

18. Match the titles of poems under Column A with the names of poets under Column B and choose the correct codes.
- | Column A | | Column B | |
|-----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----|
| (a) The Cry of the Children | 1. | Archibald Lampman | |
| (b) A Psalm of Life | 2. | Elizabeth Barrett Browning | |
| (c) To a Millionaire | 3. | William Wordsworth | |
| (d) The Solitary Reaper | 4. | Henry Wadsworth Longfellow | |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| (A) 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| (B) 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| (C) 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| (D) 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
19. Match the titles of the stories given under Column A with the names of the author under Column B and select the correct answer from the codes given below :
- | Column A | | Column B | |
|---------------------|-----|-------------------|-----|
| (a) The Last Leaf | 1. | Saki | |
| (b) Two Friends | 2. | O' Henry | |
| (c) The Refugee | 3. | Guy de Maupassant | |
| (d) The Open Window | 4. | Pearl S. Buck | |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| (A) 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| (B) 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| (C) 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| (D) 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
20. The story "Caught Sneezing" is adapted from the short story written by _____.
- (A) O' Henry (B) Robert Frost
(C) Bonnie Chamberlain (D) Oscar Wilde
21. Find the odd pair from the following :
- (A) The Face of Judas Iscariot – Bonnie Chamberlain
(B) A Close Encounter – Rex Coker
(C) Caught Sneezing – Oscar Wilde
(D) The Tears of the Desert – Rob Reilly
22. Identify the work which is not an autobiography :
- (A) My Experiments with Truth (B) Wings of Fire
(C) My Story (D) Glimpses of World History
23. The only people who were pleased to stay in the selfish Giant's garden were _____.
- (A) Spring and Summer (B) The Snow and the Frost
(C) The Birds and the animals (D) The trees and flowers

24. "Like a golden swarm of fireflies you came".

Identify the figure of speech employed in the poetic line :

- (A) Metaphor (B) Personification
(C) Transferred epithet (D) Simile

25. Identify the poetic line that differs in figure of speech from the other poetic lines :

- (A) Be not like dumb driven cattle
(B) He lifted his head from his drinking as cattle do
(C) You were the dawn
(D) Like homing bees you borrow

26. Choose the option with the right meaning of the idiom given below :

Show one's yellow streak

- (A) displaying yellow coloured stripes
(B) being inexperienced
(C) exhibiting one's cowardice
(D) painting the place yellow

27. Match the following words given under Column A with their meanings under Column B and select the correct answer from the codes given below :

Column A		Column B	
(a) interred		1. weapon	
(b) ruffle		2. abundant	
(c) copious		3. buried	
(d) armament		4. disturb	

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

28. From the given options, choose the author who has written. 'The Return of the Native'

- (A) Thomas Hardy (B) Douglas Malloch
(C) Patrick French (D) Robert Louis Stevenson

29. Tick the correct plural for the given word :

Criterion

- (A) criterium (B) criteria
(C) criterions (D) none of these

30. Identify the type of this sentence :

The old TV belongs to my sister and it needs repair

- (A) Simple (B) Complex
(C) Compound (D) None of these

31. Change the following sentence into comparative :

The apple is not so sweet as the mango

- (A) the mango is sweeter than the apple
(B) the apple is sweeter than the mango
(C) the mango is not sweeter than the apple
(D) the apple is more sweet than the mango

32. Identify the words which blend to form the word 'slang' and choose the correct answer from the codes given below :

- (A) slow + language (B) slovenly + language
(C) sleep + language (D) slum + language

33. Match the following words given under Column A with the blended forms under Column B :

Column A		Column B	
(a) medical + claim		1. comsat	
(b) transfer + resistor		2. mediclaim	
(c) telephone + telegram		3. transistor	
(d) communication + satellite		4. phonogram	

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|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| (B) | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| (C) | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| (D) | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |

34. The compound word sewing machine is of the form :

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

35. Match Column A with Column B to make meaningful sentences. Select the correct code given below :

Column A		Column B	
(a) The police found the thief		1. weeping all the while	
(b) I saw the bats		2. racing towards the earth	
(c) We noticed the lady		3. hiding behind the door	
(d) The astronomer observed a meteor		4. hanging from the roof	

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	1	3	2	4
(B)	2	1	4	3
(C)	4	2	3	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (D)	3	4	1	2

36. Fill in the blanks choosing the right pair of words in order :

The woman wearing a _____ (1) _____ went to the hotel to have _____ (2) _____ for dinner.

	(1)		(2)
(A)	wail	and	veal
(B)	veal	and	veil
(C)	vile	and	wail
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (D)	veil	and	veal

37. Pick out the noun that undergoes a change in its plural form :

(A) equipment	(B) staff
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (C) goose	(D) luggage

38. Form a new word by blending the words 'motorway' and 'hotel'.

(A) motohotel	(B) mowaytel
(C) motorel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (D) motel

39. Select the compound sentence :

- (A) The power of garlic is widely discussed by the medical community.
- (B) There is increasing evidence that garlic can lower cholestrol levels.
- (C) Doctors advise us to include garlic in our diet.
- (D) The garlic may smell bad, but it can save our lives from heart diseases.

40. Match the following poetic lines in Column A with their correct poets in Column B and select the correct code :

Column A

Column B

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|---|-------------------------------|
| (a) Stop be silent for today | 1. Walt Whitman |
| (b) O Winged seeds ! you crossed the furrowed sea | 2. H.W. Longfellow |
| (c) Trust no future, however pleasant | 3. V.K. Gokak |
| (d) Exult ! O Shores and ring, O bells ! | 4. Elizabeth Barrett Browning |

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|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| (A) | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (B) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| (C) | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (D) | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |

41. Match the poetic lines in Column A with the related poets in Column B and select the appropriate code :

Column A

Column B

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|--|-------------------|
| (a) Glad till the dancing stops and the lilt of the music ends | 1. Khalil Gibran |
| (b) We plant your fields with skulls and bones | 2. Robert Frost |
| (c) We ran as if to meet the moon | 3. Leslie Norris |
| (d) But he's locked in a concrete cell | 4. John Masefield |

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|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (A) | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (B) | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| (C) | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| (D) | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |

42. The poem 'Be the best' by Douglas Malloch is about

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| (A) being optimistic | (B) being contented |
| (C) self-acceptance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (D) all the above |

43. What is the theme of the poem 'Piano'?

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| (A) The poet's love for his mother |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (B) The pastime of the poet during his school days |
| (C) The poet's love for music |
| (D) The poet's comparison of childhood days with manhood days |

44. Choose the correct antonym of the word underlined in the following sentence :

I therefore dismiss it with frigid tranquility.

- (A) sedation (B) irritation
(C) agitation (D) desperation

45. Things become better, when you expect the best instead of the worst. Expecting the best means, that you put your whole heart into what you want to accomplish. People are defeated in life not for lack of ability, but for lack of whole-heartedness.

The reason for defeat in life is :

- (A) failure (B) affordability
(C) lack of ability (D) lack of whole heartedness

46. Identify the sentence which is in the comparative degree

- (A) Tennyson is not the greatest of all Poets
(B) Some Poets are atleast as great as Tennyson
(C) Tennyson is not greater than some other Poets
(D) Tennyson is the great Poet

47. Identify the complex sentence.

- (A) As the war had ended, the soldiers returned.
(B) The war being ended the soldiers returned.
(C) The war ended and so the soldiers returned.
(D) The soldiers returned after the war.

48. Fill in the blanks with the correct verb forms given in sequence :

The teacher _____ the exercises which Nila _____.

- (A) corrected, had prepared (B) corrected, prepares
(C) corrects, is preparing (D) corrects, have prepared

49. I Stood in awe, astonishment and reverence when I saw a walled fortress inside – a standing testimony of the Chola's. Opulence and vision. Give the antonym for the underlined word.

- (A) Kindness (B) Richness
(C) Hardness (D) Poverty

50. Select the apt suffix to form a meaningful word from the root word Chronology

- (A) able (B) ical
(C) ity (D) ness

51. Choose the correct prefix to form a meaningful word from the root word – filament

- (A) pre (B) un
(C) mono (D) unm

52. Match the words under Column A with the words under Column B to form compound words :

Column A		Column B	
(a) good		1. forgotten	
(b) nerve		2. humoured	
(c) long		3. fangled	
(d) new		4. racking	

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

53. Complete the sentence choosing an option from those given below :

Yesterday _____ European met me.

- (A) an (B) a
(C) the (D) no article

54. Fill in the blank with the suitable article

_____ MP is a member of the parliament.

- (A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) no error

55. In which of the poem do the following lines occur?
And in the hush we joined to make
We heard, we knew we heard the brook.
- (A) The cry of the children (B) Going for water
(C) Be the best (D) Migrant Bird
56. Which of the following is not a poem?
- (A) Snake (B) Women's Rights
(C) The Man He Killed (D) To the Land of Snow
57. In whose biography do you find this statement?
'I would sweep them out of existence if I had the power'.
- (A) Jawaharlal Nehru (B) Nelson Mandela
(C) Abraham Lincoln (D) Mahatma Gandhi
58. Identify the sentence with the wrong question tag :
- (A) Ramu went to Assam last week, didn't he?
(B) The Australians will not win the finals, will they?
 (C) People shouldn't be rude to one another, shouldn't they?
(D) The bus is early today, isn't it?
59. Identify the tense form of the verb underlined :
- They have been building the bridge for several months.
- (A) Perfect tense (B) Present perfect continuous tense
(C) Simple present tense (D) Present perfect tense
60. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct tense forms from the options given below :
- I will go to meet him rather than _____ for him.
- (A) wait for him (B) to wait for him
(C) will wait for him (D) shall wait for him

61. Fill in the blank with the correct answer from the following options.

“The Story of My Life” is the autobiography of _____.

- (A) Albert Einstein (B) Winston Churchill
(C) Annie Besant (D) Helen Keller

62. The first astronaut who stayed in space for the longest period of 195 days is _____.

- (A) Sunitha Williams (B) Rakesh Sharma
(C) Neil Armstrong (D) Kalpana Chawla

63. “My first duty on rising is to tender my most sincere and grateful thanks to the students for their address which they have just now presented to me.....”

By whom were these words uttered?

- (A) Mother Teresa (B) Indira Gandhi
(C) Gopala Krishna Gokhale (D) Mahatma Gandhi

64. Match the authors with the relevant characters from their books :

Column A		Column B	
(a) Alice		1. Guy de Maupassant	
(b) Bertie Wooster		2. P.G. Woodhouse	
(c) Mowgli		3. Lewis Carroll	
(d) Matilda		4. Rudyard Kipling	

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|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| (B) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| (C) | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| (D) | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |

65. Which of the following literary works does not exhibit the theme of ‘Optimism’?

- (A) Be the Best (B) Keep your spirits high
(C) The Mark of Vishnu (D) Where the Mind is without fear

66. Which of the following lines do not belong to Shakespeare's Sonnet no : 116?

- (A) ‘O’, no! it is an ever-fixed mark (B) It is the star to every wandering bark
(C) Echoes fade and memories die... (D) Love's not Time's fool

67. Read the passage and answer the question that follows :
In building up a strong, free and democratic India, openmindedness and constructive approach are required so that she could make a speedy progress crossing the hurdles of communalism, separation and untouchability. The passage points out that :
- (A) Communalism, separation and untouchability were prevalent in India, then.
 - (B) India had overcome the hurdles of communalism, separation and untouchability.
 - (C) India was too openminded to make a speedy progress.
 - (D) India did not need a constructive approach.
68. 'If the Himalayan ice disappears, the future will be worse'. This statement is about _____.
- (A) communal disharmony
 - (B) advantages of science and technology
 - (C) an alarming global issue
 - (D) astrological science
69. "Where the world has not been broken up into fragments by narrow domestic walls"
Name the poet who dreamt of a world with equality and harmony.
- (A) Ruskin Bond
 - (B) Robert Frost
 - (C) Rabindranath Tagore
 - (D) Walt Whitman
70. Mention the poem in which the following lines appear :
"He should be lurking in the shadow
Sliding through the long grass".
- (A) The Bird and the Crumb
 - (B) A Tiger in the Zoo
 - (C) The Road Not Taken
 - (D) Snake
71. _____ was the author, whose story has been adapted as 'Caught Sneezing'.
- (A) Rudyard Kipling
 - (B) Rabindranath Tagore
 - (C) Oscar Wilde
 - (D) Kamala Das
72. Which of the following is not a poem?
- (A) Punishment in Kindergarten
 - (B) Making Visible the Invisible
 - (C) The Solitary Reaper
 - (D) The Cry of the Children
73. Which of the following poems is written by Lewis Carroll?
- (A) Is life, but a dream?
 - (B) The Man he killed
 - (C) The Apology
 - (D) English Words

74. Match the poetic lines under Column A with the figures of speech under Column B and select the correct answer from the codes given below :

	Column A				Column B			
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	1.	2.	3.	4.
(a)	So now it is Vain for the singer to burst into clamour				simile			
(b)	Laugh till the game is played				alliteration			
(c)	The reddest flower would look as pale as snow				metaphor			
(d)	Through fears and fright I fly my flight				onomatopoeia			
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)				
(A)	1	2	4	3				
(B)	3	1	2	4				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (C)	4	3	1	2				
(D)	2	4	3	1				

75. Having overloaded myself I reached the Palace in search of all the glory of the old Chola capital. The 16th Century Palace was built by the Nayaks and later renovated by the Marathas.

Who built the Palace in Thanjavur?

- (A) The Marathas (B) The Cholas
 (C) The Nayaks (D) The Pandavas

76. Music has a way of finding the big, invisible moving pieces inside our hearts and soul and helping us figure out the position of things inside us. What does 'figure out' mean?

- (A) make out (B) take out
 (C) look out (D) seek out

77. Laugh till the game is played and be you merry, my friends. In the above quoted lines from 'Laugh and be Merry' by John Masefield the figure of speech that occur is

- (A) simile (B) metaphor
 (C) alliteration (D) apostrophe

78. Which state does the poet Kamala Surraya belong to?
 (A) Tamil Nadu
 (B) Kerala
 (C) Maharastra
 (D) Andra Pradesh

79. Match the pen names in Column A to the writers in Column B and choose the correct answer from the codes given below :

Column A		Column B	
(a) O Henry		1. Charles Lutwidge Dodgson	
(b) Madhvikutty		2. William Sydney Porter	
(c) Lewis Carroll		3. Hector Hugh Munro	
(d) Saki		4. Kamala Das	

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

80. Match the short stories under Column "A" with their authors under Column "B" and select the correct code :

Column A		Column B	
(a) A Man Who Had No Eyes		1. James Harriot	
(b) Sorry, Best Friend		2. Charles	
(c) God, This is Charles		3. Hemangini Ranade	
(d) Every Living Thing		4. Mackinlay Kantor	

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

81. Match the characters, with the relevant story title and select the correct codes given below :

(a) Mr. Parsons		1. Holiday	
(b) Bishvambhar		2. Reflowering	
(c) Djinn		3. A Man Who Had No Eyes	
(d) Rowther		4. How the Camel got His Humph	

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

82. Combine the words given under Column A with those given under Column B to form compound words :

Column A		Column B	
(a)	flash	1.	dream
(b)	day	2.	set
(c)	sun	3.	green
(d)	sea	4.	light

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	1	2	3	4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (B)	4	1	2	3
(C)	2	3	1	4
(D)	3	2	4	1

83. Choose the right word to complete the idiom :

I go to movies once in a _____ moon.

- | | |
|--|------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (A) blue | (B) grey |
| (C) green | (D) yellow |

84. Match the following phrases/idioms given under Column A with their meanings under Column B and select the correct answer from the codes given below :

Column A		Column B	
(a)	to stir up	1.	healthy
(b)	to be on cloud nine	2.	to stay away without permission
(c)	to play truant	3.	to initiate
(d)	in the pink of	4.	to be very happy

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (A)	3	4	2	1
(B)	4	3	2	1
(C)	2	1	4	3
(D)	1	2	3	4

85. Choose the American English equivalent of the word 'freight car'

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|-----------|---|
| (A) van | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (B) wagon |
| (C) tempo | (D) truck |

86. Fill in the blank with a suitable article :

Students are asked to attend _____ special class, to be held in the evening.

- (A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) no article

87. Select the complex sentence :

- (A) Arun attended the interview and got selected
(B) We could not guess what he actually wanted
(C) My uncle has gone to Mumbai to finalise a business proposal
(D) The pilgrims had to cancel the trip because of bad weather

88. Form a new word by blending the words.

news + broadcast

- (A) newcast (B) newsbroad
(C) newsbroadcast (D) newscast

89. Identify the superlative degree in the sentences given below :

- (A) Mr. Robertson is more helpful than most other persons
(B) Mr. Robertson is helpfuller than other persons
(C) Mr. Robertson is one of the most helpful persons
(D) Very few persons are as helpful as Mr. Robertson

90. Choose the correct passive form of the sentence given below :

We should help the poor.

- (A) The poor have to be helped. (B) The poor should be helped.
(C) The poor must be helped. (D) The poor was to be helped.

91. Match the characters in Column A with the authors in Column B and select the correct answer from the codes given below :

Column A

- (a) Lady Anstey
(b) Tendai
(c) Gunga Ram
(d) Outhakutty

Column B

1. Lakshmi Mukundan
2. Thakazhi Sivasankaran Pillai
3. E.M. Forster
4. Khushwant Singh

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

92. Match the underlined words in Column A with their parts of speech in Column B and select the correct answer from the codes given :

Column A				Column B
(a)	The King <u>appointed</u> a minister			1. noun
(b)	<u>Gold</u> is a precious metal			2. verb
(c)	It is a <u>pleasant</u> evening			3. adverb
(d)	He <u>always</u> speaks the truth			4. adjective
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	1	3	2	4
(B)	2	4	3	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (C)	2	1	4	3
(D)	2	3	4	1

93. Match the underlined words in Column A with their parts of speech in Column B and select the correct answer from the codes given :

Column A				Column B
(a)	I dream of my <u>happy</u> days			1. verb
(b)	We are <u>always</u> busy			2. noun
(c)	The <u>teacher</u> teaches History			3. adverb
(d)	He <u>plays</u> cricket			4. adjective
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	1	3	2	4
(B)	4	3	2	1
(C)	2	3	1	4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (D)	4	2	3	1

94. Choose the option which contains the correct sequence of words to be filled.

Ranjith _____ and _____ his leg when he _____ from a bus.

- (A) slips, injured, is alighting (B) slipped, injures, was alighting
 (C) slipped, injured, was alighting (D) has slipped, injures, was alighting

95. Match the following sentences given in Column A with their patterns given in Column B and select the correct answer from the codes given below :

Column A				Column B
(a)	The teacher teaches a lesson			1. SVOA
(b)	The sun shines brightly			2. SVC
(c)	He broke his cycle yesterday			3. SVO
(d)	The car is cheap			4. SVA
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	1	2	4	3
(B)	3	2	1	4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (C)	3	4	1	2
(D)	3	4	2	1

96. "Every man may profit by the example of truly great men, if he is bent on making the most of himself and his circumstances". This theme is reflected in :
- (A) 'Laugh and Be Merry' by John Masefield
(B) 'Leisure' by Walter De la Mare
 (C) 'A Psalm of life' by H.W. Longfellow
(D) 'O Captain, My Captain' by Walt Whitman
97. Identify the option that contains the answer to the following statement :
_____ was the tribal leader who wrote a letter to the President of the USA.
- (A) Chief Norman (B) Chief Njumba
 (C) Chief Seathl (D) Chief Houda
98. "Not failure but low aim is crime", says Browning. What according to Browning is a crime?
- (A) Failing in an attempt (B) Aiming at the incredible
(C) Failing repeatedly (D) Not aiming high
99. "Envy is ignorance and imitation is suicide".
Who said this?
- (A) Emerson (B) Gandhiji
(C) Swami Vivekananda (D) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
100. Which of the following poems is written by an Indian Poet?
- (A) The Apology (B) Where the mind is without fear
(C) Going for water (D) Earth