) 456  
(E) 474
43. What is the difference between the number of toy shops in city Q and the average number of cake shops in city P and S?  
(A) 86 (B) 76  
(C) 88 (D) 98  
(E) 74

44. What is the ratio of the total number of cake and toy shops together in city R to the number of toy shops in city T?  
(A) 6: 5 (B) 8: 5  
(C) 5: 3 (D) 2: 1  
(E) 5: 2
45. How many more toys shops are there in city S as compared to that in city P?  
(A) 168 (B) 158  
(C) 198 (D) 188  
(E) 178
46. What value will come in place of question mark (?) in the following questions?  
 $4320 \div 96 = ? + 14$   
(A) 27 (B) 38  
(C) 39 (D) 31  
(E) 26
47. What value should come in place of the question mark?  
 $? = 250 - 15 \times 16$   
(A) 20 (B) 40  
(C) 10 (D) 0  
(E) 30
48. What value should come in place of question mark?  
 $(74 \div 37)^3 + 7 = ? \times 5$   
(A) 20 (B) 1  
(C) 3 (D) 9  
(E) 11
49. What value will come in place of question mark (?) in the following questions?  
 $\sqrt{1024} - \sqrt{289} - \sqrt{676} = ?$   
(A) - 11 (B) - 36  
(C) 14 (D) - 31  
(E) - 6
50. What value will come in place of question mark (?) in the following question?  
 $\frac{900}{6} + 6 \times 7 = ? + \frac{220}{4} - 23$   
(A) 156 (B) 166  
(C) 174 (D) 160  
(E) 146
51. What value will come in place of question mark (?) in the following questions?  
 $\sqrt{1296} - \sqrt{144} + \sqrt{576} = ?$   
(A) 48 (B) 23  
(C) 28 (D) 43  
(E) 53

**Directions [52 - 56]:** Read the data carefully and answer the following questions.

The following bar graph shows the number of people who prefer digital notes and handwritten notes in 5 colleges.



52. The difference between students who prefer handwritten notes in college Q and the students who prefer digital notes in college P is -  
(A) 400 (B) 300  
(C) 700 (D) 1200  
(E) 600
53. Students who prefer handwritten notes in college S is what percent more or less than the students who prefer digital notes in college Q?  
(A) 10% (B) 30%  
(C) 28% (D) 42%  
(E) 20%
54. If the ratio of students who prefer digital notes in college T to the students who prefer handwritten notes in college U is 5:7, then find the students who prefer handwritten notes in college U.  
(A) 4900 (B) 1400  
(C) 700 (D) 3500  
(E) 2800
55. The average of students who prefer digital notes in college R and S together are -  
(A) 1050 (B) 800  
(C) 950 (D) 1250  
(E) 2100
56. How many students in college P, R and T together prefer handwritten notes?  
(A) 5400 (B) 4800  
(C) 7200 (D) 6500  
(E) 3700
57. Find the missing term (?) in the following series -  
310, 312, 320, 340, 378, ?  
(A) 530 (B) 440  
(C) 390 (D) 412  
(E) 500
58. Find the missing term (?) in the following series -  
15, 19, 35, 99, ?  
(A) 348 (B) 136  
(C) 260 (D) 355

- (E) 180
59. Select the option which can replace the question mark in the given series.  
10, 14, 23, 48, ?  
(A) 64 (B) 86  
(C) 93 (D) 97  
(E) 84
60. Find the wrong term in the following series -  
458, 333, 269, 242, 234, 229  
(A) 229 (B) 234  
(C) 269 (D) 242  
(E) 333
61. In the following question, two equations I and II are given. Solve both the equations carefully and choose the correct option.  
I.  $x^2 - 13x + 40 = 0$  II.  $y^2 - 18y + 80 = 0$   
(A)  $x \geq y$  (B)  $x < y$   
(C)  $x = y$  or no relation can be established between  $x$  and  $y$   
(D)  $x > y$  (E)  $x \leq y$
62. In the following questions two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and choose the correct option.  
I.  $x^2 + 11x + 28 = 0$  II.  $y^2 - 12y - 64 = 0$   
(A)  $x < y$  (B)  $x > y$   
(C)  $x \leq y$  (D)  $x \geq y$   
(E)  $x = y$  or relationship cannot be established
63. Pipe A can fill a tank in 18 minutes while pipe B can fill it in 36 minutes. Both pipes are opened together for 8 minutes after that pipe B turned off. What is the time taken by pipe A to fill the remaining tank?  
(A) 10 minutes (B) 9 minutes  
(C) 7 minutes (D) 6 minutes  
(E) 8 minutes
64. A sum of Rs.4500 is distributed among P, Q, R and S such that P got 22% of the sum, Q got 36% of the remaining amount, then R got 40% of the remaining amount and at last remaining amount is received by S. What is the share of S?  
(A) Rs.1347.84 (B) Rs.1263.6  
(C) Rs.1189.26 (D) Rs.1408.8  
(E) Rs.1243.48
65. In the following question, two statements numbered I and II are given. On solving them, we get quantities I and II respectively. Compare the numeric value of both the quantities and choose the correct option.  
**Quantity I:** A person spend 10% of his salary on food and 15% of the remaining salary on education. If his salary was Rs. 2400 then find the amount left (in Rs.).  
**Quantity II:**  $\geq 1820$  Rs.  
(A) Quantity I  $>$  Quantity II  
(B) Quantity I  $<$  Quantity II  
(C) Quantity I  $\geq$  Quantity II  
(D) Quantity I  $\leq$  Quantity II  
(E) Quantity I = Quantity II or a relation can't be established
66. A shopkeeper has 20 kg of rice costs Rs. 35/kg and 15 kg of rice costs Rs. 30/kg. At what price should he sell the mixture to gain 40% profit?  
(A) Rs. 40/kg (B) Rs. 46/kg  
(C) Rs. 48/kg (D) Rs. 42/kg  
(E) Rs. 44/kg
67. A rectangular garden 56 meters long and 42 meters broad is surrounded by a road. The road is 2 meters wide along the length and 4 meters wide along the breadth. What is the total cost of marble flooring on that road at a rate of Rs. 30 per meter square?  
(A) Rs. 12760 (B) Rs. 17780  
(C) Rs. 17760 (D) Rs. 18760  
(E) None of these
68. What approximate value will come in place of question mark (?) in the following questions? (You are not expected to calculate the exact value.)  
 $29.96\% \text{ of } 1959.98 + \sqrt{64.13} = 89.90 + ?$   
(A) 492 (B) 450  
(C) 562 (D) 471  
(E) 506
69. What approximate value will come in place of question mark (?) in the following questions? (You are not expected to calculate the exact value.)  
 $(?)^2 + 5.97^3 = 25.95^2 - 21.05$   
(A) 37 (B) 25  
(C) 21 (D) 13  
(E) 33
70. What approximate value should come in place of question mark (?).  
 $14.99 \times (49.9 + 199.99) = ? \times 4.9$   
(A) 750 (B) 760  
(C) 770 (D) 780  
(E) 800

## English Language

71. Match the statements from column 1 with column 2 and find which of the following pairs of statements given in the options make/s contextually and grammatically correct sense.

Column 1	Column 2
A. Electric car manufacturing companies	D. postpones the meeting
B. The hole in the ozone layer	E. pursuing his master degree
C. Environmental activities are	F. shrinks gradually

- (A) Only AD and BF (B) Only CE  
(C) Only BF (D) Only BD and CE  
(E) Only AE, BF and CD
72. In the given question, a word has been given and there are three ways in which the word has been used, in similar or different forms. Find out which of the sentence(s) has/have correctly used the highlighted word, and mark your answer accordingly.  
**Offer**  
I. I would like to **offer** my services to help you rebuild your community.

II. The fork made its **offer** to Western tables several hundred years later, but it was not immediately accepted.

III. I declined the company's **offer** because they had a bad reputation in the market.

- (A) Only I and III (B) Only II  
(C) All I, II and III (D) Only I  
(E) Only III

73. In the question below, select the most appropriate option to substitute the highlighted phrase in the given sentence. If no substitution is required select 'No replacement required' as your answer.

**No sooner I had gotten** my bags unpacked than I realized that my camera was missing.

- (A) No sooner I did gotten  
(B) Did I no sooner gotten  
(C) Had I no sooner get  
(D) No sooner had I gotten  
(E) No replacement required

74. In the question below, select the most appropriate option to substitute the highlight phrase in the given sentence. If no substitution is required select 'No replacement required' as your answer.

I am pretty sure, had she seen me, she **will have stopped her** car to talk to me.

- (A) No replacement required  
(B) Would have stopped her  
(C) Will have stop her  
(D) Shall have stopped her  
(E) Could have stopped her

75. Match the statement(s) from column 1 with column 2 and find which of the following pairs of statements given in the options make(s) contextually and grammatically correct sense.

Column 1	Column 2
A. Speaking in silence is the most	D. in her condition after changing medication.
B. We urge caution in the use	E. intimate communication two beings can achieve.
C. The patient showed a marked improvement	F. to their loved one by fax or with a telephone call.

- (A) Both A - F and C - E  
(B) Both B - E and C - F  
(C) Both A - D and B - E  
(D) Both A - F and B - D  
(E) Both A - E and C - D

76. Which word/phrase is similar to the phrase given in bold both grammatically and contextually? If none of the option expresses the similar meaning mark (E) 'None' as your answer.

I know they've been squabbling for weeks, but I think they'll reach an agreement **at the last minute**.

- (A) Eleventh hour (B) Zero hour  
(C) outset (D) take off  
(E) None

77. In the question given below, a sentence is given with four words highlighted in bold. One of these words may be either wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word

which is wrongly spelt or inappropriate, if any. If all the words are correctly spelt and appropriate in the context of the sentence, mark 'All are correct' as your answer.

While most music lovers are **eager** (A) to point out that Elvis Presley, The Beatles, and Michael Jackson sold **millions** (B) of records, George Straight has quietly **established** (C) himself in the same **laegue** (D).

- (A) C (B) A  
(C) D (D) All are correct  
(E) B

78. In the question given below, a sentence is given with four words highlighted in bold. One of these four words may either be wrongly spelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word, which is wrongly spelt or inappropriate, if any. If all the words are correctly spelt and appropriate in the context of the sentence, mark 'All are correct' as your answer.

When speaking with **refrence** (A) to **suicide** (B), we understand it has become a **leading** (C) cause of death in the U.S. among all age groups, but **particularly** (D) in youth and young adults.

- (A) A (B) C  
(C) B (D) D  
(E) All are correct

79. In the question below, a sentence is given with four words highlighted in bold. One of these four words may or may not be wrongly spelt. Find out the word, which is wrongly spelt, if any. If all the words are correctly spelt, mark 'All are correct' as your answer.

I got **eihtg** (A) correct **answers** (B) and two **wrong** (C) ones in last week's **exam** (D).

- (A) C (B) B  
(C) A (D) D  
(E) All are correct

80. In the following question, some parts of the sentence have been highlighted. You need to identify which of the given options can replace the highlighted part to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct. In case the highlighted part is correct, mark option E as your answer.

My remark was **off of the cuff** and I stress that at that time I had made no calculation as to the possible damage to the company's interest.

- (A) Off the cuff (B) Of the cuff  
(C) Off my cuff (D) Out of the cuff  
(E) No correction required

81. In the following question, a sentence is divided into five parts (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E). There is an error in one of the parts of the sentence. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option.

The diploma course would (A) / offer remote access (B) / to course materials (C) / via the Internets' (D) / world wide web (E).

- (A) C (B) A  
(C) E (D) B  
(E) D

**Direction: (82 – 86):** The given parajumble contains 7 sentences out of which the 1<sup>st</sup> sentence is fixed, and the other sentences have been jumbled up. Arrange these sentences in a logical order and answer the questions that follow.

- A. Wealth, culture, and power dwelled in the city of Palmyra in the third century A.D.
- B. Weakened and distracted, the empire was facing threats on all fronts.
- C. By the middle of the third century A.D. the Roman Empire was mired in political and economic crisis, its frontiers under constant attack, and its center struggling to hold.
- D. This cosmopolitan capital of the Roman province of the same name lay close to the empire's eastern borders, providing the setting for Queen Zenobia's ambitious power play.
- E. In Europe the rebel Gallic empire started to break away from Rome after this defeat.
- F. The showdown of this power play had been decades in the making.
- G. The catastrophic defeat and capture in 260 of Emperor Valerian by the Persians thrust Roman rule into even greater disarray.

82. Which of the following will be the seventh sentence after rearrangement?  
(A) B (B) F  
(C) C (D) G  
(E) E
83. Which of the following will be the second sentence after rearrangement?  
(A) F (B) E  
(C) C (D) B  
(E) D
84. Which of the following will be the sixth sentence after rearrangement?  
(A) E (B) C  
(C) D (D) F  
(E) G
85. Which of the following will be the fifth sentence after rearrangement?  
(A) D (B) E  
(C) F (D) B  
(E) G
86. Which of the following will be the third sentence after rearrangement?  
(A) F (B) E  
(C) C (D) B  
(E) D
87. In the following question, one/two blank(s) is/are provided in the sentence. Among the given options, select the one which fits in the given blank(s) grammatically and contextually.  
A/An \_\_\_\_\_ rumor can go viral in one group, and turn into a "cyber – cascade" as people go along with what they \_\_\_\_\_ is the opinion of their group.  
(A) Broadcasted, Witness  
(B) Established, Flout  
(C) Uncorroborated, Perceive

- (D) Seasoned, Take in
- (E) Unconfirmed, Ignore

88. In the question given below, a sentence is given with one blank, followed by five options, each having a word that may or may not fit in the blank. From the given options, choose the one that gives the correct word that fits in the blank.  
The Prime Minister of India \_\_\_\_\_ people of the country to join his government to celebrate "fireless Diwali" instead of bursting crackers.  
(A) request (B) attempted  
(C) formulated (D) disturbs  
(E) urged
89. In the question given below, a sentence is given with one blank, followed by five options, each having a word which may or may not fit in the blank. From the given options, choose the one that gives the correct word that fits in the blank.  
In 2012, the Irish long – distance swimmer Stephen Redmond \_\_\_\_\_ the first person to complete the Ocean's Seven challenge, which includes marathon swims in seven channels around the world.  
(A) Become (B) Became  
(C) Becomes (D) Evolve  
(E) Mature
90. In the question given below, a sentence is given with one blank, followed by five options, each having a word which may or may not fit in the blank. From the given options, choose the one that gives the correct word that fits in the blank.  
Everyone in this room \_\_\_\_\_ a bicycle.  
(A) possess (B) owns  
(C) merges (D) ideally  
(E) normally

**Directions [91 – 100]:** Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Hanna, a finance director at an international home care retailer, works long hours. She's usually in the office from 9am to 5pm, but at home, when her three children go to sleep, she'll work another four hours, not closing her laptop until midnight. She sometimes also works on weekends. But even though she works 60 to 65 hours per week, she told us that she can switch off when she needs to, and that she still feels energetic every day. She hasn't had to worry about her health.

Michael, the director of strategy for an American insurance company, does not work as much as Hanna. His workdays usually start at 8am and finish no later than 6pm, and he often leaves work at 3pm on Fridays. But even though he works an average of 45 hours a week, and is single with no kids, he has a hard time switching off and unwinding from his job – he is constantly checking his email and worrying about work. A few months ago, at a routine health check, his doctor noted he had high LDL cholesterol, which raises his risk for cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

We generally assume that working too much is bad for our health. But what exactly is unhealthy about this is unclear. We sought to **unravel** the



confusion. The survey asked about participants' workaholic tendencies, their work skills, work motivation, and their work hours. It also asked if they experienced various psychosomatic health issues such as headaches and stomach problems. The health screenings gave us information about their various biomarkers, which, when aggregated, are a reliable gauge for an employee's risk of developing cardiovascular diseases and diabetes – what is referred to as Risk for Metabolic Syndrome (RMS).

We found that work hours were not related to any health issues, while workaholism was. Employees who worked long hours, but who did not obsess about work, did not have increased levels of RMS and reported fewer health complaints than employees who demonstrated workaholism. We found that workaholics, whether or not they worked long hours, reported more health complaints and had increased risk for metabolic syndrome; they also reported a higher need for recovery, more sleep problems, more cynicism, more emotional exhaustion, and more depressive feelings than employees who merely worked long hours but did not have workaholic tendencies.

The experiences of Hanna and Michael, individuals whom we interviewed separately, outside of this study, align with these results. Hanna works long hours, but she is not mentally pre-occupied with work. When she finishes work for the night, she feels fulfilled and falls asleep easily. In the morning, she feels refreshed for a new workday. Michael, on the other hand, has a compulsion to work hard and feels restless when he is not working. He continues to **ruminate** about his job and often finds it difficult to fall asleep and recharge before the next morning.

91. Which of the following is **NOT** one of the factors considered for the survey?  
 (A) Working hours  
 (B) Skills  
 (C) Motive to work  
 (D) Underlying health problems  
 (E) Workaholic tendencies
92. Which of the following is **NOT TRUE** about Michael?  
 (A) He is at risk for diabetes.  
 (B) He feels energetic every day.  
 (C) He usually works from 8AM to 6 PM.  
 (D) He is the director of strategy for an American insurance company.  
 (E) He has no kids.
93. Which of the following words can replace 'unravel' from the given passage?  
 (A) collapse (B) solve  
 (C) entangle (D) fail  
 (E) complicate
94. What does 'switch off' means in the sentence 'she told us that she can switch off when she needs to'?  
 I. Performing attentively at work.  
 II. Not thinking about work when not working.

- III. Handing over the resignation letter to boss.  
 (A) Only II (B) Only III  
 (C) Both I & III (D) Only I  
 (E) Both II & III

95. Which of the following is untrue about Hanna?  
 (A) At times, she works on weekends too.  
 (B) She is a finance director at an international home care retailer.  
 (C) She doesn't find it hard to work on weekdays.  
 (D) She has three children.  
 (E) In her routine check – up, it was found out that her LDL level has increased.
96. What do you understand by the term 'workaholism', as per the passage?  
 (A) a request to work even on holidays  
 (B) an order to begin the next project  
 (C) a compulsion to obsess about work to an alarming degree  
 (D) a command to complete work before deadlines  
 (E) an interest to work while vacationing
97. What were the findings of the survey that was conducted?  
 I. Mentality of obsessing about work is more deteriorating than working long hours.  
 II. Not able to stop thinking about work and working long hours put an equally harmful impact on health.  
 III. Working long hours has proven to create more health issues than always thinking about work.  
 (A) Only II (B) Only III  
 (C) Both I & III (D) Only I  
 (E) Both II & III
98. Which of the following is **NOT** one of the psychosomatic health issues mentioned in the passage?  
 I. Stomach related problems  
 II. Headaches  
 III. Damaged nerves  
 (A) Only II (B) Only III  
 (C) Both I & III (D) Only I  
 (E) Both II & III
99. Which of the following words can replace 'ruminate' from the given passage?  
 (A) move (B) react  
 (C) number (D) think  
 (E) draw
100. Which of the following is **TRUE** as per the passage?  
 (A) Workaholics reported only a few psychosomatic health complaints compared to ones who only work for long hours.  
 (B) Most workaholics are aware of their obsessive work habits.  
 (C) The observation of facts of Hanna and Michael line up with the result of the survey that was conducted.  
 (D) To cope with stress, the body activates several systems.  
 (E) Loving your work can mitigate some of the risk associated with obsessing over it.

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