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01. Which is the correct spelling?

- ~~(a) Quintessence~~
- (b) Qintessence
- (c) Quentesence
- (d) Quintesence

02. Venus and Adonis is by :

- ~~(a) Shakespeare~~
- (b) Milton
- (c) Galsworthy
- (d) Wordsworth

03. Pun is :

- (a) Opposite word
- ~~(b) A play on words~~
- (c) A funny word
- (d) Identical words

04. Vers libre is :

- (a) Colophon
- (b) Closed form
- (c) Rhymed form
- ~~(d) Open form~~

05. Choose the correct verb :

They to school by bus.

- (a) going
- (b) goes
- ~~(c) go~~
- (d) to go

06. Insert the correct verb form :

Barcelona.....the world to the Montjuic Stadium.

- (a) Brought
- (b) took
- ~~(c) welcomed~~
- (d) welcome

07. Which of the following is a pastoral poem by Milton?

- (a) Adonais
- (b) Thyrsis
- ~~(c) Lycidas~~
- (d) None of the above

08. Punctuate correctly :

At sunset, the general, taking decision, marched forward.

- (a) At sunset, the general, taking decision marched forward.
- (b) At sunset the general, taking decision, marched forward.
- ~~(c) At sunset, the general, taking decision, marched forward.~~
- (d) At sunset, the general taking decision, marched forward.

09. The Solitary Reaper is a :

- (a) Ballad
- (b) Ode
- ~~(c) Lyric~~
- (d) Pastoral

Ascertain the correct tense of the following in the verb (Question Number 10 and 11) :

10. Yesterday at school, I by the echo of a roar of laughter.

- (a) were startled

~~(b) was startled~~

- (c) was startling
- (d) were startling

11. We by a strange sound.

- ~~(a) were startled~~
- (b) was startled
- (c) was startling
- (d) were startling

12. "Milton's poetry is a mirror in which the writer's character is very clearly reflected." Who made this statement?

- (a) Verity
- ~~(b) Macmillan~~
- (c) Pattison
- (d) Bush

13. The passive voice of – "Jack was forcing through the crowd"- is :

- (a) Jack was being forced through the crowd.
- (b) The crowd was forcing through by Jack.
- (c) The crowd forced through Jack.
- ~~(d) The crowd was being forced through by Jack.~~

14. 'Incredible' means :

- (a) surprising
- (b) interesting
- (c) disgusting
- ~~(d) unbelievable~~

15. The period known as the age of Milton is :

- (a) 1621-1681
- (b) 1620-1665
- ~~(c) 1625-1660~~
- (d) 1628-1655

Fill in with prepositions (Question Number 16 and 17) :

16. Ask me tomorrow and you shall find me a grave man.

- (a) in
- (b) by
- ~~(c) for~~
- (d) form

17. It is a translation.....Horace's Ars Poetica.

- (a) to
- (b) in
- (c) from
- ~~(d) of~~

18. The name of originator of 'deconstruction' is :

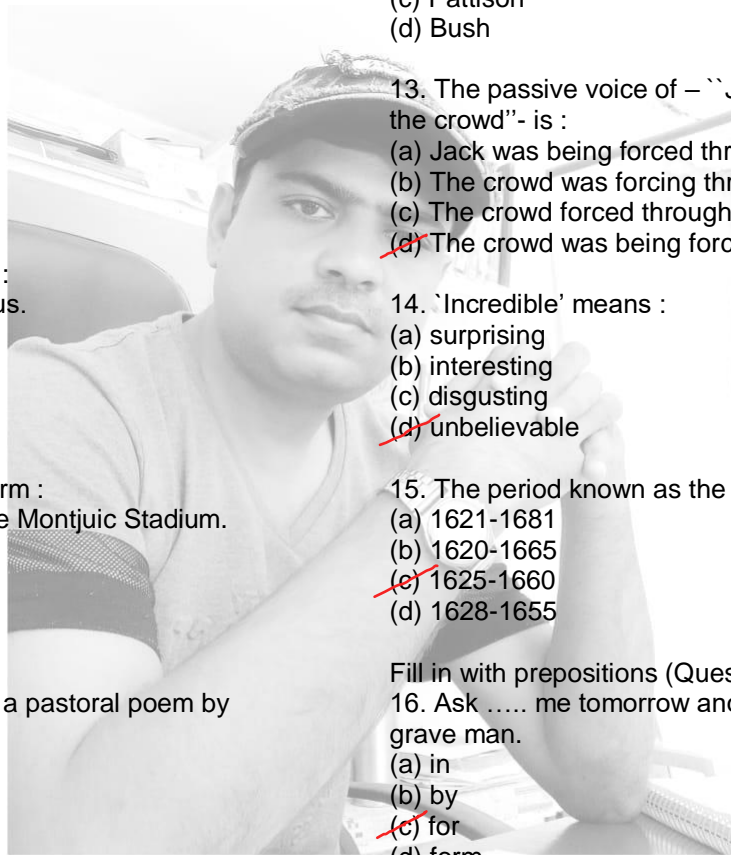
- ~~(a) Jacques Derrida~~
- (b) Friedrich Nietzsche
- (c) Martin Heidegger
- (d) Sigmund Freud

19. Which is the correct spelling?

- (a) rythym
- (b) ryhthm
- ~~(c) rhythm~~
- (d) rhithym

20. The age of Milton had three kinds of poets :

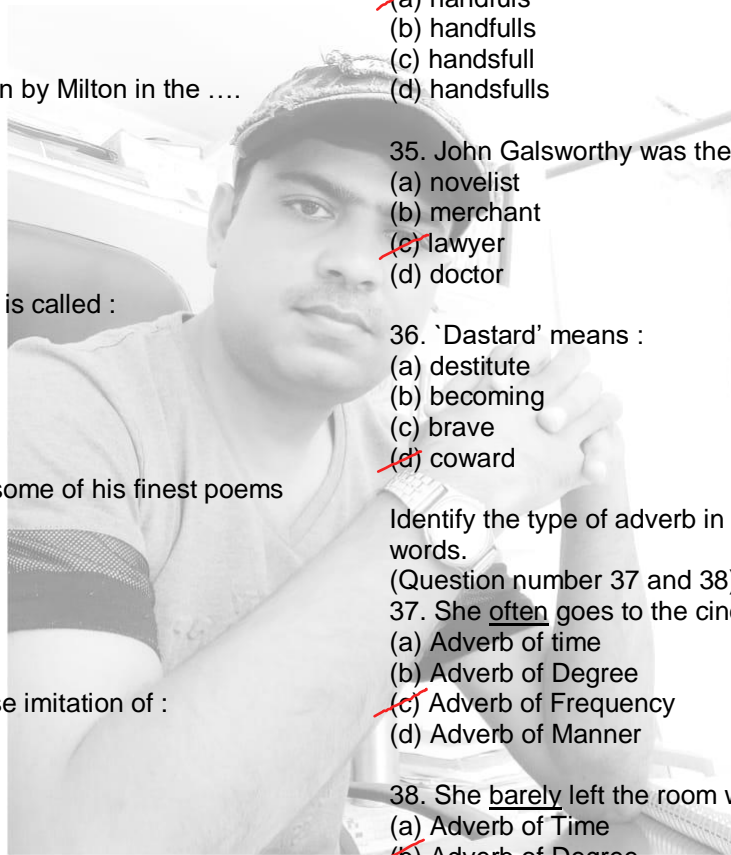
- (a) Religious, Heroic, Puritan
- ~~(b) Metaphysical, Cavalier, Puritan~~
- (c) Metaphysical, Romantic, Dramatic
- (d) Cavalier, Religious, Classical



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21. Lyrical Ballads was written by Coleridge and :
(a) Arnold
(b) Keats
~~(c) Wordsworth~~
(d) Blake
22. Legitimate means :
~~(a) valid~~
(b) correct
(c) rightful
(d) possessive
23. We.....dinner at the Park Hotel yesterday.
(a) had eaten
~~(b) ate~~
(c) were eating
(d) got
24. Paradise Lost was written by Milton in the phase of his life.
(a) Middle
~~(b) Last~~
(c) Student
(d) First
25. One who hates mankind is called :
(a) egoist
(b) egotist
(c) introvert
~~(d) misanthrope~~
26. Wordsworth composed some of his finest poems during the years :
~~(a) 1798-99~~
(b) 1778-79
(c) 1788-89
(d) 1768-69
27. The regular ode is a close imitation of :
(a) Petrarch
(b) Shelley
(c) Tasso
~~(d) Pindar~~
28. Gita.....hundred times everyday.
(a) skip
~~(b) skips~~
(c) skipped
(d) skipping
29. 'Skillful' is :
(a) Advent
(b) Adopt
~~(c) Adroit~~
(d) Adverse
30. Find the mis-spelt word :
(a) appropriate
(b) title
(c) mission
~~(d) passege~~
31. 'The Dark Lady' appears in the sonnets of :
(a) Surrey
(b) Wyatt
~~(c) Shakespeare~~
(d) Spenser
32. Which is the correct meaning of the idiom backed up?
(a) sold
(b) corroded
~~(c) supported~~
(d) fabricated
33. Tick the correct Infinitive :
..... is difficult for a sinner.
(a) Saying prayer
~~(b) To pray~~
(c) Praying to
(d) Being praying
34. The plural for 'handful' is :
~~(a) handfuls~~
(b) handfulls
(c) handsfull
(d) handsfulls
35. John Galsworthy was the son of a :
(a) novelist
(b) merchant
~~(c) lawyer~~
(d) doctor
36. 'Dastard' means :
(a) destitute
(b) becoming
(c) brave
~~(d) coward~~
- Identify the type of adverb in the underlined words.
(Question number 37 and 38) :
37. She often goes to the cinema.
(a) Adverb of time
(b) Adverb of Degree
~~(c) Adverb of Frequency~~
(d) Adverb of Manner
38. She barely left the room when the roof fell in.
(a) Adverb of Time
~~(b) Adverb of Degree~~
(c) Adverb of Frequency
(d) Adverb of Manner
39. Which is not Shakespeare's drama?
(a) Titus Andronicus
~~(b) Edward the Second~~
(c) Hamlet
(d) Richard III
40. Tick the correct meaning of the idiom, "come about" :
(a) get
(b) take place
~~(c) happen~~
(d) recover
41. Galsworthy began his literary career as :
(a) a journalist
(b) a dramatist
~~(c) a novelist~~
(d) a poet



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42. 'Novella' is a word from :

- (a) India
- (b) France
- ~~(c) Italy~~
- (d) England

43. Which of the following is a masque written by Milton?

- ~~(a) Comus~~
- (b) Aereopagitica
- (c) Lycidas
- (d) None of the above

44. Put in the correct prepositions :

We heard.....it.....our meeting.

- (a) of, through
- (b) at, during
- ~~(c) of, during~~
- (d) of, in

Question Number 45 to 49 :

The following sentences are given with blank spaces. Choose the correct alternative to fill in the blank.

45. I am looking forward..... you.

- ~~(a) to seeing~~
- (b) to see
- (c) to have seen
- (d) for seeing

46. He says he is not..... for the job of a doctor.

- (a) cut up
- (b) cut off
- (c) cut down
- ~~(d) cut out~~

47. He is repairing his car with a view..... it.

- (a) to sell
- ~~(b) to selling~~
- (c) for selling
- (d) to have sold

48. Our school library boasts of many.....editions of the classical writers.

- ~~(a) old, ancient~~
- (b) ancient, ancient
- (c) ancient, new
- (d) old, old

49. As sheep are to a flock, so are cattle to a

- (a) swarm
- (b) multitude
- (c) pack
- ~~(d) herd~~

50. Next to, but not necessarily touching, is :

- (a) Adjoin
- ~~(b) Adjacent~~
- (c) Adhere
- (d) Adapt

51. 'Poetic Justice' was a term coined by :

- (a) Samuel Johnson
- (b) Geoffrey Leech
- (c) John Dryden
- ~~(d) Thomas Rymer~~

52. Indicate the underlined word which is the correct Adverbial qualifications :

- ~~(a) The flames spread everywhere.~~
- (b) The flames spread everywhere.
- (c) The flames spread everywhere.
- (d) The flames spread everywhere.

53. Shakespeare was born in :

- (a) 1574
- (b) 1563
- ~~(c) 1564~~
- (d) 1589

54. In which poem does the following statement appear? "Solitude, sometimes is best society."

- (a) Paradise Regained
- (b) Lycidas
- ~~(c) Paradise Lost~~
- (d) Comus

55. The plural for 'man-servant' is :

- (a) manworkers
- (b) man-servants
- (c) mans-servant
- ~~(d) men-servants~~

56. She sleep soundly. Identify the nature of the underlined verb :

- (a) Transitive verb
- ~~(b) Intransitive verb~~
- (c) Regular verb
- (d) Verb of complete predication

Fill in the gaps with the correct prepositions (Question Number 57 and 58) :

57. Chased by the dog, the thief ran the lawn.

- ~~(a) across~~
- (b) around
- (c) over
- (d) through

58. He vanished.....the darkness.

- (a) to
- (b) in
- ~~(c) into~~
- (d) through

59. 'To refurbish' is :

- (a) to repair
- (b) to survey
- (c) to apply
- ~~(d) to renovate~~

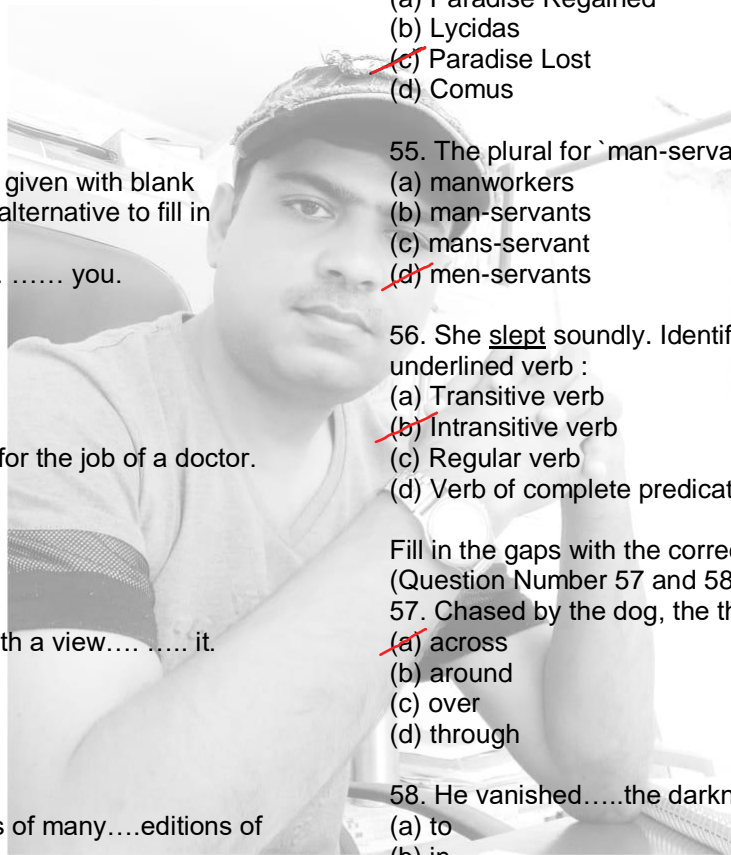
60. Punctuate correctly :

Amrit sharma is a metro railway employee

- (a) Amrit sharma is a metro railway employee.
- ~~(b) Amrit Sharma is a Metro Railway employee.~~
- (c) Amrit Sharma is a metro railway Employee.
- (d) None of the above.

61. Which is the correct spelling?

- (a) canceled
- (b) canceled
- ~~(c) cancelled~~
- (d) canscelled



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62. Put in the correct verb form :

I know that you.....twenty on your last birthday.

- ~~(a) were~~
- (b) was
- (c) are
- (d) is

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions which follow (Question Number 63 to 67) :

SANTINIKETAN, Aug. 17, 1998 : The rainy season has returned, and the man is back at his work. He is Pannalal Patel, the man who has completed 96 years, and is still going strong.

Pannalal was once a 'terrorist'. Then he turned into a Gandhian. At present his mission is 'Meen Mangal' or 'the well-being of fish' as he calls it.

Come the rains, and Pannalal would release millions of young salmons into rivers following through the neighbourhood. He says that water without fish is just as absurd as fish without water.

On Independence Day Eve, he had, as if, an appointment with the Ajoy, the river he loves and adores.

Choked up with silt sand from bank to bank, the river remains almost dry throughout the year except in the rainy season. Once called 'the crazy river' for often changing its course, Ajoy is now better known for the great floods, at intervals of some years, by flooding the villages on its banks. It then washes away people and cattle and houses, and brings great misery.

The appointed day arrived. It was a cloudy afternoon at Palitpur, the venue of the programme where a new bridge has been built across the river.

Short speeches were made. Songs were sung. Mr. Patel took a handful of the young salmon and threw them into the water-once, twice, thrice. Others followed him. The hero of the day looked happy, and a smile lit up his wrinkled face.

But some fisherman in the crowd were rather sceptical about the usefulness of the programme. Will the fish, when grown up, return to the same waters and be caught in their nets? Perhaps not. They talked among themselves.

Mr. Patel, however, does not bother himself about who catches how much fish in which waters. He himself is a complete vegetarian. His only concern is the wellbeing of fish.

63. Pannalal Patel, who is very old, is still :

- ~~(a) strong~~ (b) fond of fishing
- (c) very alert (d) can walk fast

64. Pannalal had an appointment with the river Ajoy :

- (a) on 15th August
- (b) on 14th August
- (c) on 15th August morning
- ~~(d) on 14th August evening~~

65. The Ajoy floods its banks :

- (a) every rainy season
- (b) very rarely
- ~~(c) every few years~~
- (d) quite often

66. According to Pannalal, water without fish is :

- ~~(a) unthinkable~~
- (b) tasteless
- (c) impure
- (d) unprofitable

67. The object of Pannalal's programme at Palitpur was the welfare of :

- (a) the fishermen
- (b) the Ajoy
- (c) society
- ~~(d) fish~~

68. The meaning of 'solicited' is :

- ~~(a) advice requested~~
- (b) to do a court case
- (c) to form a party
- (d) none of the above

69. Select the correct spelling :

- ~~(a) Staff Quarters~~
- (b) Stuff Quarters
- (c) Staff Quaters
- (d) None of the above

70. 'Compact' means :

- (a) Face powder for women
- (b) Computer soft-ware
- ~~(c) Put together in a small space~~
- (d) None of the above

Choose the correct word for the blanks (Questions Number 71 and 72) :

71. the boy return to his village?

- (a) shall
- ~~(b) Will~~
- (c) Was
- (d) Shan't

72. Songs.....sung in his memory.

- (a) is
- ~~(b) were~~
- (c) had
- (d) been

73. Change the following into a complex sentence :
He received the call of his friend and left for Delhi right away.

- (a) Receiving the call of his friend, he left for Delhi right away.
- (b) He received the call of his friend therefore he left for Delhi right away.
- ~~(c) As soon as he received the call of his friend, he left for Delhi.~~
- (d) He received the call of his friend and soon left for Delhi.

74. Change the following simple sentence into a complex sentence :

His senior colleagues have been transferred to Dehradun.

- (a) His colleagues having a seniority over him have been transferred to Dehradun.
- ~~(b) His colleagues who are senior to him have been transferred to Dehradun.~~
- (c) Some of his colleagues are senior to him therefore they have been transferred to Dehradun.
- (d) Being senior some of his colleagues have been transferred to Dehradun.

75. The most common form of closing a letter to a close relative is :

- (a) Yours sincerely

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- ~~(b)~~ Yours affectionately
(c) Yours faithfully
(d) Yours truly

76. Punctuate the following :

Don't worry father said he I'll soon leave the village and find a job in Delhi.

- (a) Don't worry father ``said he'' I'll soon leave the village and find a job in Delhi.
(b) Don't worry father, said he ``I'll soon leave the village and find a job in Delhi."
~~(c)~~ ``Don't worry father," said he, "I'll soon leave the village and find a job in Delhi."
(d) ``Don't worry father said he'' I'll soon leave the village and find a job in Delhi.

77. Find out the correct narration of the following direct speech :

``I know this area because I used to live here," he informed.

- ~~(a)~~ He informed that he knew that area because he used to live there.
(b) He informed that he knew that area because he had lived there.
(c) He informed that he knew that area because he had been living there.
(d) He informed that he knew that area because he lived there.

Question Number 78 to 82 :

Each of the following sentences is divided into four parts (a), (b), (c) and (d). Some of the sentences have errors in one part and some have none. Find out which part of the sentence has an error.

78. He explained to the government why / the

- (a) manufacturing of cars / have stopped in his new factory. / No error
(b) ~~(c)~~
(d)

79. We have lived / in this house ever since /

- (a) my father has died. / No error
~~(c)~~ (d)

80. The principal claimed that / there were less

- (a) than fifty students present in the building /
~~(b)~~
(c) when it caught fire. / No error
(d)

81. The examinations of the undergraduate

- (a) students / are likely to commence /
(b) ~~on~~ from Friday. / No error
~~(c)~~ (d)

82. Few people know / that the climate of Shimla /

- (a) ~~is~~ is better than Srinagar. / No error
~~(c)~~ (d)

83. ``A violet by a mossy stone / Half hidden from the eye!" is a quote from the :

- (a) Ode to Duty
~~(b)~~ Lucy Poems

- (c) The Green Linnet
(d) The Solitary Reaper

84. Tick the correct one :

- ~~(a)~~ Gita asked me where I lived.
(b) Gita asked to me where I lived.
(c) Gita asked me where did I live?
(d) Gita asked me where do you live?

85. Informal essay is also known as :

- (a) Funny essay
(b) Scholarly essay
~~(c)~~ Familiar essay
(d) Impersonal essay

86. Tick the correct auxiliary to indicate discontinued habit :

- (a) There was a house there.
~~(b)~~ There used to be a house there.
(c) There is a house there.
(d) There was used to be a house there.

87. Wordsworth's poems, mostly, deal with :

- (a) politics
(b) city life
~~(c)~~ humble and rustic life
(d) revolution

Question Number 88 to 97 :

In Question 88 to 97 you have a brief passage with 10 questions. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

We were in class when the headmaster came in, followed by a 'new fellow' not wearing the school uniform, and a school servant carrying a large desk. Those who had been asleep woke up, and everyone rose as if surprised at his work. The headmaster made a sign to us to sit down. Then turning to the class master, he said to him in a low voice : 'Mr. Roger, here is a pupil whom I recommend to your care.' The new boy was wearing a tight green jacket, yellow trousers and a strange cap which soon attracted the attention of the whole class.

The new boy was still holding his strange cap on his knees even after the prayers were over. 'Rise', said the master. The boy stood up; his cap fell. The whole class began to laugh. He stood to pick it up. A neighbour knocked it down again with his elbow; he picked it up once more, 'Get rid of your helmet,' said the master, who was a bit of a joker. There was a burst of laughter from the boys, which so thoroughly shamed the boy that he didn't know whether to keep his cap in his hand, leave it on the ground, or put it on his head. He sat down again and placed it on his knee.

'Rise,' repeated the master, 'and tell me your name'. The new boy articulated in a stammering voice an unintelligible name. 'Again!' said the master. The same sputtering of syllables was heard, drowned by the tittering of the class. 'Louder!' cried the master; 'louder!' The new fellow opened a large mouth and shouted at the top of his voice as if calling someone the word 'Charbovari'. A hubbub broke out; they shouted, barked, stamped and repeated 'Charbovari! Charbovari!'

88. Who disturbed the peace of the class?

- ~~(a)~~ the new boy
(b) the mischievous boys of the class

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- (c) the master
- (d) the headmaster

89. What is the function of the clause 'a school servant carrying a large desk' in the opening sentence?

- (a) just to provide an extra information
- (b) to describe the atmosphere
- (c) to create seriousness
- ~~(d) to create humour~~

90. What contributed most to the misery of the new boy?

- (a) the appearance of the boy
- (b) his shyness
- (c) the sadistic attitude of the master
- ~~(d) insensitive class-mates~~

91. Which of the following is true about the description of the new boy?

- ~~(a) The boy has been sketched sympathetically~~
- (b) The boy has been caricatured
- (c) It is a serious description
- (d) The writer seems to hate the boy

92. The last part of the episode proves to be an anticlimax to :

- (a) the class
- (b) the boy
- (c) the teacher
- ~~(d) all of them~~

93. The boy was 'sputtering' syllables because he was

- (a) angry
- (b) sad
- ~~(c) shy~~
- (d) calm

94. In the command of the master 'Get rid of your helmet' in second paragraph :

- (a) there is a cruel joke
- ~~(b) there is nothing cruel about it~~
- (c) the master wants to help the boy
- (d) the master wants to discipline the class

95. Which literary device has been used in the following sentence of the last paragraph?

'The same sputtering of syllables was heard, drowned by the tittering of the class.'

- (a) Metaphor
- (b) Irony
- (c) Apostrophe
- ~~(d) Onomatopoeia~~

96. The word 'hubbub' in the last sentence of the passage means :

- (a) complete silence
- ~~(b) noise and excitement~~
- (c) dullness
- (d) atmosphere

97. Which of the following would be the most suitable title for the passage?

- (a) The mischievous master
- ~~(b) The mischievous class~~
- (c) A funny boy in the class
- (d) A new boy in the class

98. Wordsworth, before his death, resided at :

- ~~(a) Rydal Mount~~
- (b) Grasmere Parsonage
- (c) Dove Cottage
- (d) Allan Bank

99. He.... .. sitting beside a river.

(Fill in with the correct verbs)

- (a) shall find
- (b) is saw
- (c) is finded
- ~~(d) was found~~

Give the meaning of the idiom (Question Number 100 and 101)

100. The new play has fallen flat :

- (a) The play is a success
- ~~(b) The play met with a cold reception~~
- (c) The play received good review
- (d) None of the above

101. Life is a bed of roses :

- ~~(a) Pleasant living~~
- (b) Bed made of roses
- (c) Simple living
- (d) None of the above

102. 'Charming and witty' may be expressed as :

- (a) Schism
- ~~(b) Scintillating~~
- (c) Scion
- (d) Sanguine

103. Split into simple sentence :

In the night the thief came into the garden.

- ~~(a) It was night. The thief came into the garden.~~
- (b) Night came. The thief came into the garden.
- (c) At night. The thief was in the garden.
- (d) Night fell. The thief came into the garden.

104. 'Alliteration' may be defined as :

- (a) a literary genre
- (b) repeated consonants in a sentence
- ~~(c) a repetition of a speech sound in a sequence of words~~
- (d) Literary aptitude

105. Which is the correct spelling?

- (a) bivouck
- (b) bivouk
- ~~(c) bivouac~~
- (d) bivouk

106. Fill in the gap with correct preposition :

He is paying ____ his son's school fees.

- (a) at
- ~~(b) for~~
- (c) near
- (d) to

107. Join into a single sentence :

He was absent from school. He was ill.

- (a) As he was ill he was absent from school.
- ~~(b) He was absent from school because of his illness.~~
- (c) He was ill and so he was absent from school
- (d) None of the above

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Fill in the blanks according to subject-verb concord (Question Number 108 to 110)

108. A pair of trousers.....to go into his suitcase.

- (a) should
- (b) were
- (c) are
- ~~(d) is~~

109. There.....some books in his bag.

- (a) is
- (b) was
- ~~(c) were~~
- (d) have

110. You go first and I..... you.

- ~~(a) shall follow~~
- (b) shall following
- (c) an follow
- (d) am following

111. William Wordsworth's 'Tintern Abbey' is :

- (a) a dramatic monologue
- ~~(b) a dramatic lyric~~
- (c) a dramatic epic
- (d) None of the above

112. Which is the correct spelling?

- (a) tyrannize
- ~~(b) tyrannise~~
- (c) tyranize
- (d) tyrranise

113. 'Epic' is :

- (a) A story of a battle
- ~~(b) A long narrative poem on a serious subject~~
- (c) A dramatic monologue
- (d) a table

114. To find fault with, in one word, is :

- (a) Cryptic
- (b) Cruciate
- ~~(c) Criticize~~
- (d) Curtail

115. In 1805, Wordsworth's which poem was written?

- (a) Tintern Abbey
- ~~(b) The Prelude~~
- (c) Lucy Poems
- (d) The Solitary Reaper

116. Insert the correct word :

He his application when he heard he has not got the necessary certificates.

- (a) withdraw
- ~~(b) withdrew~~
- (c) had withdrawn
- (d) got withdrawn

117. 'The Prelude' by Wordsworth was part of a vast work which was to be called :

- (a) The Excursion
- ~~(b) The Recluse~~
- (c) Yarrow Revisited
- (d) Peter Bell

Tick the correctly punctuated sentence (Question Number 118 to 119) :

118. (a) ``You know, he isn't dead sir!''

~~(b) ``You know, he isn't dead, sir.''~~

(c) ``You know, he is'nt dead, sir.''

(d) ``You know-He ins't dead-sir!''

119. ~~(a) Alas! The King is dead.~~

(b) Alas, the King is dead.

(c) Alas, the King is dead!

(d) Alas, The King is dead.

120. 'Schematic' means :

- (a) disturbing
- (b) diabolical
- (c) grammatic
- ~~(d) diagrammatic~~

121. Use the correct preposition :

She turned.....to the music programme.

- ~~(a) on~~
- (b) into
- (c) onto
- (d) with

122. 'Act' is :

- ~~(a) a major division in the action of a play~~
- (b) an acting category in a play
- (c) chapter of a play
- (d) acting by actors

123. Indicate the correct verb :

Before the Aryans.....to India, Dravidians had lived there.

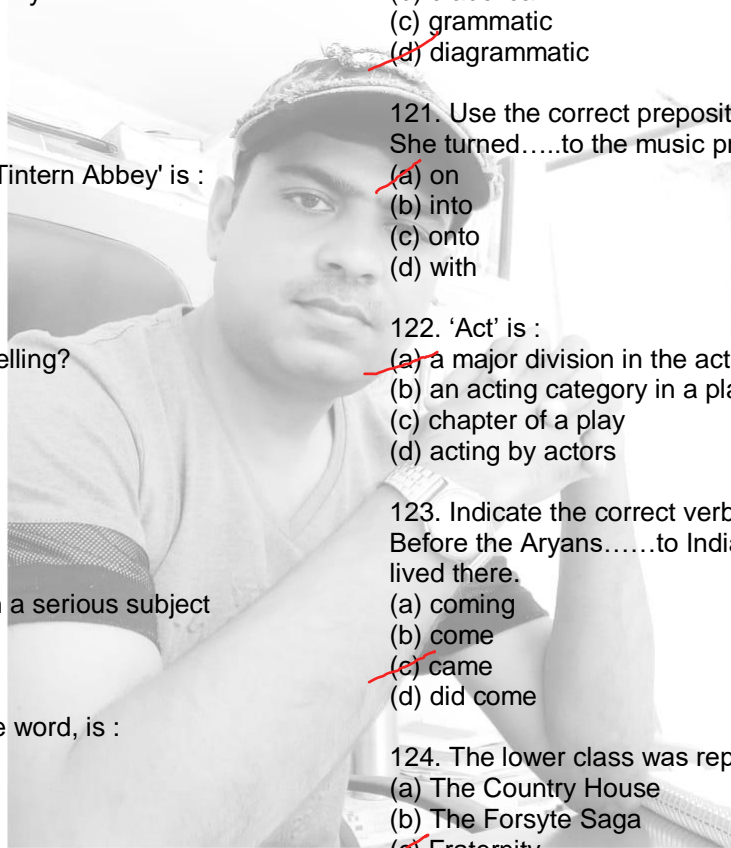
- (a) coming
- (b) come
- ~~(c) came~~
- (d) did come

124. The lower class was represented in Galsworthy's

- (a) The Country House
- (b) The Forsyte Saga
- ~~(c) Fraternity~~
- (d) None of the above

125. Tick the correct sentence :

- (a) Not girls was injured.
- (b) Neither nor girl was injured.
- ~~(c) Neither girl was injured.~~
- (d) None girl was injured.



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