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Solved Question Paper - 2010

Directions (51-55) : In the following questions, you have one brief passage with 5 questions. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

PASSAGE

(Question Nos. 51 to 55)

Although Indians spend less money on allopathic medicines than people in most Asian Countries, more than 40,000 drug formulations are available here. All manufacturers are required by law to provide information about their product either on the packaging or in a pamphlet inside. But, in many cases, this information is very meagre and hard to understand. Many doctors, too do not tell their patients anything about the drugs they prescribe.

What should we be concerned about when we take drugs? There are two areas : (1) Side effects. Many people taking a drug will notice an undesirable reaction, usually minor. But even the mildest drugs can do harm if

taken improperly, long enough or in excessive doses. And everyone responds to a drug differently. (2) Failure to follow directions. Many of us disobey prescription instructions on how much to take and when. It is easy to fall into thinking that more of the drug will speed up the healing. It is more common, however for people to stop taking a drug when they begin to feel better. This, too, can be dangerous.

What are the steps to be taken for safety? Take a drug only as recommended on the label or by the doctor. (2) If you feel ill after taking a drug, check it with a doctor. (3) Do not mix drugs. (4) Check whether any food or activities are to be avoided.

- 51.** Which one of the following statements is true ?
- (1) Indians use more than 40,000 allopathic drugs
 - (2) Indians hate allopathic medicines
 - (3) Other Asian countries do not have allopathic medicines
 - (4) Indians cannot afford allopathic drugs
- 52.** How are drug users to be instructed by the manufacturers ?
- (1) Doctors should give a manual of instruction.
 - (2) The Chemist should issue an instruction manual
 - (3) Information should be printed on the carton or in a pamphlet kept inside it
 - (4) Patients should keep in touch with drug manufacturers
- 53.** Only one of the following sentences is right. Identify it.
- (1) All medicines produce reactions of various degrees in their users
 - (2) Even mild drugs are not always safe
 - (3) Medicines should be discontinued as soon as we feel better
 - (4) More than the prescribed dose brings quicker recovery
- 54.** Drug manufacturers _____
- (1) do not give instructions
 - (2) give all instructions necessary
 - (3) give very little and unintelligible information
 - (4) give information only when asked
- 55.** Which one of the following is true?
- (1) Throw away the drug that produces side effects and try another
 - (2) Drugs may be taken with all kinds of foods
 - (3) Drugs do not inhibit our normal life style
 - (4) Drugs should be used only according to prescription
- Directions (56-60) :** In the following questions, some of the sentences have errors and some have none. Find out which part of a sentence has an error. The number of that part is your number. If there is no error, your answer is (4) i.e. No Error.
- 56.** The Manager put forward (1)/ a number of criterions/ (2) for the post. (3)/ No error (4).
- 57.** The Railways have made (1)/ crossing the tracks (2)/ a punished offence. (3)/ No error (4).
- 58.** A member shall be required (1)/ to pay interest at such rate (2)/ as is fixed by the committee. (3) No error (4).
- 59.** Citizens cannot afford (1)/ to take the law (2)/ out of their hands. (3)/ No error (4).
- 60.** The relatives of the deceased (1)/ threatened to avenge (2)/ his death. (3)/ No error (4).
- Directions (61-65) :** In the following questions sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.
- 61.** The explosion that _____ the bus killed twelve people .
- (1) wrecked (2) deflated
 - (3) stalled (4) hindered
- 62.** There was some _____ between the member's version and the committee's version.
- (1) discourse (2) discrepancy
 - (3) certainty (4) recurrence
- 63.** We have talked a lot ; now let us _____ to work.
- (1) get down (2) set off
 - (3) take off (4) sit up
- 64.** The life-guard would not let the children _____ at the deep end of the pool.
- (1) swims (2) swim
 - (3) swam (4) to swim
- 65.** The audience watched the clowns _____ their act.

- (1) performs
- (2) perform
- (3) performed
- (4) are performing

Directions (66-70) : In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

- 66. Savour**
(1) Taste (2) Protector
(3) Sour (4) Flavour
- 67. Rivalled**
(1) Hatred (2) Revised
(3) Competed
(4) Contradicted
- 68. Trimming**
(1) Skimming (2) Arranging
(3) Planning (4) Cutting
- 69. Pester**
(1) Annoy (2) Insect
(3) Upset (4) Paste

- 70. Disparity**
(1) Disseminate (2) Difference
(3) Discord (4) Difficulty

Directions (71-75) : In the following questions, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word.

- 71. Meagre**
(1) Numerous (2) Large
(3) Plentiful (4) Enormous
- 72. Professional**
(1) Amateur (2) Tradesman
(3) Labour (4) Customer
- 73. Scarcity**
(1) Scanty (2) Prosperity
(3) Majority (4) Plenty
- 74. Stale**
(1) Fresh (2) Old
(3) Steal (4) Stalk
- 75. Vacate**
(1) Evacuate (2) Validate
(3) Occupy (4) Empty

Directions (76-80) : In the following questions, four alternatives are given for the idiom/phrase printed in bold in the sentence. Choose the alternatives which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

- 76. The Manager doctored the accounts of the company.**
(1) to make changes in account books
(2) to clear the doctors bill
(3) to verify the accounts in detail
(4) to manipulate the accounts
- 77. She could never measure up to her parent expectation.**

- (1) reach the level
- (2) work as hard
- (3) assess the amount
- (4) increase her height

78. The little girl with her flawless performance stole the show.

- (1) stole something from the show
- (2) crept into the show
- (3) won everybody's praise
- (4) disappeared from the show

79. The thief was on good terms with the police.

- (1) kept terms and conditions
- (2) was friendly
- (3) followed the rules
- (4) agreed with them

80. John's offer of help was turned down by the police.

- (1) sent back
- (2) twisted around
- (3) refused
- (4) handed over.

Directions (81-85) : In the following questions, a part of the sentence is printed in bold. Below are given alternatives to the bold part at (1), (2) and (3) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed your answer is (4).

- 81. Did there bus come on time ?**
(1) their's
(2) theirs
(3) their
(4) No improvement

82. Mayank was working overtime for the last two weeks.

- (1) is working
- (2) is being working
- (3) has been working
- (4) No improvement

83. Every morning I get up at 4 O clock, but today I get up at 7 O clock.

- (1) got up
- (2) was getting up
- (3) am geeting up
- (4) No improvement

84. Most children are liking ice cream.

- (1) likes
- (2) like
- (3) were liking
- (4) No improvement

85. Supposing if he comes, what should I do ?

- (1) If he comes
- (2) In case he will come
- (3) In the event of his being come
- (4) No improvement

Directions (86-90) : In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence.

86. Able to use the left hand and right hand equally well

- (1) ambivert
- (2) ambidextrous
- (3) ambivalent
- (4) ambitious

87. One who hates women

- (1) philanthropist
- (2) ascetic
- (3) misogynist
- (4) misogynist

88. A system of naming things

- (1) horticulture
- (2) miniature
- (3) genocide
- (4) nomenclature

89. A raised passageway in a building

- (1) walkway
- (2) walkout
- (3) walkabout
- (4) walkover

90. A cure for all diseases

- (1) laxative (2) panacea
- (3) antidote (4) purgative

Directions (91-100) : In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. First read the passage over and try to understand what it is about. Then fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given.

PASSAGE

(Question Nos. 91 to 100)

There are certainly some things in common between science and religion. Both want the (91) of mankind. Only their ways and (92) are different. Then, both of them (93) to have truth as their basis. Religion (94) that the truth it (95) should be believed in with a blind (96). Science says that it should be studied, (97), tested and only then relied upon. If during (98) some new truth or new aspect of the truth (99), science is ready to accept (100). But religion is not ready for research, experiment and change in whatever has already been accepted or revealed.

- 91.** (1) goodwill (2) goodness
(3) welfare (4) best
- 92.** (1) manner
(2) demonstration
(3) style
(4) methods
- 93.** (1) say (2) claim
(3) assure (4) promise
- 94.** (1) wants (2) promotes
(3) shows (4) forces
- 95.** (1) proclaims (2) announces
(3) creates (4) ensures
- 96.** (1) belief (2) mind
(3) faith (4) trust
- 97.** (1) touched (2) felt
(3) seen (4) probed
- 98.** (1) hypothesis (2) research
(3) meditation
(4) concentration
- 99.** (1) emerges (2) comes
(3) presents (4) revealed
- 100.** (1) these (2) this
(3) it (4) them

Answer: English Language

51	1	76	4
52	3	77	1
53	1	78	2
54	2	79	2
55	2	80	3
56	3	81	3
57	3	82	3
58	3	83	1
59	2	84	2
60	3	85	1
61	2	86	2
62	1	87	4
63	2	88	4
64	1	89	1
65	2	90	2
66	2	91	3
67	3	92	4
68	4	93	2
69	4	94	1
70	3	95	1
71	3	96	3
72	3	97	4
73	4	98	2
74	2	99	2
75	3	100	3