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1. Which nationality the story-belong to? – 'The Open Window'.

- ☒ (A) Burma
- (B) Japan
- (C) America
- (D) Russia

2. 'As humble plants by country hedgerows growing
that treasure up the rain'.

The figure of speech employed here is _____.

- (A) Allusion
- (B) Metaphor
- ☒ (C) Simile
- (D) Personification

3. "The music in my heart I bore
Long after it was heard no more".

These lines are taken from the poem _____.

- ☒ (A) The Solitary Reaper
- (B) The man he killed
- (C) Be the best
- (D) Women's right

4. "To call woman the weaker sex is a libel;
It is man's injustice to woman".

Who said these words about women?

- (A) Rabindranath Tagore
- (B) Vallabhai Patel
- ☒ (C) Mahatma Gandhi
- (D) Dr. Abdul Kalam

5. Form a new word by blending the words.

Electro + execute

- (A) elcuted
(B) elexecuted
(C) eleccuted
☒ (D) electrocute

6. Choose the correct question tag for the sentence.

We speak softly ————?

- (A) doesn't we? (B) does we?
☒ (C) don't we? (D) are we?

7. Match the following words and phrases in Column A with their meaning in Column B.

Column A

Column B

- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| (a) on account of | 1. in the middle of |
| (b) in the midst of | 2. to put up with |
| (c) to bear with | 3. to get used to |
| (d) to be accustomed to | 4. owing to |

- | | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| (B) | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| ☒ (C) | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (D) | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |

8. Identify the sentence which is in the superlative degree.

- (A) This street is busier than any other street in the area
(B) Sheriff is as tall as his brother
☒ (C) The street is the busiest one in the area
(D) Your pencil is sharper than mine

9. Mention the poem in which this line occur.

"Think me not unkind and rude"

- (A) Be glad your Nose is on your face
- ☒ (B) The Apology
- (C) Prayer of a sportsman
- (D) A Psalm of Life

10. Fill up the blank with the suitable option.

The value highlighted in the story "TWO FRIENDS" is _____.

- (A) Friendship
- ☒ (B) Patriotism
- (C) Humanism
- (D) Justice

11. "The story of My Experiments with Truth"

Whose Autobiography is this?

- (A) Kasturibai Gandhi
- (B) Indira Gandhi
- ☒ (C) Mahatma Gandhi
- (D) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

12. Identify the author with the short story.

"Swept away".

- (A) Rudyard Kipling
- (B) Ruskin Bond
- ☒ (C) Susannah Hickling
- (D) Deepa Agarwal

13. Identify the poetic line that differs in figure of speech from the other poetic lines.
- (A) In solitary confinement as complete as any gaoc
 - ☒ (B) In the bivouac of life
 - (C) Speech that came like leech craft
 - (D) Like a king in exile
14. To which poem these lines belong?
- "O listen! for the vale profound
Is overflowing with the sound"
- ☒ (A) The Solitary Reaper
 - (B) Beautiful Inside
 - (C) A Psalm of Life
 - (D) The Apology
15. In which play do the following lines occur?
- "It is not so expressed but what of that?
'T were good you do so much for charity"
- (A) Julius Caesar
 - (B) Hamlet
 - ☒ (C) The Merchant of Venice
 - (D) Macbeth
16. Answer the appreciation question.
- The best little scrub by the side of the rill. What is meant by scrub?
- (A) Big trees
 - ☒ (B) Bushes and small trees
 - (C) Grass
 - (D) Tall trees

17. Select the correct question tag.

I haven't answered your question? _____

- (A) Had I?
- (B) Haven't I?
- ☒ (C) Have I?
- (D) Has I?

18. Select the correct tense.

He _____ (suffer) from colour blindness since his birth.

- (A) have been suffering
- (B) had been suffering
- ☒ (C) has been suffering
- (D) will be suffering

19. Identify the sentence pattern.

He taught me Hindi.

- (A) S V C
- (B) S V C A
- (C) S V O A
- ☒ (D) S V IO DO

20. Find out the poem from which the following lines occurred?
 "Stalking the length of his cage, Ignoring visitors"
 (A) Migrant Bird (B) A Tiger in the Zoo
 (C) The Flying wonder (D) Laugh and Be Merry
21. The squirrel said to the mountain,
 "If I can't carry forests on my back,
 Neither can you crack a nut".
 Whose quotes are these?
 (A) Ralph Waldo Emerson (B) Lakshmi Mukundan
 (C) R.K. Narayan (D) Dhan Gopal Mukherji
22. Read the passage and choose the answer for the question from the given options.
 "The brave little voyagers face many dangers and hardships while travelling long, long distances". Who are the little voyagers?
 (A) The refugees (B) Two friends
 (C) The animals in the desert (D) The migrant birds
23. "..... the journey matters as much as the goal. Listen to the sounds of nature..... Take good care our fragile planet".
 These are the words of
 (A) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam (B) Rakesh Sharma
 (C) Kalpana Chawla (D) Famida Y. Basheer
24. The reply was abrupt. "Someone has approached me with an offer to take the land on an increased rate of rent".
 These lines occur in
 (A) The Refugee
 (B) The Merchant of Venice
 (C) The Farmer
 (D) The Helping hand

25. How did Oliver Messiaen Spend his time in prison?
- (A) He maintained the garden
 - (B) He spent his time in singing songs
 - ☒ (C) He wrote musical compositions
 - (D) He read storybooks
26. Who was Laura Merton?
- (A) Daughter of Baron Hausberg
 - (B) Sister of Baron Hausberg
 - ☒ (C) Daughter of a retired Colonel
 - (D) Sister of Allan Trevor
27. "The globe's my world. The cloud's my kin" – Whom does 'my' refer to?
- (A) the poet
 - ☒ (B) a bird
 - (C) a man
 - (D) an animal
28. Where did Saruli live?
- (A) in a town
 - (B) in a city
 - ☒ (C) in a small village
 - (D) in a metropolitan city

29. Choose the gerund from the following sentences.

- (A) I saw a man running along the road
- (B) Seeing the tiger he ran away
- (C) Hearing a loud sound, they rushed out
- ✓ (D) Reading story books gives pleasure

30. Choose the correct plural form from the options.

- ✓ (A) Daughters-in-law
- (B) Governor-generals
- (C) Man servants
- (D) Spoons ful

31. ZIP codes are a system of postal code used by _____.

Choose the correct word to complete the answer.

- (A) Zambia
- ✓ (B) United States of America
- (C) New Zealand
- (D) Russia

32. Identify the sentence pattern in the following :

The company chairperson promised them better salary.

- ✓ (A) S V IO DO
- (B) S V O C
- (C) S V C A
- (D) S V O A

33. Match the poems A with the poets B.

- | A poems | | B poets | |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| (a) Nine Gold Medals | | 1. Elizabeth Barrett Browning | |
| (b) Prayer of a sportsman | | 2. Rabindranath Tagore | |
| (c) Where the mind is without fear | | 3. Bertton Braley | |
| (d) Out in the fields with God | | 4. David Roth | |

- | | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | |
| (B) 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 | |
| (C) 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | |
| (D) 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | |

34. Find out the author of the short story.

The face of Judas Iscariot.

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|------------------------|--------------|
| (A) Bonnie Chamberlain | (B) Saki |
| (C) Oscar Wilde | (D) O' Henry |

35. To which period William Shakespeare belong?

- | | |
|---------------|---------------|
| (A) 1564-1616 | (B) 1612-1700 |
| (C) 1680-1750 | (D) 1575-1640 |

36. Pulitzer prize for literature was awarded for the poem "American Civil War, John Brown's Body". Who wrote this poem?

- (A) Rabindranath Tagore
 (B) Henry Wordsworth Longfellow
 (C) William Wordsworth
 (D) Stephen Vincent Benet

37. Identify the nationality of the author of the story The Lottery Ticket.

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|------------|-------------|
| (A) Russia | (B) USA |
| (C) India | (D) England |

38. Who among the following was named Manikarnika?

- (A) Mahasweta Devi
- ✓ (B) Rani Lakshmi Bai
- (C) Bhagirathi Bai
- (D) Kasthuri Bai

39. From which poem the following lines are taken?

'Only bloodshot eyes betray'.

- (A) The cry of the children
- ✓ (B) Shilpi
- (C) Manliness
- (D) The flying wonder

40. Which of the following is not a poem?

- (A) The flying wonder
- (B) Laugh and Be Merry
- (C) The Apology
- ✓ (D) The Marvelous machine

41. Match the following with the author and title :

Author		Title	
(a)	Elizabeth Barrett Browning	1.	A Psalm of life
(b)	Oscar Wilde	2.	The solitary reaper
(c)	William Wordsworth	3.	The cry of the children
(d)	H.W. Longfellow	4.	The model millionaire

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
✓ (A)	3	4	2	1
(B)	4	3	1	2
(C)	1	3	2	4
(D)	2	4	1	3

42. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word from the options.
Dyslexic children have problems only in the area of language – not in thinking.
 (A) Disabled (B) ~~Adyslexic~~
 (C) Dull (D) Intelligent

43. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word from the options given.
Frailty thy name is woman.
 (A) Knowledge (B) Loyalty
 (C) ~~Strength~~ (D) Pity

44. Fill in the blanks with suitable gerund.
 _____ is a good exercise.
 (A) To swim
 (B) ~~Swimming~~
 (C) To go swimming
 (D) To do swimming

45. Select the correct tense form of the verb in bracket.
 Sophy usually _____ (go) to college at 9 a.m.
 (A) go (B) will go
 (C) ~~goes~~ (D) going

46. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions choosing the correct option.
 I was sleeping _____ a friend's house _____ a village suddenly I was
 awakened _____ a rumbling and thumping _____ the roof.
 (A) in by on at
 (B) on in at by
 (C) ~~at~~ in by on
 (D) by at on in

47. "Had he and I but met
By some old ancient inn"
Whom does 'he' refer to here?
(A) The poet
(B) The soldier
☒ (C) An enemy soldier
(D) A friend
48. This was the most unkindest cut of all.
Identify the speaker.
(A) Calphurnia (B) Brutus
☒ (C) Mark Antony (D) Cassius
49. Name the village that were abandoned due to Indo-China War.
(A) Ragesh Kund ☒ (B) Bhutia
(C) Burfu (D) Bilju
50. What resource is required to attain the developed status?
(A) Natural resource
☒ (B) Human resource
(C) Oil resource
(D) Water resource
51. Who was the first senator to stab Caesar?
☒ (A) Casca (B) Lepidus
(C) Mark Antony (D) Brutus

52. "You make me sit on a cushion between your knees".
The person who is talked about here is the _____.
(A) mother
(B) grandmother
(C) the little child
(D) father
53. In which of the poem do the following lines occur?
"We ran as if to meet the moon
That slowly dawned behind the trees"
(A) Beautiful inside
(B) Going for water
(C) The Piano
(D) Shilpi
54. "You should no doubt study public questions but wait for your time. But while you are students, you should give no cause to anybody". These are the words of
(A) Abdul Kalam
(B) Abraham Lincoln
(C) Swami Vivekananda
(D) Gopala Krishna Gokhale
55. "Where words come out from the depth of truth
Where tirecess striving stretches its arms towards perfection"
In which poem do these lines occur?
(A) No men are foreign
(B) Where the mind is without fear
(C) The cry of the children
(D) Going for water

56. Which of the following is a Poem?

- (A) The Merchant of Venice
- (B) Julius Caesar
- (C) Hamlet
- ☒ (D) The Solitary Reaper

57. William Wordsworth belongs to _____ century.

- (A) 16th Century
- (B) 18th Century
- ☒ (C) 19th Century
- (D) 20th Century

58. Match the poems in Column A with their poets in Column B.

Column A				Column B	
(a)	The Nation United			1.	Lewis Carroll
(b)	Is life but a dream			2.	Thomas Hardy
(c)	The Man he killed			3.	Norman Nicholson
(d)	Off to Outer space tomorrow morning			4.	Walt Whitman
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)		
☒ (A)	4	1	2	3	
(B)	3	2	1	4	
(C)	2	3	4	1	
(D)	1	4	3	2	

59. Why was Antonio unable to pay his debt?

- ☒ (A) Ships are lost at sea
- (B) Unemployed
- (C) Careless for repaying
- (D) Spent lavishly

60. "Love's not Times fool, though rosy lips and cheeks". In which poem this line is taken from _____.
- (A) Solitary Reaper
 - (B) Be the Best
 - (C) A Psalm of Life
 - ✓ (D) Sonnet No.116
61. Who wrote this line? "Life is but an empty dream!"
- (A) William Wordsworth
 - ✓ (B) H.W. Longfellow
 - (C) Robert Frost
 - (D) William Shakespeare
62. What kind of figure of speech is applied in the following poetic line?
'Till the gossamer thread you fling catch somewhere O my soul'
- (A) Simile
 - (B) Metaphor
 - (C) Personification
 - ✓ (D) Oxymoron
63. The poem "The cry of the children" tells about the theme of _____.
- (A) Work is worship
 - (B) Time passing
 - ✓ (C) Child labour
 - (D) Laziness

64. Select the correct plural form.

Selva is an _____ of our college.

- (A) Alumni
- ☒ (B) Aluminus
- (C) Aluminis
- (D) Aluminies

65. Find out the Error.

Rakesh stood _____ Basker and Prabu.

- ☒ (A) between
- (B) on
- (C) among
- (D) to

66. Identify the kind of sentence.

It is really surprising that Sambath has not been arrested by the police.

- (A) Simple
- (B) Compound
- (C) Conditional clause
- ☒ (D) Complex

67. The theme observed in the poem 'Where the mind is without Fear' is _____.

- (A) A truly free and liberated ideal world
- (B) A world where there is green everywhere
- (C) A dream world where there is fear
- (D) A dream world where everybody is happy

68. 'Saki' – the author of the story 'The open window' is the pen-name of _____.

- (A) Guy de Maupassant
- (B) Rudyard Kipling
- (C) James Herriot
- (D) Hector Hugh Munro

69. Who said these words?

"A nation without a vision is like a ship cruising on high seas without aim or direction".

- (A) Gandhiji
- (B) Rajiv Gandhi
- (C) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (D) Indra Gandhi

70. Match the characters given under Column A with the stories given under Column B and select the correct option from those given below :

	Column A		Column B
(a)	Matilda	1.	Reflowering
(b)	Della	2.	The Lottery Ticket
(c)	Appa	3.	The Necklace
(d)	Masha	4.	The Gift of Magi

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	3	2	1	4
(B)	3	4	1	2
(C)	2	1	3	4
(D)	4	3	2	1



71. 'Softy in the dusk a woman is singin to me'

What is the time mentioned in this line?

- ☒ (A) Dusk
- (B) Noon
- (C) Dawn
- (D) Night

72. Who built the Brihadeeswarar Temple?

- (A) King Karikal Chola
- (B) King Rajendra Chola
- (C) King Mahendra Varman
- ☒ (D) King Raja Raja Chola

73. "Where the mind is led forward by thee"? Whom does the word 'thee' refer to?

- (A) Soul
- (B) Man
- (C) Earth
- ☒ (D) God

74. Who wrote the book 'The Discovery of India'?

- (A) Vallabhai Patel
- (B) Mahatma Gandhi
- ☒ (C) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (D) Nethaji

75. Match the phrasal verbs given in Column A with their meanings given in Column B.

Column A		Column B	
(a)	get on	1.	keep for future use
(b)	give in	2.	continue to resist
(c)	stand out	3.	yield
(d)	lay by	4.	cope with

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	3	2	4	1
(B)	2	1	3	4
☒ (C)	4	3	2	1
(D)	1	4	3	2

76. Identify the combination of the following compound word from the options.

“Goodwill”

- (A) Noun + Noun
☒ (B) Adjective + Noun
 (C) Noun + Verb
 (D) Adjective + Adjective

77. The word Trauma which is originated from Greek means

- (A) Culminating point
☒ (B) An emotional shock
 (C) Soul or mind
 (D) Confusion or disorder

78. Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined word.

Rakesh was inquisitive to know the secret.

- ☒ (A) curious
 (B) incurious
 (C) notorious
 (D) eager

79. Which of the following is by Rex Coker?

- (A) The Thief
- ☒ (B) A Close Encounter
- (C) The Stroke of Genius
- (D) A Race in Space

80. Mention the poem in which these lines occur.

God made "Heaven and Earth" for joy
He took in a rhyme.

- (A) The flying wonder
- (B) With a friend
- ☒ (C) Laugh and be Merry
- (D) My native land

81. What is the theme observed in the "Model Millionaire"?

- (A) Patriotism
- (B) Faith
- (C) Love
- ☒ (D) Appearances are deceptive

82. The story 'Caught sneezing' is adapted from a short story by _____.

- ☒ (A) Oscar Wilde
- (B) Tammy Ruggles
- (C) Rob Reilly
- (D) Mackinlay Kantor

83. "Et tu Brute"?

These are the famous words of _____.

- (A) Mark Antony
- (B) Decius Brutus
- (C) Cassius
- ☒ (D) Julius Caesar

84. Choose the American English equivalent of the word "Goods train".

- (A) Carriage train
- ☒ (B) Freight train
- (C) Baggage train
- (D) Luggage train

85. "Harmonic cacophony to oblivious ears" – Shilpi

Identify the figure of speech employed in this line.

- ☒ (A) Oxymoron
- (B) Metaphor
- (C) Alliteration
- (D) Simile

86. Among the following poems which one is written by Rudyard Kipling?

- (A) The cry of the children
- (B) Migrant bird
- ☒ (C) Manliness
- (D) Going for water

87. The American English equivalent of the word 'Pavement' is

- (A) pathway
- ☒ (B) sidewalk
- (C) corridor
- (D) passage

88. Find out the odd sentence from the following.

- (A) I have many pencils
- (B) She ate the whole apple
- (C) Jasmine is a fragrant flower
- ☒ (D) He ran fast

89. They were busy packing their suitcases _____?

Choose the correct question tag to fill in the blanks.

- (A) Were they?
- (B) Don't they?
- ☒ (C) Weren't they?
- (D) Won't they?

90. Choose the opposite of the word 'Charm' from the options given below.

- (A) Magic
- (B) Beauty
- ☒ (C) Ugliness
- (D) Elegance

91. Blend the following words and select the correct codes given below.

- | | |
|----------------|------------------|
| (a) Lecture | 1. Broadcast |
| (b) Technology | 2. Music |
| (c) News | 3. Wizard |
| (d) Pop | 4. Demonstration |

- | | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| (B) | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| ☒ (C) | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| (D) | 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 |

92. "O no! it is an ever fixed mark
That looks on tempests and is never shaken"
What does the poet compare 'true love' to, ?
(A) An ocean
(B) A cyclone
☒ (C) A Light house
(D) A tempest
93. Where did the little boy invite the giant?
(A) To the bank of a river
(B) To the hell
(C) To the Mountain
☒ (D) To His garden-The Paradise
94. Why did Bassanio need money?
☒ (A) To marry Portia
(B) To run a business
(C) Since he was a spendthrift
(D) To exile Antonio
95. Who brought many captives to Rome?
(A) Casca
☒ (B) Caesar
(C) Mark Antony
(D) Brutus
96. Identify the character who is not found in "The Last Leaf".
(A) Johnsy
(B) Sue
☒ (C) Gomathi
(D) Behrman

97. Which nationality the poet belongs to?

Ralph Waldo Emerson

- (A) Indian (B) American ✓
(C) China (D) England

98. In whose poem the following lines occur?

"Your problems are perplexing
Your chances rather slim"

- (A) Berton Braley
(B) Douglas Malloch
✓ (C) Hope Spencer
(D) Rudyard Kipling

99. "But it is not merely knowledge that will help you or help any class of human beings by itself".

This is addressed by Gokhale to

- (A) The Freedom Fighters
✓ (B) The Students
(C) His friends
(D) The teachers

100. In whose poem do the following lines occur.

"Join the jubilant song of the great stars sweeping by
Laugh and battle and work and drink of the wine outpoured"

- (A) Khalil Gibran
(B) Ralph Waldo Emerson
(C) H.W. Longfellow
✓ (D) John Masefield