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(A) November 4th, 1926 (B) March 7th, 1932
Ans (C) December 12th, 1911 (D) August 15th, 1923
2. 'Bengal Gazette' – India's first newspaper started its publication in :
(A) 1750 (B) 1825 *Ans* (C) 1780 (D) 1810
3. Which year does not match with the historical event mentioned against it?
(A) Birth of Indian National Congress – 1885
(B) Dandi March – 1930
(C) Second World War commenced – 1939
(D) Sepoy Mutiny (Indian Mutiny) – 1875
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(A) 1947 *Ans* (B) 1961 (C) 1959 (D) 1964 ✓
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7. When did India become sixth nuclear power by exploding nuclear device at Pokhran in Rajasthan?
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(C) 12th January 1972 (D) 14th September 1982
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9. The prime meridian or the 0° longitude passes through one of the following continents listed below. Which is that continent?
- (A) Australia (B) Asia
(C) South America (D) Africa
10. Which one of the following is not correctly matched?
- (A) Delhi – Yamuna
(B) Kolkata – Hugli (Hooghly)
(C) Madurai – Krishna
(D) Varanasi – Ganges
11. Which one of the following is not a landform associated with river action?
- (A) Delta (B) Waterfall (C) Dune (D) Ox-bow lake
12. Name the river that empties itself into the Rann of Kutch :
- (A) Luni (B) Tapti (C) Narmada (D) Godavary
13. Name the 28th state of the Indian Union :
- (A) Jharkhand (B) Chhattisgarh
(C) Uttaranchal (D) Arunachal Pradesh
14. The highest mountain in Africa, is a dormant volcano. Although it lies 3° South of the equator, an ice cap covers its summit. Which is that mountain?
- (A) Mt. McKinley (B) El'brus (C) Kilimanjaro (D) Aconcagua
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 (A) 330 (B) 1070 (C) 882 (D) 958
19. Which one of the following animals is not a mammal?
 (A) Elephant (B) Bat (C) Platypus (D) ☒ Frog
20. Link the names of the instruments listed below with their functions :
 1. Measures altitude a. Ammeter
 2. Measures temperature b. Altimeter
 3. Measures atmospheric pressure c. Lactometer
 4. Measures purity of milk d. Barometer
 5. Measures electric current e. Thermometer
 (A) 1-b; 2-e; 3-d; 4-c and 5-a (B) 1-a; 2-b; 3-c; 4-d and 5-e
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 (C) 28th December 2004 (D) 22nd December 2004
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(b) Natwar Singh	(ii) Youth affairs and Sports
(c) Sunil Dutt	(iii) Finance
(d) Lalu Prasad Yadav	(iv) External affairs
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 (A) France (B) UK (C) USA (D) ☒ India
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29. The largest and the smallest districts in Kerala are respectively :
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31. The total number of Members of Council of States elected to Rajya Sabha from Kerala is :
- (A) 9 ☒ (B) 12
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32. The total number of districts of Kerala having sea shore as one of their boundaries is :
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45. Our motherland is a federal sovereign democratic republic. Which of the following is a wrong exposition of this?
- ☒ (A) No external power can question the government of India
- (B) The real power is vested in the voters
- (C) An elected President is the head of the executive
- (D) It is a group of autonomous states
46. When the President goes out for foreign tour his responsibilities will be entrusted with :
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| (A) The Speaker of the Lok Sabha | (B) The Prime Minister |
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Every one except me / have been informed / of the changes made in the programme.

52. Which of the following sentences is correct?
(A) The number of people affected by the earthquake remain small
(B) She told to me to do it
(C) They discuss about the matter in class
(D) Take off your shoes before you enter the house
53. Find the incorrect sentences, if there are any, in the list of sentences given below. If there are none, mark D :
(A) They are going to *lay* the red carpet (B) She *had lain* on the bed for several hours
(C) Why don't you *lie* on the floor?
54. Among the following three sentences find the grammatically correct sentence. If all are incorrect mark D :
(A) This would cause them to loose 20 to 50 percent fuel
(B) It was sixty years ago since I left this place
(C) I prefer coffee than tea
55. Among the following four sentences find the one which is grammatically correct :
(A) I don't know neither boys (B) I shall return the book back to you
(C) This bag is very heavy to carry (D) My mother is standing beside the door
56. Among the following three sentences find the grammatically correct sentence, if any. If all are incorrect mark D :
(A) The dog has hurt it's foot
(B) He is my older brother
(C) He has his breakfast at 7 a.m. in the morning
57. Among the following three sentences find the grammatically correct sentence, if any. If all are incorrect mark D :
(A) One should obey his parents
(B) The teacher repeated the sentence
(C) Please let me to go there
58. Fill in the blanks (numbered) with correct prepositions. All the prepositions in the bracket should be used - (on, out, for and up) :
Please fill _____ (1) _____ the kettle with water and put it _____ (2) _____ the stove. While waiting _____ (3) _____ the kettle to boil, take _____ (4) _____ all the cups and saucers.
(A) 1-for; 2-on; 3-up; 4-out (B) 1-up; 2-on; 3-for; 4-out
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59. Choose the words which are the *negative forms* of the verbs given in italics in the following sentence :

He *may have read* the book

- (A) might not have read (B) may not have read
(C) might not read (D) may not has read

60. Out of the set of following four sentences, only one is correctly punctuated. Choose the correct sentence :

- (A) Oh, how lovely! To go to Thekkady in September
(B) Oh! How lovely to go to Thekkady in September
(C) Oh? How lovely? To go to Thekkady in September?
(D) Oh how lovely? To go to Thekkady this September

61. Choose the three-letter-word and insert in the brackets that can be suffixed by all of the letters on the left :

- CL (CL) B (CL) G (---) F (----) ~~CL~~
D (CL) H (CL)
(A) ONE (B) EAR (C) ILL (D) ELL

62. Six words are given below. Find the pair of words that you believe to be closest in meaning :

- (1) Travel (2) Highway (3) Far (4) Distance
(5) Absent (6) Remote
(A) (1) and (2) (B) (2) and (3) (C) (3) and (6) (D) (3) and (4)

63. Six words are given below. Choose the pair of words which you believe to be opposite in meaning :

- (1) Perform (2) Continue (3) Conclude (4) Intervene
(5) Alter (6) Commence
(A) (4) and (6) (B) (3) and (6) (C) (2) and (5) (D) (1) and (5)

64. Some of the following commonly used words are misspelled. Find the word/words which are correctly spelled :

- (1) Repitition (2) Paralell (3) Messenger (4) Recomendation
(5) Correspondance (6) Passanger (7) Sincearly (8) Millenium
(9) Beginning (10) Micellaneous
(A) (2) and (7) (B) (5) and (6) (C) (5), (7) and (10) (D) (9)

65. Four meanings of the idiom 'to get into hot waters' are given, of which only one is correct. Pick out the correct meaning :

- (A) to enter waters heated by the sun
(B) to enter into heated argument with someone
(C) to get into trouble
(D) to be so impatient as to take bath with hot water

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66. In the sentence given below one word has been italicized. Some of the meanings of the italicized word are also given. Read the sentence carefully and find out which meaning the italicized word has in the sentence :
 'I collected this *curious* fossil from Ariyallur in Tamil Nadu'.
 (A) Having or showing too much interest in the affairs of others
 (B) Strange or unusual
 (C) Eager to know or learn
 (D) Rare
67. Fill in the blank space by picking out the preposition from the choices given below :
 The warden noted that every student had to abide _____ the rules and regulations of the college hostel.
 (A) with ✓ (B) in (C) by (D) up
68. Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?
 (1) A disease that spreads by contact - contagious
 (2) That which cannot be seen through - opaque
 (3) Animals that live in water - marine animals
 (4) A word which can be interpreted in many ways - ambiguous
 (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) 4
69. What is an 'antonym'?
 (A) A word of similar meaning (B) A word of the same meaning
 (C) A word of opposite meaning ✓ (D) A word of related meaning
70. If you add together the number of sides of a triangle, a pentagon, a hexagon and an octagon, how many sides would you have totally?
 (A) 28 (B) 24 (C) 22 (D) 20
71. Choose the one word which you think correct from the four words to fill up the blank :
 Nurse is to Doctor as Secretary is to _____.
 (A) Office ✓ (B) Desk (C) Dentist (D) Executive
72. Three out of the following four words are of a particular kind. Choose the word that does not belong to the group :
 (A) Cone (B) Circle (C) Sphere ✓ (D) Cylinder
73. Which among the four whole numbers (greater than 1) does not divide evenly into all of the nine three-digit numbers : 111, 222, 333, 444, 555, 666, 777, 888 and 999
 (A) 12 ✓ (B) 37 (C) 111 (D) 3
74. Complete the next two terms in the following series :
 AOZ, BOY, COX, DOW, _____, _____
 (A) FOV, GOU (B) GOT, UOF (C) EOY, FOU ✓ (D) TOG, UON
75. Four of the following towns are alike in certain way. Which is the one not like the other three?
 (A) Gangtok (B) Raipur (C) Madurai ✓ (D) Chennai

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In the sentence given below one word has been italicized. Some of the meanings

of the italicized Word are also given. Read the sentence carefully and find out which meaning the italicized Word has in the sentence :

'I collected this curious fossil from Ariyallui" in Talnil Nadu'.

(A) Having or showing much interest in the affairs of others (B) Strange or unusual

(C) Eager to know or learn

(D) Rare

Fill in the blank space by picking out the preposition from the choices given below : The warden noted that every student had to abide by the rules and

(A) with (B) in (C) by (D) up

Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

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Choose the one word which you think correct from the four words to fill up the blank

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(A) 12 (B) 37 (C) 111 (D) 37 - Complete the next two terms in the following series : AOZ, BOY, QOX, DOW, - 1 1 1,

76. All except one of the following words have three things in common. Which is the exception?
 (A) Gauging (B) Treatment (C) Effervescence (D) Memorandum
77. Arrange the following ten words in the order they appear in a dictionary and identify the word that will come fifth in the correct sequence :
 (1) quadrennial (2) quotient (3) quotation (4) quadruped
 (5) quiescent (6) quadrant (7) question (8) quartile
 (9) quantum (10) quandary
 (A) quantum (B) quadruped (C) quadrant (D) quotation
78. Which of the following groups of numbers will add to 1000?
 (A) 136, 631, 233 (B) 264, 236, 540 (C) 546, 264, 292 (D) 192, 233, 755
79. Four of the following five words are alike in a certain way and so form a group. Which is the one that does not belong to that group :
 (1) America (2) Asia (3) Antarctica (4) Australia
 (5) Europe
 (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) 5
80. Three of the following four sentences have a common property. Find the odd one :
 (A) Was it a car or a cat I saw (B) Madam, I'm Adam
 (C) Some men interpret nine memos (D) The lowest floor is empty
81. On the extreme left hand side an address is given. Find out the column in which the address is correctly entered in all respects as in the left hand column. If there is no column mark D :

	A	B	C
Smitha Menon, Apartment 369, Ranjini Mansion, Third Cross Street, Nagapatinam, Tamil Nadu, 639218.	Smitha Menon Appartment 369, Renjini Mansion, Third Cross Street, Nagapatnam, Tamil Nadu, 632918.	Smitha Menon Apartment 369, Ranjini Mansion, Third Cross Street, Nagapatinam, Tamil Nadu, 639218.	Smitha Menon Apartment 396, Ranjini Mansion, Third Cross Street, Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu, 639281.
82. Find the row in which both the names and numbers are same in all the columns (from 1 to 3) :

	1	2	3
(A) Jagadeesh Shankar 61390274578	Jagadeesh Shankar 61390724578	Jagadeesh Sankar 61930247578	
(B) Jagadeesh Shankar 61390274578	Jagadeesh Shankar 61390274578	Jagadeesh Shankar 61390274578	
(C) Jagadeesh Shankar 61390724578	Jagadeesh Sankar 61930247578	Jagadeesh Shankar 61390274758	
(D) Jagadeesh Shankar 61390275478	Jagadeesh Shankar 61390274578	Jagadeesh Sankhar 63190274578	
83. Thomas multiplied 781 by a certain number and obtained 53779 as his answer. If both the sevens in the answer are wrong, but the other figures are right, find the correct answer :
 (A) 53889 (B) 53549 (C) 54903 (D) 53449

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word that will come fifth in the correct sequence :

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quiescent (6) quadrant (7) question (8) quartile (9) quantum (10)
quandary (A) quantulum (B) quadruped (C) quadrant (D) quotation '78.

Which of the following groups of numbers will add to 1000?

(A) 13.6, 631, 233 I, (B) 264, 236, (G) 543x64, 292 (D) 102, 233, 755
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one that does not belong to that group : I

(D) America (2) Asia Antarctica (4) Australia (5) Europe L . (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3

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Smiths. Menon, Apartment 369, Ranjini Mansion,

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Smitha Menon . Smitha Manon, Smitha Menon Apartment 869, I"
Apartment 369,, Apartment 396, Renjini Mansion, 'Ranjini_ Mansion, --
Ranjini Mansion,

Third Cross Street,

82. Find the row in which both the names and numbers are same in all the columns (from 1 to 3) :

83. 781 by a certain number and obtained 5877 9 as his answer. If both the
sevens in the answer are Wrong, but the other figures are right, find
the correct answer :

(A) 58889

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