

SBI PO Prelims Previous Year Paper 2021

Directions (1-7): Read the given passage and answer the following questions. Some words are highlighted to help you answer some of the questions.

Curiosity is including The Leonardo da Vinci in 1955 entitled 'Never Lose' developed the "The importance of Curiosity has cannot help but mysteries of structure of re to comprehend an ever-evolving innovation, curiosity is very relevant. We can all be mind and an Eleanor Roosevelt could ask a Father

Life is never boring for a curious person. Everyone possesses curiosity to some degree although people will differ according to the depth and strength of their curiosity and their willingness to act on it. Curiosity helps your mind to be more active instead of passive. The mind is a muscle and

longer it will that keeping very helpful as the engine of no are more and prime the is associated omic and work suggest that the learn. ring because explore and to something observation and g you would d curiosity as a fulfilling and moving forward, things, because s leading us context, it is g the thirst of s so that they h the way

the most useful gift, that gift should be curiosity. One of the key components of cultivating a growth mindset is our ability to be curious and open-minded and to question and challenge the way we think. It helps us to avoid getting rigid in our thinking and leads us into exploring new avenues and possibilities. Curiosity is the engine of innovation and curious people have an ongoing, intrinsic interest in both their inner experience and the world around them.

we do things helps us to be more agile and work smarter by letting go of irrelevant habits.

Q1. Why does the author refer to curiosity as the engine of innovation?

- (a) It assists us in staying flexible in our thoughts.
- (b) It stimulates people to explore different things.
- (c) It enables people to be naturally eccentric around them.
- (d) It makes a person's life more bold and adventurous.
- (e) None of these

Q2. Why does the author encourage us to be grateful for all those who are keen to know?

- (a) Because they aided us in fostering a growth ethic and a desire to learn.
- (b) Because they were interactive individuals who queried our assumptions.
- (c) Because some of their research and discoveries have helped us all.
- (d) Because they had an intense thirst for knowledge and an open mind.
- (e) All of these

Q3. Which of the following can be deduced from the information provided in the first paragraph?

- (a) People should be innovative.
- (b) Curiosity is a purpose for being.
- (c) It is adequate to know of a mystery even if it is never solved.
- (d) All of these
- (e) Only (a) and (b)

Q4. Why does the author encourage us to be curious about the monotonous aspects of the given passage?

- (a) Because it helps us to learn new things.
- (b) Because the power of one's curiosity can affect one's thoughts.
- (c) Because curiosity encourages our thoughts to be less futile.
- (d) Because it helps us to be fresh to learn.
- (e) None of these

Q5. Which of the following statements is/are incorrect based on the information provided in the given passage?

- (a) Curiosity helps the mind to be active as the more exercise it gets the stronger it will become.
- (b) One of the most important factors in having a full and exciting life is curiosity.
- (c) In both academic and professional settings, curiosity is linked to excellent performance.
- (d) Only (a) and (c)
- (e) None of these

Q6. Choose the most appropriate antonym of the word '**PROGRESSIVE**', as highlighted in the given passage.

- (a) Exasperate
- (b) Dwindling
- (c) Augmenting
- (d) Cumulative
- (e) None of these

Q7. Which of the following words should replace the word '**SATISFYING**', as highlighted in the passage to make the given sentence grammatically

Questions below, that indicate the correct choice to make it correct.

ndemic, there _____ on the

Q9. The unions _____ the new owners of the workers' _____ to the company.

- (a) assured, loyalty
- (b) exempted, allegiance
- (c) assured, treason
- (d) confirmed, treason
- (e) exempted, loyalty

Q10. A facial _____ of the suspect and the drawing _____ that it was in fact a match.

- (a) mismatch, reveal
- (B) comparison, showed
- (c) data, suggest
- (d) features, show
- (e) contrast, reveal

Q11. Because

company own

few workers.

- (a) efflux, elevated
- (b) decline, pro
- (c) influx, fire
- (d) surge, dis
- (e) decline, di

Q12. Decades

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- (a) shortage, e
- (b) shortage, e
- (c) abundance
- (d) abundance
- (e) deficiency

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and contextually meaningful. If the sentence is correct, choose option(e) i.e., no rearrangement is required.

Q13. There is(A) **dipped** for optimism in India's battle(B) **reason** the COVID-19 pandemic as (C) **against** new coronavirus cases have(D) **daily** to a nine-month low.

- (a) ADBC
- (b) BCDA
- (c) DBCA
- (d) CDAB
- (e) No rearrangement is required

Q14. Although she has an(A) **interfere** on the matter, Brenda won't(B) **internal** in the company's(C) **opinion** issues(D) **without** being asked.

- (a) ADBC
- (b) BCAD
- (c) DBCA
- (d) CABD
- (e) No rearrangement is required

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B) **blessing** is
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Q17. Because we had(A) **decided** than we needed, we(B) **fortunate** to sacrifice our Christmas(C) **offering** by(D) **more** them to the less(E) **gifts**.

- (a) ABDEC
- (b) BDCAE
- (c) DAECB
- (d) CADEB
- (e) No rearrangement is required

Directions (18-22): There are three sentences given in each question. Find the sentence(s) which is/are grammatically correct and mark your answer choosing the best possible alternative among the five options given below each question. If all the sentences are incorrect, choose (e) i.e. 'None is correct' as your answer.

Q18. (A) Tepid response to reopening of schools as parents prefer than wait and watch
(B) The National Education Policy lays emphasis in imparting teaching in mother tongue in primary classes.

(C) The episode of the recovery

- (a) Only (A)
- (b) Both (A) and (B)
- (c) Both (C) and (B)
- (d) Only (C)
- (e) None is correct

Q19. (A) Preparing to read the vi
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(B) The reside
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(C) Farmers
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- (a) Only (A)
- (b) Both (A) and (B)
- (c) Both (C) and (B)
- (d) Only (B)
- (e) None is correct

Q20. (A) Che
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clearance.

(B) In the absence of a policy, the relocations have been governed by ad hoc government orders.

(C) Much residents sell or rent out their allotments and return to informal settlements in the city to safeguard their painstakingly crafted pathways to a better life.

- (a) Only (A)
- (b) Both (A) and (C)
- (c) Both (C) and (B)
- (d) Only (B)
- (e) None is correct

Q21. (A) China seems to be mending its diplomatic fences with the Arab countries.

(B) A Canada has become the world's first patient diagnosed with climate change, linked to breathing trouble caused by air pollution

(C) His comforting words helped to sustain me in my faith during those dark days.

- (a) Only (A)
- (b) Both (A) and (C)
- (c) Both (C) and (B)
- (d) Only (B)

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- (a) Only (A)
- (b) Both (A) and (C)
- (c) Both (C) and (B)
- (d) Only (B)

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(C) They were stronger, faster, could live in the sea or air, had abilities and senses that the human could not even aspire to.

(D) So there was a willingness to use animals as gods. They gave added meaning to the divine.

(E) In the ancient world, humans were not just close to animals but, in most cases, deeply dependent on them.

Q23. Which of the following should be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) A
- (b) C
- (c) D
- (d) B
- (e) E

Q24. Which of the following should be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) E
- (b) D
- (c) C
- (d) B
- (e) A

Q25. Which of the following should be the THIRD sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) E
- (b) B
- (c) D
- (d) A
- (e) C

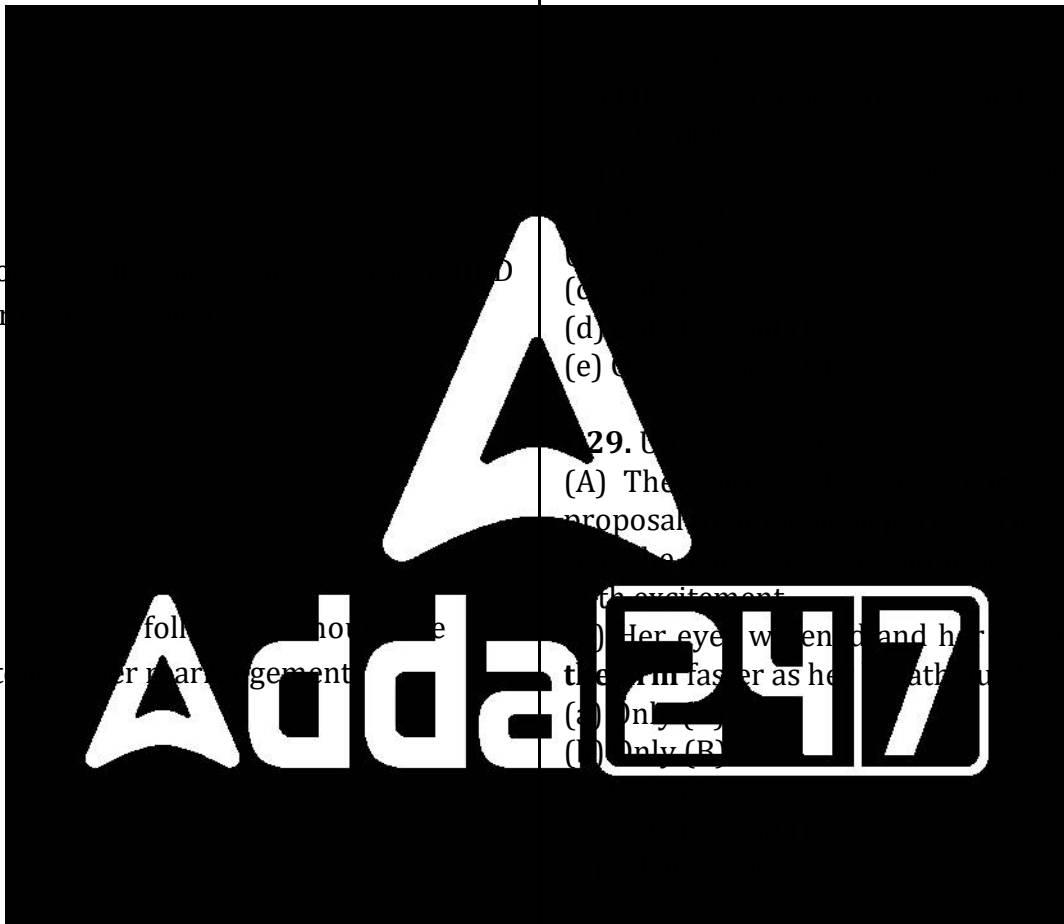
Q26. Which of the following should be the FOURTH sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) B
- (b) D
- (c) A
- (d) E
- (e) C

Q27. Which of the following should be the LAST (SIXTH) sentence after rearrangement?

- (a) E
- (b) A
- (c) B
- (d) C
- (e) D

Directions (28-30): In each question three sentences are given corresponding to a single idiom/phrasal verb. Choose the sentence(s) that have the correct usage of the given idiom.



Q30. On cloud nine

- (A) I told her how much of her winnings would be going to taxes, she was definitely **on cloud nine**.
 - (B) Although we are making good profits there is a **cloud nine**, the government may increase taxes.
 - (C) I've been **on cloud nine** ever since I landed my dream job.
- (a) Only (A)
 - (b) Only (B)
 - (c) Only (C)
 - (d) only (A) and (C)
 - (e) All of the above

Direction (31–35): Given below table shows total three items (refrigerators, AC's & ovens) sold by four stores. Table also shows percentage of refrigerators sold & total number of AC's sold by out of total items sold. Read the data carefully and answer following questions:

Note- Each store sold only three types of items.

Stores	Total number of items sold	% Of refrigerators	Number of AC's sold
A	500	20	100
B	800	15	120
C	1000	10	100
D	1200	12	144

Q31. Total ovens sold by A & D together are what percent less than total ovens sold by B & C together?

- (a) 16%
- (b) 24%
- (c) 22%
- (d) 26%
- (e) 18%

Q32. Find the difference between the number of ovens sold by A & D and total number of refrigerators sold by B & C.

- (a) 260
- (b) 240
- (c) 250
- (d) 150
- (e) 200

Q33. If total refrigerators sold by store X is 25% more than refrigerators sold by D and total ovens, sold by store X is $37\frac{1}{2}\%$ more than total ovens sold by A, then find total number of refrigerators & ovens sold by store X?

- (a) 780
- (b) 1480
- (c) 1180
- (d) 1280
- (e) 1380

Q34. Find the ratio of total number of AC's sold by C & D together to total AC's & refrigerators sold by B?

- (a) 8 : 9
- (b) 9 : 8
- (c) 9 : 7
- (d) 4 : 3
- (e) 6 : 5

Q35. Total refrigerators sold by A & C together are what percent more than total ovens sold by C ?

Direction (36–40): Solve the following questions by using the given equations.

Q36. If x and y are two different numbers, which of the following is true?

- (a) if $x \geq y$, then $x > y$
- (b) if $x < y$, then $x \leq y$
- (c) if $x > y$, then $x \leq y$
- (d) if $x < y$, then $x \geq y$

Q37. If x and y are two different numbers, which of the following is true?

- (a) if $x < y$, then $x \leq y$
- (b) if $x > y$, then $x \geq y$
- (c) if $x < y$, then $x \geq y$
- (d) if $x > y$, then $x \leq y$

II. $y^2 - 17y + 72 = 0$

Q38. I. $x^2 - 12x + 35 = 0$

II. $y^2 - 11y + 24 = 0$

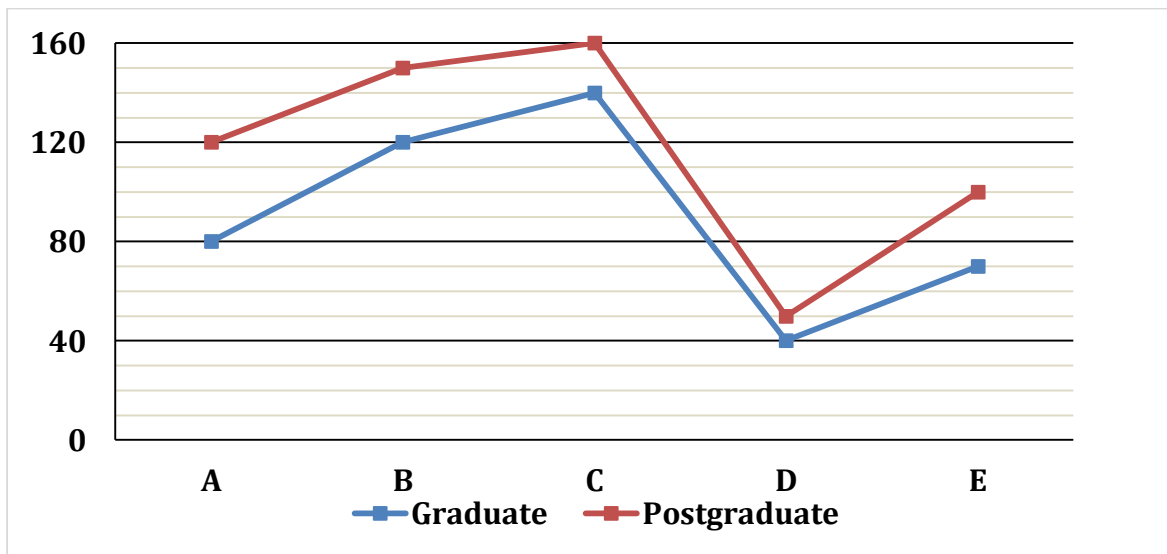
Q39. I. $8x^2 + 10x - 7 = 0$

II. $y^2 - 6y + 8 = 0$

Q40. I. $x^2 + 7x + 12 = 0$

II. $y^2 + 15y + 44 = 0$

Directions (41-45): Line chart shows the number of graduate students & postgraduate students in five different collages (A, B, C, D & E). Study the line chart given below and answer the following questions.



Q41. Total postgraduate students in collage A are what percent more than the total graduate students in collage A?

- (a) 80%
- (b) 30%
- (c) 50%
- (d) 20%
- (e) 60%

Q42. If ratio of boys to girls in graduate students and postgraduate students in collage C is 3 : 2 & 5 : 3 respectively, then find the ratio of boys to girls in collage B?

- (a) 7 : 5
- (b) 23 : 15
- (c) 3 : 2
- (d) 21 : 13
- (e) 4 : 3

Q43. Total number of graduates students in collage C & collage E together are what percent of total graduate students and postgraduate students in collage D?

(e) None of the above.

Q45. The average number of students postgraduate students in collage B, C & D are how much more or less than graduate students in collage A & E together?

- (a) 10
- (b) 20
- (c) 30
- (d) 50
- (e) 40

Q46. A man spent 20% of his monthly income on house rent, 20% of the remaining income on Food. If from the remaining income, ratio of amount spent on clothing to saving of a man is 7: 9 and difference between amount spent on Food and clothing is Rs.1080, then find income of man for nine months?

- (a) Rs. 81000
- (b) Rs.70000
- (c) Rs.68000
- (d) Rs.96000
- (e) Rs.108000

Q50. 16 men and 14 women can complete a piece of work in 30 days. If four men joined them, then they could finish the 80% of the same work in 20 days, then find the time taken by 42 women to complete the two times of the same work?

- (a) 60 days
- (b) 50 days
- (c) 80 days
- (d) 120 days
- (e) 100 days

Q47. The ratio of speed of stream to speed of boat to cover a distance upstream together by boat to cover the same distance downstream together is 15: 17. Find the time taken by the boat to cover the distance upstream together.

- (a) 15.5 hours
- (b) 21.5 hours
- (c) 19.5 hours
- (d) 17.5 hours
- (e) 16.5 hours

Q48. Length of train A is 'L' m and length of train B is 'l' m. They cross a pole in 8 seconds and 10 seconds respectively. Find the ratio of speed of train A to train B is 5: 4?

- (a) 18 sec
- (b) 20 sec
- (c) 24 sec
- (d) 12 sec
- (e) 16 sec

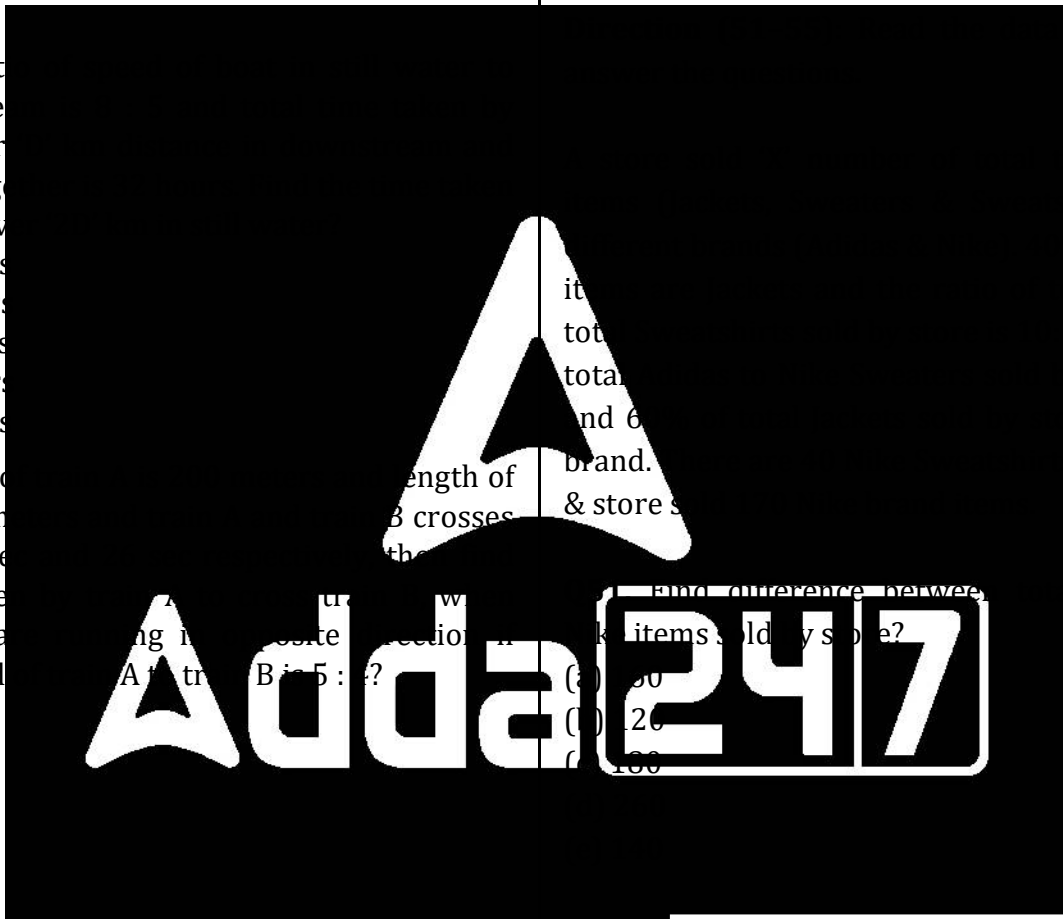
Q49. A shopkeeper marked up of article A at 60% above its cost price and sold it at the discount of 25%. Profit made by shopkeeper on article A is Rs.475. If the cost price of article B is 40% more than that of article A and profit on both articles is same, then find the selling price of article B?

- (a) Rs.3300
- (b) Rs.3600
- (c) Rs.3000
- (d) Rs.3800
- (e) Rs.4200

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Q52. Total Adidas Sweaters sold by store are what percent less than total Nike Jackets sold by store?

- (a) 8%
- (b) 12.5%
- (c) 12%
- (d) 10%
- (e) 17.5%

Q53. Find average number of Adidas brand of items sold by store.

- (a) 120
- (b) 90
- (c) 110
- (d) 80
- (e) 130

Q54. Find ratio of Adidas brand of Sweatshirts sold by store to total items sold by store.

- (a) 17 : 14
- (b) 12 : 17
- (c) 7 : 17
- (d) 13 : 17
- (e) 14 : 17

Q55. Total Adidas brand of Sweatshirts sold by store are what percent more than total Nike brand Sweatshirts sold by store?

- (a) 160%
- (b) 180%
- (c) 200%
- (d) 140%
- (e) 120%

Direction (56-60): What will come in the place of question mark (?) in following series?

Q56. 33, 36, 44, 59, ?, 118

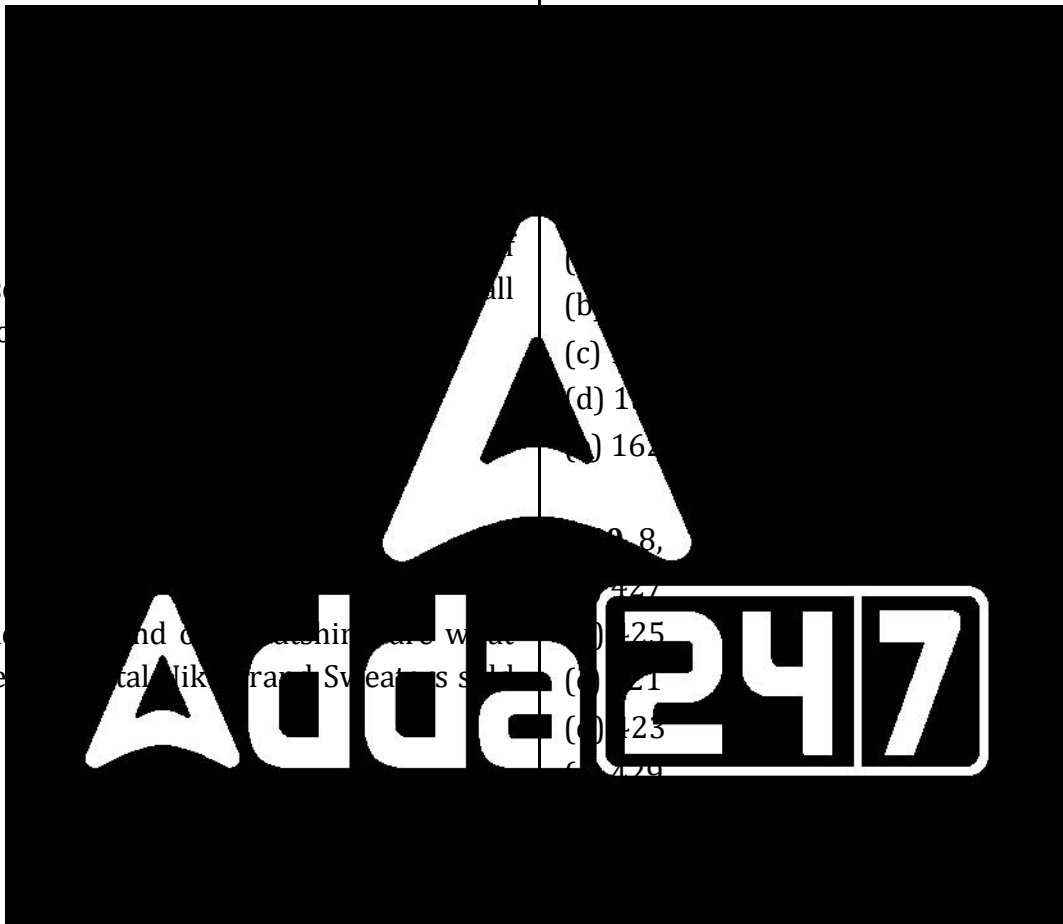
- (a) 85
- (b) 83
- (c) 81
- (d) 87
- (e) 91

Q57. 162, 125, 94, 65, ?, 23

- (a) 42
- (b) 38
- (c) 40
- (d) 41
- (e) 43

Q58. 2, 15, 64, 195, ?, 393

- (a) 381
- (b) 387



Q59. P invested Rs. 12000 in a business. After six months P doubled his investment and Q withdrew $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of his investment. If at the end of a year total profit obtained by them is Rs. 12200, then find the profit share of P?

- (a) 7200 Rs.
- (b) 5000 Rs.
- (c) 7800 Rs.
- (d) 5600 Rs.
- (e) 8400 Rs.

Q62. A man invested Rs. P in scheme X at the rate of 20% p.a. on compound annually for two years. Man invested total amount received from scheme X in another scheme Y at the rate of 5% p.a. on simple interest for 2 years. Find interest received from scheme Y is what percent of interest received from scheme X?

- (a) 40.72%
- (b) 36.72%
- (c) 39.72%
- (d) 16.36%
- (e) 32.72%

Q63. Four years ago the average age of a family was 19 years. Now the family has 5 members and the average age is 24 years. Find the ratio of the age of the youngest member to the age of the oldest member will be?

- (a) 5 : 6
- (b) 7 : 12
- (c) 5 : 7
- (d) 7 : 9
- (e) 3 : 4

Q64. In a vessel there is a mixture of water and alcohol in the ratio of 5 : 2 respectively. If 10 liters of water is added to the vessel, the new ratio of water to alcohol becomes 7 : 2. Find the initial quantity of water in the vessel.

- (a) 84 liters
- (b) 98 liters
- (c) 126 liters
- (d) 154 liters
- (e) 140 liters

Q65. The ratio of the radius of two circles X & Y is 3 : 4 respectively and the sum of circumference of circle X and diameter of circle Y is 188 cm. If the ratio of side of a square to the sum of the radius of circle X & Y is 8 : 7, then find the perimeter of the square?

- (a) 200 cm
- (b) 208 cm
- (c) 216 cm
- (d) 224 cm
- (e) 232 cm

Direction (66-70): Study the following information and answer the questions below:

Eight persons A, B, C, D, E, G, H and K sit in a linear row and face north (but not necessarily in the same order). All the persons work in a company on different designations viz. MD, CMD, CEO, Senior executive, Executive, Manager, Associate Manager and HR.

Two persons sit between B and the one who is CEO. G who is HR sits third to the right of CEO. K is

HR. The one who sits between K and the one who is left of the one who is MD is A who is not sitting to the left of A. C and the one who is neighbours. The one who is

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(a) B

(b) C

(c) D

(d) E

(e) None of these

(f) G

(g) H

(h) K

(i) None of these

(j) None of these

(c) E

(d) K

(e) None of these

Q68. How many persons sit between the one who is CMD and K?

- (a) Three
- (b) Four
- (c) Five
- (d) Two
- (e) None of these

Q69. D works on which among the following designation?

- (a) Manager
- (b) CEO
- (c) MD
- (d) CMD
- (e) None of these

Q70. What is the position of A with respect to the one who is CEO?

- (a) Second to the left
- (b) Immediate left
- (c) Immediate right
- (d) Third to the right
- (e) None of these

Direction (76-78):

Study the following information carefully to answer the questions below:

In a certain code language, words are coded as follows:

'Entrance Score' is coded as 'ht bt'

'Score Result' is coded as 'bt st'

'Attempt Rank' is coded as 'st ht'

'Practice Exam' is coded as 'ct ht'

'Exam Analysis' is coded as 'ct st'

Q71. Which word is coded as 'ht'?

- (a) ht
- (b) bt
- (c) ct
- (d) st
- (e) None of these

Q72. What will be the code for 'Attempt Analysis' in the given code language?

- (a) ct st
- (b) gt st
- (c) ct bj
- (d) st ht
- (e) None of these

Q73. The code 'bj' stands for which among the following words?

- (a) Score

Q74. Which word is coded as 'bj'?

- (a) Rank
- (b) Attempt
- (c) Exam
- (d) Rank
- (e) None of these

Q75. What is the code for 'Entrance Score' according to the given code language?

- (a) ht
- (b) bt
- (c) ct
- (d) st
- (e) None of these

Direction (76-78): Study the following information and answer the questions below:

Six persons P, Q, R, S, T and V sit around a circular table but not necessarily in the same order. Three of them face inside while rest three faces outside the centre. They are of different ages (in years) viz. 15, 16, 18, 21, 25 and 27 but not in the same order as given.

V and R sits immediate left to each other. R's age is perfect square number. Difference between the age of R and S is 2 years. S sits third to the right of R. P and T are immediate neighbours. The ages of both P and T are an even number. The age of Q is a multiple of five and sits second to the left to P. The persons whose age are a perfect square are immediate neighbours. T and Q faces each other.

Q76. Who among the following sits second to the right of T?

- (a) The one who is 16 years old
- (b) The one who is 15 years old
- (c) The one who is 27 years old
- (d) V
- (e) None of the above

Q77. What is the age of Q?

- (a) 16 years
- (b) 15 years
- (c) 27 years
- (d) 25 years
- (e) None of the above

Q78. Who among the following sits second to the left of P?

- (a) The one who is 16 years old
- (b) S
- (c) The one who is 27 years old
- (d) Either (b) or (c)
- (e) None of the above

Direction (For questions 79-81) Read the following information carefully and answer the questions below.

I E * 6 B 5 4 # 5 U I 6 L S H 7 2 I Y 8 9 @ G \$ 4 6 A R 7 2

Q79. Which among the following element is 18th from right end of the given series?

- (a) 6
- (b) L
- (c) S
- (d) I
- (e) None of these

Q80. How many symbols are there in the given series which are immediately followed by a number and immediately preceded by a consonant?

- (a) One
- (b) None
- (c) Two
- (d) Three
- (e) More than three

Directions: In each question, a series of letters is given, if all the letters in the series are taken in the order in which they appear in the series, then how many words can be formed?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4
- (e) None

Directions: In each question, a set of statements is given, followed by some conclusions. You have to take the statements as true, even if they seem to be in variance with commonly known facts. You have to decide which of the conclusions logically follow from the statements given.

Q82. Statements: Some rocks are marble. All marble are stone. No stone is sand.

Conclusion: I. Some rocks are not sand.

II. Some marble is sand.

- (a) If only conclusion I follows.
- (b) If only conclusion II follows.
- (c) If either conclusion I or II follows.
- (d) If neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- (e) If both conclusion I and II follows.

Q83. Statements: No animal is bird. Only a few bird is rabbit. Some rabbit is owl.

Conclusion: I. Some bird is not rabbit.

II. No owl is animal.

- (a) If both conclusion I and II follows.
- (b) If Neither conclusion I nor II follows.
- (c) If Only conclusion II follows.
- (d) If Either conclusion I or II follows.
- (e) If only conclusion I follows.

Q84. Statements: Only red is yellow. Only a few white is red.

Conclusion: I.

II. Some white

III. All red can

- (a) None follow
- (b) Only conc
- (c) Both concl
- (d) All follows
- (e) None of th

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sits immediate left of the one who likes Black but

not sit opposite to P. Q does not like Blue.

Q85. Who among the following sits 3rd to the left of S?

- (a) The one who likes Violet
- (b) T
- (c) The one who sits immediate left of U
- (d) U
- (e) Both (a) and (d)

Q86. Which of the following pair is correct?

- (a) P-White
- (b) Q-Violet
- (c) S-White
- (d) T-Blue
- (e) U-Green

Directions (87-91): Study the information carefully and answer the questions given below.

Ten Persons L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T and U were born (but not necessarily in the same order) on

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- (a) S
- (b) P
- (c) Q
- (d) M
- (e) L

(a) P
(b) L
(c) S
(d) O
(e) None of the above

- (a) N
- (b) L
- (c) R
- (d) O
- (e) P

(a) U
(b) S
(c) R
(d) N
(e) O

(a) Only 7
(b) Both 3 and 7
(c) 1, 3 and 7
(d) 1, 3 and 9
(e) None of these

Six persons A, B, C, D, E and F live in a three-storey building such that ground floor is numbered as 1, above it is floor 2 then topmost floor is numbered as 3. Each of the floor has 2 flats in it as flat-1 and flat-2. Flat-1 of floor-2 is immediately above flat-1 of floor-1 and immediately below flat-1 of floor-3 and so on. In the same way flat-2 of floor-2 is immediately above flat-2 of floor-1 and

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(c) E lives on an even number floor
(d) No one lives below B
(e) A and E lives on different floor

(a) D
(b) B
(c) E
(d) F
(e) C

Q96. Who among the following lives in the north-east of the one who likes Apricot?

- (a) C
- (b) D
- (c) E
- (d) B
- (e) Both (c) and (d)

Q97. Who among the following lives just above the flat of A?

- (a) F
- (b) D
- (c) E
- (d) C
- (e) B

Directions

relationship between the statements given in the statement and the two conclusions.

- (a) if only conclusion I is true
- (b) if only conclusion II is true
- (c) if either conclusion I or II is true

- (d) if neither conclusion I nor II is true.
- (e) if both conclusions I and II are true.

Q98. Statement: $X \leq V \leq Z < F > A; Z > Q$

Conclusion: I. $Q > V$ II. $V \geq Q$

Q99. Statement: $I < B > C \geq E \geq D; C = O > T$

Conclusion: I. $B > T$ II. $C \geq D$

Q100. Statement: $T > R < O > F > L < E$

Conclusion: I. $O > L$ II. $R > E$

