

Syndicate Bank PO Exam

(Based on Memory)

General Awareness

1. In which of the following States has Intintiki Deepam Scheme been started ?
1) Andhra Pradesh 2) Tamil Nadu
3) Kerala 4) Karnataka
5) None of these
2. Which of the following is related to Article 356 of Indian Constitution?
1) Fundamental Right to Education
2) Special Status of Jammu & Kashmir
3) Appointment of Governors in the States
4) Implementation of President's Rule in any State
5) None of these
3. Which of the following States was in the news recently due to the Governor's recommendation of President's rule in the State but later it was taken back ?
1) Mizoram 2) Arunachal Pradesh 3) Kerala
4) Uttar Pradesh 5) None of these
4. India has committed itself to control the disease HIV/AIDS. This was disclosed in the Summit of Asia-Pacific Summit on HIV/AIDS. This summit was held in
1) India 2) South Korea 3) North Korea
4) China 5) None of these
5. Some new countries have joined the European Union recently. With this the European Union has become a strong economic power. Which of the following statements is/are NOT TRUE regarding this ?
A. The number of members in the European Union is now 65.
B. European Union is now a large free trade area, whose economy has reached to US 11 dollar trillion.
C. Some East European countries have rejected the plan to join the EU.
1) Only A 2) Only B 3) Only B & C
4) Only C 5) Only A & C
6. World Population Day is celebrated on
1) 11th August 2) 11th June 3) 11th July
4) 11th May 5) None of these
7. UPA Government is planning to implement Value Added Tax (VAT). It will be implemented from
1) January 1, 2005 2) March 1, 2004 3) April 1, 2005
4) April 1, 2006 5) None of these
8. Recently Foreign Minister K Natwar Singh has demanded that there should be at least four more members in the Security Council. Which of the following countries has not been named by him ?
1) India 2) Germany 3) Brazil
4) South Africa 5) Pakistan
9. Who among the following is the author of the recently-published book *Rajmata Gayatri Devi: Enduring Grace*?
1) Devraj Singh 2) Dharmendra Kumar
3) Priyanandan Rangasit 4) Khushwant Singh
5) None of these
10. Foreign Minister K Natwar Singh was in Islamabad recently. Which of the following statements is/are TRUE regarding this?
1) He was there to participate in the SAARC Summit.
2) He was there as a messenger of President APJ Abdul Kalam to meet Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf.
3) He was there on the invitation of Pakistani Foreign Minister.
4) He was there to inaugurate the new office of the Indian High Commission.
5) None of these
11. According to the statements given by the Finance Minister recently, the GDP growth rate for this fiscal will be at
1) 5.5-6 per cent 2) 7.5-8 per cent
3) 6-7 per cent 4) 8.5-9 per cent
5) 9-10 per cent
12. Dronacharya Award is given
1) To a tennis player at junior level
2) For best performance by a player in the duration of one year
3) For the best performance on international level by a player
4) Best performance by a cricket player at junior level
5) None of these
13. Which of the following subjects were not included in the WTO Agricultural Meet, which was held in Geneva in June 2004 ?
A. Discount in import duty
B. Cut in agriculture support
C. Phasing out of export items
D. Institution of a panel headed by India on the Patent Law drafted by WTO
1) Only A 2) Only B & D 3) Only C
4) Only D 5) Only C & D
14. Which of the following Business Group has taken over L&T's cement department Altra Tech Samco Ltd. ?
1) Aditya Birla Group 2) Tata Group
3) JK Group 4) BK Birla Group
5) None of these
15. According to a recent NCAER report, which city has the highest number of rich families ?
1) Mumbai 2) Kolkata 3) Jaipur
4) Delhi 5) Bangalore

16. Which of the following States was in the news because a large number of children died due to dehydration?
 - 1) Bihar
 - 2) Madhya Pradesh
 - 3) West Bengal
 - 4) Andhra Pradesh
 - 5) Maharashtra
17. Godhra, which was in the news recently, is
 - 1) A city in Madhya Pradesh
 - 2) A place in Gujarat where an incident took place
 - 3) A city in Bihar where storage of natural gas has been found
 - 4) A place in Gujarat where the headquarters of Western Railway is being transferred
 - 5) None of these
18. Which of the following nations did not take part in the recently-held DSD four-nation hockey tournament?
 - 1) India
 - 2) France
 - 3) Germany
 - 4) Britain
 - 5) Italy
19. According to a recently given decision by the Union Government, the minimum age for recruitment in the Army will be
 - 1) 16 years
 - 2) 16½ years
 - 3) 18 years
 - 4) 17½ years
 - 5) 19 years
20. For which of the following commodities is a Board being constituted by the Union Government?
 - 1) Petroleum and Natural Gas
 - 2) Iron and Steel
 - 3) Sugar
 - 4) Agricultural Product
 - 5) None of these
21. India is on the way of economic reforms. Which of the following is not a profit-marking?
 - 1) Increased financial elasticity in every sector of society
 - 2) Loss in transaction cost
 - 3) Grip on market by strong institution
 - 4) Effective monetary policy
 - 5) Strong and competitive banking institutions
22. India is the largest-producing country of
 - 1) Milk
 - 2) Soyabean
 - 3) Meat
 - 4) Green Vegetables
 - 5) Fish
23. Which of the following statements is not correct about the recently-formed "National Advisory Council"?
 - A. The Indian prime minister will be the Chief of this Council.
 - B. The Council has been formed to monitor the Common Minimum Programme of the UPA Government.
 - C. The first meeting of the Council was held on 17th July 2004.
 - 1) Only A
 - 2) Only B
 - 3) Only C
 - 4) Only A & B
 - 5) Only B & C
24. Who among the following is the author of the recently-published book *The Hungry Tide*?
 - 1) JB Ramkrishna
 - 2) Kiran Bedi
 - 3) Shyam Sharan
 - 4) TN Seshan
 - 5) Amitav Ghosh
25. When companies release their public issues, the word 'underwriter' is mentioned. What does the word 'underwriter' mean?
 - 1) This is the name of the firm which prepares draft for advertisements.
 - 2) These are the bankers of the companies which sell application papers.
 - 3) These are the firms or banks which guarantee the selling of stocks.
 - 4) These are the legal advisers of companies.
 - 5) None of these
26. Recently 'Pilani Investments of 265 crores' was in the headlines of the newspapers. Which of the following statements is/are TRUE regarding this?
 - 1) A software and IT park is being developed here.
 - 2) This is a project being started by the Tata and the Birla Groups.
 - 3) This is the name of Birla Group's holdings.
 - 4) All of the above
 - 5) None of these
27. Which of the following statements is/are TRUE regarding the Rail Budget 2004?
 - A. Some 'Sampark Kranti Express' trains will be started shortly.
 - B. Clothes for the trains will be provided by Khadi Bhandar.
 - C. Distance of more than 500 km will have only reserved coaches.
 - 1) Only A
 - 2) Only B
 - 3) Only C
 - 4) Only A & C
 - 5) Only B & C
28. Which of the following was criticised by many regarding the Union Budget 2004-05?
 - A. Transaction tax on trade
 - B. Increase in FDI cap
 - C. Saving scheme for senior citizens
 - 1) Only A
 - 2) Only B
 - 3) Only B & C
 - 4) Only A & B
 - 5) Only A & C
29. The Kelkar committee formed by the Union Government is related to
 - 1) Tax reforms
 - 2) Implementation of VAT
 - 3) Increase in education subsidy
 - 4) New pay structure for bank employees
 - 5) None of these
30. Which of the following terms is not related to Banking or Finance?
 - 1) Debenture
 - 2) Equity
 - 3) Zero coupon
 - 4) Par value
 - 5) Giga Byte
31. Recently, in which state capital did APJ Abdul Kalam address the MLAs of that state on the subject of rural development and science and technology?
 - 1) Tamil Nadu
 - 2) Delhi
 - 3) Andhra Pradesh
 - 4) Punjab
 - 5) None of these
32. On which of the following issues have some MLAs of Haryana resigned recently?
 - 1) On stopping the subsidy for agriculturists on fertilisers and seeds
 - 2) On the controversial decision of Punjab Government on the division of river
 - 3) On free power supply to agriculturists and cut in urban areas
 - 4) All of the above
 - 5) None of these
33. The Reserve bank of India is in the process of providing compensation to Bhopal Gas victims. It has been di-

- rected by
- 1) Office of the Indian Prime Minister
 - 2) President of India
 - 3) Supreme Court of India
 - 4) High Court of Madhya Pradesh
 - 5) None of these
34. Who among the following has been honoured with the 'Padma Vibhushan' Puraskar recently ?
- 1) Rahul Dravid 2) Anupam Kher 3) Amrita Pritam
 - 4) Gulzar 5) None of these
35. UPA Government's policy talks about Direct Funding. Which of the following are being considered for this?
- 1) Poor mills of National Textiles Corporation
 - 2) Sugar mills working on old technology
 - 3) Cooperative Banks running in loss
 - 4) Gram Panchayats
 - 5) None of these
36. Which of the following banks are going to merge in the near future, according to the recent reports of Newspapers?
- 1) UTI and HDFC Banks 2) UTI and IDBI Banks
 - 3) IDBI and HDFC Banks 4) ICICI and IDBI Banks
 - 5) None of these
37. Which of the following foreign banks has been allowed to UTI to purchase the share of 14.6 per cent in private sector?
- 1) Bank of America 2) BNP 3) Citibank
 - 4) HSBC 5) Bank of Tokyo
38. What amount is being provided by the Indian Government for the production of Handloom, Coir, Silk, Pottery, etc?
- 1) Rs 50 cr 2) Rs 100 cr 3) Rs 200 cr
 - 4) Rs 500 cr 5) None of these
39. India's rank in Human Development Index (HDI) is
- 1) 120 2) 123 3) 127 4) 132 5) None of these
40. 'Kumbhakolam', which was recently in news is in which State?
- 1) Kerala 2) Andhra Pradesh 3) Orissa
 - 4) Tamil Nadu 5) Uttar Pradesh
41. Ahmed Qurei, who was recently in news is the
- 1) President of Palestine
 - 2) Prime Minister of Palestine
 - 3) President of Iran
 - 4) Prime Minister of Israel
 - 5) Prime Minister of Syria
42. Recently, road tax was implemented on petrol and diesel by the NDA Government. What is the present situation?
- 1) According to the Union Budget 2004-05, this tax will be levied on all Central taxes and it will be transferred to education.
 - 2) The tax on petrol and diesel was taken back from 1st July, 2004.
 - 3) UPA Government has decided to continue it but the rate has been revised to 0.5 per cent.
 - 4) The scheme will continue.
 - 5) None of these
43. 'Antyodaya Yojna' was started to provide foodgrains
- for the poor. It was first started for 1.5 crore families. Now it has been extended to
- 1) two crores 2) 2.5 crores 3) three crores
 - 4) 3.5 crore 5) five crores
44. What amount has the UPA Government targeted to collect through disinvestment for the year 2004-05?
- 1) Rs 2,000 crores 2) Rs 2,500 crores 3) Rs 3,000 crores
 - 4) Rs 4,000 crores 5) None of these
45. What amount has been allotted by the Planning Commission for the Interim Budget of the NDA Government?
- 1) Rs 8,000 crores 2) Rs 10,000 crores
 - 3) Rs 15,000 crores 4) Rs 18,000 crores
 - 5) Rs 20,000 crores
46. Sonia Gandhi has been honoured with the "Star of Asia" by *Businessweek* magazine along with two other Indians. They are
- 1) Kumarmangalam Birla and Ratan Tata
 - 2) Ratan Tata and P Chidambaram
 - 3) Manmohan Singh and P Chidambaram
 - 4) Manmohan Singh and Kiran Karnik
 - 5) Kiran Karnik and Ratan Tata
47. Theodor Zagarakis, who was adjudged the Player of Euro-2004 football cup tournament, was the captain of
- 1) Greece 2) Portugal 3) Brazil
 - 4) Britain 5) None of these
48. Costas Karamanalis was appointed recently as Prime Minister of
- 1) Macedonia 2) Haiti 3) Russia
 - 4) Greece 5) None of these
49. We came through the term 'WMD' regularly in the newspapers. It is related to
- 1) Israel-Palestine problem 2) Iraq war
 - 3) Indo-Pak war 4) Sri Lankan crisis
 - 5) None of these
50. Which of the following is India's stand on sending troops to Iraq?
- 1) India is ready to send troops to Iraq if it gets formal request from America & Britain.
 - 2) India is not in favour of sending troops to Iraq.
 - 3) India is ready to send troops to Iraq on the request of the UN Security Council.
 - 4) India is ready to send troops if the new Government of Iraq requests for this.
 - 5) None of these

English Language

Directions (Q. 51-60): Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is (5). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any.)

51. As you know 1)/ by my visiting card 2)/ I am now 3)/ in Mumbai. 4)/ No error 5)/
52. With a fresh coat 1)/ of paint 2)/ the school can 3)/ look much nice. 4)/ No error 5)/
53. I asked the salesman 1)/ if I could exchange 2)/ the faulty

- camera 3)/ with another one. 4)/ No error 5)/
54. It took me 1)/ almost a hour 2)/ to fill the 3)/ application form. 4)/ No error 5)/
55. She insists 1)/ you stay 2)/ until her husband 3)/ comes home. 4)/ No error 5)/
56. I don't understand 1)/ how she could 2)/ treat him 3)/ so bad. 4)/ No error 5)/
57. At my arrival 1)/ in Delhi 2)/ I went straight 3)/ to the nearest hospital. 4)/ No error 5)/
58. It is more better 1)/ if one of the parents 2)/ stays at home 3)/ to look after the children. 4)/ No error 5)/
59. These reports have 1)/ deterred some 2)/ women to have 3)/ the operation. 4)/ No error 5)/
60. I answered 1)/ the questions 2)/ as best as 3)/ I could. 4)/ No error 5)/

Directions (Q. 61-65): Rearrange the following six sentences A, B, C, D, E, and F in the proper sequence so as to form a meaningful paragraph, then answer the questions given below them.

- A. It was further revived by a Boston publishing firm, and from that time Mother Goose continued and grew in fame and interest till date.
- B. The first collection of verses under her name was published in London in book form by John Newberry.
- C. These were known long before they were designated as Mother Goose rhymes.
- D. Some rhymes can be traced to popular ballads, folk songs and games, political satire, ancient proverbs, cries of street vendors, real or legendary events.
- E. About twenty-five years later the book was reprinted in the United States in Worcester, Massachusetts.
- F. In fact, until the eighteenth century Mother Goose did not have a name in print in English literature.
61. Which of the following will be the last sentence?
1) A 2) B 3) C 4) D 5) E
62. Which of the following will be the fourth sentence?
1) F 2) E 3) D 4) C 5) B
63. Which of the following will be the fifth sentence?
1) F 2) E 3) D 4) C 5) B
64. Which of the following will be the first sentence?
1) A 2) B 3) C 4) D 5) E
65. Which of the following will be the second sentence?
1) A 2) B 3) C 4) D 5) E

Directions (Q. 66-75): In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

After ten years of 66 inflation, prices have spiked 7.5% in the third week of July. This looks scary—after all, Indians had got used to prices crawling up by 2% in the last two years, and a 10-year average inflation rate of about 5%—but you shouldn't worry. This burst of inflation is the result of three factors that have come together unexpectedly, are unlikely to 67 for long and are unlikely to 68 up together again: a(n) 69 rise in global oil prices, a monsoon that arrived late and a spike in global metal prices. North Sea crude has crossed \$42 per barrel, driven up by low petroleum 70 and soaring

demand in the US as war production heats up. Oil markets are also spooked by the 71 of Russian oil supplies falling on the back of the Yukos-Sibneft probe. There's little that the government can do to 72 users from soaring oil prices—indeed, it shouldn't, if it wants to 73 efficiency. Higher transport costs have pushed up rates of vegetables and fruits'. Farm produce could also get affected by rains that arrived too late for kharif sowing. China is 74 up steel and other metals from all over the world to 75 a construction boom ahead of the 2008 Olympics, making metal prices soar all over the world, and sparking inflation in India.

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| 66. 1) mere | 2) moderate | 3) retarding |
| 4) vehement | 5) dull | |
| 67. 1) obstinate | 2) constitute | 3) persist |
| 4) repeat | 5) normalise | |
| 68. 1) go | 2) scramble | 3) mount |
| 4) yield | 5) crop | |
| 69. 1) sustained | 2) suspicious | 3) horrific |
| 4) erratic | 5) favourable | |
| 70. 1) lists | 2) trades | 3) services |
| 4) inventories | 5) details | |
| 71. 1) prospect | 2) progress | 3) view |
| 4) extent | 5) deposit | |
| 72. 1) support | 2) ignore | 3) propel |
| 4) prolong | 5) insulate | |
| 73. 1) position | 2) promote | 3) process |
| 4) pass | 5) form | |
| 74. 1) hurrying | 2) passing | 3) pairing |
| 4) gobbling | 5) throwing | |
| 75. 1) keep | 2) make | 3) feed |
| 4) grow | 5) fight | |

Directions (Q. 76-80): In each of the following questions, a sentence containing an idiomatic expression and its four possible meanings are given. Find out the correct meaning of the idiomatic expression and mark the number of that meaning as your answer. If you do not find any correct answer mark '5', ie 'None of these', as your answer.

76. He was in high spirits when I met him in the restaurant.
1) in a drunken state 2) in a cheerful mood
3) talking incoherently 4) deeply engrossed in thoughts
5) None of these
77. He struck several bad patches before he made good.
1) came across bad sail
2) went through many illnesses
3) had a bumpy car ride
4) had many professional difficulties
5) None of these
78. Truly he is a chip off the old block.
1) very similar to his father
2) a good actor
3) an honourable man
4) outdated in his mannerisms
5) None of these
79. Veera has unknowingly bitten off more than she can chew.
1) been very greedy 2) always been hungry
3) an upset stomach 4) little regard for others
5) None of these

80. **The bare bones** of the conversation had been that he hated my guts.

1) The naked truth 2) Just bones
3) The main point 4) The detailed analysis
5) None of these

Directions (Q. 81-85): Each question below has two blanks. There are five pairs of words below each sentence. Each pair is numbered. Choose the pair of words which can be filled up in the blanks in the sentence in the same order so as to complete the sentence meaningfully.

81. The.....playing of loud music has led the angry residents of this vicinity to file a police complaint and move court against the organiser's lack of.....for the people's need for a peaceful neighbourhood.

1) peaceful, thought 2) abrupt, hope
3) incessant, consideration 4) fashionable, friendliness
5) intermittent, interpretation

82. The.....of the chronic balance of payments deficit which has.....the Finance Ministry under three Prime Ministers is very real.

1) temptation, reviled 2) understanding, menaced
3) impact, underestimated 4) obligation, blessed
5) dilemma, plagued

83. Britain, for the present, is deeply.....in economic troubles, and the economic future, heavily....., looks uncertain.

1) engrossed, responsive 2) ingrained, skeptical
3) saturated, enveloped 4) mired, mortgaged
5) restrained, participative

84. Our Constitution was based on the belief that the free.....of ideas, people and cultures is essential to the.....of a democratic society.

1) selection, concurrence 2) interchange, preservation
3) reversal, upholding 4) dissemination, congruence
5) distinction, design

85. As this country has become more....., industrial and internationalised, it has, like all Western democracies, experienced a necessary increase in the.....of the executive.

1) urbanised, role 2) objective, wealth
3) synthesised, efficiency 4) civilised, convenience
5) concretised, vision

Directions (Q. 86-90): In each question, there is a sentence with a part of the sentence printed in bold. Decide whether this bold part is correct and fits in the grammatical and contextual framework of the sentence. If it is to be changed, choose from options (1) to (4) to replace that part. If not, mark (5) as the answer, ie 'No change required'.

86. **Except for you and I**, everyone brought a present to the party.

1) With the exception of you and I everyone brought
2) Except for you and I, everyone had brought
3) Except for you and me, everyone brought
4) Exception of you and me, everyone had brought
5) No change required

87. **Had I realised how close** I was to falling, I would not have gone to the party.

1) If I would have realised

2) Had I realise how close
3) When I realised how close
4) If I realised close
5) No change required

88. **If he was to decide to go to college**, I, for one, would recommend that he go to Yale University.

1) If he were to decide to go to college
2) Had he decided to go to college
3) In the event that he decides to go to college
4) Supposing he was, to decide to go to college
5) No change required

89. **Being as I am a realist**, I could not accept his statement that supernatural beings have caused the disturbance.

1) That I am a realist 2) Being a realist
3) Being that I am a realist 4) Realist that I am
5) No change required

90. Although he is **able to** make political enemies with this decision, the Prime Minister does not mind doing it for the sake of public welfare.

1) liable from 2) of a mind to
3) acknowledging his liability to 4) liable to
5) No change required

Directions (Q. 91-100): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. Certain words/phrases are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering those questions.

At one time it would have been impossible to imagine the integration of different religious thoughts, ideas and ideals. That is because of the closed society, the lack of any communication or interdependence on other nations. People were happy and content amongst themselves; they did not need any more. The physical distance and cultural barriers prevented any exchange of thoughts and beliefs. But such is not the case today. Today, the world has become a much smaller place, thanks to the adventures and miracles of science. Foreign nations have become our next-door neighbours. Mingling of population is bringing about an interchange of thought. We are slowly realising that the world is a single cooperative group. Other religions have become forces with which we have to **reckon** and we are seeking for ways and means by which we can live together in peace and harmony. We cannot have religious unity and peace so long as we assert that we are in possession of the light and all others are groping in the darkness. That very assertion is a challenge to a fight. The political ideal of the world is not so much a single empire with a homogeneous civilisation and single communal group as a brotherhood of free nations differing **profoundly** in life and mind, habits and institutions, existing side by side in peace and order, harmony and cooperation and each contributing to the world its own unique and specific best, which is irreducible to the terms of the others.

The cosmopolitanism of the eighteenth century and the nationalism of the nineteenth are combined in our ideal of a world commonwealth, which allows every branch of the human family to find freedom, security and self-realisation in the larger life of mankind. I see no hope for the religious future of the world, if this ideal is not extended to the religious sphere also. When two or three different systems claim

that they contain the revelation of the very core and centre of truth and the acceptance of it is the exclusive pathway to heaven, conflicts are inevitable. In such conflicts one religion will not allow others to steal a march over it and no one can gain ascendancy until the world is reduced to dust and ashes. To obliterate every other religion than one's own is a sort of Bolshevism in religion which we must try to prevent. We can do so only if we accept something like the Indian solution, which seeks the unity of religion not in a common creed but in a common quest. Let us believe in the unity of spirit and not of organization, a unity which secures ample liberty not only for every individual but for every type of organised life which has proved itself effective.

For almost all historical forms of life and thought can claim the sanction of experience and so the authority of God. The world would be a much poorer thing if one creed absorbed the rest. God wills a rich harmony and not a colourless uniformity. The comprehensive and synthetic spirit of Indianism has made it a mighty forest with a thousand waving arms each fulfilling its function and all directed by the spirit of God—each thing in its place and all associated in the divine concert. Making, with their various voices and even dissonance, as Heraclitus would say, the most exquisite harmony should be our ideal.

91. According to the passage, religious unity and peace can be obtained if
 - 1) We believe that the world is a single co-operative group
 - 2) We do not assert that we alone are in possession of the real knowledge
 - 3) We believe in a unity of spirit and not of organisation
 - 4) We believe that truth does matter and will prevail
 - 5) None of these
92. Which of the following, according to the passage, is the 'Indian solution' ? Unity of religions in a common
 - 1) Belief 2) Organisation 3) Creed
 - 4) Search 5) None of these
93. According to the author, which of the following is not true ?
 - 1) Acceptance of Indianism is the exclusive pathway to heaven.
 - 2) We should not assert that other religions have no definite pathway or goal.
 - 3) God wants a genuine similarity in thoughts, ideals and values rather than an artificial appearance.
 - 4) People interacting with each other is bringing about a change in their attitude.
 - 5) None of these
94. According to the passage, the political ideal of the contemporary world is to
 - 1) create a single empire with a homogeneous civilisation
 - 2) foster the unity of all the religions of the world
 - 3) create a world commonwealth preserving religious diversity of all the nations
 - 4) create brotherhood of free nations who believe in one religion
 - 5) None of these
95. According to the passage, the world would be a much

poorer thing if

- 1) one religion swallows all other religions
 - 2) one religion accepts the supremacy of other religions
 - 3) religions adopt tolerance as a principle of spiritual life
 - 4) we do not achieve the ideal of brotherhood of free nations
 - 5) None of these
96. Which of the following statements is/are stated or implied in the above passage?
 - (A) People today are happy and content amongst themselves.
 - (B) There is no freedom and security in the religious sphere in the world today.
 - (C) Indianism is directed by the spirit of God.
 - 1) Only (A) & (C) 2) Only (B) 3) Only (C)
 - 4) Only (A) 5) None of these
 97. Which of the following is most nearly the SAME in meaning as the word "reckon" as used in the passage?
 - 1) show regard 2) take into consideration
 - 3) confront 4) agree with
 - 5) None of these
 98. Which of the following is most OPPOSITE in meaning of the word "profoundly" as used in the passage?
 - 1) meagerly 2) hardly 3) scarcely 4) marginally 5) empty
 99. According to the passage, what is Bolshevism in religion ?
 - 1) To ridicule the views sincerely held by others
 - 2) To accept others' religious beliefs and doctrines to be as authentic as ours
 - 3) To adhere to rigid dogmatism in religion
 - 4) To make changes in a religion so that it becomes more acceptable
 - 5) None of these
 100. According to the passage, the conflict of religions is inevitable mainly because each religion
 - 1) believes that anyone who disagrees with it ought to be silenced
 - 2) wants to steal a march over others
 - 3) claims to possess a complete and exclusive understanding of truth
 - 4) believes that the view held strongly by many need not be a correct view
 - 5) None of these

Quantitative Aptitude

Directions (Q. 101-105): What will come in place of the question mark(?) in the following equations?

101. $\frac{5}{8}$ of $\frac{4}{9}$ of $\frac{3}{5}$ of 222 = ?
 - 1) 42 2) 43 3) 39 4) 37 5) None of these
102. $56\% \text{ of } 450 + ? = 300$
 - 1) 52 2) 48 3) 42 4) 56 5) None of these
103. $27^{1.5} \times 27^{3.5} = 27^?$
 - 1) 5 2) 7 3) 3 4) 2 5) None of these

104. $27.06 \times 25 - ? = 600$

- 1) 76.3 2) 76.7 3) 76.5 4) 76.2 5) None of these

105. $4\frac{7}{8} \times 2\frac{4}{13} = ?$

- 1) $11\frac{1}{3}$ 2) $11\frac{1}{13}$ 3) $11\frac{4}{13}$ 4) $11\frac{3}{8}$ 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 106-110): What approximate value will come in place of the question mark (?) in the following equations?

106. $447.75 \div 28 \times 4.99 = ?$

- 1) 60 2) 70 3) 72 4) 80 5) 75

107. $(3.5)^2 \times 19.25 + ? = 275$

- 1) 15 2) 20 3) 30 4) 28 5) 40

108. $85\% \text{ of } 225 + 32.91 \times 5.01 = ?$

- 1) 340 2) 355 3) 375 4) 345 5) 370

109. $(15.96)^2 + 75\% \text{ of } 285 = ?$

- 1) 435 2) 485 3) 440 4) 420 5) 470

110. $1679 \div 14.95 \times 5.02 = ?$

- 1) 540 2) 525 3) 545 4) 565 5) 520

Directions (Q. 111-115): What will come in place of the question mark (?) in the following number series?

111. 3 10 32 100 ?

- 1) 345 2) 460 3) 308 4) 440 5) None of these

112. 5 3 4 ? 38

- 1) 8.5 2) 6 3) 7.5 4) 8 5) None of these

113. 5 6 ? 57 244

- 1) 21 2) 16 3) 17 4) 15 5) None of these

114. 3 10 21 ? 51

- 1) 34 2) 32 3) 33 4) 25 5) None of these

115. 5 11 ? 55 117

- 1) 21 2) 27 3) 23 4) 25 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 116-120): Each of the questions below consists of a question and two statements numbered I and II given below it. You have to decide whether the data provided in the statements are sufficient to answer the question. Read the question and both the statements and give answer

- 1) if the data in statement I alone are sufficient to answer the question, while the data in statement II alone are not sufficient to answer the question.
 - 2) if the data in statement II alone are sufficient to answer the question, while the data in statement I alone are not sufficient to answer the question.
 - 3) if the data either in statement I alone or in statement II alone are sufficient to answer the question.
 - 4) if the data in both the statements I and II together are not sufficient to answer the question.
 - 5) if the data in both the statements I and II together are necessary to answer the question.
116. What is the annual income of Mr Krishnamurthy from April 2001 to March 2002?
- I. The annual income of Mr Krishnamurthy is 70% more than that of his boss.
 - II. In April 2001 the income of Krishnamurthy was Rs

12000 and his income increases by 10% per month.

117. What is the area of a circular field?

I. The circumference of the field is x metres.

II. The diameter of the field is y metres.

118. What is the speed of a boat in still water?

I. The boat covers downstream a distance of 35 km in 5 hours.

II. The boat takes 7 hours to cover the same distance upstream.

119. How many students are there in a class?

I. The ratio of the number of boys to that of girls is 5 : 6.

II. The difference between the numbers of boys and girls is 7.

120. What is the amount of profit earned?

I. On selling the article for Rs 1740, 20% profit is earned.

II. The cost price of the article is Rs 1400.

Directions (Q. 121-125): In each of the following questions two equations are given. You have to solve the equations and give answer

1) if $x < y$ 2) if $x \leq y$ 3) if $x = y$

4) if $x \geq y$ 5) if $x > y$

121. I. $4x^2 - 8x + 3 = 0$ II. $2y^2 - 7y + 6 = 0$

122. I. $x^2 + x - 6 = 0$ II. $2y^2 - 13y + 21 = 0$

123. I. $x^2 - x - 6 = 0$ II. $2y^2 + 13y + 21 = 0$

124. I. $x^2 = 4$ II. $y^2 + 6y + 9 = 0$

125. I. $2x + 3y = 4$ II. $3x + 2y = 11$

126. If the numerator of a fraction is increased by 20% and its denominator by 25%, then the fraction so obtained is $\frac{3}{5}$. What is the original fraction?

- 1) $\frac{3}{5}$ 2) $\frac{3}{8}$ 3) $\frac{5}{8}$ 4) Can't be determined 5) None of these

127. Sri Ganesh bought 40 kg of wheat at Rs 12.50 per kg and 25 kg at Rs 15.10 per kg. He mixed them together. At what rate should he sell the mixture to earn 10% profit?

- 1) Rs 13.50 2) Rs 13.25 3) Rs 14.75
4) Rs 14.85 5) None of these

128. A team of 5 children is to be selected out of 4 girls and 5 boys such that it contains at least 2 girls. In how many different ways can the selection be made?

- 1) 105 2) 60 3) 100 4) 120 5) None of these

129. Suresh invested a sum of Rs 15000 at 9 per cent per annum simple interest and Rs 12000 at 8 per cent per annum compound interest for a period of 2 years. What amount of interest did Suresh earn in 2 years?

- 1) Rs 4096.60 2) Rs 4696.80 3) Rs 4896.60
4) Rs 4698.60 5) None of these

130. A, B and C started a business with investments in the ratio 5 : 6 : 8. After one year C withdrew 50% of his capital and A increased his capital by 60% of his investment. After two years in what ratio should the profit earned be distributed among A, B and C?

- 1) 2 : 3 : 3 2) 4 : 3 : 2 3) 13 : 12 : 12
4) Cannot be determined 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 131-135): Study the following table carefully to answer these questions.

Number of workers employed in six units of a factory over the years.

Unit Year	A	B	C	D	E	F
1998	145	88	115	120	140	136
1999	128	76	122	112	152	132
2000	136	96	132	124	158	140
2001	183	92	125	135	166	126
2002	160	107	140	118	170	146
2003	152	110	148	128	175	150

131. In the year 2000 the number of workers employed by unit 'C' is what per cent of the total number of workers employed by all the units in the same year (rounded off to two places of decimal)?

1) 16.39 2) 17.21 3) 16.88 4) 17.31 5) None of these

132. For all the given years what is the difference between the average number of workers in units D and E?

1) 37 2) 33 3) $32\frac{2}{3}$ 4) $37\frac{1}{3}$ 5) None of these

133. In which year is the percentage increase/decrease in the number of workers employed the minimum for unit 'F'?

1) 1999 2) 2000 3) 2002 4) 2003 5) None of these

134. For all the given years, in which unit the average number of workers employed was the maximum?

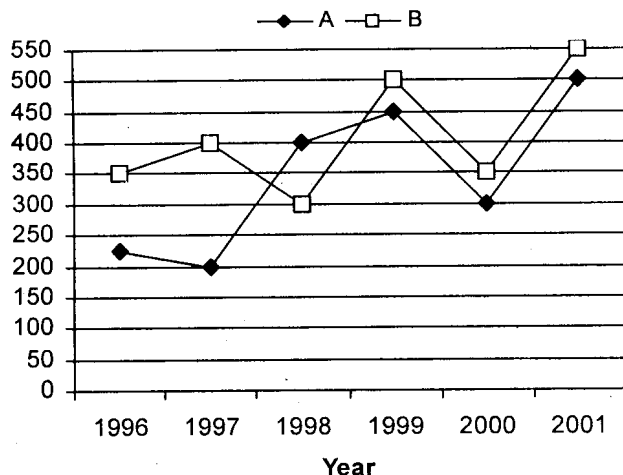
1) D 2) A 3) C 4) E 5) None of these

135. What is the approximate ratio of the number of workers employed in all the units in 1998 to that in 1999?

1) 13 : 14 2) 37 : 36 3) 10 : 9
4) 13 : 11 5) 4 : 3

Directions (Q. 136-140): Study the following graph carefully to answer these questions.

Annual turnover of Companies A and B both during the years (in Rs lakh)



136. What is the per cent increase in the turnover of Company A from the year 2000 to 2001?

1) $33\frac{2}{3}$ 2) $66\frac{1}{3}$ 3) $66\frac{2}{3}$ 4) $36\frac{2}{3}$ 5) None of these

137. What is the per cent increase in the total turnover of both the companies taken together from the year 1997 to 1998?

1) $16\frac{2}{3}$ 2) $14\frac{2}{7}$ 3) $16\frac{1}{3}$ 4) $14\frac{1}{7}$ 5) None of these

138. What is the difference between the average turnovers of companies A and B?

1) 48 2) $58\frac{1}{3}$ 3) $35\frac{2}{3}$ 4) 35 5) None of these

139. The turnover of company A in 1998 is **approximately** what per cent of its total turnover in all the years?

1) 22 2) 16 3) 23 4) 15 5) 20

140. What is the ratio of the turnover of both companies together in the year 1996 to that in 1997?

1) 2 : 1 2) 2 : 3 3) 1 : 1 4) 3 : 2 5) None of these

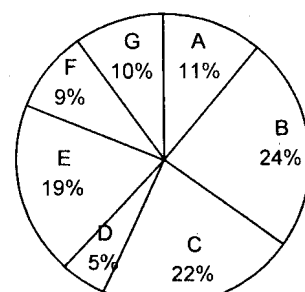
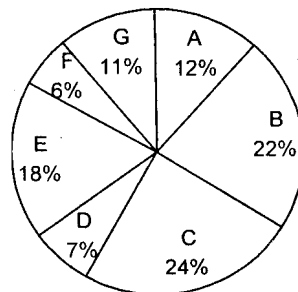
Directions (Q. 141-145): Study the following pie-diagrams carefully to answer these questions.

Number of students studying in different faculties in the years 2001 and 2002 from state X

A: Arts B: Commerce C: Science D: Agriculture
E: Engineering F: Pharmacy G: Medicine

Total students = 35000

Total students = 40000



Year 2001

Year 2002

141. In which faculty was there decrease in the number of students from 2001 to 2002?

1) None 2) Arts 3) Agriculture
4) Pharmacy 5) None of these

142. What is the ratio of the number of students studying pharmacy in the year 2001 to that in 2002?

1) 4 : 3 2) 3 : 2 3) 2 : 3 4) 7 : 12 5) None of these

143. What was the approximate percentage increase in the number of students of Engineering from the year 2001 to 2002?

1) 17 2) 15 3) 25 4) 23 5) 20

144. In the year 2001, the number of students studying Arts and Commerce together is what per cent of the number of students studying these subjects together in 2002?

1) 76 2) 85 3) 82 4) 79 5) None of these

145. In which of the following faculties was the per cent in-

crease in the number of students the minimum from 2001 to 2002 ?

- 1) Arts 2) Science 3) Commerce
4) Medicine 5) Engineering

Directions (Q. 146-150): These questions are based on the following information.

In a class of 84 students boys and girls are in the ratio 5 : 7. Among the girls 7 can speak Hindi and English. 50 per cent of the total students can speak only Hindi. The ratio of the number of students speaking only Hindi to that speaking only English is 21 : 16. The ratio of the number of boys speaking English only to that of girls speaking English only is 3 : 5.

146. What is the number of boys who speak both the languages ?
1) 4 2) 5 3) 3 4) 2 5) None of these
147. What is the number of girls who speak English only ?
1) 12 2) 20 3) 22 4) Cannot be determined 5) None of these
148. What is the ratio of the number of boys who speak Hindi only to that of girls who speak Hindi only ?
1) 10 : 11 2) 11 : 10 3) 2 : 5 4) Cannot be determined 5) None of these
149. How many girls can speak Hindi ?
1) 29 2) 22 3) 27 4) 23 5) None of these
150. What is the ratio of the number of boys who speak English to that of girls who do so ?
1) 3 : 5 2) 3 3) 5 : 8 4) 5 5) None of these

Test of Reasoning

151. Which of the following pairs has similar relationship as Run : Race?
1) Party : Dance 2) Study : Book 3) Lecture : Study
4) Enjoy : Journey 5) None of these
152. Akshay is 16th from the left end in a row of boys and Vijay is 18th from the right end. Avinash is 11th from Akshay towards the right end and 3rd from Vijay towards the right end. How many boys are there in the row?
1) Data inadequate 2) 42 3) 40
4) 48 5) None of these
153. Four of the following five pairs have same relation between their elements as in the case of the pair UNDERWAY : 39412576 and hence form a group. Which one does not belong to the group?
1) WARDEN : 572419 2) DERANU : 412793
3) NEDAYU : 924763 4) ENDWAR : 194572
5) URADYE : 327461
154. How many such pairs of letters are there in the word 'ENTHUSIASTIC' each of which has as many letters between them in the word as there are between them in the English alphabet?
1) Two 2) Three 3) Four
4) More than four 5) None of these
155. Four of the following five pairs have same relation between their elements and hence form a group. Which one does not belong to the group?

- 1) PLENTY : LEPTYN 2) COWARD : OWCRAID
3) ALWINS : LWANIS 4) EXAMIN : XAEIMN
5) LOCATE : OCLTAE

Directions (Q. 156-161): Answer the following questions based on the arrangement given below:

Y W @ 1 & CN 3 P L B 9 ↑ = D * E 2 £ M V \$ 7 # 4 F G 5

156. C13W : 74VG is in the same way as N@B = is related to
1) \$F2D 2) VF2D 3) \$42D 4) \$F£D 5) \$F2*
157. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way based on the above arrangement and hence form a group. Which one does not belong to the group?
1) &LNP2) ↑ 2DE3) *V2M 4) VF74 5) LDB =
158. If the numbers immediately preceding the symbols are attached the value double their numerical value, then what will be the sum of the value of all such numbers ?
1) 22 2) 36 3) 26 4) 38 5) None of these
159. How many such symbols are there in the above arrangement as are not immediately preceded by a number and also not immediately followed by a letter ?
1) Nil 2) One 3) Two 4) Three 5) None of these
160. If YW@1 is written in the reverse order, &CN3 is written in the reverse order, and so on, then in the new arrangement which of the following will be exactly in the middle of 9 and \$?
1) = 2) M 3) ↑ 4) D 5) None of these
161. If (A) denotes the number of symbols immediately preceded by a number, (B) denotes the number of letters immediately followed by a symbol, and (C) denotes the number of letters either not immediately followed by a number or not immediately preceded by a letter, then which of the following is the ascending order of the numbers denoted by (A), (B) & (C) ?
1) (C), (A), (B) 2) (B), (C), (A) 3) (B), (A), (C)
4) (C), (B), (A) 5) None of these
162. In a certain code 'MOTHER' is written as ONHURF. How will 'ANSWER' be written in that code ?
1) NBWRRF 2) MAVSPE 3) NBWTRF
4) NBXSSE 5) None of these
163. D is the son-in-law of B, who is the brother-in-law of A who is the brother of C. How is A related to B?
1) Brother 2) Son 3) Father
4) Data inadequate 5) None of these
164. In a row of girls facing North, Rinky is 10th to the left of Pinky, who is 21st from the right end. If Minky, who is 17th from the left end, is 4th to the right of Rinky, how many girls are there in the row?
1) Data inadequate 2) 44 3) 37
4) 43 5) None of these
- Directions (Q. 165-167) :** P, Q, R, S, T, U, V & W are eight friends sitting around a circle facing towards the centre.
- (i) W is on the immediate left of P but is not the neighbour of T or S.
(ii) U is on the immediate right of Q and V is the neighbour of T.
(iii) R is between T and U.

165. What is the position of V?
 1) On the immediate right of W 2) Between T and R
 3) Third to the right of U 4) Second to the left of S
 5) None of these
166. What is the position of S?
 1) Between Q and U 2) On the immediate left of P
 3) Second to the right of U 4) On the immediate left of Q
 5) None of these
167. Which of the following statements is true?
 1) U is the neighbour of V. 2) V is between W and T.
 3) W is between P and S. 4) T is between U and Q.
 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 168-171): Given an input, a coding machine generates pass codes for six batches every day as follows:

Input: 'you should know about type of questions'

Pass Code:

Batch I: you questions should of know type about

Batch II: about you type questions know should of

Batch III: about of you should type know questions

And so on till the sixth batch.

The first batch begins work at 10.00 a.m. Each batch works for one hour. There is a rest period of one hour after the fourth batch's work is over.

168. If the input on a day is 'eight friends are sitting in the circle', then what will be the pass code for the batch at 3.00 p.m.?
 1) the circle in friends are sitting eight
 2) circle sitting are the in eight friends
 3) sitting friends the are circle in eight
 4) circle friends sitting eight are in the
 5) None of these
169. Ajay was to attend the batch at 4.00 p.m. on a day with a pass code 'sentence awarded by high court was executed'. However, he was compelled to work in the batch at 12 noon on that day. What was his pass code then?
 1) awarded sentence executed high by court was
 2) was executed by awarded court high sentence
 3) by high was sentence court awarded executed
 4) high sentence awarded executed court was by
 5) None of these
170. What will be the input on a day on which pass code for the immediate pre-rest hour batch is 'answer-sheet information your the on fill up'?
 1) fill up your information on the answer-sheet
 2) fill answer-sheet up the your on information
 3) information your up answer-sheet on fill the
 4) information up on the fill answer-sheet your
 5) None of these
171. The pass code for the 6th batch on a day was 'mark your answer against appropriate serial number'. What was the input provided to the machine on that day?
 1) number against appropriate serial answer mark your
 2) number your against mark appropriate answer serial
 3) number against serial appropriate answer mark your
 4) your answer number mark serial appropriate against
 5) None of these
172. In a row of 40 girls, when Kamala was shifted to her left

by 4 places her number from the left end of the row became 10. What was the number of Sujata from the right end of the row if Sujata was three places to the right of Kamala's original position?

- 1) 22 2) 26 3) 25 4) 23 5) None of these
173. Among P, Q, R, S, T and U, P is taller than R and S, but not shorter than T and U; and Q is taller than R, S, T, and U but not as tall as P. Who amongst them is the tallest?
 1) Data inadequate 2) T 3) Q
 4) P 5) None of these
174. If R is denoted by N, D is denoted by T, I by U, O by I, E by R, T by O, U by D, N by C and C by E; then how will the word 'INTRODUCE' be written?
 1) UCOINTDER 2) UCONTIDER 3) UCONITDER
 4) UCONIDTER 5) None of these
175. In a certain code 'COVALENT' is written as 'BWPDUOFM' and 'FORM' is written as 'PGNS'. How will 'SILVER' be written in that code?
 1) MJTWFS 2) MJTSFW 3) KHRSFW
 4) MJTUDQ 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 176-180): In each of the questions below are given three statements followed by four conclusions numbered I, II, III and IV. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts. Read all the conclusions and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

176. **Statements:** All players are spectators.

Some spectators are theatres.

Some theatres are dramas.

Conclusions: I. Some dramas are spectators.

II. Some players are dramas.

III. Some theatres are players.

IV. All spectators are players.

- 1) Only II follows 2) None follows
 3) Only II and IV follow 4) Only I and III follow
 5) All follow

177. **Statements:** Some buckets are water.

All water is paper.

Some papers are woods.

Conclusions: I. Some woods are water.

II. Some buckets are woods.

III. Some papers are buckets.

IV. Some woods are buckets.

- 1) None follows 2) Only II follows
 3) Only III follows 4) Only IV follows
 5) Only II, III and IV follow

178. **Statements:** Some rings are phones.

Some phones are computers.

Some computers are stations.

Conclusions: I. Some stations are rings.

II. Some phones are stations.

III. Some computers are rings.

IV. All rings are stations.

- 1) None follows 2) Only I and II follow
 3) Only I, II and III follow 4) Only II and III follow
 5) All follow

179. **Statements:** All leaves are ink.

No ink is brush.

All cakes are brushes.

Conclusions: I. Some cakes are leaves.

II. Some ink is cake.

III. Some ink is leaf.

IV. Some cakes are brushes.

- 1) All follow
- 2) Only I and II follow
- 3) Only II and III follow
- 4) Only III and IV follow
- 5) None of these

180. **Statements:** All needles are threads.

All threads are boxes.

All trees are boxes.

Conclusions: I. No needle is tree.

II. Some trees are threads.

III. Some boxes are needles.

IV. Some trees are needles.

- 1) Only either I or IV follows
- 2) Only either I or IV and II follow
- 3) Only III follows
- 4) None follows
- 5) Only either I or IV and III follow

Directions (Q. 181-185): Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements. Mark answer

- 1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
 - 2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is the effect.
 - 3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.
 - 4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.
 - 5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.
181. **A.** Major part of the sugarcane crop was affected by pests, resulting into huge loss incurred by the farmers in the state.
B. The farmers in the state who were cultivating sugarcane earlier have now switched over to grapes' cultivation this year.
182. **A.** There has been a high increase in the incidents of atrocities against women in the city during the past few months.
B. The police authority has been unable to nab the culprits who are committing crime against women.
183. **A.** The government has recently fixed the fees for professional courses offered by the unaided institutions which are much lower than the fees charged last year.
B. The parents of the aspiring students launched a severe agitation last year protesting against the high fees charged by the unaided institutions.
184. **A.** The Prime Minister has visited the drought-affected areas and promised government assistance to help the farmers.

B. A large number of farmers in the drought-affected areas have been suffering due to drought situation and are unable to feed their family.

185. **A.** All the lakes supplying water to the city started overflowing at the end of the second month of the monsoon.

B. The normal life in the city has been disrupted quite a few times in the first two months of the monsoon due to water-logging in various parts.

Directions (Q. 186-190): In each question below is given a statement followed by two courses of action numbered I and II. A course of action is a step or administrative decision to be taken for improvement, follow-up or further action in regard to the problem, policy, etc. On the basis of the information given in the statement, you have to assume everything in the statement to be true, then decide which of the suggested courses of action logically follow(s) for pursuing.

Now read the statement given in each of the following questions and the two courses of action given below it. Find out which of the courses of action logically follows from the given statements and answer accordingly. Mark answer

- 1) if only course of action I follows.
- 2) if only course of action II follows.
- 3) if either I or II follows.
- 4) if neither I nor II follows.
- 5) if both I and II follow.

186. **Statement:** There has been unprecedented increase in the prices of essential commodities during the past few days due to the strike call given by the transporters' association.

Courses of action:

- I. The government should immediately deploy all the govt vehicles for movement of essential commodities to tide over the crisis.
- II. The transporters' association should be persuaded to withdraw their strike call to bring normalcy to the supply of essential commodities.

187. **Statement:** There have been many instances of dacoity and looting in many passenger trains this year.

Courses of action:

I. The railway authority should immediately deploy one policeman in each compartment in all the passenger trains.

II. The passengers travelling by train should be given training on how to tackle with the dacoits and looters.

188. **Statement:** Many villages in the district have been washed away by the flood water, rendering all the villagers without food and shelter.

Courses of action:

I. The district administration should immediately send relief team with food and other supplies to the affected areas.

II. The people living in the neighbouring villages should be evacuated to safer places.

189. **Statement:** A large number of students have been caught using unfair means during the final-year degree examinations.

Courses of action:

- I. All these students should be debarred permanently from appearing for any examination conducted by the authority.
- II. The guardians of these students should be called by the authority to inform them at any such behaviour in future will not be tolerated.

190. **Statement:** A large number of engineering graduates in the country are not in a position to have gainful employment at present and the number of such engineers is likely to grow in the future.

Courses of action:

- I. The government should launch attractive employment generation schemes and encourage these graduates to opt for such schemes to use their expertise and knowledge effectively.
- II. This happened due to proliferation of engineering colleges in the country and thereby lowered the quality of the engineering graduates. Those colleges which are not equipped to impart quality education should be closed down immediately.

Directions (Q. 191-195) : In making decisions about important questions, it is desirable to be able to distinguish between 'strong' arguments and 'weak' arguments. 'Strong' arguments are those which are both important and directly related to the question. 'Weak' arguments are those which are of minor importance and also may not be directly related to the question or may be related to a trivial aspect of the question.

Each question below is followed by two arguments numbered I and II. You have to decide which of the arguments is a 'strong' argument and which is a 'weak' argument. Give answer

- 1) if only argument I is strong.
 - 2) if only argument II is strong.
 - 3) if either I or II is strong.
 - 4) if neither I nor II is strong.
 - 5) if both I and II are strong.
191. Should the admission to professional courses in India be given only on merit without any concession to any particular group of students?
- Arguments:**
- I. Yes, this will improve the quality of the professionals as they will be able to complete the courses successfully.
 - II. No, this will keep a large number of socially and economically backward students out of the reach of the professional courses.
192. Should the state governments be allowed to retain major shares of the Central taxes collected in the respective states?
- Arguments:**
- I. No, the Central government should receive the major share as most of the developmental programmes are funded by the Central government.
 - II. Yes, most of the state governments are short of funds and they badly need more funds.
193. Should all the private sector banks be immediately merged

with the public sector banks?

Arguments:

- I. No, the private sector banks are profit-making entities and hence they should not be merged.
 - II. Yes, this will safeguard the hard-earned money of the customers and their interests will be secure.
194. Should the in-charge of all the police stations in the country be transferred every two years?

Arguments:

- I. No, this will create a lot of administrative hassles and also cause a lot of inconvenience to the police officers.
 - II. Yes, this is the only way to eradicate the nexus between the police officers and the anti-social elements.
195. Should the oil companies be allowed to fix the price of petroleum products depending on market conditions?

Arguments:

- I. Yes, this is the only way to make the oil companies commercially viable.
- II. No, this will put additional burden on the retail prices of essential commodities and will cause a lot of hardships to the masses.

Directions (Q. 196-200): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below :

- (i) B, M, T, R, K, H and D are travelling in a train compartment with three-tier sleeper berths. Each of them has a different profession of Engineer, Doctor, Architect, Pharmacist, Lawyer, Journalist and Pathologist. They occupied two lower berths, three middle berths and two upper berths.
 - (ii) B, the Engineer, is not on the upper berth. The Architect is the only other person who occupies the same type of berth as that of B.
 - (iii) M and H are not on the middle berths and their professions are Pathologist and Lawyer respectively.
 - (iv) T is a Pharmacist. D is neither a Journalist nor an Architect.
 - (v) K occupies the same type of berth as that of the Doctor.
196. What is D's profession?
- 1) Doctor 2) Engineer 3) Lawyer
 - 4) Pharmacist 5) Data inadequate
197. Which of the following groups occupies middle berths?
- 1) DKR 2) DHT 3) HKT 4) DKT 5) None of these
198. Which of the following combinations of person-berth-profession is correct?
- 1) R-Lower-Journalist 2) R-Lower-Architect
 - 3) D-Upper-Doctor 4) K-Upper-Lawyer
 - 5) All correct
199. Which of the following pairs occupies the lower berth?
- 1) BD 2) BK 3) BT 4) Data inadequate 5) None of these
200. Who is the Architect?
- 1) D 2) H 3) R 4) Data inadequate 5) None of these

Directions (Q. 201-205): Below is given a passage followed by several possible inferences which can be drawn from the facts stated in the passage. You have to examine each inference separately in the context of the passage and decide upon its degree of truth or falsity. Mark answer

- 1) if the inference is 'definitely true', ie it properly fol-

lows from the statement of facts given.

- 2) if the inference is 'probably true' though not 'definitely true' in the light of the facts given.
- 3) if the 'data are inadequate', ie from the facts given you cannot say whether the inference is likely to be true or false.
- 4) if the inference is 'probably false', though not 'definitely false' in the light of the facts given.
- 5) if the inference is 'definitely false', ie it cannot possibly be drawn from the facts given or it contradicts the given facts.

It is generally accepted that if the monsoon is poor in any given year, it will have a significantly negative impact on the lives of millions. Some lives, such as those of the farmers, are affected directly because of poor crop yield; others are affected indirectly as the economic growth slows down. Similarly, the years with good monsoon bring smiles and prosperity to the lives of many. For instance, India recorded a sharp jump in its rate of growth after years of good performance in the recent years. This unfortunate cycle affects the lives of millions of poor and hapless. But it need not be this way. In the jargon of financial economics, monsoon risk is a diversifiable risk. In other words, it is an insurance risk. Though one might wonder who will provide the insurance against poor monsoons if everyone is adversely affected by poor monsoon? The answer is—the international investor.

201. All over the world diversifiable risks are always covered by the insurance companies.
202. Scanty monsoon adversely affects the lives of only the poor people in India.
203. There has been considerable growth in India's economy during the recent years.
204. Monsoons in India have been good only in the alternate years during the past few years.
205. Majority of the people outside India are not affected by the poor monsoon in India.

Directions (Q. 206-210): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

Following are the criteria for ad-

mitting students to an MBA programme:

The student must

- (i) be not less than twenty years old as on 01.09.2004.
- (ii) be a graduate with at least 50 per cent marks.
- (iii) have secured at least 60 per cent marks in the entrance test.
- (iv) be able to pay Rs 50,000/- at the time of admission.

However, if a candidate fulfils all the criteria

- (A) except at (iii) above, but has secured at least 50 per cent marks, his/her case is to be referred to the Chairman, Admissions.
- (B) except at (iv) above, but can pay at least Rs 30,000/- at the time of admission and the remaining amount within a week, he/she may be provisionally admitted.

In each of the following questions information about one student is given. You have to study the information provided and the above conditions and then decide which course of action should be followed based on the information provided and the conditions.

You are not to assume anything other than the information provided in each question. These cases are given to you as on 01.09.2004.

Now read the information provided in each question and decide which of the following courses of action should be followed in each case and mark answer accordingly. Mark answer

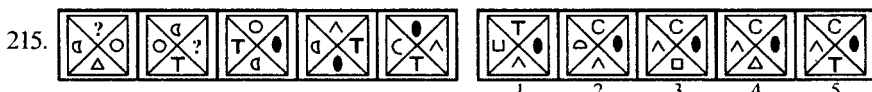
- 1) if the student is not to be admitted.
- 2) if the same is to be referred to the

Chairman, Admissions.

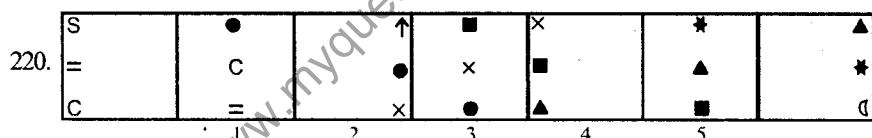
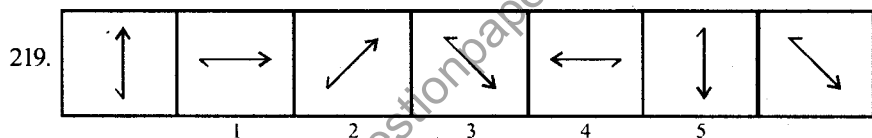
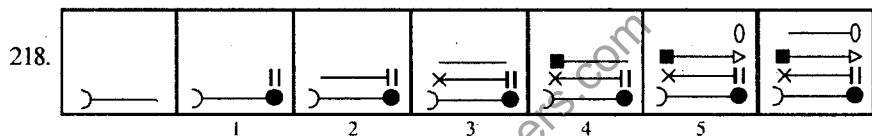
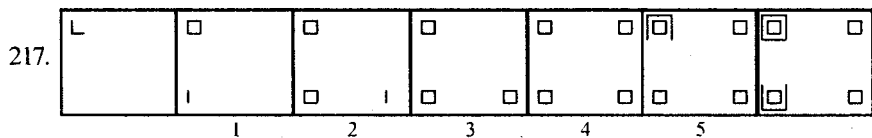
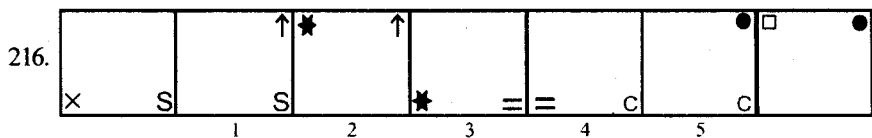
- 3) if the student is to be admitted.
 - 4) if the student is to be provisionally admitted.
 - 5) if the data provided are inadequate to take any decision.
206. Anita Bhosale was born on 7th November, 1980. She has secured 60 per cent marks in the entrance test. She can pay Rs 50,000/- at the time of admission and she has secured 65 per cent marks in graduation.
 207. Manish Behl was born on 22nd March, 1982. He has scored 65 per cent marks in graduation and he can pay Rs 50,000/- at the time of admission. He has secured 55 per cent marks in the entrance test.
 208. Suresh Nadkarni passed his graduation with 56 per cent marks in the year 2002. He was born on 15th July, 1980. He has scored 65 per cent marks in the entrance test and can pay Rs 40,000/- at the time of admission.
 209. Seema Bhagat can pay Rs 50,000/- at the time of admission. She was eighteen years old as on 19th September, 2002. She has secured 60 per cent and 70 per cent marks in graduation and entrance test respectively.
 210. Abhinav Samant has secured 85 per cent marks in the entrance test. He was born on 5th August, 1981. He can pay Rs 35,000/- at the time of admission and the remaining amount after three days. He has secured 55 per cent marks in graduation.

Directions (Q. 211-215): In each of the following questions which one of the five answer figures on the right should come after the problem figures on the left, if the sequence were continued?

211.		
212.		
213.		
214.		



Directions (Q. 216-220): In each of the following questions a series begins with an unnumbered figure on the extreme left. One and only one of the five numbered figures in the series does not fit into the series. The two unnumbered figures one each on the extreme left and the extreme right fit into the series. You have to take as many aspects into account as possible of the figures in the series and find out the one and only one of the five numbered figures which does not fit into the series. The number of that figure is the answer.



Directions (Q. 221-225): The second figure in the first unit of Problem Figures bears a certain relationship to the first figure. Similarly, one of the figures in the Answer Figures bears the same relationship to the first figure in the second unit of the Problem Figures. You are therefore to locate the figure which would fit in place of the question mark.

