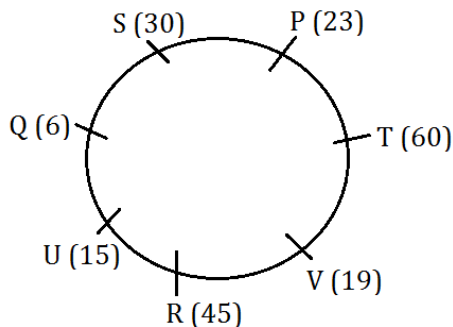


IBPS PO Mains 2019 : (Solutions)

REASONING ABILITY

Solutions (1-5):



1. (d); 2. (a); 3. (d);
4. (c); 5. (e);

Solutions (6-8):

Pages	Step I
90	18
120	24
270	54
300	60
330	66
315	105
231	77
567	189
399	133
525	175

Codes in ascending order- 22, 24, 30, 32, 38, 60, 66, 77, 105, 133, 175, 189

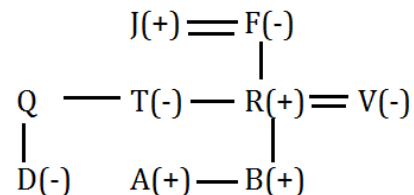
Books in store A-

Pages	Codes
231	22
90	24
315	30
120	32
399	38

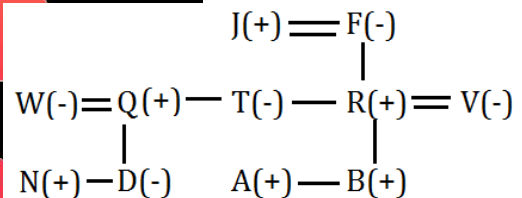
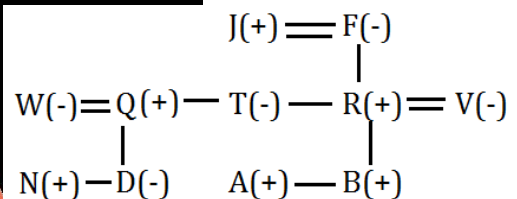
Books in store B-

Pages	Codes
525	50
567	54
270	72
300	80
330	88

6. (c); 7. (e); 8. (b);
9. (c); I: B#M (False) II: A%Y (False) III: Y@B (True)
10. (b); I: S#L (False) II: J#U (True) III: G@N (False)
11. (e);



12. (a);



Box	Color	Toffees
P		169
O	Black	
N	Red	
M	Pink	
L	Blue	104
K	White	
J		65
I	Green	52
H		
G	Yellow	
F		13
E		
D		

15. (b);

Box	Color	Toffees
		169
	Black	
	Red	
	Pink	
	Blue	104
	White	
J		65
	Green	52
	Yellow	
		13

16. (c);

Box	Color	Toffees
D		1
E	Black	
F	Red	
G	Pink	
H	Blue	1
I	White	
J		6
K	Green	5
L		
M	Yellow	
N		1
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P		

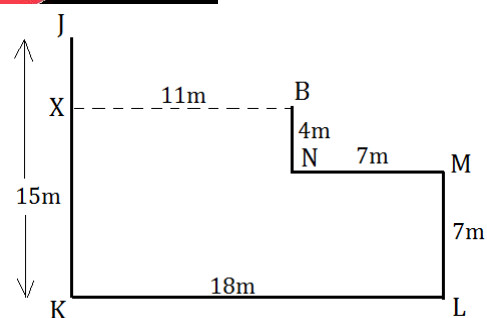
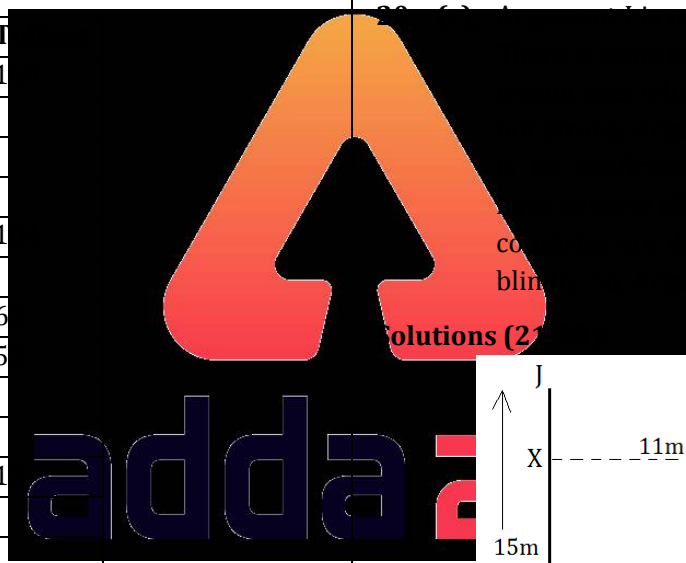
17. (d);

Box	Color	Toffees
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	Blue	104
	White	
J		65
	Green	52
	Yellow	
		13

18. (c); The exchange offer on furniture does not mean that there is no demand for furniture products. So, Assumption I is not implicit. The given advertisement is 'simplest' and 'cost effective', so Assumption II is also not implicit. Assumption III is implicit because some customers want to keep their home upto-date with reasonable cost and with less hassles and that is why that advertisement was given.

19. (b); From the statement, it is clear that there had been some serious incidents in that area, so the situation become tense and out of control. If people remain in their home, then they cannot go to their offices. So, Assumption I and II are implicit. It cannot be said that when it will be normal. So, Assumption III is not implicit.

20. (c); Argument I is strong due to the word 'only'. It shows which stop an individual to do what he wants. So, Argument II is strong because there is no evidence that such products are harmful on human body. What other argument is strong. We should not follow that blindly. Argument IV is not strong.



21. (b);

22. (b);

23. (d);

24. (d);

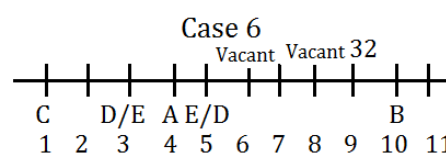
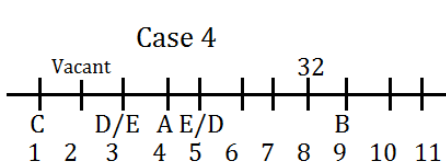
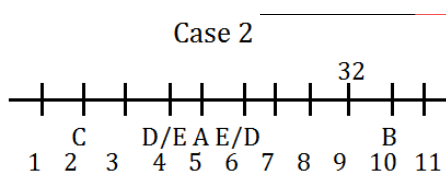
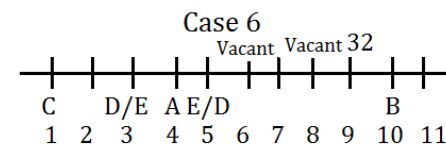
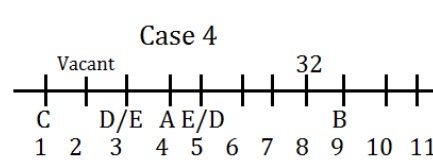
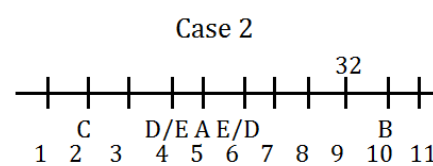
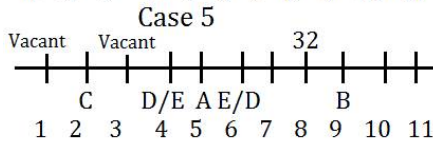
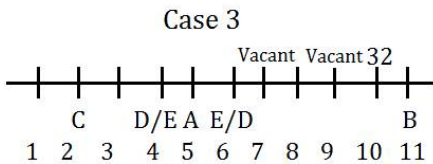
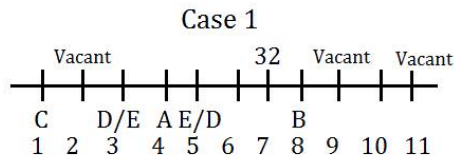
I II III IV V

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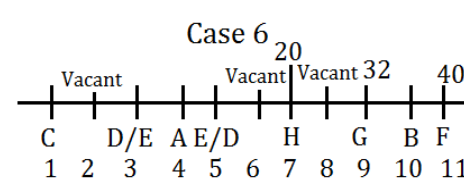
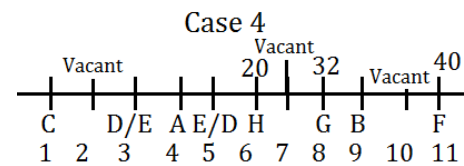
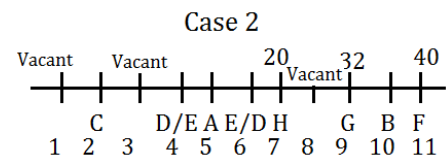
2) A C M Q X

3) I N O T W

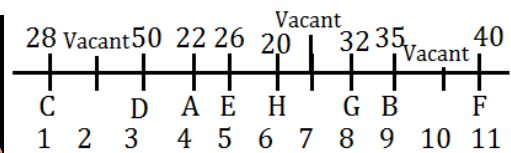
Solutions (25-29): Three persons sit between A and B. Person who is 32 years old sits immediate left of B. D and E are immediate neighbors of A whose seat number is less than 6. C sits 3rd to the left of A. No two vacant seats are placed adjacent to each other. Here, we get six possibilities i.e. Case 1, Case 2, Case 3, Case 4, Case 5 and Case 6.



H sits immediate left of one of the vacant seats. One person sits between G and F who is 40 years old. Here, Case 1, Case 3 and Case 5 are ruled out. Age of H is half the age of the person who sits at seat number 11.



Sum of the age of D and G is 82. Do, D's age will be 50. B is as many years older than H as younger than D. So, B's age will be 35. Persons whose age are 26 and 28 years sit at odd numbered seats. Here, Case 2 is ruled out. D sits left of the person whose age is 22 years and right of the person whose age is 28 years. No vacant seat is between H and the person whose age is 22 years. Here, Case 6 is ruled out. So, the final arrangement will be :-



35. (b);
(e);

27. (c);

Designation	Person	City
GM	C	Hyderabad
AGM	F	Pune
CEO	D	Pune
Manager	A	Pune
Assistant Manager	H	Hyderabad
PO	B	Delhi
Clerk	E	Pune
Sub Staff	G	Delhi

$$B(+) = D(-) \quad F(+) = C(-)$$

$$H(+) = E(-) \quad A(+) = G(-)$$

30. (a);

31. (a);

32. (e);

33. (b);

34. (c);

35. (d); For I- This course of action should be taken as a measure to prevent the students from becoming victims of deadly online game as by introducing a separate chapter on "Responsible use of Internet," in school syllabus students may get to know about the proper use of internet.

For II- This is also a preventive course of action as by issuing warning against sharing of game will stop further spreading of this deadly game.

For III- This is also a preventive course of action as an awareness programme against playing such "dangerous" online games is an essential step that should be taken to prevent further spread of the game through sharing.

For IV- The conduction of the workshop by the state government in different schools to counsel students on the danger of playing games like Blue Whale will also be a preventive course of action as a measure to prevent the students from this deadly game.

36. (a); Inference is something which can be drawn from the facts stated in the statement.

For I- This statement can be inferred from the given statement because it is mentioned in the given statement that it is their first substantive meeting post the 73-day Doklam face-off. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping held "constructive" talks.

For II- This statement can be inferred from the given statement as it is mentioned in the given statement that both sides agreed on an approach which is all about maintaining peace and stability in the border areas was a pre-requisite for development of India-China relations.

For III- This statement can be inferred from the given statement as it is mentioned in the given statement that the concern within the government was to ensure last-mile delivery of projects.

37. (c); **For I-** This statement can be inferred from the given statement as it is mentioned in the given statement that the Modi government overhauled the cabinet on job growth.

For II- This statement can be hypothesized from the given statement as this reshuffles and expansions can be categorized as calculative or a strategic step as it is clearly mentioned in the given statement that 2019 Lok Sabha polls drawing near, the concern within the government was to ensure last-mile delivery of projects.

For III- This statement can be hypothesized from the given statement as the agenda behind this reshuffle will be coming 2019 Lok Sabha showdown which is also mentioned in the given statement that 2019 Lok Sabha polls drawing near, the concern within the government was to ensure last-mile delivery of projects.

Solutions (38-40):

Logic-

Step I- Only first and last letter of each word have been interchanged.

Step II- For words having even numbered letters- middle two letters are picked and add 1 in the number of letters.

For words having odd numbered letters- Both extreme letters are picked and subtracts 1 in in the number of letters.

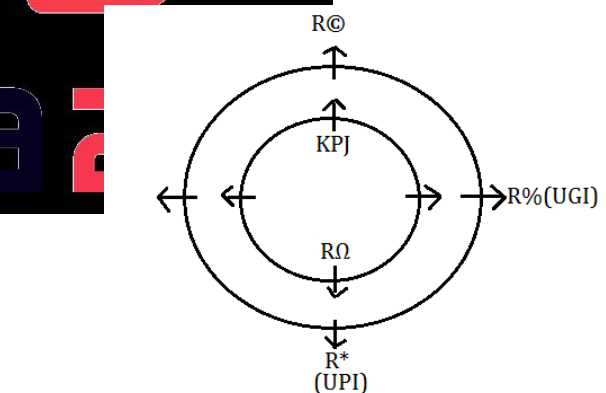
Step III- Replace odd number by # and even number by @. Replace vowel by next letter and consonant by previous letter.

Step IV- Pick second letter from left from the letters having # and first letter from left from the letters having @.

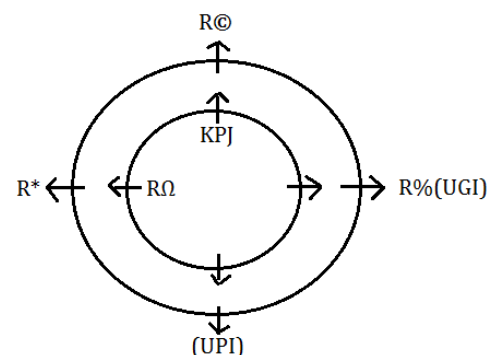
Phrase	Step I	Step II	Step III	Step IV
recover	recover			
that	that	rr6 ha5	qq@ gb#	bj# qf@
device	eevicd	vi7 ei4	uj# fj@	
issue	essui			

40. (c);

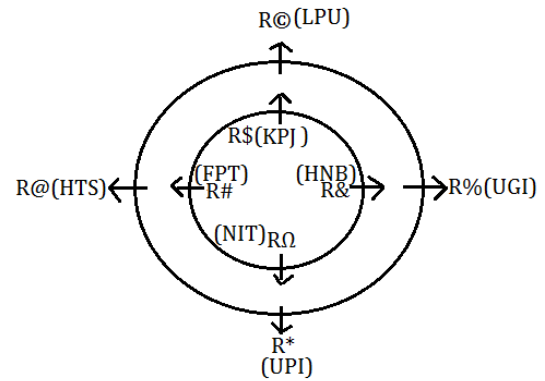
From the given statements, R% who is opposite to the one who sits at the top sits just behind the R*. So, we have two cases. case1 and case2. The one who sits just behind the R@. The one who sits just behind the one who sits just behind the one who is graduated from UPI.



CASE 2



RΩ sits at the immediate right of R&. R& sits just behind the one who is graduated from UGI. So, case 2 gets eliminated here. The persons who are graduated from FPT and HNB are sitting on the same table and sit opposite to each other which means these persons are sitting on the inner table. R& is not graduated from FPT. The one who is graduated from HTS sits at the immediate left of the one who is graduated from LPU which means R@ is graduated from HTS, R@ is graduated from LPU and RΩ is graduated from NIT. R\$ is not graduated from FPT which means R\$ is graduated from KPJ and R# from FPT. So, the final arrangement is:



41. (a); 42. (e); 43. (b);
44. (d); 45. (c);

QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

Solutions (46-50):

TOY A:

Battery available = 1200 units

Battery in operation = 11:00 - 9:00

$4\text{NM} + 3\text{HR} = 1 \text{ unit}$

$4800 \text{ NM} + 3600 \text{ HR} = 1200 \text{ units}$

To find per minute NM & HR,

which battery remained in operation

$40 \text{ NM/min} + 30 \text{ HR/min} = 10 \text{ units}$

NM (A) = 40 per min

HR (A) = 30 per min

TOY B:

NM (B) = 30 per min

HR (B) = 20 per min

$3\text{NM} + 2\text{HR} = 1 \text{ unit}$

Battery available = 1500 units

$4500 \text{ NM} + 3000 \text{ HR} = 1500 \text{ units}$

Since we know per min HR & NM, dividing total HR by HR/min we can find time for which battery remains operational

Battery in operation = 150 min = 2.5 hrs

TOY C:

NM (C) = 45 per min

HR (C) = 30 per min

Battery capacity = 2400 units

Battery available = 1440 units

$3\text{NM} + 2\text{HR} = 1 \text{ unit}$

$4320 \text{ NM} + 2880 \text{ HR} = 1440 \text{ unit}$

Since we know per min HR & NM, dividing total HR by HR/min we can find time for which battery remains operational

Battery in operation = 96 min = 1 hr 36 min

	Total Battery (units)	Available Battery (units)	NM (per min)	HR (per min)	Battery Operational Time (hrs)
A	1500	1200	40	30	2 (120 min)

B	2000	1500	30	20	2.5 (150 min)
			45	30	1.6 (96 min)

46.

unit
HR = 1500 units
time, divide total NM by per min
30 min
Time
TOY
3NM
unit
HR = 2000 units
time, divide total NM by per min
100 min
Difference = 200 - 150 = 50 min

47. (b); total NM = $45 \times 96 = 4320$
Total HR = $30 \times 96 = 2880$
Required difference = $4320 - 2880 = 1440$
48. (b); $3\text{NM} + 2\text{HR} = 1 \text{ unit}$
 $3 \times 0.1 + 2\text{HR} = 1$
HR = 0.35 unit
49. (e); total NM/min = $40 + 30 + 45 = 115$
Total HR/min = $30 + 20 + 30 = 80$
Required % = $\frac{115-80}{80} \times 100 = 43.75\%$
50. (d); $3\text{NM} + 2\text{HR} = 1 \text{ unit}$
 $7200 \text{ NM} + 4800 \text{ HR} = 2400 \text{ unit}$
For operational time, divide total NM by per min NM
Time = $\frac{7200}{45} = 160 \text{ min or } 2\text{hr } 40 \text{ min}$
Required time = $9:00 + 2:40 = 11:40 \text{ AM}$

51. (a); Increased sales amount of company X in 2012
 $= 24000 \times \frac{120}{100} = \text{Rs. } 28800$
 Increased sales amount of company Y in 2012
 $= 16000 \times \frac{125}{100} = \text{Rs. } 20000$
 Sales amount of company Z in 2012 = Rs. 12000
 Total sales amount of company X, Y and Z together in 2012 = $28800 + 20000 + 12000 = \text{Rs. } 60800$
 Total target sales amount of all the companies in 2012 = Rs. 60000
 Required difference = $60800 - 60000 = \text{Rs. } 800$

52. (d); Sales amount of company Y in 2018
 $= \frac{15}{17} \times 34000 = 30000 \text{ Rs.}$
 Required Average = $\frac{14000 + 34000 + 30000}{3} = 26000 \text{ Rs.}$

53. (b); Sales amount of company X in 2018
 $= 16000 \times \frac{150}{100} = \text{Rs. } 24000$
 Sales amount of company Y in 2018
 $= 34000 \times \frac{120}{100} = \text{Rs. } 40800$
 Total target sales amount of all the companies together in 2018 = $75000 + 24000 + 40800 = 140000$
 Sales amount of company Z in 2018 = 140000
 total target sales = $90000 + 140000 = 230000$
 $= 25200 \text{ Rs.}$
 Sales amount of company X in 2018 = 25200
 Required % = $\frac{25200 - 14000}{14000} \times 100 = 80\%$

54. (c); Required % = $\frac{14000}{75000} \times 100 = 18\frac{2}{3}\%$

55. (e); Total sales amount of company X and Y together = $24000 + 20000 = 44000$
 Total sales amount of company Y and Z together = $12000 + 26000 = 38000$
 Required difference = $44000 - 38000 = 6000$

56. (b); let total voters from village Z2 & Z4 is $3x^\circ$ & $7x^\circ$ respectively
 Total voters from village Z3 = $(252^\circ - 10x^\circ)$
 ATQ, $252^\circ - 10x^\circ > 3x^\circ$
 Check using options
 Only at 54° , above equations satisfies
 Z2 (registered voters) = 54°
 Z3 (registered voters) = 72°
 Z4 (registered voters) = 126°

57. (e); ATQ, $54^\circ = 10800$
 Valid votes in Z2 = $\frac{98}{100} \times 10800 = 10584$
 Z4 = $126^\circ = 25200$
 Since valid votes in Z4 can either be 480 more or less than that of from Z2
 Valid votes from Z4 = $480 + 10584 = 11064$
 Valid votes from Z4 = $10584 - 480 = 10104$
 Invalid votes from Z4 = $25200 - 11064 = 14136$
 Or, $25200 - 10104 = 15096$

Total registered voters = $360^\circ = 72000$
 Total invalid votes = 20% of total registered votes = 14400
 Since invalid votes from Z4 should be less than total invalid votes
 So, valid votes Z4 = 11064
 Invalid votes from Z4 = 14136
 Required difference = $14136 - 11064 = 3072$

58. (d); total voters from Z3 = 72°
 Central angle corresponding to valid votes of Z3 $\leq$ central angle corresponding to total voters of Z3
 Only satisfying value = 60°

59. (b); invalid voters from Z1 = 2200
 Invalid voters from Z2 = 1800
 Total registered voters from Z2
 $= \frac{100}{20} \times 1800 = 9000$

$$\text{Difference} = \frac{126}{54} \times 9000 - \frac{72}{54} \times 9000 = 9000$$

60. (c); let total voters from Z1 be a
 Invalid voters from Z4 are more than that of Z2
 Invalid voters from Z4 = $480 + 3600 = 4080$
 Invalid voters from Z1 = 2200
 Invalid voters from Z2 = 1800
 Invalid voters from Z3 = $\frac{4}{3} (6720 - 3600) = 4160$
 From the data given, we get
 $(\text{Orders Received} - \text{Orders Cancelled}) = \text{Orders Delivered} - \text{Orders Not Delivered}$

Days	Received	Booked	Orders Cancelled	Orders Delivered	Orders Not Delivered
Monday	600	400	200	280	120
Tuesday	400	$400 - Y$	$Y \text{ (let)}$	$320 - Y$	80
Wednesday	500	300	200	140	160
Thursday	600	360	240	60	300
Friday	$X \text{ (let)}$	$X - 80$	80	$X - 280$	200
Saturday	400	$400 - Z$	$Z \text{ (let)}$	$280 - Z$	120

61. (d); required difference = $(300 + 360) - (280 + 140) = 240$

62. (b); ATQ, $400 - Y = 50 + 400 - Z$
 $Z - Y = 50$ (i)
 $Y + Z = 30 + 80 + 120$
 $Y + Z = 230$ (ii)
 From (i) & (ii), $Z = 140$, $Y = 90$
 Required % = $\frac{(90 - 80)}{80} \times 100 = 12.5\%$

63. (a); ATQ, $600 + X + 400 = 150 + 600 + 400 + 500$
 $X = 650$

$$X - 280 > 280 - Z$$

$$Z < 90$$

$$\text{Required difference} = Z - 60$$

Since $Z < 90$ so required difference should be less than 30 ($90 - 60$)

64. (d); ATQ, $320 - Y = \frac{2}{3} \times 360$

$$Y = 80$$

$$X - 280 + 280 - Z = 390$$

$$X - Z = 390 \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$\text{So, } X > Z$$

$$X - 80 > 280 - Z$$

$$X > 360 - Z \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\text{From (i) \& (ii), } Z + 390 > 360 - Z$$

$$Z < 15 \text{ or } 0 \leq Z \leq 14$$

$$\text{So, } 390 \leq X \leq 404$$

$$(a) Y > 80 \text{ not true}$$

$$(b) Y - Z = 322 \text{ or } Z - Y = 322$$

$$Z = 402 \text{ not true}$$

$$(c) X - 280 > 500 \text{ not true}$$

$$(d) 280 - (X - 280) =$$

$$X = 400 \text{ true}$$

$$(e) 80 > 200 \text{ not true}$$

65. (c); ATQ, $\frac{600+X}{280+140+280-Z} =$
 $\frac{600+X}{700-Z} = \frac{65}{34} \dots\dots\dots(i)$

$$Y = \frac{90}{100} \times 200 = 180$$

$$Z = 200 - Y = 20$$

Now putting value of

$$\frac{600+X}{680} = \frac{65}{34}$$

$$\text{On solving, } X = 700$$

$$\text{Total orders booked} =$$

$$+ X - 80 + 400 - Z = 2$$

Where, p = no. of duplicate applicants for B

q = average no. of duplicate applications from duplicate applicants for C

r = average no. of duplicate applications from duplicate applicants for D

s = total no. of applications received for D

t = no. of duplicate applicants for E

u = average no. of duplicate applications from duplicate applicants for E

66. (d); let accepted & rejected application from males is $5x$ & $3x$ respectively

Let accepted & rejected application from females is $5y$ & y respectively

$$5x + 5y = 725 \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$3x + y = 315 \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

Equating (i) & (ii)

$$x = 85$$

rejected applications from males

$$1) = X + X + Y \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$\dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\dots\dots\dots(iii)$$

X
A. X
This
St

regarding value of Y is given so,

is true.

(i) at most can be 140

not possible

$$\text{C. } X = 131$$

This means, $Y = 9$

Since no relation regarding value of Y is given so, this is possible.

Given condition is true.

68. (a); ATQ, $725 + 880 - 7p = 659 \times 2$

$$\text{Solving, } p = 41$$

$$\text{Required rejected applications} = 7p = 287$$

69. (e); ATQ, $\frac{s-48(r+1)}{48(r+1)} = \frac{4}{1}$
 $s = 240 (r + 1) \dots\dots\dots(i)$

A. Given $s = 240$

This is possible only when $r = 0$ but we know $r > 0$ (average no. of duplicate applications from duplicate applicants cannot be zero since there are applications which were declared duplicate)
 This condition is not true.

$$\text{B. Given } s - 48(r + 1) = 768$$

Solutions (66-70):

All applicants who submitted more than one application, their original submission is also rejected.

FOR POSITION A:

63 applications were declared duplicate since these 63 applicants submitted more than one application

$$\text{Total rejected applications} = 63 + 63 \times 4 = 315$$

Following the same, we get

Position	Total Applications	Original (accepted) Applications	Rejected Applications
A	1040	725	315
B	880	$880 - 7p$	$7p$
C	600	$600 - 28(q + 1)$	$28(q + 1)$
D	s	$s - 48(r + 1)$	$48(r + 1)$
E	420	$420 - t(u + 1)$	$t(u + 1)$

From (i), $240(r + 1) - 48(r + 1) = 768$

$$192(r + 1) = 768 \Rightarrow r = 3$$

this condition is true.

C. least no. of applications were received for D is a possibility. This is true only if $s < 420$ (since 420 applications were received for E)

$$240(r + 1) < 420$$

$$r + 1 < 1.75 \Rightarrow r < 0.75$$

this is not possible as we know r can only be non-zero integer

so, this condition is not true.

70. (b); let no. of accepted applications from males & females for C be x & y respectively

ATQ,

$$150 < x < 200$$

$$\text{And, } 130 < y < 180$$

To find, $q = ?$

Applications accepted from all (males + females)

$$\text{for C} = 600 - 28(q + 1)$$

$$600 - 28(q + 1) = x + y$$

Minimum possible value

$$= 282$$

Maximum possible value

$$= 378$$

$$\text{So, } 282 \leq x + y \leq 378$$

Using (i) & (ii)

$$282 \leq 600 - 28(q + 1)$$

On solving above inequ

$$222 \leq 28(q + 1) \leq 310$$

$$\frac{97}{14} \leq q \leq \frac{145}{14}$$

Satisfying values of q

Solutions (71-72):

Let there are x girls in class A

$$\frac{50}{50+x} = \frac{5}{12}$$

$$x = 70 \text{ (girls in class A)}$$

let there are y & z boys in class B & C respectively

$$\frac{y+z}{50+y+z} = \frac{14}{19}$$

$$y + z = 140 \text{(i)}$$

$$\frac{y}{y+80} = \frac{z}{z+60}$$

$$yz + 60y = yz + 80z$$

$$y : z = 4 : 3 \text{(ii)}$$

using (i) & (ii)

$$y = 80, z = 60$$

	A	B	C
Boys	50	80	60
Girls	70	80	60

71. (a); Boys in class C = 60

72. (d); total students in class B = $80 + 80 = 160$

$$\text{Total student in class A} = 50 + 70 = 120$$

$$\text{Required \%} = \frac{160-120}{120} \times 100 = 33\frac{1}{3}\%$$

73. (c); The given pattern is

$$\times 1+1 \times 2+2 \times 3+3 \times 4+4 \times 5+5 \times 6+6$$

So, wrong number = 3

The new series will be

$$B = 3 \times 1 + 1 = 4$$

$$C = 4 \times 2 + 2 = 10$$

$$D = 10 \times 3 + 3 = 33$$

Solutions (74-78):

Let one woman, one man and one children can complete w , m and c units of work in one day

From question

$$xw \times 2y = 1.5mx \times y = 2xc \times 3y$$

$$2w = 1.5m = 6c$$

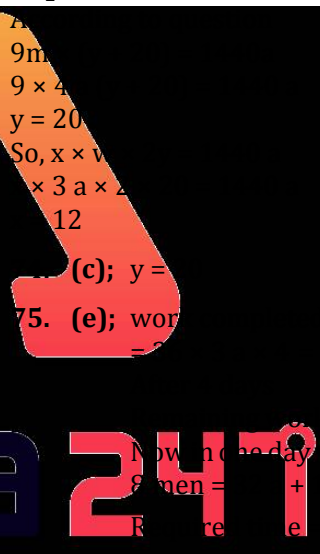
$$\text{Let } 2w = 1.5m = 6c = k$$

So,

$$w : m : c = 3 : 4 : 1 \text{ or } 3a : 4a : a \text{ (let)}$$

$$\text{Total work} = \frac{45}{2} \times 8(1w + 1m + 1c)$$

$$= \frac{45}{2} \times 8 \times 8a = 1440 \text{ a units}$$



(c); $y =$

75. (e); work completed by 36 women in 4 days

$$= 32 \text{ a units}$$

$$= 1008 \text{ a units}$$

Now, no. of days work completed by 6 women and

$$8 \text{ men} = 32 \text{ a units}$$

$$\text{Required time} = \left(\frac{1008a}{50a} + 4 \right) \text{ days} = 24\frac{4}{25} \text{ days}$$

76. (a); Value of $x = 12$

77. (e); Required percentage = $\frac{a}{8a} \times 100 = 12.5\%$

78. (e); Total work completed

$$= 6 \times 3a \times 14 + 6 \times 4a \times 10$$

$$= 252a + 240a = 492 \text{ a units}$$

$$\text{Remaining work} = 1440 \text{ a units} - 492 \text{ a units}$$

$$= 948 \text{ a units}$$

$$\text{Required time} = \frac{948a}{6a} \text{ days} \Rightarrow 158 \text{ days}$$

Solutions (79-80): Let total students in class A be $100x$.

	Male	Female
Class A	$70x$	$30x$;
Class B	$90x$	$90x$

79. (c); Let male students got passed in class A be y .

Male students passed in class B = $3y$.

ATQ,

$$70x - y = 90x - 3y \Rightarrow 2y = 20x$$

$$\frac{y}{x} = \frac{10}{1} \Rightarrow y = 10x$$

$$\text{Required \%} = \frac{4y}{280x} \times 100 = \frac{4 \times 10x}{280x} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{100}{7} \% = 14\frac{2}{7} \%$$

80. (a); Male students in class A = $\frac{90}{100} \times 70x = 63x$
 Female students in class A = $\frac{80}{100} \times 30x = 24x$

$$\text{Male students in class B} = \frac{125}{100} \times 90x = 112.5x$$

$$\text{Female students in class B} = \frac{130}{100} \times 90x = 117x$$

$$\text{Required \%} = \frac{(63x + 112.5x)}{(63x + 24x + 112.5x + 117x)} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{175.5x}{316.5x} \times 100$$

$$= 55.45\% \text{ (approx.)}$$

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81. (c); If someone or something queers your pitch, they make it very difficult for you to achieve what you are trying to do. To gather the hint of the situation, refer to the second paragraph, which mentions, "Yet, with growth sagging, there is pressure on the central bank to cut rates at least one more time to stimulate growth. It would be interesting to watch the dollar slide a bit more in February." Referring to the above, we can infer that the statement given in option (a) and (d) are correct. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.
82. (c); To validate the answer, refer to the second paragraph of the passage given above, which mentions, "The disturbance set off fears over whether the period of slow growth and low inflation, in other words, has come to an end." Referring to the quoted text, we can infer that the statement given in option (b) is incorrect. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.
83. (b); To validate the answer, refer to the second paragraph, which mentions, "The central bank stood pat on rates in the December policy precisely due to fears of inflation and had even revised upwards its inflation projection for the second half of the fiscal to 4.7-5.1%." Referring to the quoted text, we can infer that the statement given in option (b) is incorrect. Hence, option (b) is the most suitable answer choice.
84. (a); As per the information given in the passage above, none of the mentioned statements are correct. Hence, option (a) is the most suitable answer choice.
85. (c); From the various parts of the passage given above, we can infer that the statement given in option (c) is suitable in context of the given question. Hence, option (c) is the most appropriate answer choice.
86. (e); To validate the answer, refer to the last paragraph of the passage given above, which mentions, "But Americans can fight for greater economic dignity, Sperling said, arguing that the government should: By unionizing; pushing for a living wage; lobbying for better leave, health-care policies; and taking action against workplace sexual harassment." Referring to the quoted text, we can infer that all the given statements are correct. Hence, option (e) is the most suitable answer choice.
87. (e); As per the information available in the above passage, all the given statements are correct. Hence, option (e) is the most suitable answer choice.
89. (c); In the second passage, presenteeism has been defined as the 'number of hours one spends at workplace'. From the statement "presenteeism", we can infer that author has given value to output instead of staying for longer duration at work. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice among the given statements.
90. (d); Among the given options 'lead the pack', which means "to be first", is the most suitable phrase which could make the statement grammatically correct as well as contextually meaningful. Hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.
- A cup of Joe is an American nickname for a cup of coffee.

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91. (c); Among the given words, '**confrontation**' which means 'a hostile or argumentative situation or meeting between opposing parties' is opposite of '**collaboration**'. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

92. (c); Among the given statements, statement [I] is grammatically correct. In the other two statements, the errors are-

[II] The error lies in the part (C), where 'condemned by all' will be replaced with 'condemned' because of the presence of 'universally'. Adding 'by all' after 'universally' will make the statement superfluous.

[III] The error lies in part (B), where "known by" must be replaced with "known to".

Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

93. (b); Among the given phrases, (b) successfully connects the two statements to form a meaningful and grammatically correct statement. The statements thus formed will be: "If organizations or states borrow from one another, the same attitude has been grossly taken down countless entities."

94. (d); Here, the phrases given in (d) connect well to form a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful statement. Similar is the case with (C) and (E). The statements thus formed will be:

"Speculators, thieves and rogues have created and fed a market where goods could be traded like commodities." "Ethical appeals notwithstanding, the industry is increasingly devolve into big business."

95. (a); Here, the phrases given in (B) and (D) connect well to form a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful statement. Similar is the case with (A) and (E). The statements thus formed will be:

(i) A lack of meaningful GDPR enforcement by regulators had already been fairly well established.

(ii) Neither companies nor CMPs seem keen on shoring up that pathetic 12 percent compliance rate.

96. (c); The correct sequence of the phrases of the statement [I] to make the statement grammatically correct and contextually meaningful will be **DABC**. The statement thus formed will be:

"Published in 2000, the novel Confessions of a Shopaholic sold three million copies and was even turned into a Hollywood blockbuster."

97. (b); The correct sequence of the phrases of the statement [II] to make the statement grammatically correct and contextually meaningful will be **CBDA**. The statement thus formed will be:

"Take fast fashion – the wear-it-once culture of high-street brands and their just-in-time manufacturing at the expense of low labour costs leads to untold waste in production and disposal of unsold stock."

98. (e); Although all the statements are in a jumbled sequence, they are all centered around the similar theme being 'conscious consumers'. Here the introductory statement will be [I], which is an independent statement and find its place in the sequence of [IV]. Further the next statement will be [II], [III] and [IV] in sequence of [III], [II] and [IV]. Hence, option (e) is the most suitable answer choice.

99. (c); The correct sequence of the phrases of the statement [I] to make the statement grammatically correct and contextually meaningful will be **CDAB**. The statement thus formed will be:

"The extravagant consumers have been discerning about the impact of their purchases on the environment and on society."

100. (a); The correct sequence of the phrases of the statement [I] to make the statement grammatically correct and contextually meaningful will be **ADCB**. The statement thus formed will be:

"Only two decades later, the obsession with treating oneself by buying luxury items, which was at the core of the story, feels terribly outdated."

101. (c); For the highlighted words, the correct arrangement will be **BACD**. Also, "**contagion**" must be replaced with "**mandate**" to make the statement grammatically and contextually correct. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

102. (d); For the highlighted words, the correct arrangement will be **CADB**. Also, "**eternity**" must be replaced with "**extremely**" to make the statement grammatically and contextually

correct. Hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

103. (c); For the highlighted words, the correct arrangement will be **DBAC**. Also, “**champagne**” must be replaced with “**campaign**” to make the statement grammatically and contextually correct. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

104. (c); For the highlighted words, the correct arrangement will be **DABC**. Also, “**livid**” must be replaced with “**lifestyles**” to make the statement grammatically and contextually correct. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

105. (d); Among the given highlighted words, the correct rearrangement will be **DABC**, which will make the statement contextually meaningful and grammatically correct. Also, all the given words are correct and do not require improvement. Hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

106. (e); Among the given highlighted words, none of them have been correctly used in the context of the given sentence. Hence, none of them needs to be replaced. Hence, option (e) is the most suitable answer choice.

107. (c); Among the given phrases, the most suitable phrase to fill in the blank will be “”. No other phrase could make the statement both grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, option (c) is the most suitable answer choice.

108. (d); Among the given words, “**affectedly**” means ‘affectedly’ is the most suitable word to fill in the three blanks. Hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

109. (a); Refer to the statement “At first, the astronaut-scientists will spend about 26 days in the orbiting workshop, but later visits lasting up to 56 days are planned.” From the quoted text, we can infer that the statement given in option (a) is incorrect in context of the information given in the paragraph.

110. (d); Among the given words, ‘overhaul’ which means ‘analyse and improve (a system)’ is synonymous

with ‘modified’. Hence, option (d) is the most suitable answer choice.

Immutable: unchanging over time or unable to be changed.

Incertitude: a state of uncertainty or hesitation.

Voracious: wanting or devouring great quantities of food.

111. (b); The correct interchange to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct is B-D. It is to be noted that part (B) mentions a reflexive pronoun “which” that is precisely used to illustrate the details of the subject “the small savings scheme” mentioned in part (A). Hence, the correct interchange would be B-D, thus, option (b) becomes the correct answer choice.

112. (a); The correct interchange to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct is A-C. The correct subject that a sentence would require is given in Part (C). Hence, by interchanging the positions of A-C, the sentence

did not alter ratings despite financial conditions of the group in balance sheets, lack of cash to monetise assets. Thus, option (a) is the correct answer choice.

113. (d); To make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful, we must interchange D and B-C. The meaningful statement thus formed is Though taxes on goods levied from the pre-GST era, only a few services such as restaurants and under-construction properties have benefited from GST. Hence, option (d) is the correct answer choice.

114. (e); All the phrases of the given sentence are in correct order and do not require any interchange. Thus, option (e) becomes the most viable answer choice.

115. (c); Among the given phrases, (A)-(C) and (B)-(D) must be interchanged to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful statement. The correct statement thus formed will be: “In this universe of instant gratification, Test cricket with its five-day schedule and breaks for lunch and tea, might seem an anachronism.”

