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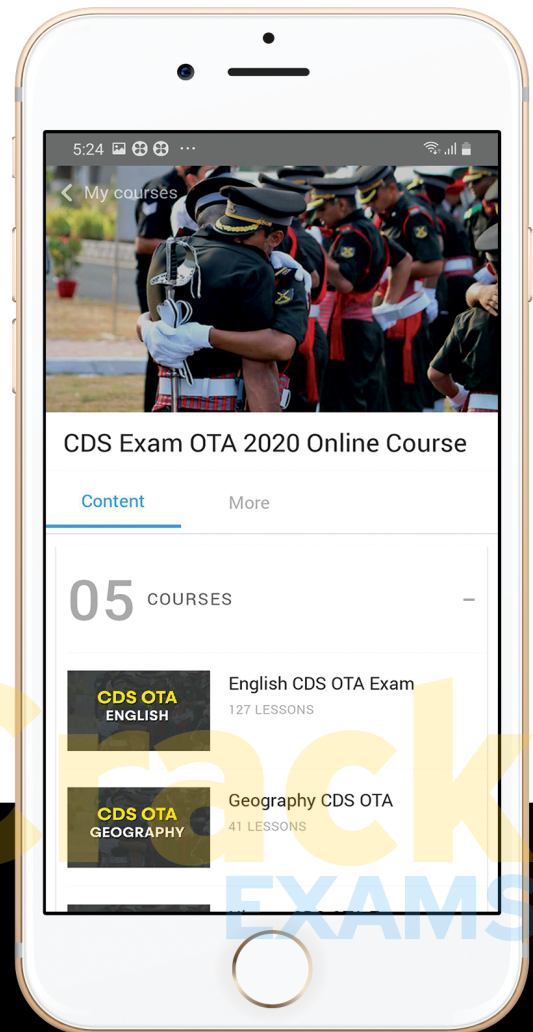
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PAPER: 2. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & ENGLISH

PART I : GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

Q1. Kanchenjunga is the highest mountain peak in India. It is situated on the border between

- (a) India and Pakistan (b) India and China (c) India and Nepal (d) India and Bhutan

Answer: (c)

The Kangchenjunga is the highest mountain peak in India and ranked 3rd highest summit in the world with elevation of 8,586 m (28,169 ft). Kangchenjunga is located at the border of India and Nepal which is located in the great Himalayas range in Sikkim of India.

Q2. Who was the first and the last woman ruler of Delhi?

- (a) Chand Bibi (b) Noor Jahan (c) Razia Sultan (d) Mumtaz Mahal

Answer: (c)

Ilutmish became the first sultan to appoint a woman as his successor when he designated his daughter Razia as his heir apparent. Razia was the first and last female ruler of Delhi Sultanate (reigning from 1236 to 1240).

Q3. The standard meridian of India is

- (a) 82 degrees 30' E (b) 84 degrees 30' E (c) 72 degrees 30' E (d) 92 degrees 30' E

Answer: (a)

The 82-degree 30' East longitude is taken as Standard Time Meridian of India, as it passes through the middle of India (Mirzapur in Uttar Pradesh). GMT + 05:30 is the Indian Standard Time.

Q4. The lowest layer of earth's atmosphere is

- (a) Troposphere (b) Exosphere (c) Mesosphere (d) Stratosphere

Answer: (a)

The lowest layer of earth's atmosphere is Troposphere which is from 0 km to 12 km (0 to 7 miles).

Q5. The 15th Governor of RBI, Dr Manmohan Singh went on to become the 13th Prime Minister of India.

The present RBI Governor is

- (a) D Subbarao (b) Raghuram Rajan (c) Bimal Jalan (d) YV Reddy

Answer: (b)

The 15th Governor of RBI, Dr Manmohan Singh went on to become the 13th Prime Minister of India. The present RBI Governor is Raghuram Rajan. He is an Indian economist and an international academician. He was the 23rd Governor of the Reserve Bank of India who served between September 2013 and September 2016.

Q6. Rain drops are spherical due to

- (a) Viscosity of water (b) Surface tension
(c) Continuous evaporation (d) Air friction

Answer: (b)

Raindrops start to form in a roughly spherical structure due to the surface tension of water. This surface tension is the "skin" of the water droplets that makes the water molecules stick together. The cause of the surface tension is occurrence of weak hydrogen bonds between water molecules.

Q7. Soft water can be easily identified by its characteristic of

- (a) Being sweet in taste (b) Being light green in colour
(c) Forms lather with soap (d) Boils faster

Answer: (c)

Soft water is surface water that contains low concentrations of ions and in particular, it contains less amount of calcium and magnesium ions. Naturally, soft water occurs in the rainfall and the drainage basin of rivers where hard, impervious, and calcium-poor rocks are found.

Q8. Which of the following is responsible for 'Acid Rain'?

- (a) Smoke (b) Nitrogen (c) Dust (d) Sulphur dioxide

Answer: (d)

Acid rain is caused by the chemical reaction between compounds like sulphur dioxide and nitrogen oxides when they are released into the air. These substances can rise very high into the atmosphere, where they mix and react with water, oxygen, and other chemicals to form more acidic pollutants, known as acid rain.

Q9. The working principle of washing machine is

- (a) Gravity (b) Centrifugation (c) Dialysis (d) Reverse Osmosis

Answer: (b)

The principle behind the spinning of the wash tub in a washing machine is centrifugation. The force acting is called centrifugal force. The fast spinning of the clothes in the drum creates a large centrifugal force from centre to the edge of the drum, and the wet clothes are flung outwards to the drum edge and the water escapes through the drum holes.

Q10. Soil pH of acidic soil can be improved by

- (a) Adding Lime (b) Repeated ploughing (c) Adding Urea (d) Flooding

Answer: (c)

A pH of 7.0 is considered neutral. A pH value below 7.0 indicates that the soil is acidic, with lower values in pH, the acidity of the soil increases. A pH value above 7.0 indicates that the soil is alkaline (basic), with higher values in pH, the alkalinity of the soil increases.

Lime is a calcium-containing inorganic mineral composed primarily of oxides and hydroxide, usually calcium oxide and calcium hydroxide. The pH value of lime is 8.0 and the pH value of industrial lime water is 12.4 which is a base substance.

Ploughing is an agricultural process which is used to mix the soil.

Urea is a base substance which contains hydrogen and nitrogen ions. 7.05 is the pH value of urea.

Flood is a natural disaster.

On comparing all the option, urea though base, is close to acidic nature. Thus, option c is the correct answer.

Q11. Which is the hottest planet of our solar system

- (a) Venus (b) Pluto (c) Mars (d) Mercury

Answer: (a)

Mercury is the planet that is closest to the sun and therefore gets more heat energy directly from sun, but even it isn't the hottest. Venus is the second planet from the sun and has a temperature that is maintained at 462 degrees Celsius.

Any heat that Mercury receives from the sun is quickly lost back into space. Venus is very close to the actual size of earth and viewing it has been difficult due to a very thick atmosphere of carbon dioxide. This thick atmosphere makes the surface of Venus hotter because the heat doesn't escape back into space.

Q12. The largest Gland in the body is

- (a) Gall Bladder (b) Liver (c) Pancreas (d) Brain

Answer: (b)

Liver is the largest gland in human body. It is also the largest (internal) organ in our body and can weigh up to 1.5 kg - 1.6 kg for a human adult. That is, about 1/50th of the body weight is because of liver.

Q13. Which of the following is NOT a radioactive material

- (a) Uranium (b) Radium (c) Plutonium (d) Sodium

Answer: (d)

Sodium is a chemical element with the symbol Na (from Latin natrium) and atomic number 11. It is a soft, silvery-white, and highly reactive metal. It is a salt chemically.

Rest of the materials in the option are radioactive materials because they have unstable nucleus and isotopes.

Q14. Light year is a unit of measurement of

- (a) Time (b) Distance (c) Brightness of a star (d) Speed of light

Answer: (b)

A light-year is a unit of distance. It is the distance that light can travel in one year. Light moves at a velocity of about 300,000 kilometres (km) each second. So, in one year, it can travel about 10 trillion km.

Q15. One feels heavier in a lift when the lift

- (a) Is going down steadily (b) Just begins to go up
(c) Is moving up steadily (d) Descends freely

Answer: (b)

One feels heavier in a lift when the lift just begins to go up.

This is because the floor needs to push you extra hard to make you start moving up, that makes you feel heavier. When the elevator stops speeding up and moves at a constant speed, the floor doesn't need to you to speed up anymore, so you feel your normal weight.

Q16. Facebook was founded in the year 2004 by

- (a) Bill Gates (b) Mark Zuckerberg (c) Steve Jobs (d) Jan Koum

Answer: (b)

The origins of Facebook have been in dispute since the very week a 19-year-old Mark Zuckerberg launched the site as a Harvard sophomore on February 4, 2004. Then the so-called site "thefacebook.com," was an instant hit.

Q17. Navroz celebration is associated with

- (a) Assamese New Year (b) Parsi New Year (c) Ladakhi New Year (d) Telugu New Year

Answer: (b)

Navroz is a New Year celebration for Parsis which is held on March 21 every year, followers of Zoroastrianism and various sects of Muslim, both Shias and Sunnis. Originated in Ancient Persia (Iran),

Navroz is now celebrated in more than 17 countries, each in their own way. In India, it is known as Jamshed Navroz.

Q18. Birth place of Lord Gautam Buddha is

- (a) Lumbini (b) Sarnath (c) Bodh Gaya (d) Vaishali

Answer: (a)

Siddhartha Gautama, the Lord Buddha, was born in 632 B.C. in the famous gardens of Lumbini, which soon became a place of pilgrimage. The site is now being developed as a Buddhist pilgrimage centre, where the archaeological remains associated with the birth of the Lord Buddha form a central feature.

Q19. The term Exhumation refers to

- (a) Spray of insecticide (b) Medically re-examining a body that has been buried
(c) Anti malaria precautions (d) Cleaning of Carbon from car exhaust pipe

Answer: (b)

The action of digging up something buried, especially a corpse. It also refers to revive or restore or bring to light after being neglected for a period of time.

Q20. The acid is gastric juice is

- (a) Acetic Acid (b) Nitric Acid (c) Hydrochloric acid (d) Sulphuric Acid

Answer: (c)

Gastric acid, gastric juice, or stomach acid, is a digestive fluid formed in the stomach and is composed of hydrochloric acid (HCl), potassium chloride (KCl), and sodium chloride (NaCl).

Q21. Which of the following is NOT caused by a virus

- (a) AIDS (b) Arthritis (c) Swine Flu (d) Dengue Fever

Answer: (b)

Arthritis is inflammation of one or more of your joints. The main symptoms of arthritis are joint pain and stiffness, which typically worsen with age. The most common types of arthritis are osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis.

Q22. Mango and guava plants are best propagated through

- (a) Stem Cuttings (b) Layering (c) Grafting (d) Tissue Culture

Answer: (b)

Mango and guava plants are best propagated through Layering.

In layering method, a branch of the plant is pulled towards the ground and a part of it is covered with moist soil leaving the tip of the branch exposed above the ground.

Q23. A rank in the Air Force which is equivalent of the rank of Colonel in the Army is

- (a) Group Captain (b) Commandant (c) Admiral (d) Commodore

Answer: (a)

A rank in the Air Force which is equivalent of the rank of Colonel in the Army is Group Captain.

Group captain is a senior commissioned rank in many air forces. Group captain has a NATO rank code of OF-5, meaning that it ranks above wing commander, immediately below air commodore and is the equivalent of the naval rank of captain and the rank of colonel in other services.

Q24. Malala Yousafzai, a Nobel laureate was shot by Taliban to silence her fight against

- (a) Right to sing in public (b) Child labour
(c) Right to girl education (d) Child marriage

Answer: (c)

Malala Yousafzai, a Nobel laureate was shot by Taliban to silence her fight against Right to girl education. She fought for the rights for girls that even women can be educated equally to men.

Q25. The author of world's famous Harry Potter series is

- (a) Arundhati Roy (b) JK Rowling (c) Taslima Nasrin (d) Salman Rushdie

Answer: (b)

J.K. Rowling is best known as the British author of the Harry Potter series, the bestselling book series in history with more than 400 million copies sold and one of the most popular movie series of all time. The book is a fantasy fiction which is about a boy named Harry Potter.

Q26. The term Hypoxia refers to

- (a) Lack of sleeps (b) Lack of Oxygen
(c) Injury due to extreme cold (d) Loss of memory

Answer: (b)

Hypoxemia refers to low level of oxygen in blood, and the more general term hypoxia is an abnormally low oxygen content in any tissue or organ, or the body as a whole. Hypoxemia can cause hypoxia (hypoxemic hypoxia), but hypoxia can also occur via other mechanisms, such as anemia.

Q27. Mc Mahon Line demarcates the boundary between

- (a) India and Pakistan (b) India and Nepal (c) India and China (d) India and Bhutan

Answer: (c)

The McMahon Line is a demarcation line drawn on map referred in the Simla Convention, a treaty between Britain and Tibet signed in 1914. Although, its legal status is disputed, it is currently the effective boundary between China and India.

Q28. A nuclear reactor is a device to produce nuclear energy with the help of

- (a) Nuclear fusion (b) Uncontrolled chain reaction
(c) Controlled chain reaction (d) Graphite as fuel

Answer: (c)

A boiling water reactor uses ^{235}U , enriched as uranium dioxide, as its fuel. The fuel is assembled into rods housed in a steel vessel that is submerged in water. The nuclear fission causes the water to boil, generating steam. The steam is used in the generation of electricity.

The nuclear power plants use controlled chain reaction because the uncontrolled chain reaction which is used in nuclear weapons will cause huge amount of destruction to the surroundings.

Q29. Which one of the following High Courts has the territorial jurisdiction over Andaman and Nicobar Island

- (a) Andhra Pradesh (b) Calcutta (Kolkata) (c) Madras (Chennai) (d) Odisha

Answer: (b)

Calcutta (Kolkata) is the High Courts has the territorial jurisdiction over Andaman and Nicobar Island.

Q30. World Bank helps countries with loans for the purpose of

- (a) Reconstruction and development (b) Stimulating private investment
(c) Tracking foreign exchange crises (d) Meeting deficits in government budget

Answer: (a)

The World Bank provides financial support and advice to its member countries to help them fight poverty. Unlike commercial banks, the World Bank lends at little or no interest to countries that are unable to raise money for development anywhere else.

Q31. Who was the founder of Maurya dynasty

- (a) Chandragupta II (b) Chandragupta Maurya (c) Vishnugupta (d) Ashoka

Answer: (b)

In the wake of the death of Alexander, the Great in 323 BCE, Chandragupta (or Chandragupta Maurya), founder of the Mauryan dynasty.

The Maurya Empire was a geographically-extensive Iron Age historical power based in Magadha and founded by Chandragupta Maurya which dominated the Indian subcontinent between 322 and 187 BCE. Comprising the majority of South Asia, the Maurya Empire was centralized by the conquest of the Indo-Gangetic Plain, and its capital city was located at Pataliputra (modern Patna).

Q32. Cloudy nights are warmer than clear nights because

- (a) Clouds prevent escape of heat from the ground
(b) Absorb sunlight during the day and radiate the same at night
(c) Clouds make the atmosphere damp and generate heat
(d) Clouds obstruct the movement of air which creates heat

Answer: (a)

A cloudy night is warmer than a clear night, due to the fact that the sun heats up the land during the day time, at night time, all the heat goes away into the atmosphere. But when it is cloudy, the clouds insulate the warmth, causing it to be warmer.

Q33. Rainbow is formed due to a combination of

- (a) Refraction and absorption of light in water droplets
(b) Reflection, refraction and dispersion of light in water droplets
(c) Refraction and scattering of light in water droplets
(d) Dispersion and total internal reflection of light in water droplets

Answer: (b)

A rainbow is a meteorological phenomenon that is caused by reflection, refraction, and dispersion of light in water droplets resulting in a spectrum of light appearing in the sky. It takes the form of a multi-coloured circular arc. Rainbows caused by sunlight which always appear in the section of sky directly opposite the sun.

Q34. What do the airbags, used for safety in cars contain?

- (a) Sodium bicarbonate (b) Sodium azide (c) Sodium nitrite (d) Sodium peroxide

Answer: (b)

The driver-side airbag would contain a canister containing about 50 grams of sodium azide. Because vehicles change speed so quickly in a crash, airbags must inflate rapidly to reduce the risk of the occupant hitting the vehicle's interior.

Sodium azide decomposes at 300°C. It doesn't need air and it decomposes on its own. Sodium azide that is used in air bags, inflates on any mechanical shock (accident). Nitrogen is the gas that is produced in this explosion. However, nitrogen gas is safest being inert.

Q35. With reference to human nutrition consider the following statements

- (a) Banana is richer source of carbohydrates than apples
(b) Banana contains some amount of protein also
(c) Spinach has no protein at all
(d) Potatoes are richer sources of protein than peas

- (a) (i) and (ii) (b) (ii), (iii) and (iv) (c) (i), (iii) and (iv) (d) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)

Answer: (a)

Banana is richer source of carbohydrates than apples and Banana contains some amount of protein which is also referring to the human nutrition.

Q36. The yellow colour of urine is due to the presence of

- (a) Bile (b) Lymph (c) Cholesterol (d) Urobilin or Urochrome

Answer: (d)

Urine color generally ranges from a pale-yellow color to deep amber. This coloring is primarily caused by the pigment urochrome, also known as urobilin.

Q37. Which of the following is one of the best solutions to get rid of non-biodegradable waste

- (a) Recycling (b) Burying waste (c) Burning waste (d) All of the above

Answer: (a)

Recycling is the process of converting waste materials into new materials and objects. It is an alternative to "conventional" waste disposal that can save material and help to lower greenhouse gas emissions. Recycling can prevent the waste of potentially useful materials and reduce the consumption of fresh raw materials, thereby reducing energy usage, air pollution (from incineration), and water pollution (from landfilling).

Q38. Zika virus or Zika fever is spread through

- (a) Contaminated water (b) Mosquito bite (c) Contaminated food (d) Chicken and eggs

Answer: (b)

It is spread by daytime-active Aedes mosquitoes, such as A. aegypti and A. albopictus. Its name comes from the Ziika Forest of Uganda, where the virus was first isolated in 1947. Zika virus is related to dengue, yellow fever, Japanese encephalitis, and West Nile viruses.

Q39. Virat Kohli became the first Indian cricketer to score a century in World Cup against

- (a) South Africa (b) Australia (c) West Indies (d) Pakistan

Answer: (d)

Virat Kohli became the first Indian cricketer to score a century in World Cup against Pakistan. He played in every match of India's successful World Cup campaign. He scored an unbeaten 100, his fifth ODI century, in the first match against Bangladesh and became the first Indian batsman to score a century on World Cup debut.

Q40. 'World Cancer Day' is observed on

- (a) 19 February (b) 4 February (c) 12 February (d) 17 January

Answer: (b)

World Cancer Day is an international day marked on February 4 to raise awareness of cancer and to encourage its prevention, detection, and treatment.

Q41. Which of the following is a chemical change

- (a) Heating of iron to red hot (b) Magnetization of iron pieces
(c) Rusting of iron (d) All of above

Answer: (c)

Rust is another name for iron oxide, which occurs when iron or an alloy that contains iron, like steel, is exposed to oxygen and moisture for a long period of time. Over time, the oxygen combines with the

metal at an atomic level, forming a new compound called an oxide and weakening the bonds of the metal itself.

Q42. Regarding women in the early Vedic period, which of the following are correct

- (i) They were allowed to study (ii) They held good positions
(iii) They did not practice Purdah system (iv) They attended Sabha and Samiti
(a) (i) and (ii) (b) (iii) and (iv) (c) (ii) and (iii) (d) all of these

Answer: (d)

Regarding women in the early Vedic period, women were allowed to study and held good positions in society. They were not forced to undergo purdah system. They also attended Sabha and Samiti which means meeting or assemblies. Thus, option d is the correct answer.

Q43. The Rowlatt Act came into being in

- (a) March 1919 (b) June 1919 (c) March 1918 (d) June 1920

Answer: (a)

The Rowlatt Act came into effect in March 1919.

Rowlatt Act, was a legislative act passed by the Imperial Legislative Council in Delhi on 10 March 1919, indefinitely extending the emergency measures of preventive indefinite detention, incarceration without trial and judicial review enacted in the Defence of India Act 1915 during the First World War.

In the Punjab, the protest movement was very strong, and on 10 April two leaders of the congress, Dr. Satya Pal and Dr. Saifuddin Kitchlew, were arrested and taken secretly to Dharamsala.

Q44. The religion of early Vedic Aryans was primarily

- (a) Bhakti (b) Image worship and Yajnas
(c) Worship of nature and Yajnas (d) Worship of nature and Bhakti

Answer: (c)

The Ancient Aryans were highly religious but their religion was simple. They were impressed by the forces of nature such as the Sun, the Fire, the Wind, the Dawn, the Water, the Rain God Indra and Earth whom they worshipped as Gods. Every natural phenomenon was regarded as a separate God.

Yajna or Havana (burning incense) was the major part of their religious duty. The daily Yajnas were very simple and were performed by the family members themselves. Special care was taken in performing the Yajnas lest the Gods should get displeased.

Q45. Gandhiji's call for breaking Salt Law was in response to the

- (a) Non-Cooperation Movement (b) Civil Disobedience
(c) Khilafat Movement (d) Quit India Movement

Answer: (b)

Gandhiji's call for breaking Salt Laws was in response to the. Salt March marked the beginning of the Civil Disobedience Movement.

When Gandhi broke the salt laws at 6:30 am on 6 April 1930, it sparked large scale acts of civil disobedience against the British Raj salt laws (Taxation on salt) by millions of Indians.

Q46. Who was the winner of this year's French Open Men's Single title

- (a) Novak Djokovic (b) Andy Murray (c) M Bryan (d) F Lopez

Answer: (a)

Novak Djokovic was the winner of this year's French Open Men's Single title.

The French Open is an annual tennis tournament held over two weeks in May and June.

Novak Djokovic is a Serbian professional tennis player who is currently ranked world No. 1 in men's singles tennis by the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP).

Q47. MOSSAD is the intelligence agency of

- (a) Egypt (b) Israel (c) USA (d) Japan

Answer: (b)

The Israeli Intelligence Community which is made up of Aman (military intelligence), Mossad (overseas intelligence), and Shabak (internal security). Mossad is responsible for intelligence collection, covert operations, and counterterrorism. In contrast to the government and military, the goals, structure and powers of the Mossad are exempt from the constitutional laws of the State of Israel.

Q48. Which of the following paramilitary forces was the first force to raise an all-woman battalion in India.

- (a) ITBP (b) BSF (c) CRPF (d) CISF

Answer: (c)

Central Reserve Police Force was the first force to raise an all-woman battalion in India. The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) is India's largest Central Armed Police Force.

It functions under the authority of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) of the Government of India. The CRPF's primary role lies in assisting the State/Union Territories in police operations to maintain law and order and counter insurgency.

Q49. The atmosphere becomes thinner with increasing altitude. With no definite boundary between the atmosphere and the outer space, Karman Line is often used as a border, with a distance of

- (a) 100 KM from earth (b) 10 KM from earth (c) 500 KM from earth (d) 1000 KM from earth

Answer: (a)

The atmosphere becomes thinner with increasing altitude. With no definite boundary between the atmosphere and the outer space, Karman Line is often used as a border, with a distance of 100 KM from earth.

The Kármán line, or Karman line, is an attempt to define a boundary between Earth's atmosphere and outer space. This is important for legal and regulatory measures. The aircraft and spacecraft fall under different jurisdictions and are subject to different treaties.

Q50. Operation Meghdoot is related to

- (a) Siachen Glacier (b) Aksai Chin (c) Kutch (d) None of these

Answer: (a)

Operation Meghdoot was an Indian armed forces operation launched 33 years ago on 13 April 1984. Operation Meghdoot was an operation launched by Indian Armed Forces to capture the Siachen Glacier in Kashmir.

The Siachen Glacier became a bone of contention following a vague demarcation of territories in the Karachi Agreement of July 1949 which did not exactly specify who had authority over the Siachen Glacier area.



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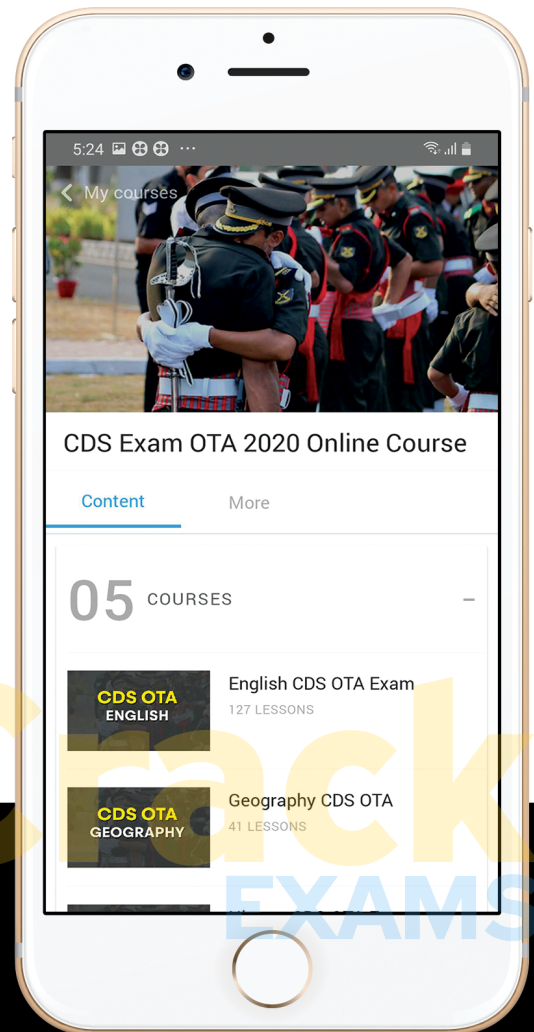
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PART II: ENGLISH

Analyse the contents of the passage and then answer the question that follow passage.

The artificial ways of inducing sleep are legion, and are only alike in their ineffectuality. In Lavengro there is an impossible character, a victim of insomnia, who finds that a volume of Wordsworth's poems is the only sure soporific, but that was Borrow's Malice. The famous old plan of counting sheep jumping over a stile has never served a turn. I have herded imaginary sheep until they insisted on turning themselves into white bears or blue pigs, and I defy any reasonable man to fall asleep while mustering a heard of stupid swine.

Q51. The author points out that

- (a) sleep can easily be included
- (b) the artificial means of inducing sleep are not good
- (c) artificial ways of inducing sleep are ineffective
- (d) artificial ways of inducing sleep are expensive

Answer: (c)

Yes, in the passage the author really points out that artificial ways of inducing sleep are ineffective.

Q52. According to the author the character in Lavengro

- (a) resorts to external aids to get some sleep
- (b) is an admirer of Wordsworth
- (c) spends sleepless nights reading Wordsworth
- (d) is an avid reader of poetry

Answer: (d)

An avid reader is a reader who is eager to get hold of latest releases or bestsellers in his favourite genres. The literary's quality of a book is the most important criteria for choosing to satisfy the reader's appetite for reading.

Q53. The author uses "impossible" for the character of Lavengro in the sense of

- (a) funny
- (b) unrealistic
- (c) queer
- (d) imaginary

Answer: (b)

George, the narrator, who is called "Lavengro," the Zingary gypsy word for "word master" or "philologist.", so called unrealistic.

Q54. Borrow's malice is most probably directed at

- (a) sleeplessness
- (b) the artificial ways of inducing sleep
- (c) Wordsworth's poetry
- (d) poetry in general

Answer: (c)

William Wordsworth was a major English Romantic poet who, with Samuel Taylor Coleridge, helped to launch the Romantic Age in English literature with their joint publication Lyrical Ballads.

Q55. In order to cure his insomnia, the writer

- (a) does a lot of reading
- (b) vainly tries to concentrate on imaginary situation
- (c) keeps a flock of sheep
- (d) counts sheep jumping over a stile

Answer: (b)

Vainly tries to concentrate on imaginary situations, rather than rereading the books or counting the flock of sheep.

Choose the word which best expresses nearly the same meaning of the given word

Q56. CONNOISSEUR

- (a) swindler (b) expert (c) informant (d) fugitive

Answer: (b)

It means a person who knows a lot about and enjoys one of the arts, or food, drink, etc. and can judge quality and skill in that subject:

Q57. INJUNCTION

- (a) order (b) coincidence
(c) shot of medic (d) meeting point of railway tracks

Answer: (a)

Since it means, an official order given by a law court, usually to stop someone from doing something.

Q58. SARDONIC

- (a) carelessly dressed (b) threatening (c) mocking (d) flirty

Answer: (c)

Since it means, humorous in an unkind way that shows you do not respect someone or something:

Q59. INCISIVE

- (a) Impressively direct (b) urgent (c) kind (d) doubtful

Answer: (a)

Since it means, expressing an idea or opinion in a clear and direct way that shows good understanding of what is important:

Q60. DEBILITATE

- (a) attack (b) weaken (c) destroy (d) kill

Answer: (b)

It means to make someone or something physically weak.

Q61. SANGUINE

- (a) Hopeful (b) clever (c) modest (d) loyal

Answer: (a)

Since it means, of someone or someone's character) positive and hoping for good things.

Q62. PROGNOSIS

- (a) Preface (b) Forecast (c) Suffer (d) Weakness

Answer: (b)

Since it means, a statement of what is judged likely to happen in the future, especially in connection with a particular situation:

Q63. ONEROUS

- (a) Awesome (b) Burdensome (c) Difficult (d) Easy

Answer: (c)

Since it means, difficult to do or needing a lot of effort:

Q64. PERFIDY

- (a) Deceit (b) Treachery (c) Conceit (d) Deceit

Answer: (b)

Since it means, behaviour that is not loyal.

Q65. INNATE

(a) Inborn (b) Unique (c) Imported (d) Essential

Answer: (a)

Since an innate quality or ability is one that you were born with, not one you have learned.

Choose the word which best expresses the opposite meaning of the underlined word in the sentences given below

Q66. The treaty was ratified by the heads of states

(a) annulled (b) set a side (c) destroyed (d) unsettled

Answer: (a)

Because it means (especially of governments or organizations) to make an agreement official. So, annulled is antonym.

Q67. He stood gazing at the serene expanse of the sea

(a) ruffled (b) clear (c) scenic (d) tranquil

Answer: (a)

Because it means, peaceful and calm or worried by nothing. So, ruffled is the antonym.

Q68. He looked elated on hearing the news

(a) depressed (b) exasperated (c) anxious (d) jubilant

Answer: (a)

Because it means extremely happy and excited, often because something has happened or been achieved. So, depressed is the antonym.

Q69. He is suffering from benign tumour

(a) infectious (b) malignant (c) contagious (d) encapsulated

Answer: (b)

Because it means, pleasant and kind: so malignant which means A malignant disease or growth is cancer or is related to cancer, and is likely to be harmful: is the antonym.

Q70. The indignation of the retreating taliban resulted in large scale killings

(a) orderliness (b) anger (c) happiness (d) displeasure

Answer: (c)

Because it means, angry because of something that is wrong or not fair. So, happiness is the antonym.

Fill in the blanks with appropriate words from the option given below

Q71. Krishan's horse is of an excellent _____

(a) brood (b) breed (c) stood (d) steed

Answer: (b)

A breed is defined as a group of horses with a common origin and possessing certain distinguishable characteristics that are transmitted to the offspring, such that the offspring possess the parents' characteristics.

Q72. Smoking _____ health

(a) kills (b) effects (c) rejects (d) affects

Answer: (d)

Rather than the word “kills”, we can use word the “affects”. As the health is cannot be killed it can only be affected because health defines the state of being.

Q73. This is a _____ on his character

- (a) blur (b) blot (c) spot (d) slur

Answer: (d)

Slur is the apt option because it means an insinuation or allegation about someone that is likely to insult them or damage their reputation.

Q74. The Christmas tree _____ with star and lights

- (a) encased (b) adorned (c) endowed (d) enticed

Answer: (b)

The word adorn means to add something decorative to a person or thing.

Q75. Slaves were freed from _____ only after they died

- (a) bondage (b) pilferage (c) arrangement (d) agreement

Answer: (a)

Bondage perfectly means the state of being another person's slave (a person who is owned by them and has to work for them).

In each of the following sentences find out which part of the sentence has an error

Q76. Children often (a) / quarrel on (b) / petty issues (c) /no error (d)

Answer: (b)

‘Quarrel over’ is correct and not ‘quarrel on’. Over is the correct **preposition** for the word quarrel.

Q77. My mathematics teacher(a)/often emphasises on(b /the need for a lot of practice (c) / no error (d)

Answer: (b)

We should not use “on” as preposition for the word emphasises. The correct preposition for the word emphasises is “in”. Thus, the (b) part has error.

Q78. Our laxity in duty (a) / increases with our (b) / aversion for work (c) / no error (d)

Answer: (c)

“aversion for work” must be changed to “aversion to work” because “to” is the appropriate preposition for the word aversion.

Q79. For nearly half a century he lived in that village, (a) / sharing the joys and sorrows of the people there (b) / but later he left the village and has not been heard of since (c) / no error (d)

Answer: (c)

Add ‘then’ after ‘since’.

Q80. He was accused for murder (a) / but the court found him not guilty (b) / and acquitted him (c) / no error (d)

Answer: (a)

The correct preposition is to be used here is ‘accused of murder’ we cannot use for as preposition in this sentence ‘accused for murder’.

Choose the best expression amongst multiple choices for a given idiom/proverb

Q81. A close shave

- (a) A clean shave (b) A lucky escape
(c) A narrow escape (d) A well-guarded secret

Answer: (c)

A narrow escape from danger is the best expression for given idiom/phrase.

Q82. All Agog

- (a) Everybody (b) Almighty (c) Restless (d) All ready

Answer: (c)

The word agog means with great excitement and interest. The word "Restless" is the appropriate meaning for this idiom.

Q83. A snake in the grass

- (a) Unrecognisable danger (b) Secret enemy
(c) Unforeseen happening (d) Ignorant person

Answer: (b)

Snake in the grass is can also be expressed as treacherous person or secret enemy. Though unrecognisable danger looks apt for this idiom, it cannot be used because this idiom is used to define a person and the word "danger" cannot be used to define a person.

Q84. To get cold feet

- (a) To run for life (b) To be afraid (c) To fall sick (d) To become angry

Answer: (b)

Cold indirectly meaning for being afraid or scared. Our body naturally gets cold while we are afraid of something, so here "to get cold feet" means "to be afraid".

Q85. Harp on

- (a) To comment (b) To criticize
(c) To keep on talking (d) To keep on insulting

Answer: (c)

"To keep on talking" is the meaning for the given idiom/phrase.

In each of the following questions, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given word/sentence

Q86. A short amusing story about some real person or event

- (a) Anecdote (b) Antidote (c) Tale (d) Allegory

Answer: (a)

The option a is the correct answer because the word "Anecdote" means, a short, often funny story, especially about something someone has done.

Q87. Custom of having many wives

- (a) Monogamy (b) Bigamy (c) Polygamy (d) Matrimony

Answer: (c)

The word "Polygamy" means the fact or custom of being married to more than one person at the same time.

Q88. Strong and settled dislike between two persons

- (a) Hatred (b) Antipathy (c) Animosity (d) Hatred

Answer: (b)

The word "Antipathy" means a feeling of strong dislike, opposition, or anger.

Q89. A song embodying religious and sacred emotions

- (a) Ballad (b) Lyrics (c) Ode (d) Hymn

Answer: (d)

The word "hymn" means a song of praise that Christians sing to God.

Q90. Act of killing one's wife

- (a) Avicide (b) Uxoricide (c) Genocide (d) Canicide

Answer: (b)

The word "uxoricide" means the crime of murdering one's wife.

Rearrange following parts of a sentence to form a meaningful sentence

Q91. A typical Saina Nehwal day

(P) or even a game of tennis

(Q) starts off

(R) on some days

(S) with an early morning workout

- (a) QSPR (b) QSRP (c) RPSQ (d) RSQP

Answer: (a)

Starts off with an early morning workout or even a game of tennis on some days; is the correct order.

Q92. Work is the one thing

(P) and without it

(Q) that is necessary

(R) to keep the world going

(S) we all should die

- (a) QPSR (b) RPQS (c) QRPS (d) SRPQ

Answer: (c)

"Work is the one thing that is necessary to keep the world going and without it we all should die", is the correct order of the sentence.

Q93. He reached his office at 10:00 am and

(P) no sooner

(Q) than there was a huge explosion

(R) had he got out of the car

(S) and it went up in flames

- (a) PQRS (b) RPSQ (c) RPQS (d) PRQS

Answer: (d)

"He reached his office at 10:00 am and no sooner had he got out of the car than there was a huge explosion and it went up in flames" which is correct sentence to be formed.

Q94. The boy

(P) with big blue eyes

(Q) watched him

(R) and he never said a word

(S) that had an uncanny cold fire in them

- (a) QPSR (b) PQRS (c) PQSR (d) QRPS

Answer: (a)

The boy watched him with big blue eyes that had an uncanny cold fire in them and he never said a word; is the correct sentence.

Q95. This is a letter
(P) from a young lady
(Q) who was lately wounded in a duel
(R) written in most passionate terms
(S) wherein she laments the misfortune of a gentleman

- (a) PRQS (b) PRSQ (c) RPQS (d) RPSQ

Answer: (b)

“This is a letter from a young lady written in most passionate terms wherein she laments the misfortune of a gentleman who was lately wounded in a duel”, is the correct form of the sentence.

For underlined part of sentence choose part of the sentence from given choices, to correct or improve it

Q96. His father won't be able to leave for Varanasi until they have arrived

- (a) until they arrive (b) until they will arrive
(c) until they will have arrived (d) no improvement

Answer: (a)

His father won't be able to leave for Varanasi until they arrived. The option a has the correct phrase.

Q97. What are needed are not large houses but small cottages

- (a) were (b) is (c) was (d) no improvement

Answer: (b)

What is needed are not large houses but small cottages. “Is” is the correct form of the verb which is need to be used.

Q98. I am sorry, but I don't believe what you say

- (a) I will not believe (b) I am not believing
(c) I will not be believing (d) no improvement

Answer: (d)

“I am sorry, but I don't believe what you say”, is a correct form of sentence which needs no improvement.

Q99. It is time the six years old is learning how to read and write

- (a) learnt (b) has learnt (c) was learning (d) no improvement

Answer: (a)

It is time the six years old learnt how to read and write. In this sentence, past is the required verb, thus learnt is the appropriate word for this sentence.

Q100. He plays cricket and tennis also

- (a) be sides (b) both (c) too (d) no improvement

Answer: (c)

He plays cricket and tennis too. We cannot use the word “also” in the end of sentence and both defines the same object, thus, “too” is used in this sentence.



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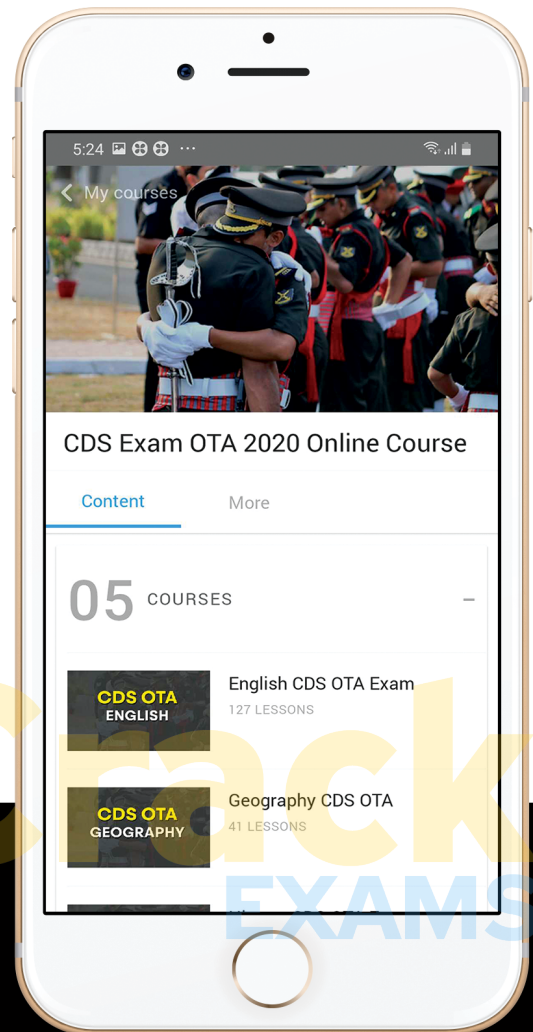
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