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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Directions: Q.1-9: Each of the following nine items consists of a word or a group of words in capital letters, followed by four words in capital letters, followed by four words or groups of words. Select the word or group of words that in most similar in meaning to the word in capital letters.

1. DEBONAIR
(a) Bed-ridden (b) Candid
(c) Elegant (d) Thrifty
2. TO ASSUAGE
(a) To assume (b) To forget
(c) To resolve (d) To mitigate
3. TO BROWBEAT
(a) To bully (b) To chase
(c) To give a hint (d) To revive old friendship
4. BEE IN ONE'S BONNET
(a) Sickness (b) Obsession
(c) Misery (d) Freshness
5. THE WORSE FOR WEAR
(a) Worrisome (b) Financially poor
(c) Hostile (d) Shabby from use
6. TO JETTISON
(a) To go on trekking (b) To sail
(c) To abandon (d) To fire a gun
7. VICARIOUS
(a) Ambitious (b) Not experienced personally
(c) Nostalgic (d) Vindictive
8. FORTY WINKS
(a) A person beyond 40 years of age (b) A studious person
(c) Ordeals of life (d) A short nap
9. CRAVEN
(a) Greedy (b) Cowardly
(c) Flattering (d) Restless

Directions. Q. 10-18: Each of the following nine items consists of word or a group of words in capital letters, followed by four words or groups of words. Select the word or group of words that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word in capital letters.

10. INORDINATE
(a) Distant (b) Facile
(c) Moderate (d) Attractive
11. REDOUBTABLE
(a) Truthful (b) Crafty
(c) Widely travelled (d) Ordinary
12. CONSANGUINE
(a) Of different kind (b) invisible

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|-----|----------------|-----|------------------|
| (c) | Urbane | (d) | Untenanted |
| 13. | ON THE BLINK | (b) | Blindly |
| (a) | Apologetically | (d) | In working order |
| (c) | Legally | | |
| 14. | PREDILECTION | (b) | Anti-climax |
| (a) | Analogy | (d) | Argument |
| (c) | Antipathy | | |
| 15. | SENILE | (b) | Mentally alert |
| (a) | Suspicious | (d) | Affluent |
| (c) | Corrupt | | |
| 16. | BLITHESOME | (b) | Sullen |
| (a) | Gracefull | (d) | Mammoth |
| (c) | Adventurous | | |
| 17. | ADULATION | (b) | Inertia |
| (a) | Confusion | (d) | Condemnation |
| (c) | Consolidation | | |
| 18. | PREPOSSESSING | (b) | Arousing envy |
| (a) | Incredible | (d) | Recent |
| (c) | Unattractive | | |

Directions. Q. 19- 27: In the following item, some parts of the sentence have been jumbled up. You are required to re-arrange these parts which are labeled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper sequence and mark in your Answer Sheet accordingly.

19. Many
P : way to fuel growth
Q : economists argue that
R : and alleviate poverty
S : free trade in a magic bullet/the quickest
- Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
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|-----|------|-----|------|
| (a) | QPSR | (b) | RSPQ |
| (c) | QSPR | (d) | RPSQ |
20. As a
P : maestro appeared to be enjoying every bit of it.
Q : and followed every composition the
R : thunderous applause from
S : an appreciative audience preceded
- Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
- | | | | |
|-----|------|-----|------|
| (a) | PQSR | (b) | RSQP |
| (c) | PSQR | (d) | RQSP |
21. Keeping
P : farmers to smoke their fields during
Q : in view the prevailing weather conditions
R : agricultural experts have advised
S : the night to protect vegetables from cold.

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- Which one of the following is the correct sequence ?
(a) SRPQ (b) QPRS
(c) SPRQ (d) QRPS
22. It is
P : stressful or joyful
Q : with the belief in the evanescence of life itself
R : necessary to rise above the situations
S : and in the philosophical quest of the purpose of life
- Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) RPQS (b) QSRP
(c) RSQP (d) QPRS
23. The difference
P : and development on the other affects
Q : in the relationship between death and birth rates on the one hand
R : but the age structure of the population
S : not just the rate of population growth
- Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) SRQP (b) QPSR
(c) SPQR (d) QRSP
24. Here
P : another supposed discovery of 29- inch footprints
Q : claim to have found in Kerala
R : we go again with yet
S : which a group of amateur anthropologies
- Which one of the following is the correct sequence ?
(a) RQSP (b) SPRQ
(c) RPSQ (d) SQRP
25. Creative
P : world of reality
Q : writers and artists, through their imagination
R : transform the details of the
S : into the world of art
- Which one of the following is the correct sequence?
(a) SPRQ (b) QRPS
(c) SRPQ (d) QPRS
26. Thus
P : against the State through the courts
Q : of one's privacy against arbitrary
R : the court emphasized that security
S : is basic to a free society and enforceable
- Which one of the following is the correct sequence ?
(a) PQSR (b) RSQP
(c) PSQR (d) RQSP
27. The preference
P : responsibilities of looking after parents in their old age

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Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I only (b) II only
(c) Both I and II (d) Neither I nor II

42. Consider the following statement:

- I. Information Technology sector provides a relatively large proportion of jobs in India.
II. In the coming decade only uneducated youth will remain deprived of employment opportunity.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I only (b) II only
(c) Both I and II (d) Neither I nor II

Directions. Q. 43 – 50: In the following items, each passage consists of six sentences. The first sentence (S_1) and the sixth sentence (S_6) are given in the beginning. The middle four sentences in each have been removed and jumbled up. These are labelled P, Q, R and S. You are required to find out the correct sequence of the four sentence and mark accordingly on the Answer Sheet.

43. S_1 : Political empowerment apart, the State should recognize the right to life of every citizen.
 S_6 : The State should prepare for the seasons ahead, not just winter, and create shelters on a war footing.
P. Places of religious worship play an important role in this respect, providing food and shelter.
Q. Where lives are at stake, resource crunch cannot work as an excuse.
R. It can still intervene to save lives, by ensuring that offices, schools and other institutions that function only during the day are used as night shelters.
S. However, civil society organization cannot be expected to compensate for state neglect.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) SQRP (b) RPSQ
(c) SPRQ (d) RQSP

44. S_1 : This is the age of knowledge.
 S_6 : Not surprisingly then that we Indians are often labelled as being overly superstitious.
P. Logic and intuition are no longer enemies.
Q. it is also the Age of Aquarius.
R. The two live together comfortably in every Indian household.
S. So why should superstitions be considered out of place in this age of nanotechnology and computers?

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) QPSR (b) RSPQ
(c) QSPR (d) RPSQ

45. S_1 : Sachin has scored centuries against all oppositions, in all countries.
 S_6 : But largely, he has been the dictator, giving nightmares to quality bowlers of the world.
P. There have been those rare occasions when he looked entangled at the crease.
Q. In fact, some of his most memorable essays came in adverse conditions.
R. Gavaskar called him “the closest thing to batting perfection this game has ever seen”.
S. Sachin has established his stamp over all types of attack.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) PQSR (b) RQSP
(c) PSQR (d) RSQP

46. S_1 : Jagan has been-working in our home for over 25 years.
 S_6 : Then came the question of raising his children on the paltry sum of money he earned washing cars and sweeping homes.

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- P. And another.
- Q. Till finally his wife delivered a son and he declared his innings.
- R. I remember the day his first daughter was born.
- S. And then came another.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) RPSQ
- (b) QSPR
- (c) RSPQ
- (d) QPSR

47. S₁: Diabetes is a silent killer and because it does not seem as potent as cancer or AIDS is very often overlooked without too much heed by patients.
S₆: Though diabetes can never be totally cured it can definitely be controlled from causing serious consequence.
P. Worse, as many as a third of them don't even know it.
Q. Untreated diabetes can lead to heart and kidney failure, amputations and even death.
R. Millions of people suffer from diabetes.
S. The early symptoms of diabetes are often confused with other less grave conditions.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) SQRP
- (b) RPSQ
- (c) SPRQ
- (d) RQSP

48. S₁: Ships, built in dry docks, are launched amidst chanting of Artharva Veda.
S₆: The latest INS Mumbai is the tenth reincarnation of its original INS Bombay.
P. Even now newer warships are given names of old decommissioned warships.
Q. One of the enduring superstitions of the Navy is that old ships don't die.
R. In Europe, they break champagne bottles on the bow; in India we break coconuts.
S. It derives from the animistic belief that a ship has a soul that lives on and that it is reborn.

- (a) RQSP
- (b) SPRQ
- (c) RPSQ
- (d) SQRP

49. S₁: Jaswant Singh of 4 Garhwal Rifles was apparently relaxing at 10,000 feet when he spotted a whole battalion of Chinese troops advancing towards an Indian Army post.
S₆: Versions of the story vary
P. They surrounded him, captured the three and beheaded them.
Q. Finally the enemy sent a scout party to ascertain the real strength of the Indian defence, and they found just a rifleman and two girls.
R. After the war, the Chinese, impressed by the rifleman's valour, gave his head back to the Indians, who set up a temple for him.
S. With just one 303 and ammunition supplied by two girls from an abandoned dump, he mowed down about 50 enemy troopers.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

- (a) PQSR
- (b) SRPQ
- (c) PRSQ
- (d) SQPR

50. S₁: Each creature of the sea has its own significance for seamen.
S₆: A dead dolphin is a bad omen.
P. One reason could be that dolphins and sharks do not cohabit.
Q. Sighting a dolphin is supposed to bring luck.
R. A dolphin swimming with the ship brings good luck.
S. Upon sighting the first dolphin on a voyage even the admiral will come up on deck to watch it.

Which one of the following is the correct sequence?

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(a) SRQP
(c) SPQR

(b) QPSR
(d) QRSP

ANSWERS

1. (c)

2. (d)

3. (a)

4. (b)

5. (d)

6. (b)

7. (b)

8. (d)

9. (b)

10. (c)

11. (d)

12. (a)

13. (d)

14. (c)

15. (b)

16. (b)

17. (d)

18. (c)

19. (c)

20. (b)

21. (d)

22. (a)

23. (b)

24. (c)

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25. (b)

26. (d)

27. (a)

28. (a)

29. (d)

30. (c)

31. (d)

32. (b)

33. (a)

34. (c)

35. (b)

36. (c)

37. (c)

38. (d)

39. (d)

40. (b)

41. (b)

42. (d)

43. (b)

44. (c)

45. (d)

46. (c)

47. (b)

48. (a)

49. (d)

50. (a)