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Reasoning Ability

1. **Answer: (B)**
Bus K leaves before Tuesday. Three buses leave between the day on which Bus K and the day on which bus F leave.

Case 1:

Bus	Day
K	Sunday
	Monday
	Tuesday
	Wednesday
F	Thursday
	Friday
	Saturday

Case 2:

Bus	Day
	Sunday
K	Monday
	Tuesday
	Wednesday
	Thursday
F	Friday
	Saturday

Two buses left between bus F and bus D.

Case 1:

Bus	Day
K	Sunday
D	Monday
	Tuesday
	Wednesday
F	Thursday
	Friday
	Saturday

Case 2:

Bus	Day
	Sunday
K	Monday
D	Tuesday
	Wednesday
	Thursday
F	Friday
	Saturday

Bus A left before bus D. So case 1 is invalid.

Case 2:

Bus	Day
A	Sunday
K	Monday
D	Tuesday
	Wednesday
	Thursday
F	Friday
	Saturday

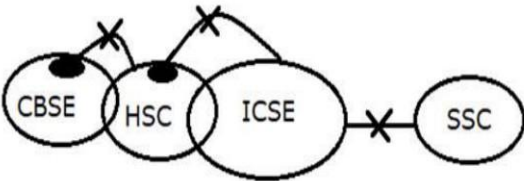
Bus E left before bus P. Bus M left after bus P.

Case 2:

Bus	Day
A	Sunday
K	Monday
D	Tuesday
E	Wednesday
P	Thursday
F	Friday
M	Saturday

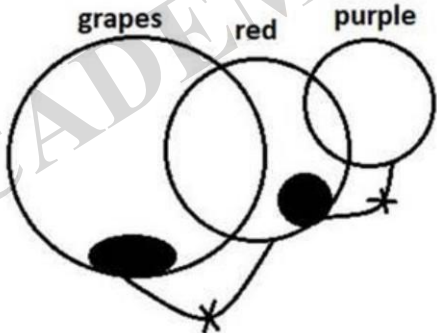
6 buses left before bus M.

2. **Answer: (C)**
2 buses left between Bus A and Bus E.
3. **Answer: (B)**
Bus P left on Thursday.
4. **Answer: (B)**
If the buses left in alphabetical order from Sunday to Saturday, then order for A only remains same.
5. **Answer: (B)**
Bus D left on Tuesday.
6. **Answer: (E)**



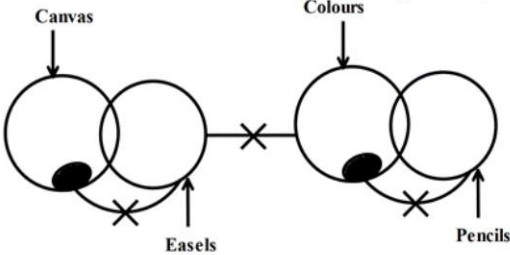
All HSC being SSC is a possibility: Some HSC are not SSC. So, conclusion I is false.
Some CBSE are SSC: There is no definite relation between CBSE and SSC, conclusion II is false.

7. **Answer: (B)**
Only a few grapes are red. Only a few red are purple.



At least some purple are grapes is a possibility but not a definite truth. All red can never be purple is true. So, only conclusion II follows.

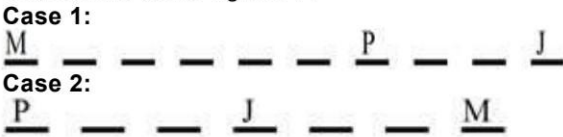
8. **Answer: (E)**
The given statements are,
No easel is a colour. Only a few canvas are easel.
Only a few colours are pencils.
The basic minimum overlapping diagram is,



Here, some easels are not pencils and all canvas are not colours.

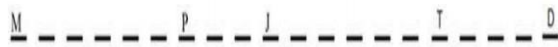
Hence, both conclusions I and II do not follow.

9. **Answer: (C)**
Five people were seated between M and P. J is seated third to the right of P.



Five people were seated between J and T where T is seated to the right of J. Three people were seated between D and T where D was seated at one of the ends.

Case 1:



Case 2:



R is seated sixth to the left of D. Number of people seated between P and R is same as the number of people seated between J and E where E was seated at one of the ends.

So, case 1 is invalid.

Case 2:



18 people are seated in the row.

10. Answer: (A)

10 people are seated to the right of J.

11. Answer: (D)

The number of people seated to the right of R is 3 more than the number of people seated between E and P.

12. Answer: (D)

R is seated to the right of M.

13. Answer: (D)

In each pair there is nobody else seated between the given pairs (only for the people whose information is known) except ME.

14. Answer: (C)

We have:

RUM BUN LOT ZIP DON

After replacing with S, we get:

SUM SUN SOT SIP SON

So 5 meaningful words will be formed.

15. Answer: (B)

We have:

RUM BUN LOT ZIP DON

After rearrangement we get:

MRU BNU LOT IPZ DNO

So LOT remains the same.

16. Answer: (E)

We have:

RUM BUN LOT ZIP DON

After rearrangement we get:

MUR NUB TOL PIZ NOD

So 2 words will be a meaningful word.

17. Answer: (E)

We have:

RUM BUN LOT ZIP DON

After rearrangement we get:

RUN BUO LOU ZIQ DOO

So only one word has a letter which appears more than once.

18. Answer: (D)

We have:

RUM BUN LOT ZIP DON

After arranging, we get:

BUN DON LOT RUM ZIP

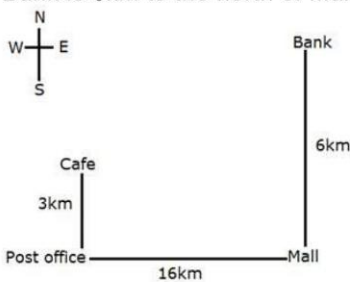
So L is a consonant of the third word from the left.

19. Answer: (B)

As per the city survey, Post office is 3km to the south of Cafe.

Mall is 16km to the east of Post office.

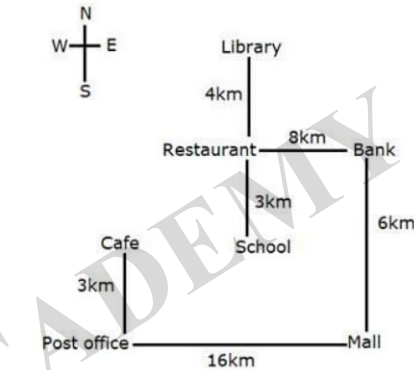
Bank is 6km to the north of Mall.



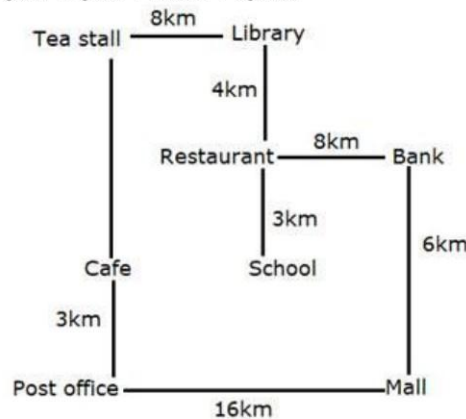
Restaurant is 8km to the west of Bank.

Restaurant is 3km to the north of School.

Restaurant is 4km to the south of Library.



If the Tea stall is 8km to the west of Library, then the distance between Post office and Tea stall = 3km + 3km + 4km = 10km.



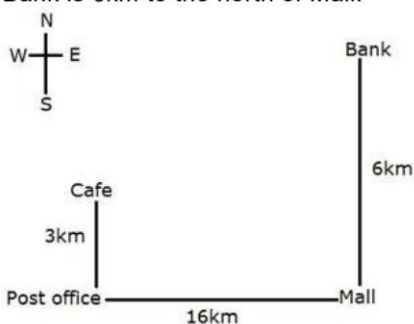
20.

Answer: (E)

As per the city survey, Post office is 3km to the south of Cafe.

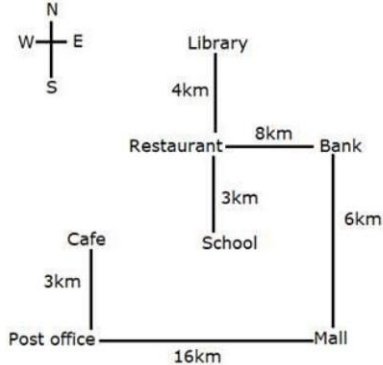
Mall is 16km to the east of Post office.

Bank is 6km to the north of Mall.



Restaurant is 8km to the west of Bank.

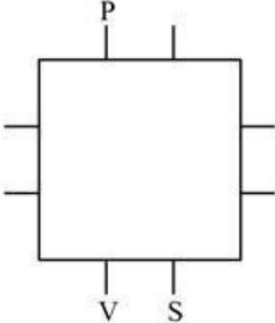
Restaurant is 3km to the north of School.
Restaurant is 4km to the south of Library.



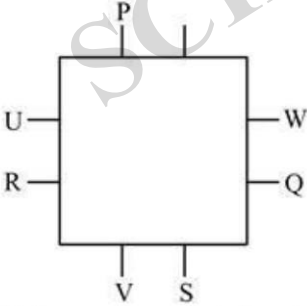
Post office is located towards the southwest of Bank.
Café is located towards the southwest of Library.
School is located towards the southwest of Bank.
Post office is located towards the southwest of Restaurant.
But Mall is located towards the south of Bank. So, option (e) is odd from the rest.

21. Answer: (A)

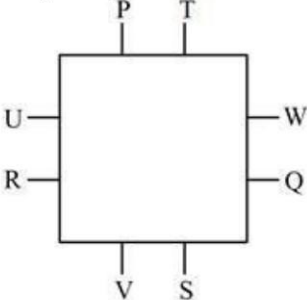
S sits immediate right of V, both sit at the same side of the table.
P sits opposite of V.



W sits opposite of U, who sits second to the left of V.
Q sits opposite of R, who sits second to the right of P.



Only one person is left and he is T.



Therefore, this is the final arrangement.
T sits opposite of S.

22. Answer: (C)

P sits third to the right of Q.

23. Answer: (B)

R sits 3rd to the right of T.

24. Answer: (D)

Four people are seated between U and S, when counted clockwise from U.

25. Answer: (C)

Given statement is $H > N \leq V = S < L < F > B$

$N \leq V = S < L < F$

$N < F$

So, conclusion I follows.

$V = S < L < F > B$

So, conclusion II does not follow.

Thus, only conclusion I follows.

26. Answer: (C)

A shop has 36 utensils arranged in a row.

Vase is kept 27th from the right end and Pot is kept

13th from the left end.

Case 1: 12 utensils – Pot (13th from left end) – 'n' number of utensils – Vase (27th from right end) – 26 utensils

Case 2: Vase (27th from right end) – 'n' number of utensils – Pot (13th from left end)

There are only 36. Utensils. So, case 1 is invalid.

Thus, 9 utensils – Vase – 2 utensils – Pot – 23 utensils = 36 utensils.

Therefore, 2 utensils are kept between Vase and Pot.

27. Answer: (E)

$R \geq T > Q \geq P = U < S$

In conclusion I, $R > U$, follows

In conclusion II, $S > P$, follows

Hence, option e.

28. Answer: (A)

$A \geq B > C$; $B \leq D$; $C \geq E$

$A \geq D \geq B > C \geq E$ or $D \geq A \geq B > C \geq E$

Thus $B > E$ i.e., conclusion I is true

$A > E$ i.e., conclusion II is not true

Hence, option a.

29. Answer: (B)

Only two persons are elder than K. Only two persons are younger than N.

	Person
Eldest	
	K
	N
Youngest	

H is elder than N but younger than I.

Neither I nor J is the Eldest person.

	Person
Eldest	
	I
	K
	H
	N
Youngest	

M is younger than J.

Neither I nor J is the Eldest person.

	Person
Eldest	
	I
	K
	H

	N
	J
Youngest	M

Now, only L is remaining.

	Person
Eldest	L
	I
	K
	H
	N
	J
Youngest	M

L is the eldest person.

30. Answer: (B)

INDRAFTS

In alphabetical order:

ADFINRST

N will be the fourth letter from the right end after the rearrangement.

31. Answer: (E)

Folder named as Admission Certificates is immediately above Autodesk folder, which is the lowest one.

7	
6	
5	
4	
3	
2	Admission Certificates
1	Autodesk

Wedding pictures is in odd numbered folder but not in folder 3. Birthday pictures are immediately below wedding pictures.

	Case 1	Case 2
7		Wedding pictures
6		Birthday pictures
5	Wedding pictures	
4	Birthday pictures	
3		
2	Admission Certificates	Admission Certificates
1	Autodesk	Autodesk

One folder is arranged between Birthday pictures and old songs and they are even numbered folders.

	Case 1	Case 2
7		Wedding pictures
6	old songs	Birthday pictures
5	Wedding pictures	
4	Birthday pictures	old songs
3		
2	Admission Certificates	Admission Certificates
1	Autodesk	Autodesk

New songs are above old songs.

	Case 1	Case 2
7	New songs	Wedding pictures
6	old songs	Birthday pictures
5	Wedding pictures	New songs
4	Birthday pictures	old songs
3		
2	Admission Certificates	Admission Certificates
1	Autodesk	Autodesk

New songs are in odd numbered folder above AutoCAD but not in topmost folder. Thus case 1 cancels.

7	Wedding pictures
6	Birthday pictures
5	New songs
4	old songs
3	AutoCAD
2	Admission Certificates
1	Autodesk

Except old songs, all others are in odd numbered folder.

32. Answer: (A)

Here, folder of old songs is exactly between Birthday pictures and admission certificates folder.

33. Answer: (D)

All are true.

34. Answer: (E)

7	Wedding pictures	Admission Certificates
6	Birthday pictures	AutoCAD
5	New songs	Autodesk
4	old songs	Birthday pictures
3	AutoCAD	New songs
2	Admission Certificates	old songs
1	Autodesk	Wedding pictures

35. Answer: (C)

8	Wedding pictures
7	Birthday pictures
6	New songs
5	old songs
4	AutoCAD
3	Admission Certificates
2	Software
1	Autodesk

Quantitative Aptitude

36. Answer: (D)

Let the sum of money be P
Amount after 2 years with C.I. at 5% = $P \times (1 + 5/100)^2 = P \times 441/400$
Simple interest on the amount received after 2 years compound interest = $(P \times 441/400) \times 8 \times 2/100 = \text{Rs. } 3880.80$
 $1764 \times P/10000 = \text{Rs. } 3880.80$
 $P = \text{Rs. } 22000$

37. Answer: (B)

Both trains A and B are running in opposite directions
Therefore, speeds are added
Time = 7 hours
Speed = Distance/Time
 $(3a + 2a) = 560/7$
 $5a = 80$
 $a = 16$

Speed of train A = $(3 \times 16) = 48 \text{ km/hr}$
 $= (48 \times 5)/18 = 13.33 \text{ m/s}$

38. Answer: (E)

Total number of employees = 1416
And total number of candies available = $2124 \times 8 = 16992$
So, required average = $16992/1416 = 12$

39. Answer: (B)

Ratio of incomes:
Rabi : Ruby = 3:2
Ruby : Heera = 4:5

=> Rabi : Ruby : Heera = 6:4:5

Let, incomes of Rabi, Ruby and Heera be Rs.6k, Rs.4k and Rs.5k respectively.

$$(6k - 30000)/(5k - 30000) = 3/2$$

$$\Rightarrow 12k - 60000 = 15k - 90000$$

$$\Rightarrow 15k - 12k = 90000 - 60000$$

$$\Rightarrow 3k = 30000$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 10000$$

Income of Ruby = 4k = 4 × 10000 = Rs.40000

40. **Answer: (E)**

Let Shushma be x years older than Rahim. So,

Rahim is x years older than Tapan.

And let Rahim's age = r years

So, Tapan's age = (r - x) years

And Shushma's age = (r + x) years

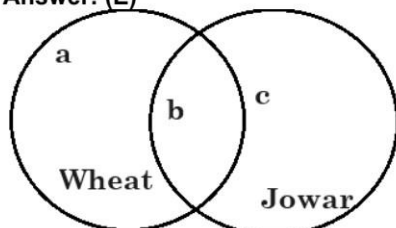
$$\text{So, } r - x + r + x = 25 \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2r = 50$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 25$$

But we cannot find value of x, so, data inadequate.

41. **Answer: (E)**



Let number of people who produce wheat = a

Number of people who produce wheat and jowar together = b

Number of people who produce jowar = c

$$a + b + c = 2400$$

$$c = 2400 \times (30/100) = 720$$

$$a = 140\% \text{ of } b$$

$$a = 7b/5$$

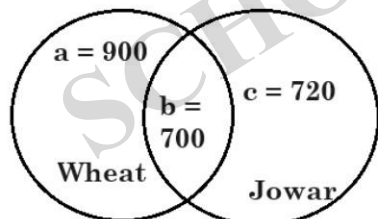
$$\text{So, } 7b/5 + b + 720 = 2400$$

$$12b/5 = 2400 - 720$$

$$12b/5 = 1680$$

$$b = 700$$

$$a = 980$$



Total number of people who produce both jowar and wheat together = 700

42. **Answer: (C)**

Total number of people who produce both jowar and wheat together = 700

Total number of people who produce only wheat = 980

$$\text{Required ratio} = 700:980 = 5:7$$

43. **Answer: (B)**

$$\text{Total number of people who produce jowar} = 720 + 700 = 1420$$

Total number of people who produce only wheat = 980

$$\text{Required percentage} = [(1420 - 980)/980] \times 100 = 44.9\% (\text{approx.})$$

44. **Answer: (B)**

Total number of people who produce only wheat

$$= 980$$

45. **Answer: (D)**

The number of people who produce only wheat = 980

The number of people who produce only jowar = 720

$$\text{Required percentage} = (980/720) \times 100 = 136\% (\text{approx.})$$

46. **Answer: (B)**

$$? + 15 \times 25 = 20^2$$

$$? + 375 = 400$$

$$? = 25$$

47. **Answer: (D)**

$$? = (23 \times 220 \times 104)/(44 \times 13)$$

$$= 23 \times (220/44) \times (104/13) = 23 \times 5 \times 8 = 920$$

48. **Answer: (A)**

$$7.5 \times 16 = ? \times 15$$

$$120 = ? \times 15$$

$$? = 8$$

49. **Answer: (A)**

$$? = (40 \times 595/100) + (45 \times 760/100)$$

$$= (23800/100) + (34200/100)$$

$$= 238 + 342 = 580$$

50. **Answer: (A)**

$$2^? + 6 = (2^4)^3 + (2^6)^2 \times 2^8$$

$$= 2^{12} + 2^{12} \times 2^8 = 2^8$$

$$\text{So, } ? + 6 = 8$$

$$\text{So, } ? = 2$$

51. **Answer: (D)**

$$?^2 = (2 \times 250 \times \sqrt[3]{125})/(\sqrt{625})$$

$$= 2 \times 250 \times 5/25$$

$$= 100 = 10^2$$

$$\text{So, } ? = 10$$

52. **Answer: (A)**

Let the total number of people visited Jaipur from Pune from Monday to Saturday together = n

Total number of people visited on Tuesday is 96 more than the number of people visited on Saturday.

$$\text{Then, } 96 = 16\% \text{ of } n - 12\% \text{ of } n$$

$$96 = 4\% \text{ of } n$$

$$n = 2400$$

$$\text{Number of people visited on Monday} = 10\% \text{ of } 2400 = 240$$

$$\text{Number of people visited on Tuesday} = 16\% \text{ of } 2400 = 384$$

$$\text{Number of people visited on Wednesday} = 18\% \text{ of } 2400 = 432$$

$$\text{Number of people visited on Thursday} = 20\% \text{ of } 2400 = 480$$

$$\text{Number of people visited on Friday} = 24\% \text{ of } 2400 = 576$$

$$\text{Number of people visited on Saturday} = 12\% \text{ of } 2400 = 288$$

$$\text{Number of people visited on Tuesday} = 384$$

$$\text{And, number of people visited on Thursday} = 480$$

$$\text{Therefore, percentage increase} = ((480 - 384)/384) \times 100 = 25\%$$

53. **Answer: (D)**

$$\text{Number of people visited on Friday} = 576$$

$$\text{Therefore, number of females visited on Friday} = (576 - 80)/2 = 248$$

54. **Answer: (C)**

$$\text{Number of people visited on Saturday} = 288$$

$$\text{And, number of people visited on Wednesday} = 432$$

$$\text{Therefore, ratio} = 288:432 = 2:3$$

55. **Answer: (E)**
Average number of people visited on Monday and Tuesday = $(240 + 384)/2 = 312$
And, number of people visited on Friday = 576
Therefore, difference = $576 - 312 = 264$

56. **Answer: (A)**
Therefore, number of people visited on Sunday = $(100 + 25)\%$ of 288 = **360**

57. **Answer: (B)**
The pattern is as follows:
 $1 \times 4 + 4 = 8$
 $2 \times 5 + 5 = 15$
 $3 \times 6 + 6 = 24$
 $4 \times 7 + 7 = 35$
 $5 \times 8 + 8 = 48$
 $6 \times 9 + 9 = 63$

58. **Answer: (B)**
 $7 + 3^0 = 8$
 $8 + 3^1 = 11$
 $11 + 3^2 = 20$
 $20 + 3^3 = 47$
Hence, missing term = 20

59. **Answer: (B)**
The series is as follows:
 $6^3 + 1 = 217$
 $7^3 + 2 = 345$
 $8^3 + 3 = 515$
 $9^3 + 4 = 733$
 $10^3 + 5 = 1005$
 $11^3 + 6 = 1337$

60. **Answer: (E)**
Logic in the series is:
 $150 + 8^2 = 214$
 $214 + 10^2 = 314$ (Not 304)
 $314 + 12^2 = 458$
 $458 + 14^2 = 654$
 $654 + 16^2 = 910$
Hence, wrong term = 304

61. **Answer: (C)**
From I:
 $2x^3 = 250$
 $x^3 = 125$
 $x = 5$
From II:
 $y(y - 1) = 20$
 $y^2 - y - 20 = 0$
 $y^2 - 5y + 4y - 20 = 0$
 $y(y - 5) + 4(y - 5) = 0$
 $(y - 5)(y + 4) = 0$
 $y = 5, -4$
For $x = 5, y = 5, x = y$
For $x = 5, y = -4, x > y$
Hence, $x \geq y$

62. **Answer: (D)**
From equation I:
 $x^2 + 6x - 7 = (x - 1)(x + 7) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1, -7$
From equation II:
 $y^2 + 18y + 77 = (y + 11)(y + 7) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow y = -11, -7$

	$X = 1$	$X = -7$
$Y = -11$	$x > y$	$x > y$
$Y = -7$	$x > y$	$x = y$

So, $x \geq y$

63. **Answer: (B)**
Let A, B and C alone can complete the work in 'a' days, 'b' days and 'c' days respectively.

So, $1/a + 1/b + 1/c = 3/8$
and, $1/a + 1/c = 1/4$
So, $1/b = 3/8 - 1/4 = 1/8$
Work to be completed by B = $3/4$
New efficiency = $(120/100) \times (1/8) = 3/20$
Number of days required = $(3/4)/(3/20) = 5$

64. **Answer: (B)**
Cost price of boxes = ₹7200
Selling price of boxes = $(40 + 2) \times 200 = 8400$
Profit percentage = $[(8400 - 7200)/7200] \times 100 = 16.7\%$

65. **Answer: (C)**
Let total employees in the company = $100x$
Total number of employees who supported the idea = 55% of $100x = 55x$
Total number of employees who didn't support the idea = $100x - 55x = 45x$
According to the question:
 $55x - 45x = 40$
 $x = 4$
Total number of employees in the company = $100x = 400$

66. **Answer: (D)**
Side of the square = $\sqrt{1764} = 42$ cm
Let length and breadth of the rectangle are $11x$ cm and $10x$ cm respectively.
So, $2 \times (11x + 10x) = 4 \times 42$
 $\Rightarrow x = 4$
Length of the rectangle = $11 \times 4 = 44$ cm.

67. **Answer: (D)**
Let A = Qm, B = 20m and C = $(Q + 1)m$
 $C - A = 5$
 $Qm + m - Qm = 5$
 $m = 5$
 $A + B + C = 255$
 $Qm + 20m + Qm + m = 255$
 $2Qm + 21m = 255$
 $10Q + 105 = 255$
 $10Q = 150$
 $Q = 15$

68. **Answer: (B)**
 40.02% of $150.06 = ? - 15.05$
 40% of $150 = ? - 15$
 $60 = ? - 15$
 $? = 60 + 15$
 $? = 75$

69. **Answer: (B)**
 19.99% of $199.99 - \frac{13.11}{116.88} = ? + \frac{8.09}{9.23}$
 $\Rightarrow 20/100 \times 200 - 13/117 - 8/9 = ?$
 $\Rightarrow ? = 40 - 1/9 - 8/9$
 $\Rightarrow ? = 40 - 1$
 $\Rightarrow ? = 39$

70. **Answer: (E)**
 $? = (22^2 - 4)/20$
 $= (484 - 4)/20$
 $= 480/20 = 24$

English Language

71. **Answer: (C)**
Let us see the choices one by one.
Sentence (a) - The word 'lastly' is an adverb and is used to qualify a verb/adjective/adverb; whereas the noun 'breath' requires an adjective preceding it to qualify the same. Thus, 'lastly' must be replaced with adjective 'last'.

Sentence (b) – Modals like 'can/cannot' are followed by verbs in their base forms; thus, 'taking' (present participle, i.e., – ing form of verb) should be replaced by 'take' (base form of the verb) to rectify the error.

Sentence (c) – This sentence has no errors.

Sentence (d) – The usage of the preposition 'outside' is incorrect as a person cannot take bath while sitting outside the bathtub, and so the statement is meaningfully incorrect. Thus 'outside' must be replaced with 'inside'.

Hence, the correct answer is option c).

72. **Answer: (D)**

In the phrase given in bold, the verb 'form' corresponds to a plural verb while the noun 'bank sector' is singular. This leads to an error in subject – verb agreement. Options (a), (c) and (e) are negated because they suggest an adverb (basically) to modify the noun 'block' but we need an adjective. Option (d), 'forms the basic' is the correct phrase that has the correct form of the verb and can replace the incorrect phrase in the given sentence.

The correct sentence is: The bank sector forms the basic block of a nation's economy.

Hence, the correct answer is option (d).

73. **Answer: (B)**

The error is in part A of the sentence. The phrase 'go above' renders the sentence meaningless and 'above' must be replaced by 'about' to rectify the error. The phrasal verb 'go about' means to begin or carry on with doing something or deal with something. Hence, b) is the correct answer which indicates part A has an error.

74. **Answer: (E)**

The given sentence is grammatically and meaningfully correct. 'Plummeting' (in the case, an adjective) means going down in amount or value very quickly and qualifies the noun phrase 'consumer costs'. Hence, e) is the correct answer indicating that the sentence does not have an error.

75. **Answer: (B)**

The first position:

The verb 'does' is always followed by a verb in its base form. Among the given words, only 'clarify' fits the grammatical condition.

The third position:

The word preceding the third place is 'is'; 'is' acts as a helping verb for the main verb; between 'except' and 'based', 'based' can act as the main verb for the latter part of the sentence.

'Except' which as a conjunction is used to make an exception in a sentence can fit in the second position (talks about an order skipping some details but one specific detail).

Hence, the correct order is – BCA.

The correct sentence – The order does not **clarify** what are the grounds for denying the security clearance, **except** saying that the security clearance is **based** on "parameters" set by MHA

Hence option (b) is correct

76. **Answer: (C)**

A is correct at its place as the sentence describes cognitive health. But B needs to be interchanged with C as it is illogical to say, 'performance of health'. We can talk about the 'condition of health'. In this case, 'state of health' is apt. Similarly, the

adjective 'regular' will modify the noun 'performance'.

Hence, option (c) is the correct answer.

The correct sentence – Similarly, one's cognitive health **refers** to the regular **performance** of mental processes leading to an effective **state** of health.

77. **Answer: (B)**

The correct order is CDBA. 'C' introduces the topics discussed in the remaining parts of the sentence i.e. pollution and congestion. 'C' is followed by 'D' as 'D' talks about 'pollution' and 'congestion' being the evidence of issues in transport provision in India which is mentioned in part 'B' and 'A'. Hence, the answer is option b).

78. **Answer: (C)**

The correct order is BCAD. 'B' starts the sentence by "In today's world" and 'CAD' explains the vulnerabilities of cybersecurity and ransomware in the same order.

Correct sentence is In today's world, cybersecurity and ransomware vulnerabilities plague many information systems, and create problems for AI algorithms.

Hence, the answer is option c).

79. **Answer: (B)**

The sentence talks of the effect of nuclear bomb testing on air. Going with the context of the sentence, the testing cannot deplete, depreciate, inflate or exaggerate air with radioactive dust, though it can fill the air with radioactive dust. Hence, the answer is option b). Deplete – diminish in number or quantity; depreciate – diminish in value over a period of time; inflate – fill (a balloon, tyre, or other expandable structure) with air or gas so that it becomes distended; exaggerate – represent (something) as being larger, better, or worse than it really is.

80. **Answer: (B)**

A singular verb is needed as the subject of the verb, which is 'India', is a singular proper noun (to take care of subject – verb agreement). This eliminates option A (plural verb), C (past form of verb) and D (adjective/nouns). Option B is the correct answer.

81. **Answer: (C)**

In option (a) – The use of 'cleaned' (past tense/participle) is incorrect as an adjective/adverb can come in between as.....as.

In option (b) – The use of 'satisfaction' (noun) is incorrect as an adjective/adverb can come in between as.....as.

In option (d) – The use of 'saw' is incorrect as the phrase 'saw back' is contextually incorrect.

In option (e) – The use of 'return' is incorrect as past form verb is to be filled in the first blank (as the person was back to his place after riding).

In option (c) – The words 'came' and 'empty' when filled in the blanks make the sentence free of errors.

The sentence conveys that the person is comparing barn with the house.

Hence, (c) is correct

82. **Answer: (E)**

An adverb would fit in the blank to modify the gerund 'stretching'. 'Habitual' being an adjective and 'occasionally' being a verb are eliminated. 'Never' and 'excessively' are contextually unfit

because no one can improve one's flexibility by never stretching and 'excessively' doesn't go hand in hand with the phrase 'even for five minutes'. So, 'regularly' is apt to use.
Hence, option (e) is correct.

83. **Answer: (B)**

Option b) is mentioned in the first sentence of the fourth paragraph in the passage. Other options are nowhere mentioned in the passage. Hence, the answer is option b).

84. **Answer: (C)**

'I' is mentioned in the second sentence of the second paragraph in the passage. 'II' is mentioned in the fourth, seventh and eighth sentence of the second paragraph in the passage. 'III' is nowhere mentioned in the passage. Hence, the answer is option c).

85. **Answer: (E)**

Option a) is mentioned in the first sentence of the second paragraph in the passage.

Option b) is incorrect as the author only discusses about the beautiful white horse.

Option c) is mentioned in the first sentence of the first paragraph in the passage.

Hence, the answer is option e).

86. **Answer: (E)**

Option a) is true as mentioned in the first sentence of the given passage.

Option b) is true as mentioned in the eighth sentence of the second paragraph in the passage.

Option c) is true as mentioned in the twelfth sentence of the second paragraph in the passage.

Option d) is mentioned in the ninth sentence of the second paragraph in the passage.

Hence, the answer is option e).

87. **Answer: (D)**

The word humour means 'the quality of being amusing or comic'. 'Funny', 'comedy', 'joke' and 'banter' (which means the playful and friendly exchange of teasing remarks) are synonymous to 'humour'. Only 'seriousness' is antonymous to 'humour'. Hence, the answer is option d).

88. **Answer: (A)**

The word 'magnificence' means 'the state of being very good, beautiful, or deserving to be admired'. 'Insignificance', 'plainness', 'simplicity' and 'dullness' are opposite in meaning to 'magnificence'. Only 'splendour' which means 'great beauty that attracts admiration and attention' is similar in meaning to 'magnificence'. Hence, the answer is option a).

89. **Answer: (B)**

The sentence admires the white horse. So, use of 'foul' (offensive to the senses), 'fetid' (which means smelling extremely unpleasant), 'nasty' (which means very bad or unpleasant) and 'putrid' (very unpleasant; repulsive) is incorrect. Only 'lovely' fits in the context of the sentence. Hence, the answer is option b).

90. **Answer: (C)**

Option a) is not true since the author is not a child as he is talking about his life when he was nine years old.

Option b) can be eliminated on the similar ground. Also, it is nowhere clearly mentioned in the passage that he hates to steal.

Option d) is also not mentioned in the passage.

Option c) is supported by many instances in the passage. Hence, the answer is option c).

91. **Answer: (C)**

The highlighted part is incorrect as the infinitive 'to' and the verb 'be' are interchanged in position and hence cause a grammatical error. A is incorrect as the infinitive 'to' is missing before the verb 'be'. B is incorrect as it does not make the sentence meaningful. C is correct as it makes the sentence grammatically correct and meaningful. D is incorrect as the adjective 'progressive' should be used after 'to be', to make the sentence grammatically correct. C is the right answer.

92. **Answer: (A)**

The word (A) is wrongly spelt.

The correct spelling is 'hospital', which means 'an institution providing medical and surgical treatment and nursing care for sick or injured people'.

The correct sentence is: The **hospital** is carrying out tests to find out what's wrong with her.

Hence, option (a) is the answer.

93. **Answer: (C)**

'Prinssess' is not a correct word in English language and the correct spelling of the word is 'Princess'.

Hence, the correct answer is option (c).

94. **Answer: (A)**

Word A has been wrongly spelt. The correct spelling of the word is 'harassment' which means aggressive pressure or intimidation. Hence, (a) is the correct answer.

95. **Answer: (C)**

Words D and E are to be interchanged. In the place of word E, a preposition is required to connect people with group/culture and in the place of word D, a verb is required to show the action performed by the 'perspective'. Accordingly, word D 'within' is a preposition and word E, 'applies' is a verb and thus they can interchange their respective positions. The remaining words are appropriate in their respective positions.

The correct sentence is: A wide variety of people share this perspective, which applies to all people within a group or culture.

Hence, the correct answer is option (c).

96. **Answer: (C)**

Words D and E are to be interchanged. In the place of word D, a determiner is required to quantify the noun 'minute' and in the place of word E, a noun is required to be placed after the article 'the'. Accordingly, word D 'workday' is a noun and word E, 'every' is a determiner and thus they can interchange their respective positions. The remaining words are appropriate in their respective positions.

The correct sentence is: High – achievers often feel like they should work every minute of the workday.

Hence, the correct answer is option (c).

97. **Answer: (B)**

Set (something) off means to cause something to happen or begin. Here, it means to trigger the alarm. Hence, trigger (option (b)) is the correct answer.

98. **Answer: (D)**

'Clamp down on (someone or something)' means to limit, reduce, or bring under tighter control. Confine means to place limits. The rest of the words convey

an opposite meaning. Hence, confine (option (d)) is the correct answer.

99. **Answer: (B)**

The second spot is to be filled by a singular noun (presence of 'a') hence it can be filled by 'marriage' or 'thing'.

When filled by 'marriage' – a scary marriage happened in out thing/things. Makes no sense contextually.

When filled by 'thing' – a scary thing happened in our marriage. Seems logical.

For the first place (A) 'things' is the right choice.

The sentence here is trying to say that a scary thing happened in their marriage after spooky things were happening in their house.

Hence, (b) is correct.

100. **Answer: (B)**

'Pool' can have the following meanings when used as a noun: any small body of standing or stagnant water, a supply of resources.

'Pool' is also a game in which two people use cues (= long, thin poles) to hit 16 coloured balls into six holes around the edge of a large table covered in a soft cloth.

In statement II, the highlighted word implies the meaning of a small body of standing water.

In statement III, the highlighted word implies the meaning of a game.

In statement I, however, no possible meaning does fit in contextually. The highlighted word should be replaced by 'cool'.

Hence, (b) is the correct answer.

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