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**Example : P :** Aunt Polly wanted to trap Tom \_\_\_\_\_ damaging confessions.

- (A) into      (B) with      (C) by      (D) on

**Example Q :** Let's watch \_\_\_\_\_ movie ; I mean 'Pather Panchali'.

- (A) a      (B) an       (C) the      (D) No article is needed

**PART - A**

**Direction for Question Nos. 1 to 4.**

**Choose the appropriate prepositions/articles for the blank spaces from the given alternatives.**

1. Fix the portrait \_\_\_\_\_ the TV.

- (A) inside      (B) over  
(C) under      (D) above

2. This will be very useful \_\_\_\_\_ me.

- (A) to      (B) for  
(C) with      (D) of

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3. Kolkata stands on \_\_\_\_\_ Ganges.
- (A) the (B) an  
(C) a (D) No article is needed
4. My brother has settled in \_\_\_\_\_ United States.
- (A) a (B) an  
(C) the (D) No article is needed

**Direction Question Nos. 5 and 6**

Find out words having the same or nearly the same meaning to the underlined words in the sentences from the given options.

5. Narayana Hemachandra's dress was rather queer.
- (A) Clumsy (B) Dirty  
(C) Strange (D) Funny
6. Do not tread on the flower beds.
- (A) Jump (B) Walk  
(C) Run (D) Cross

**Direction Question Nos. 7 and 8**

Choose from the given options/words opposite in meaning to the underlined words in the sentences.

7. She has not strength enough to walk upstairs.
- (A) Weakness (B) Courage  
(C) Diffidence (D) Promptness

8. We must get to the bottom of this mystery.

- (A) profile (B) border  
(C) height (D) top

**Direction for Question Nos. 9 and 10**

The underlined and lettered parts of each sentences below may contain an error in grammar, usage, words choice (diction). or expression (idiom). Read each sentence carefully and identify which item if any, contains an error. If it contains no error, answer is D.

9. At the conclusion of the meeting, the new members swearing that they would

A

B

never reveal the secret. No error

C

D

- (A) At the conclusion (B) Swearing  
(C) Never reveal (D) No error

10. With the development of antitoxins and serums, there are hardly no cases of smallpox

A

B

or yellow fever anywhere in the world. No error

C

D

- (A) With the development (B) no  
(C) anywhere (D) No error

11. Tripura acceded to the Indian Union on

- (A) 15th August, 1947 (B) 9th September, 1949  
(C) 15th October, 1949 (D) 21st January, 1972




12. Who was the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of India just before the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of India, Shri D. Y. Chandrachud ?
- (A) Justice S. N. Kaul (B) Justice K. M. Joseph  
(C) Justice C. R. Mathur (D) Justice U. U. Lalit
13. Where is the Kuno National Park situated ?
- (A) Uttar Pradesh (B) Madhya Pradesh  
(C) Uttarakhand (D) Rajasthan
14. Where was the venue of the 108th Indian Science Congress that was held in January, 2023 ?
- (A) Nagpur (B) Indore  
(C) Pune (D) Hyderabad
15. In the year 2022, Maharaja Bir Bikram College of Tripura celebrated the
- (A) Silver Jubilee (B) Golden Jubilee  
(C) Platinum Jubilee (D) Centenary
16. In which Cricket Tournament female umpire officiated for the first time in India ?
- (A) Duleep Trophy (B) Deodhar Trophy  
(C) Vijay Hazare Trophy (D) Ranji Trophy

17. What is the fixed interest rate declared in 2023 for the 'Mahila Samman Bhachat Patra' ?
- (A) 7% (B) 7.5%  
(C) 8% (D) 8.5%
18. India's first ever Night Sky Sanctuary set up in which State to boost Astro Tourism ?
- (A) Ladakh (B) Jammu and Kashmir  
(C) Uttarakhand (D) Himachal Pradesh
19. P M Narendra Modi has recently launched the World's longest river cruise 'Ganga Vilas' from Varanasi to
- (A) Guwahati (Assam) (B) Dibrugarh (Assam)  
(C) Dhaka (Bangladesh) (D) Kolkata (West Bengal)
20. Which country has formally adopted the Euro as its currency, making it the 20th member State of European Union ?
- (A) Greece (B) Croatia  
(C) Romania (D) Slovenia.



## PART – B

21. Calculate the torque which a shaft of 3 cm diameter can safely transmit, if the shear stress is  $48 \text{ N/cm}^2$
- (A)  $27\pi \text{ Ncm}$  (B)  $8\pi \text{ Ncm}$   
(C)  $54\pi \text{ Ncm}$  (D)  $48\pi \text{ Ncm}$
22. The load required to produce a unit deflection in a spring is called \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Fill up the blank with only one correct option)
- (A) flexural rigidity (B) torsional rigidity  
(C) spring stiffness (D) Young's modulus
23. In order to avoid tearing off the plate at an edge, the distance from the centre of the rivet hole of the nearest edge of the plate (i.e. margin) should be \_\_\_\_\_.  
Assume,  $d$  = diameter of rivet hole in mm.  
(Choose the correct answer from options given below)
- (A)  $1.0d$  (B)  $1.5d$   
(C)  $2.0d$  (D)  $2.5d$
24. Select the correct name of the rivet head for boiler applications (shown in the figure given below) from the option given
- 
- (A) Snap (B) Pan  
(C) Conical (D) Steeple
25. The turbine recommended for a head of 12m is
- (A) Pelton turbine (B) Francis turbine  
(C) Kaplan turbine (D) None of these



26. The velocity of fluid particle at the centre of pipe section is
- (A) zero (B) minimum  
(C) maximum (D) average of full section
27. The porter governor can be classified as
- (A) Inertia type governor  
(B) Pendulum type governor  
(C) Dead weight type centrifugal governor  
(D) None of the above
28. The size of the gear is usually specified by
- (A) pressure angle (B) circular pitch  
(C) tooth thickness (D) pitch circle diameter
29. A closed system is one in which
- (A) mass does not cross boundaries of the system, though energy may do so  
(B) mass crosses the boundary but not the energy  
(C) neither mass nor energy crosses the boundaries of the system  
(D) both energy and mass cross the boundaries of the system
30. Two beams of equal cross-sectional area are subject to equal bending moment. If one beam has square cross-section and the other has circular cross-section, then
- (A) both beams will be equally strong  
(B) circular section beam will be stronger  
(C) square cross-section beam will be stronger  
(D) the strength of the beam will depend upon the nature of loading

31. Which of the materials possesses highest value of Poisson's ratio ?
- (A) copper (B) malleable iron  
(C) rubber (D) gold
32. A steel bar of dimension  $10 \text{ mm} \times 1 \text{ mm} \times 1 \text{ mm}$  is free to expand is heated from  $15^\circ\text{C}$  to  $25^\circ\text{C}$ . What stress shall be developed ?
- (A) Tensile stress (B) No stress  
(C) Shear stress (D) Compressive stress
33. Broadly speaking, water is
- (A) 10 times as compressible as steel  
(B) 20 times as compressible as steel  
(C) 80 times as compressible as steel  
(D) 800 times less compressible than steel
34. In order to have maximum power from a Pelton turbine, the bucket speed must be
- (A) equal to the jet speed  
(B) equal to half of the jet speed  
(C) equal to twice of the jet speed  
(D) independent of the jet speed
35. The air-fuel ratio in petrol engines is controlled by
- (A) controlling valve opening/closing (B) governing  
(C) injection (D) carburetion
36. The temperature in oxy-acetylene welding reaches to the order of
- (A)  $500^\circ\text{C}$  (B)  $1500^\circ\text{C}$   
(C)  $2500^\circ\text{C}$  (D)  $3500^\circ\text{C}$

37. An electrician's solder is generally an alloy of
- (A) iron and mercury (B) zinc and mercury  
(C) tin and copper (D) tin and lead
38. Anodising is
- (A) a zinc diffusion process  
(B) an oxidizing process used for aluminum and magnesium articles  
(C) a process used for making thin phosphate coatings on steel to act as a base or primer for enamels and paints  
(D) is the process of coating of zinc by hot dipping
39. The number of elements in Tool signature in machining tools are
- (A) two (B) three  
(C) seven (D) eight
40. Single point thread cutting tool should ideally have
- (A) zero rake angle (B) positive rake angle  
(C) negative rake angle (D) single point angle
41. The crystal structure of Brass is
- (A) Face Centered Cubic (FCC) (B) Body Centered Cubic (BCC)  
(C) Hexagonal Close Packed (HCP) (D) None of these
42. A rod of length  $L$  and diameter  $D$  is subjected to a tensile load  $P$ . Which of the following is sufficient to calculate the resulting change in diameter?
- (A) Young's modulus (B) Shear modulus  
(C) Poisson's ratio (D) Both Young's modulus and shear

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43. Steel is an alloy of
- (A) Iron and Carbon (B) Copper and Tin  
(C) Iron and Graphite (D) Aluminum and Silicon
44. De Laval turbine is used for applications requiring
- (A) high power, high speed (B) high power, low speed  
(C) low power, high speed (D) low power, low speed
45. The load required to produce a unit deflection in a spring is called
- (A) stiffness of a spring (B) power of a spring  
(C) specific weight of a spring (D) ultimate load
46. For a four-bar linkage in toggle position (when input force is zero), the value of mechanical advantage is
- (A) 0.0 (B) 0.5  
(C) 1.0 (D)  $\infty$
47. The ratio of the effective length of a column to the least radius of gyration of its cross-section is called the
- (A) slenderness ratio (B) transition ratio  
(C) dynamic ratio (D) column ratio
48. Fourier's law of heat conduction is valid for
- (A) One dimensional cases only  
(B) Two dimensional cases only  
(C) Three dimensional cases only  
(D) Regular surfaces having non-uniform temperature gradients

49. For obtaining high value of Coefficient of Performance, the pressure range of compressor should be
- (A) there is no such criterion related to pressure range
  - (B) high
  - (C) low
  - (D) None of these
50. Psychrometric chart
- (A) is seldom used for air conditioning design work
  - (B) enables to determine wet bulb, and dew point temperatures
  - (C) is a graphical chart for conversion of british units into metric system of units
  - (D) provides graphical plots for physical and thermal properties of moist air
51. The Muff Couplings are generally designed as
- (A) thin vessel
  - (B) thick vessel
  - (C) solid shaft
  - (D) hollow shaft
52. Factor of safety is the ratio of
- (A) ultimate stress to working stress
  - (B) working stress to maximum stress
  - (C) breaking stress to ultimate stress
  - (D) ultimate stress to breaking stress
53. The following is formed by revolving rectangle about one of its sides which remains fixed
- (A) Cylinder
  - (B) Sphere
  - (C) Hemisphere
  - (D) Cone

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54. Thread rolling is a
- (A) Hot forging process (B) Cold forging process  
(C) Cold extrusion process (D) Hot extrusion process
55. The hydraulic mean depth or the hydraulic radius is the ratio of
- (A) area of flow and wetted perimeter  
(B) wetted perimeter and diameter of pipe  
(C) velocity of flow and area of flow  
(D) None of the above
56. The coefficient of viscosity may be determined by
- (A) capillary tube method (B) orifice type viscometer  
(C) rotating cylinder method (D) All of these
57. The loss of head at exit of a pipe is (where  $v$  = velocity of liquid in the pipe)
- (A)  $\frac{v^2}{2g}$  (B)  $\frac{0.5 v^2}{2g}$   
(C)  $\frac{0.375 v^2}{2g}$  (D)  $\frac{0.75 v^2}{2g}$
58. In a riveted joint, when the number of rivets decreases from the inner most row to outer most row, the joint is said to be
- (A) chain riveted (B) zig-zag riveted  
(C) diamond riveted (D) None of these

59. What is the relation between maximum stress induced due to sudden loading to maximum stress the gradual loading ?
- (A) Maximum stress in sudden load is equal to the maximum stress in gradual load  
(B) Maximum stress in sudden load is half to the maximum stress in gradual load  
(C) Maximum stress in sudden load is twice to the maximum stress in gradual load  
(D) Maximum stress in sudden load is four times to the maximum stress in gradual load
60. What is the strain energy stored in a body when the load is applied suddenly ?
- (A)  $\sigma E/V$  (B)  $\sigma E^2/V$   
(C)  $\sigma V^2/E$  (D)  $\sigma V^2/2E$
61. The fastest cooling rate is achieved when steel is quenched in
- (A) air (B) oil  
(C) water (D) brine
62. Plasticizers are added in plastics to
- (A) reduce hardness  
(B) improve flexibility  
(C) improve their strength  
(D) reduce glass transition temperature (tg)
63. If a heat engine attains 100% thermal efficiency, it violates
- (A) Zeroth law of thermodynamics (B) First law of thermodynamics  
(C) Second law of thermodynamics (D) Law of conservation of energy



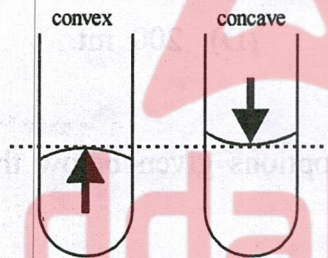
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64. Stefan Boltzmann law is applicable for heat transfer by
- (A) Conduction (B) Convection  
(C) Radiation (D) Conduction and radiation combined
65. Fouling factor is used
- (A) in heat exchanger design as a safety factor  
(B) in case of Newtonian fluids  
(C) when a liquid exchanges heat with a gas  
(D) None of these
66. Air refrigeration cycle is used in
- (A) Domestic refrigerator (B) Commercial refrigerator  
(C) Air conditioning (D) Gas liquefaction
67. For ammonia system the pipe should be of following material
- (A) Brass (B) Copper  
(C) Cast steel (D) Aluminium
68. Stoichiometric ratio is
- (A) Chemically correct air-fuel ratio by weight  
(B) Chemically correct air-fuel ratio by volume  
(C) Actual air-fuel ratio for maximum efficiency  
(D) None of these
69. Thermal efficiency of two stroke cycle engine is \_\_\_\_\_ stroke cycle engine
- (A) equal to (B) less than  
(C) greater than (D) None of these

70. As the battery is discharged, the active materials in both negative and positive plates are changed to
- (A) Spongy lead (B) Sulphuric acid  
(C) Lead oxide (D) Lead sulphate
71. The purpose of the fluid coupling is to act as a
- (A) Automatic gear changer (B) Flexible power transmitting coupling  
(C) Synchronizing device (D) None of these
72. In gear systems speed reduction means torque
- (A) Stabilization (B) Increase  
(C) Reduction (D) None of these
73. In a green-sand moulding process, uniform ramming leads to
- (A) Less chance of gas porosity  
(B) Uniform flow of molten metal into the mould cavity  
(C) Greater dimensional stability of the casting  
(D) Less sand expansion type of casting defect
74. In PERT analysis a critical activity has
- (A) Maximum float (B) Zero float  
(C) Maximum cost (D) Minimum cost
75. Gantt chart is used for
- (A) Forecasting sales (B) Production schedule  
(C) Scheduling and routing (D) Linear programming



76. The Bell Coleman Cycle is a refrigeration cycle where the working fluid is air. It is the modification of reverse Carnot cycle, having only difference. Now, you have to identify that difference from four options given below :
- (A) two isentropic processes replaced by two isobaric processes  
(B) two isentropic processes replaced by isothermal processes  
(C) two isobaric processes replaced by two isothermal processes  
(D) two isothermal processes replaced by two isobaric processes
77. With reference to the adjoining figure, 'E' is the Heat Engine having efficiency of 0.4. 'R' is the Refrigerator. If  $Q_2 + Q_4 = 3Q$ , then choose only one correct value of the COP for the refrigerator.
- (A) 1.33 (B) 2.5  
(C) 4.0 (D) 5.0
78. In a Electrolux refrigerator, one part of the refrigerator contains hydrogen gas at 12 bar pressure. Now, choose the name of that part from the options given below :
- (A) Evaporator (B) Rectifier  
(C) Generator (D) Absorber
79. In Fluid Mechanics, Kinematic viscosity ( $\nu$ ) is the ratio of viscosity ( $\mu$ ) and density ( $\rho$ ). Now, choose the correct option from four options given below, to determine its ( $\nu$ ) unit.
- (A) (Length)<sup>2</sup>. Time (B) (Time)<sup>2</sup>. Length  
(C)  $\frac{(\text{Length})^2}{\text{Time}}$  (D)  $\frac{(\text{Time})^2}{\text{Length}}$
80. A jet strikes a stationary plate normally with a velocity of 8 m/s and plate experiences a force of 120 N. Choose the power obtained in kW from options given below :
- (A) 960 (B) Zero  
(C) 7.68 (D) 0.96

81. Why a manometer is used in fluid system ?
- (A) Measuring atmospheric pressure
  - (B) Measuring pressure in pipes
  - (C) Measuring pressure in venturimeter
  - (D) Measuring gauge pressure
82. Select the correct name of the chemical compound which is used to absorb carbon monoxide.
- (A) Cuprous Chloride solution
  - (B) Hydrogen Bromide solution
  - (C) Hydrogen Sulphate solution
  - (D) None of these
83. Due to capillary property of liquid, fluid in the small diameter glass pipes generally formed two types of meniscus .... Convex and Concave, as shown in the figure given below. Now, choose one name of the liquid from the options given below that does not form concave meniscus in a glass tube.



- (A) Water
  - (B) Carbon tetrachloride
  - (C) Alcohol
  - (D) Hydrochloric acid
84. A uniform body 3m long, 2m wide and 1m deep floats in water. If the depth of immersion is 0.6m, then choose the weight of the body from the options given below :
- (A) 3.53 kN
  - (B) 3.33 kN
  - (C) 35.3 kN
  - (D) 33.3 kN

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85. Select the correct name of the precious metals used in all successful catalytic converters.
- (A) Platinum/Molybdenum (B) Platinum/Vanadium  
(C) Platinum/Rhodium (D) Platinum/Cobalt
86. Name the equipment considered as 'reference' to measure the quality at atmospheric  $\text{SO}_2$ .
- (A) Flame photometric analyzer (B) West-Gaeke colourimetric analyzer  
(C) Chemiluminescent analyzer (D) Non-dispersive infrared analyzer
87. What is the distance from courts/ institutions/hospitals declared as 'Silent Zone' by the Environment Protection Act, 1986 ?
- (A) 50 mt. (B) 100 mt.  
(C) 150 mt. (D) 200 mt.
88. Select the correct process from the options given below that constitutes ideal otto cycle ?
- (A) Constant volume heat addition (B) Constant pressure heat addition  
(C) Isentropic expansion (D) Isentropic compression
89. In automotive battery, which one of the following is the constituent of battery electrolyte ?
- (A) Pure sulphuric acid (B) Nitric acid  
(C) Phosphoric acid (D) Pure hydrochloric acid

90. How much depth a solar pond should have ?
- (A) Around 1 mt. to 2 mt. deep      (B) Around 2 mt. to 3 mt. deep  
(C) Around 2.5 mt. to 3.5 mt. deep      (D) None of these
91. Wind energy directly relates with wind speed. There is a wind speed based classification method for describing types of wind. According to this scale, there are 12 different types of winds. For example : wind having speed range of 21-31 km/hr is known as 'Moderate wind'. Now, name this scale mentioned in the question.
- (A) Space weather scale      (B) Beaufort scale  
(C) Roentgen scale      (D) Koppen scale
92. Form the options given below, choose the correct percentage of pure ethanol which is known as 'Anhydrous ethanol' ?
- (A) 67%      (B) 89.75%  
(C) 95.5%      (D) 99.7%
93. The basic difference between Horizontal axis wind turbinbe and Vertical axis wind turbine is the absence of one component. Identify that component from the options given below :
- (A) Hub      (B) Gear box  
(C) Yaw control      (D) Pitch control
94. What is the maximum length of the work piece that can be fit on a lathe machine ?
- (A) Height of centres      (B) Maximum diameter of work  
(C) Length between centres      (D) Maximum length of machine bed
95. Which one of the following operation is also knwon as 'Internal Turning' ?
- (A) Milling      (B) Facing  
(C) Reaming      (D) Boring

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96. What is the other name of 'Up Milling'?
- (A) End milling (B) Face milling  
(C) Climb milling (D) Conventional milling
97. For manufacturing the cutting tool, which material has to be used to enhance the high elastic limit and corrosion resistance of the base metal ?
- (A) Tungsten (B) Silicon  
(C) Vanadium (D) Cobalt

98. Match the machine tools (Group-a) with the probable operations (Group-b)

Group-a	Group-b
P Centre lathe	I Slotting
Q Milling	II Counter-boring
R Grinding	III Knurling
S Drilling	IV Dressing

- (A) P-I, Q-II, R-IV, S-III (B) P-II, Q-I, R-IV, S-III  
(C) P-III, Q-I, R-IV, S-II (D) None of these

99. What is the limiting condition for materials obeying Hook's Law ?
- (A) Elastic limit (B) Proportionality limit  
(C) Plastic limit (D) None of these

100. Which statement is true about the value of Poisson's ratio ?

- (A) Greater than 1 (B) Less than 1  
(C) Equal to 1 (D) None of these.